Prize Crew Hauled Down American Flag and Damaged Ship-Washington's View of Incident.

BERLIN, Jan. 19.-Charges of insults to the American flag and of improper interference with his versel have been transmitted to Washington by Captain Farley, of the American steamship Greenbrier, now in Bremen harbor. The Greenbrier sailed from New Orleans for Bremen with a cargo of cotton, December 10, after the State Department had assured her owners that she would not be interfered with.

The story of the hold-up on the high seas, an recorded in the logbook of the Greenbrier, has been sent to Secretary Bryan by Captain Farley under instructions from the owners of the steamship, The record declares that on December 30, while proceeding toward the German coast, the vessel, which was flying the American flag, was halted by a solid shot across her bows, fired from a British

A cutter's crew in charge of an of ficer boarded the steamship and the of-ficer demanded the ship's papers. As soon us they were shown the British officer signaled for more men. A prize crew was sent aboard, and then he ordered the American flag hauled down and the Brit-

ish ensign raised above the steamship. Captain Farley says that he refused to comply and alleges he was ordered from his bridge while the prise crew took over the ship. They holeted the British flag and then headed the liner toward the British cosst. Captain Farley aleges that through incompetent navigation by the British officer and incapable handling of the prize crew his vessel was damaged.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—Complaint regarding British treatment of the steamship Greenbrier had not yet reached the State Department today. Officials expressed doubt whether charges of unwarranted interference and an insult to the American flag could be sustained. It was stated that the course followed by British naval officers in hoisting the British flag and lowering the Stars and Stripes on the Greenbrier was the code of international law, British naval authorities having taken charge of the vessel and their flag and authority having temporarily superseded that of the Americanoparily superseded the superseded that of the Americanoparily superseded the superseded the superseded that of the Americanoparily superseded the superseded the superseded the supersed the superseded the superseded the superseded the superseded the supersed the superseded the supersed the super WASHINGTON, Jan. 19 .- Complaint retemporarily superseded that of the American skipper. Firing of a shot to half her was also said to be according to the

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OFFICIAL WAR REPORTS

FRENCH in Relgium there is a severe snow-storm. There has been an internit-tent cannonade. There is also a snowstorm in the region of Arras, where our heavy artillery silenced in several combats the enemy's batteries. As was combats the enemy's batteries. As was reported yesterday, a very sharp engasement is developing at La Boiselle, where, following a fire, we were compelled to evacuate our positions on the night of January 17-18. We retook these on January 18 at daybreak. The enemy has not renewed his attack on that part of the front.

In the sector of Solssons the bom-bardment of St. Paul during the night of January 17-18 was not followed by any infantry attacks, and the day of January 18 was absolutely caim. In the valley of the Aisne, to the

cast of Soissons, and in the sector of libeline, there were satilliery combate. To the northwest of Ponta-Mousson we captured a new field works in La Pretre forest, where we now occupy M9 yards of German trenches.
In the Vosges there is a severe snow-storm. There has been a cannonade, particularly in the region of Baudasapt and in the sector of Thann.

GERMAN

In the western theatre of war, ex-

In the western theatre of war, except for a few unimportant skirmishes, only artillery due is occurred along the entire front yesterday.

In the castern theatre of war the weather is very unfavorable.

At Radonzonow, Cleshun and Serpez (all in northern Poland) we repulsed the Russians with heavy losses. We took several hundred prisoners. West of the Vistula and east of the Pilica the situation is unchanged.

RUSSIAN

On the left bank of the River Vis-tula we delivered a counter attack, the night of January 17, and we reoc-cupled certain trenches near the vil-lage of Gouming which the enemy had captured the right of January 18. The German detachments defending

The Gorman detachments defending these trenches were virtually annihitated. The subsequent efforts made by the enemy in this locality to attack were without success.

