

RUSSIANS HAMMER FOE'S RIGHT WING ON GALICIAN FRONT

Counter Offensive Begun Against Teuton Sweep on Przemysl - Enemy Fails to Break Muscovite Line of Defense.

Russians in Galicia have opened a counter-offensive against the Teuton forces advancing on Przemysl, with Lemberg and South Poland as ultimate objectives.

Germans maintain their grip on heavily fortified entrenchments in the Shavli district of Courland, Petrograd admits, but declares attempts to pass the Dubissa have failed.

Vienna reports Slav repulse near Jaroslau and on the Upper Dniester and failure of a new attempt to cross the Pruth near Czernowitz.

The British have smashed the German line to the east of Festubert in their drive on La Bassée, while the French have progressed several hundred meters northeast of Notre Dame de Lorette.

Previous to the gains of the Allies the Germans undertook a grand offensive along the entire line from the North Sea to Arras.

Berlin admits that the Allies gained advanced positions near Ablain, but asserts that near Neuville they captured 90 French prisoners and two machine guns.

SLAV ATTACKS EFFECTIVE AGAINST FOES IN GALICIA Teuton Right Wing Hammered at Several Points.

PETROGRAD, May 24. Successful Russian attacks against the right wing of the Austro-German armies in Galicia are announced by the Russian War Office today.

Between Przemysl and the Dniester marshes the Austro-Germans continued an unsuccessful attempt to break the Russian front between Hyskav and Krosienko.

On the night of May 20 the Russians assumed the offensive on the Dniester, capturing 70 more prisoners and four machine guns.

The Teutonic force keeps up a heavy artillery fire from Dolina and Kolomen.

The Russians in Galicia apparently have commenced a counter-offensive against the Austro-Germans who drove the third and Carpathian armies back to the San and Dniester rivers.

GERMANS HOLD FORTIFIED POSTS IN SHAVLI PROVINCE Driven Back by Slavs, However, in Passage of Dubissa.

PETROGRAD, May 24. In the Shavli district the enemy retained strongly fortified positions at Dubie, the War Office admits, but considerable forces attempting to cross the Dubissa were driven back.

On the Narov front in the Piana Valley, Russian troops repulsed an attack.

On the Makovick-Vetline front a counter-attack by the enemy on the night of May 22 was repulsed.

THE WEATHER Official Forecast

WASHINGTON, May 24. For eastern Pennsylvania and New Jersey: Thunder showers this afternoon or tonight; Tuesday partly cloudy; moderate shifting winds.

Showers and thunderstorms occurred yesterday in the central Mississippi Valley and the entire Ohio basin, and the rain area spread eastward last night to the middle Atlantic coast.

U. S. Weather Bureau Bulletin Observations taken at 8 a. m. eastern time.

Table with columns for Station, Rain, Wind, and Weather. Lists various locations like Albany, N.Y., and their corresponding weather conditions.

AGED MINISTER BEATEN AND LEFT UNCONSCIOUS

Continued from Page One members are said to support him without exception.

"If you don't get out, we'll get you," was the cry which was shouted as he struck the clergyman.

STRANGE MAN CONFRONTS HIM. About 7 o'clock on the night of April 22, Doctor Spencer left his home to take some music to the church.

"Very well," said Doctor Spencer, "I will see you in the morning."

"No," the minister replied. "The choir will be here for rehearsal about 8 o'clock. I am bringing this music for them."

MAN'S MANNER CHANGES. Suddenly his whole manner changed. Speaking excitedly, in a higher voice, he said "So-and-so will come back if you get out."

"What all, who sent me here," he said, "if you don't get out, we'll get you," he said, adding vile oaths.

"FEELS FALLEN PASTOR'S HEART. "As I lay on the floor, barely breathing and almost unconscious, he bent over me and felt my heart. He may have thought he had finished me. At any rate, I didn't know anything more for more than half an hour."

PHYSICIAN SINCE THE ATTACK. Dr. William S. Shimer, 136 Cambria street, his physician, whose wife is a member of the Lehigh avenue church, refuses to talk about the clergyman's condition.

DIFFICULT TO OBTAIN EVIDENCE. Lieutenant Boyer assigned to the case a special policeman whom he describes as "one of the best men in Philadelphia."

