

BREAKING IT GENTLY



GERMANS CRUSH ENTIRE SLAV FRONT IN GALICIA; RUSSIANS' LOSS HEAVY

Lines in West of Austrian Territory Pierced at Every Point—Foe Menaces Czar's Baltic Provinces by Land and Sea.

Slav invaders of Western Galicia have been completely crushed, Berlin today announced. The foe's lines have been pierced at every point of attack, the official statement adds, and Muscovite losses have been enormous.

The German invasion of the Baltic provinces is of admitted seriousness, according to the Russian War Office. Land forces have swept forward some 50 miles and a Teuton fleet is rapidly nearing Libau. In co-operation with this menacing invasion is the development of a heavy offensive along the North Poland front from Przasnys to the upper reaches of the Niemen River.

Metz, the German stronghold on the Moselle, has been bombarded by the French. Shells struck Fort St. Blaise, while the railway line, over which supplies are taken to the apex of the German wedge at St. Mihiel, was badly damaged. The French guns are mounted near Pout-a-Mousson, about eight miles from the outer forts of Metz.

Berlin reports that assaults by the British and French, northeast of Ypres, were repulsed and that they still hold St. Julien. The bombardment of Dunkirk is reported to have been made from two points, Westende and Dixmude.

SLAVS CRUSHED IN GALICIA, BERLIN SAYS OFFICIALLY

Invader's Lines in West Pierced Everywhere.

BERLIN, May 3.

The German War Office today announced a sweeping victory over the Russians in Western Galicia. In an official statement the War Office said:

"Yesterday the Austro-German forces everywhere pierced and crushed the entire Russian front in Western Galicia with very heavy losses for the enemy."

GERMANS STRIKE Foe's BALTIC PROVINCES BY LAND AND SEA

Russian War Office Concedes Seriousness of Invasion.

PETROGRAD, May 3.

For the first time the Russian War Office today admitted that the German expedition toward the rich Russian Baltic provinces is serious. It is stated that Germans are co-operating by land and sea. Detachments of German cavalry, supported by an automobile detachment and mounted infantry, are overrunning the Savelie region and advancing on Kovno. Patrols of the enemy have been reported near Libau.

A squadron of German torpedo craft is operating along the Russian Baltic coast and have penetrated the Gulf of Riga. Warships in the Baltic are co-operating with the land forces that are pressing toward Libau.

The German advance is believed here to have the twofold object of cutting off the lines of communication toward Warsaw preliminary to another assault on the Russian positions along the Vistula and

its tributaries, and, second, the ravishing of the rich Baltic provinces in retaliation for the Russian raids into East Prussia.

FRENCH BOMBARD METZ FROM WOEVRÉ POSITIONS

Fort St. Blaise and Railway Line Damaged.

PARIS, May 3.

The French have established long range guns in the vicinity of their line at Pont-a-Mousson and are bombarding the southern fortifications at Metz, which are about 10 miles away. The bombardment began Saturday and was resumed Sunday. The gun fire, says the official communique, caused considerable damage at various points along the southern front of the entrenched camp at Metz, particularly in the case of one of the forts, probably Fort St. Blaise, and at the barracks and the nearby railway.

TWO NEUTRAL VESSELS VICTIMS OF TORPEDOES

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Tex, on April 10. She was built at Camden, N. J., last year.

Survivors of the destroyed Swedish ship Ellida, who were landed today at Lemvig, Denmark, declared that the vessel was torpedoed by a German submarine about 120 miles off Hull. The weather was clear, but the submarine was not seen. The explosion destroyed one lifeboat and threw another into the sea.

A dispatch from Copenhagen says: Details of the sinking of the Swedish steamship Ellida by a German submarine in the North Sea Saturday night reached here today. Officials are indignant, as they declare the torpedoing was without warning, and the Ellida sunk within three minutes after being hit. Sixteen men and three women barely escaped in open boats. Shippers have demanded that the Government protest in the most vigorous terms against the torpedoing. The Berlin Foreign Office had promised not to molest the timber trade of Sweden.

The Scottish trawlers Endosia, Bennington and Arles arrived today at Aberdeen, Scotland, reporting that they had been chased by German submarines. They say that they saw two other trawlers, whose identity has not yet been established, sunk by a mine, and it is believed all of the crews perished.

U. S. OFFICIALS RETICENT ON GULF LIGHT ATTACK

WASHINGTON, May 3.

With the return to the White House today of President Wilson, the machinery of the Government was set in motion to investigate the sinking by a German submarine of the American oil ship Gulf Light off the Scilly Islands, with the loss of her captain and two of his crew.

"It was learned at the White House that President Wilson will suspend judgment on the case until official reports reach him. The gravity of the situation is fully appreciated, but no comment will be made until the exact facts are placed before the President from official sources."

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AUSTRIA WILL YIELD FURTHER TO ITALIANS' DEMANDS, ROME BELIEF

Concessions Will Not Satisfy Demands, However, According to Belief in Rome—Teutons' Guns Trained on Frontier.

ROME, May 3.

A special courier, bringing Austria's answer to Italy's final representations, is expected to arrive from Vienna tonight, although the Austrian note will not be read by the Foreign Office until Tuesday. Thus the possibility exists that the Italian Government may know within the next 48 hours whether it is to be peace or war. Indications in official quarters lead to the belief that Austria will make further concessions.

That affairs in the Austro-German-Italian negotiations are rapidly reaching a

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climax is indicated by the number of diplomats arriving on special missions.

Nathias Erseberger, leader of the clerical centre party in the German Reichstag, who arrived yesterday, is making arrangements for a special interview with Pope Benedict XV. Former Austrian Foreign Minister Goulochowaki is expected from Vienna at any hour.

It is not believed, however, that new Austrian concessions will satisfy the Italian claim, which, it is affirmed, are really minimum, mean practically an end to the negotiations.

All the Ministers met yesterday with King Victor Emmanuel for the biweekly signing of decrees and to discuss the international situation. After the conference Baron Sonnino conferred with Prince von Buelow, the German Ambassador. It is asserted that Prince von

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GERMANS SHELLED DUNKIRK FROM TWO DIRECTIONS

Unexploded Missiles Indicate Austrians Have Great Guns.

PARIS, May 3.

A communication issued by the War Office indicates the probability that Dunkirk was bombarded from a suburb of Dixmude, which is situated at the great bend of the Yser, 23½ miles from the French port. It is believed that the great German gun which twice shelled the city has been put out of action.

It has been ascertained that in the first bombardment of Dunkirk at least one

long-range gun, presumably Austrian, was firing at intervals along the coast line clean over Nieuport and in the direction of Dunkirk.

Later on other huge shells fell into Dunkirk from a different direction, altogether, but from a distance relatively the same. Two guns were presumably firing these missiles and they came from very nearby Dixmude, amid the ruins of which the Germans have been installed all winter.

Two of the shells failed to explode. One was a 12-inch missile, marked "Krupp, Berlin," and the other a monster of about 17 inches, breast high when standing on end and tipped with an aluminum shield and marked "Imperial Arms Ammunitions, Osterreich, Austria."

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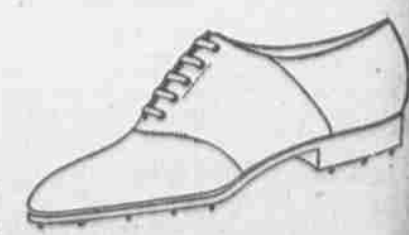
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