

Russian Bombs on 5 French Towns

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Dunkirk Again Assailed by Squadron of Taubes—Sixty Shells Dropped on City Cause But Little Damage.

PARIS, Feb. 2.—German aviators hurled bombs with deadly effect in the region southeast of Verdun, according to word received here today.

News of the latest German air raid reached Paris on the heels of the announcement that German Taubes had again successfully bombed Dunkirk, raining 60 shells upon the seacoast town.

Raiders Started From Metz. The latest German sky raids were executed from Metz. At least six German aviators with observers, crossed the French lines near Pont-a-Mousson and rained bombs upon Nancy, Lunville, Remiremont and other towns within a radius of 75 miles.

Low-hung clouds protected the birdmen as they crossed the French lines in the woods near Pont-a-Mousson. They first came into view over Pont-a-Mousson as they swooped earthward and began spitting explosives into the streets.

A missile exploded in the narrow courtyard of a school. A few minutes before the recent raid, a fragment of the bomb tore a gap in the roof of the school.

Lunville had been paid frequent visits by hostile aviators. When the first monoplane was sighted rushing down upon the city from Nancy all residents promptly took to their cellars.

Dispatches from Remiremont said that only one German aviator visited that town. One bomb crashed to earth at the door of a maternity hospital, but no damage was done.

Disasters in the rear. The squadron of six German aviators who paid the latest visit to Dunkirk dropped both explosive bombs and flaming torpedoes according to advices from the seacoast town.

Poor Will Suffer, Politicians Profit

Continued from Page One. Bureau of Charities, Bureau of Health and Bureau of Sanitation and Housing. The new bill aims to have a chief appointed to each division and have him issue a set of rules relating to the regulation of health law.

"I feel certain Governor Brumbaugh will never sign the bill so cleverly drawn by certain politicians," said Bishop Suffran, Thomas W. Gardner, of the Episcopal Diocese of Pennsylvania.

"The housing code passed by the last Legislature and signed by Governor Tener was a good measure. It was properly enforced by our city fathers and would have decreased the number of deaths in Philadelphia."

"Every self-respecting citizen should become interested in the measure, which Council's Finance Committee is eager to railroad through the Legislature. Petitions should be forwarded to Governor Brumbaugh urging him not to sign the bill in the event the Legislature passes it."

Common Councilman Dripps, of the 22d Ward, who is in favor of the measure passed two years ago, said: "Council's Finance Committee is simply trying to carry out a plan by which jobs can be created for political friends."

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OFFICIAL WAR REPORTS

Russian

On Sunday the Germans concentrated a great force with artillery in the region of Sochaczew, Borjow and Bialow (east of Lodz in Poland) and developed an offensive of great tenacity which compelled us to retire to our second line of trenches.

Counter attacks by the Russians through our fire and bayonet attacks, caused them colossal losses. Simultaneously with the Borjow attack the Germans carried out a series of assaults against the front from the village of Goume to the hamlet of Moghelt, these being supported by heavy artillery fire.

Between noon and 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon the Germans, thanks to the activity of their artillery against our trenches, succeeded in carrying a part of them. At 5 o'clock we began a general counter attack, with the result that toward evening on Sunday the enemy retained only a narrow strip of front over a distance of 500 meters.

According to our military commanders, our artillery inflicted immense damage upon the Germans, dispersing dense gatherings of the enemy and reducing to almost a number of German batteries. As a result of this we were able to withstand the withering fire of the enemy.

After the fighting in the Lippo-Dobrynia front (against Thorn) it required 80 charges to remove the enemy's wounded.

German prisoners taken in the Borjow district say that the German attack on Sunday was directed against 14 kilometers long cost the Germans between January 23 and January 30 over 6000 killed, besides many wounded.

In the Carpathians from January 25 to January 30 on the Nijnia-Polianska-Wysook front, we captured 78 officers and 4063 men, and took 10 rapid-fire guns and 4 cannon.

(Appended to the official statement on the following fronts: The severe encounters on the Sochaczew-Borjow front and on the Rawka and Buzza Rivers indicate that the Germans are making another attempt to move on Warsaw. The front line of our forces in this region is about 30 miles from Warsaw.)

FRENCH. The day of February 1 was marked by an increase in the intensity of the artillery duels on both sides.

It was also noted by a series of German attacks of secondary importance, which were all repulsed with heavy losses to the enemy in proportion to the forces engaged.

In Belgium, the German heavy artillery has shown a great deal of activity upon the whole front occupied by the Belgian troops and especially against the several points of support, which the Belgians had captured some time ago.

In the region of the Yser, around Ypres, a very violent cannonade has taken place. Between the Lys and the Somme a German regiment attacked an English post near Quinchy and succeeded in throwing back the English, but the British by a series of counter-attacks recaptured the ground lost, and then made some progress, capturing some of the enemy's trenches.

The action referred to in the communiqué of February 1, 11 p. m., as taking place at battalion. The two opening attacks were checked by our fire; the first succeeded in entering one of our trenches, but a counter attack made immediately with the bayonet permitted us to repulse it. Allied soldiers alone succeeded in regaining their trenches. All the others were killed or made prisoners.