The same night the Germans tried twice to assume the offensive on the Goulki-Vissouffke front, but they were discovered in time by our searchlights and were dispersed by our fire. In the region to the east of Piotrwok (south of Lodz) our artillery has destroyed an armored motorcar of the enemy.

New attempts made by the Germans to bombard Tarnow (in Gallofa) with heavy guns were frustrated by the excellent fire of our artillery.

CZAR FORCES FOE BACK TO FRONTIER

Continued from Page One
Vancing toward Thorn, they also declare,
the Germans will be compelled to weaken
their forces upon their other fronts,
which will compel them to abandon any

idea of a drive to Ivangorod.

(This is the first hint that the German offensive in Poland is also aimed at Ivangorod. That this possibility is even con-sidered in Fetrograd shows that the Ger-

mans have made more progress than their official reports have asserted.)
It is admitted that the situation in Galicia is not all that might have been desired. The Austrian defense of Cracow is believed to have been stiffened by the arrival of German troops. Those are said to have been transferred from Belgium to the Galician front.

RUSSIANS SINK FOUR TURK SHIPS IN HARBOR OF SINOPE

Daring Exploit of Torpedo Craft Off Asia Minor.

PETROGRAD, Jan. 18 .- News of a daring exploit by a flotilla of Russian tor-pedoboats was received here today from Sebastopol. The little vessels dashed into the Turkish harbor of Sinope, on the north coast of Asia Minor, under the guns of the Ottoman forts, at night, and

ank four vessels, the steamship Meorges and three sailing ships.

These vessels had been taken over by the Turkish Government to serve as transports in place of those recently sunk by Russian warships on the Black Sea.

TERROR IN CONSTANTINOPLE SALONIKA, Jan. 19.—Private advices from Constantinople declare that a reign of terror prevails in the Ottoman capital and reiterate reports that Adrianople has

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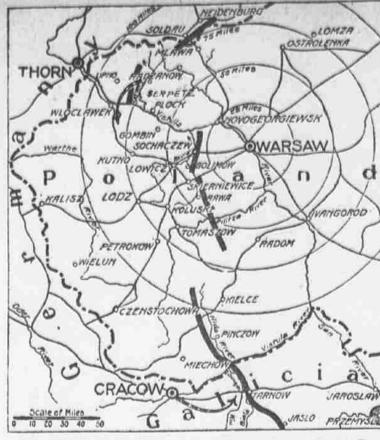
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BATTLE ZONES IN POLAND



The accompanying map shows the battleground on which the Russians, Germans and Austrians are fighting, and illustrates the tactice of the Russians in attempting to drive the Teutonic Allies from their lines fronting at Warsaw. In northern Poland Russian armies are advancing along the right bank of the lower Vistula and also through the region from Misman and Signer with the region from the region from the region of the same statement of the the region from Mlawa and Sierpc, with the evident object of cutting in behind Plock and severing the German communications with Thorn. In the south the German and Austrian armies hold positions on the left bank of the Nida River and the right bank of the Dunajec. They are trying to force the Russian lines at the centre of this region. In the centre, along the Bzura-Rawka front, the fighting continues, but interest is centred on the operations to the north and south.

TURKS' STRONGHOLD WITH BUT 5000 MEN MENACED BY RUSSIA

Erzerum, in Armenia, Only 60 Miles Away as Czar's Hosts Sweep Back Turks.

PETROGRAD, Jan. 19.—Pursuit of the Turkish troops fleeing before the Russians in the Caucasus is being pressed with great vigor, despite the severe weather prevailing there. The Russian troops are now only 60 miles from Erze rum, whose garrison is said to have been reduced to 5000 men in order to reinforce the Turks defeated at Ardaha. Sarl-Kamysh and Kara Urgan.

The Bourse Gazette's Tiffis correspond ent says that the German-trained Turks seemed to court disaster in their Caucausus operations. He telegraphs as fol-

"They invited their fate by offering battle only 20 miles from the scene of their earlier reverses. It seems that the Russian victory was due to a few com-panies sent forward to arrest the Turks' advance on Sari-Kamysh, at whatever cost, pending the arrival of the main Russian force.

Russian force.

"Two companies from Hassankali posted in the mountains repulsed desperate Turkish attacks for several days and nights though they were almost buried in snow. Seven companies and two batteries held the Turks' centre while the Russians were outflanking the enemy. "Kara Urgan was a repetition of Sari-Kamrsh. The Turks were completely." Kamysh

In one region the Russians found the French capital is soon to begin.

to death. Their rifles were still grasped in their hands. The temperature was 13 degrees below zero. Fahrenheit. There were some Turks still alive and they tried to put up a fight, but were quickly made prisoners.

AUSTRIANS ATTEMPT NEW INVASION OF SERB SOIL

Nish War Office Announces Stub born Resistance.

NISH, Jan. 19. Official unnouncement was made here today that a new Austrian army is at empting to invade Servia.

New fortifications have been built to opose the invading force, and the Servian War Office asserts that the invasion wil

CZAR IN EAST PRUSSIAN STRONGHOLD, LONDON HEARS

Capture of Outer Forts at Loetzen Is Reported.

LONDON, Jan. 19. A dispatch from Warsaw to the Daily Telegraph says it is reported there that the Russians have captured two of the outer forts of Lotzen, in East Prussia.

The fortress of Lotzen, or Boyen, is the most easterly of the great German strongholds. It is situated in the Manerian Lake region and commands the only road through that region. It is 30 miles from the Russian frontier.

ZEPPELIN FLIES OVER PARIS

Reported That Air Attack Is to Be Made Soon.

COPENHAGEN, Jan. 19.—A private dis-patch from Berlin reports that a Zeppelin rship suited over Paris yesterday, and

BRITAIN DECLINES TO WAIVE ITS RIGHT TO SEIZE THE DACIA

U. S. Request to Make Exception Refused in Note to State Department—Precedent Feared.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19 .- Great Britain today notified the State Department that t would not waive its right to seize the steamship Dacia, recently transferred from German to American registry, even though the ship sailed for Rotterdam instead of Bremen.

Great Britain also refused this Government's request that the vessel be permitted to make one voyage with cotton from the United States to Germany without the voyage being considered a precedent establishing the right of German ships to be transferred to the American

Ambassador Page at London stated that the British Foreign Office refused. to make an exception in the Dacia case

on th broad ground that it would be setting a precedent. The Dacia is at Galveston with a \$75,-00 cargo of cotton, now about ready to sail. It is not expected the owners will take the risk.

While the text of the note was not given out by the State Department officials, it is understood that Great Britain agreed to pay the owners of the Dacia cargo the same prices for their cotton that they would have received in Germany. It was made clear, according to good authority, that England did not object to the shipment of cotton to Germany, but the shipment of cotton to Germany, but to the employment of the ship itself in the transportation of American goods to a country with which it is at war.

Sir Edward Grey is said to base his decision on the ground that if the Dacla, which was one of the crack boats of the Hamburg-American line, could be transferred for the purpose of carrying goods to Germany, it would establish a precedent that would make difficult the regulation of traffic to Germany and Austria. tion of traffic to Germany and Austria In other words, it was explained, the British Government felt that under such recognition German ships in every neu-

SAILINGS OF SHIPS HERE DEPEND ON DACIA CASE

ral port might be transferred to other

Britain's Refusal of U. S. Request Affects Proposed Transfer.

Local shipping men are interested today in the attitude of the British Government refusing to consent to the proposed trip of the cotton steamship Dacia to Rotterdam on account of her transfer rom German to American registry. Two

German boats, owned by the Hamburg-American line, are now interned at this port and there is a rumor that a New York shipping agency has an option to change them to American registry.