Between the Somme and the Oise and along the front of the Aisne no important event has taken place, with the exception of the German attack made upon Beaumont Hamel, which was not renewed.

Our heavy artillery has bombarded the railroad station at Noyon, where the enemy was carrying out his commissary work. Our guns caused two explosions, the smoke of which hung in the air for more than two and a half hours.

In the region of Perthes our methodical progress continues. We have secured a number of small forests to the north-west of this village.

In the Voivre the enemy has attempted an attack upon the western corner of the forest of Boucholt to the north-west of this village. This attack was immediately stopped.

There is nothing new to report from the front of Lorraine or the Vosges.

GERMAN

In the western theatre of war, except artillery duels which took place at several points, there were no decisive developments. In the eastern theatre of war nothing of importance happened on the East Prussian frontier.

In Poland, north of the Vistula, engagements with Russian cavalry occurred in the neighborhood of Lippin, northwest of Perthes.

Our attacks south of the Vistula are progressing. The following note, signed by the chief of the organization, was appended to the statement: "The recent French official reports are pure inventions."

KAISER AND HIS FAMILY HAVE \$51,500,000 N. Y. BONDS

British See Abdication Provision in Safely Placing Funds. LONDON, Feb. 2.—The Daily Express today prints a special cablegram from its New York correspondent saying that the reigning Hohenzollern family of Germany purchased \$51,500,000 worth of New York State bonds during the last of last year.

This indicates, according to the British view, that the far-sighted Kaiser was looking toward possible abdication.

CANADIANS REGAIN LOST TRENCHES IN LA BASSEE FIGHT



Brilliant Counter Attack by "Princess Patricia's" Regiment Turns Tide of Battle Along Canal.

PARIS, Feb. 2.—The tide of battle on the La Bassee front, in northern France, has swung in favor of the British after a terrific engagement. This official statement issued by the War Office this afternoon stated that the Germans launched a fierce assault against the British lines at Cunichy, near La Bassee, and succeeded in throwing back the British; but the latter rallied and in counter attacks not only regained all the ground they had lost, but took some German trenches in addition.

The "Princess Patricia" Regiment, Canada's crack organization, bore the brunt of this charge. The Canadians fought brilliantly. In their counter-attacks they captured a position along the canal to Bethune which was occupied by the Germans in last week's fighting.

Renewal of the bloody infantry engagements between La Bassee and Bethune and violent cannonading of the Belgian positions near Ypres were the principal features in today's dispatches from the front. These advices said that the Germans, who were beaten off in an infantry attack near Ypres at daylight yesterday, are now shelling the Belgian trenches. Another series of infantry charges is expected.

French shells set fire to a German supply depot near Noyon. Along the Aisne the French gunners silenced several German batteries and eventually broke up sporadic infantry charges.

Slight progress has been made in the Perthes region. Elsewhere there was a lull in the fighting in the last 24 hours.

CANADIAN BRIDGE WRECKED. The map shows the relation of the towns of Vancoboro, McAdam and McAdam Junction, New Brunswick, between which the bridge over the St. Croix River on the Canadian Pacific Railroad was wrecked by dynamite.

U. S. BRIDGE TO CANADA DYNAMITED. Continued from Page One of the road in which the bridge is situated.

"The eastern end of the structure was damaged by a bomb, detonated with a time fuse, probably set a considerable time before the explosion. There has been a guard and watchman on duty at the bridge, the guard during the day and the watchman during the night. The bomb must have been placed during the change of guards."

SNOW-COVERED FOOTPRINTS. Until the arrest of Van Horn was announced neither the Canadian searchers nor those on the American side of the river could obtain any clue to those who might have been responsible for the explosion. The high wind and the falling snow obliterated any footprints that might otherwise have proved valuable in running down their trail.

James Hawthorn, constable, the only Canadian official near the bridge when the explosion occurred, immediately got in touch with the telephone exchange at Woodstock, N. B. He told the telephone operator to notify the Canadian authorities at Fredericton, N. B.

The Maine Central telegraph operator at Vancoboro immediately notified the superintendent of the eastern division at Bangor, N. B. Dum.

Assistant General Manager A. Price, of the Canadian Pacific, at Montreal, was notified by the railroad operator of the Maine Central at Vancoboro. After ordering several special detectives and wrecking crews, Mr. Price sent an official notification of the explosion to the Governor of New Brunswick, at Fredericton, with a request for an international investigation of whatever sort might seem necessary to the Governor.

The wrecking crew of the Canadian Pacific at Woodstock, N. B., was called out immediately.

SPY SUSPECTED OF TRYING TO WRECK TRAIN IN CANADA. LINDEN, N. B., Feb. 2.—German spies are suspected of an attempt to wreck a British military train near Avonmouth today. Stones were placed upon the track.

DILLON'S CRIME RECALLED. The case of Luke Dillon, the Irish patriot of this city, who served a sentence of 14 years in prison for complicity in the Fenian plot to blow up the Welland Canal on April 21, 1900, finds an exact reproduction in the reported plot to blow up the steel bridge over the St. Croix River.

In April of 1900 Luke Dillon, who was then a teller in a savings bank company in Chestnut street and who was formerly connected with the old Dime Savings Bank, mysteriously disappeared. This disappearance followed an explosion which destroyed Lock No. 24, of the Welland Canal in Canada. The explosion came at the time when feeling was running high in Canada over the Beer War.

There was bitter opposition to Canada giving any aid to the mother country, especially by those Irishmen who were laboring for home rule.

Two Fairs at Half Fare; Exposition Rates Cut in Two. The railroads have greatly reduced their fares and made it possible for you to see both the San Francisco and San Diego Expositions on one ticket. By way of the Burlington Route (C. B. & Q. R. R.) the cost of a railroad ticket to California and back will be only about one-half the usual price, and you can take in the incomparable Colorado scenery, including the Royal Gorge, the Denver, Colorado Springs, Pueblo and Salt Lake City on the way, stopping off at any point desired.

Returning, you may enjoy a sea trip up the coast to Portland, see Tacoma, Seattle and Spokane, and visit the Glacier National Park or Yellowstone Park—the wonders of the world.

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PRIZES FOR MAP-DRAWING.

The EVENING LEDGER will give a prize of \$1 for the best map drawn by a Boy Scout from the data given in these columns Friday by Mr. Potts, and a prize of 50 cents for the second best map. The maps will be judged on accuracy and neatness. Scouts should observe the following directions: Draw maps on a scale of 300 feet to the inch; use pen and ink on white paper; write name, age, address and troop number on back of paper; mail to reach Boy Scout Editor, EVENING LEDGER, not later than Tuesday evening, February 23. A cut of the prize-winning map and the names of the winners will be published Friday, February 5.

Troop 1 to Celebrate. A joint celebration of the fourth anniversary of Troop 1 and of the fifth anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America will be held in Sunday morning, February 7, at 8:45 o'clock, when every member of the troop, the largest in the city, will gather at the Tioga Presbyterian Church, 18th and Tioga streets. The celebration will close Tuesday, February 16.

Devotional exercises will be held Sunday morning. That evening, at 7:30 o'clock, the Rev. Forest E. Dager, pastor of St. Paul's Reformed Episcopal Church, Broad and Venango streets, will address the troop at the church. Monday afternoon the troop's "birthday good turn" will be carried out, when the members will carry magazines to patients in hospitals. In the evening the national anniversary will be observed at troop headquarters, 16th and Tioga streets. At this time every Boy Scout in the United States will renew the Boy Scout oath.

A birthday banquet will be held at the troop's headquarters Thursday, February 11, at 6:30 p. m. The Scouts will be the guests of the ladies' auxiliary to the troop. Speakers will be Dr. Calvin O. Althouse, head of the school of commerce, Central High School; Alexander M. Wilson, assistant director of the Department of Public Health and Charities, and Walter S. Cowling, State executive, Scoutmaster Emeritus. Goodman will preside and the prosecuting attorney will be Charles Edwin Fox, assistant district attorney.

Charles Anderson, 3028 Edgmont street, of Troop 48, chops wood and does other work around his home every day; if he gets through in time he goes out to look for people needing "good turns."

Edward Klenke, 619 West Dauphin street, of Troop 57, helped the elevator man in the Jewelers' Building with some packages yesterday—too many for one man to handle.

Bernard Bradley, of Troop 18, carried a basket from Broad Street Station to a trolley car for a woman yesterday.

Max Kandel, Smith Building, East Fairmount Park, of Troop 95, gave a woman a seat in a car yesterday.

H. Abbott Fuller, 514 Ashland avenue, of Troop 57, went to the grocery for a neighbor before starting on the troop's weekly hike Saturday.

Samuel Derringer, of Troop 51, helped an old woman to a car at 7th and Carpenter streets yesterday. He is 12 years old and is a new Boy Scout.

Norman Rosen, 13 years old, dodged between automobiles at Juniper and Fifth streets yesterday and stopped a horse that had started to run away. Friday he bandaged the hand of a woman who burned herself at his home, 41 North 34th street.

Jay Burrisson, of Troop 62, broke the ice in a horse's watering trough so that a horse could drink. He and Leo Stein, of the same troop, helped a horse to its feet on an ice-covered street.

William Weintraub, 13 years old, 1037 South 4th street, of Troop 51, put a blanket on a horse on his way from school yesterday.

Emanuel Wachter, of the same troop, raised the window sash for his teacher in school yesterday.

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which will be kept in stock; the only expense will be railroad fare to and from Island Heights and 50 cents per day for food and other expenses. All first-class scouts are eligible—scouts who are already members of the Nautical Troops 16 and 17 may re-enter. Mr. Longstreth will receive the names of prospective members at headquarters, 5th and Chestnut streets.

Thirteen members of Troop 72, under Patrol Leader Edward Dolbey, hiked to Wissahickon Saturday afternoon. The trail was laid by Joseph White and Onie Checkerman. On the return they met Troops 56 and 62 and all hiked into the city together.

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