The captain of the Dacia, which is now loading at Galveston. Is Robert McDonald, who is known at this port as a former skipper of the steamship LaBalle. Inquiry was made of the British Government from Washington whether the ship would be permitted to make the trip to Rotterdam without settling the question of the transferred registry and today the British Government responded that it culd not consent to such a trip.

The liners interned at this port are the Prinz Oscar and the Rhaetla. They have been lying up at docks in the Delawars since the outbreak of the war. So far there has been no confirmation of the rumor that they may be taken over by an American firm. Local shipping men believe the new owners of the Bacia are

an American firm. Local supping men believe the new owners of the Dacia are foolish to attempt to send the ship to Rotterdam. They believe they should put the vessel into some other trade.

RUMANIA'S WARLIKE MOVE RIDICULED BY BULGARIAN

Envoy to U. S. Discounts Mobilization Reports.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Jan. 19.-Emphatically denying the truth of dispatches telling of the massing of Bulgarian troops on the borders of Servia and Rumania, M. Stephen Panaratoff, Bulgarian Minister to the United States, declared in an interview at Steelton today, that Bulgaria would maintain its neutrality.

M. Panaratoff came from Washington last night to address the members of a Bulgarian colony in Steelton and to witness the ceremonies attending the observance of Epiphany today.

In reply to a question as to how Bulgaria viewed the Rumanian mobilization, M. Panarartoff said:

"I have seen dispatches declaring that Bulgaria has massed its troops on the Servian and Rumantian frontiers. You may say that is a lie; Bulgaria has not mobilized any troops."

The Miniater further declared that he didn't believe dispatches asserting Ru-mania had mobilized 600,000 were true,

"Rumania cannot mobilize 600,004 ef-fective fighting men. It might put that many in the field, counting old men and boys. Its effective fighting force is near-

FLANDERS TRENCHES POUNDED BY BIG GUNS

registry, used during the war in the carrying trade, and at the end of the war be returned to the German flag. Artillery Duel in North Grows More Furious.

> PARIS, Jan. 19 The artillery duel in the north has been The artillery duel in the north has been resumed with increased vigor, and at St. Omer, in Belgium, the cannonade is so heavy on both sides that havoe is being wrought in the trenches. At Nieuport and Ypres the German guns are almost constantly in action.
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> The British military authorities at Ypres state that 125 residents of the city have been killed in the German bombardment. Of the 8000 residents of Ypres 2000 refused to leave their homes. It is said that food is abundant in the town and

that food is abundant in the town and that prices are normal.

FRENCH TAKE FOES TRENCHES IN BATTLE IN ARGONNE REGION

Ground Gained in Movement to Clear Forest of L Pretrie and Advance Upon

PARIS, JAB. B Capture of additional German and works in the forests of La Pretre, sens. west of Pont-a-Mousson, in the Arche egion, reported by the War Office be day, led to the confident belief here the further progress by the French forcer a that region will cause the complete win drawal of the enemy's forces from na woods and open the way for an advice-

woods and open the way for an advance on Metz.

The recapture by the French of the former positions at La Boiselle. 35 mortheast of Amiens, which was nounced last night, was confirmed a statement issued by the War Office of

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Because of a blizzard in Beigium ten has been only an intermittent cannade. A heavy snow storm is also rates in the region of Arras, but despite no story and artillers has also received. in the region of Arras, but despite to the heavy French artillery has silenced number of the German batteries. Military experts here today considers the full in German activities about sethe full in German activities about \$2.5 sons as a bad omen. A renewal of us desperate fighting is expected moment arily, and it is believed here that he Kalser's forces will shortly beain a preme effort to force a gap in the Albalines at this point. The full in the arm levy duel that has shattered the city has suggested to the experts here that so ditional German infantry reinforces. ditional German infantry reinforcements are being brought up for commencing at the attack.

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At the eastern extremity of the lore battle line, particularly near Bandeard and Thann, in Alsace, a violent campade is in progress,

ade is in progress.

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