PASTOR "KNEW TOO MUCH." Men instrumental in bringing Doctor Spencer to the pastorate on Lehigh avenue turned against him about two years ago and tried to make the congregation dissatisfied, he says.

Doctor Spencer himself says: "I knew too much. I knew about the things that were going on at the time of the Dean affair involving men in the congregation. Of course I never talked about my information, but I knew too much to suit some people."

Doctor Spencer was born in Leicester, England, coming to this country at the age of 19 years with his parents who settled in Germantown.

He was the first baptist in the First Baptist Church of Germantown, of which his parents were members. He was ordained at the age of 23 years at Point Pleasant, Pa.

He was the pastor of the church in this city, he has been identified with churches in various parts of the country.

FIVE BLOWN TO DEATH AS DREDGER EXPLODES

Two Men, Woman and Two Children Killed When Boiler of Boat Blows Up.

BORDENTOWN, N. J., May 21.—Two men, a woman and two children were killed when the boiler of the sand dredger Delaware River opposite this place exploded and hurled the bodies of the victims in the river.

The dead are Anthony Matile, of Trenton, captain of the dredger; John Varley, of Bordentown, the engineer, and the wife and two children, a girl of 4 and a boy, 2, of Harry Stout, the steward, of 211 Orange street, Gloucester city.

The body of Varley, the engineer, has been recovered near the scene of the disaster. No traces of the other victims have been found.

GERMAN GAS ATTACK FAILS NORTH OF YPRES Respirators Save British Troops, Who Slaughter Foe.

PARIS, May 21. German poisonous gas attacks between Steenstraete and Ypres have been repulsed by the British troops, who inflicted severe punishment on the enemy.

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BERLIN, May 21. Business was suspended in Berlin today in observance of Whitsunday. The whole German Empire joined in demonstrations of thanksgiving. Thousands of soldiers from the training camps arrived during the day for short visits at their homes.

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COURT CHRONICLES

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COTTON GROWERS JOIN PACKERS IN PROTEST

Continued from Page One with Senator Hugo Smith on plans for concerted action, Smith being the great cotton shippers' authorized representative.

Among the packers included are J. Ogden Anderson, Gustavus S. Swift, Jr., Thomas E. Wilson, R. C. McManus, James Jacobson, H. J. Patten, Arthur Meeker and Alfred Upton. The latter, who is due today, represented the packers in their division of the Delaware River opposite this place, exploded and hurled the bodies of the victims in the river.

It developed today that in the negotiations between the State Department's representatives and the British Embassy, several attempts have been made to place the United States in the position of at least seeming to have accepted the order in council's provisions.

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There will be no further action, however, by this Government until the German situation is cleared up. The Italian crisis is expected to result in further delay, but officials were hopeful today that the reply would be in the President's hands by the latter part of this week.

3000 GERMANS SLAIN AT LORETTE HEIGHTS French Victory on "White Way" Followed 13-day Sanguinary Battle.

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MARY, 'CANDY WOMAN,' VAINLY ASKS HER \$1965

Old Woman, Mised by Line in Newspaper, Furnishes Fun for "Jokers" at City Hall.

"There's \$1965 coming to you." This line in a newspaper impressed itself on the mind of Mary, the candy woman who sells sweets around City Hall.

Some one told Mary that she could collect the money from the city, so she sold candy, went to the City Treasurer's office. Several humorous persons there then directed Mary to the Mayor's office.

Webb and Quirk, who meet many strange persons in their line of work, had great difficulty in explaining to Mary that there was no such sum awaiting her.

BORDER FIGHTING OPENS AUSTRIA-ITALY WAR Continued from Page One

The Austrian frontier in the Trentino has been evacuated by the civilian population, the gendarmes and the forest-guard.

ENLIGHTENED SELFISHNESS. In concluding the President said: "I am selfish for America, I at least hope that my selfishness is enlightened."

SECRETARY McADOO SPEAKS. Secretary McAdoo presided and introduced the Executive. A representative responded for each of the 18 Latin-American countries.

MERCHANT SHIPS SEIZED. All German and Austrian merchant ships in Italian ports, valued at \$3,000,000, have been seized by the Italian Government.

SAVES TWO WOMEN. "I came upon two women who faintly begged me to help them. Both were life preservers. I found an oar and told them to hold to it while I kicked our way toward shore."

SORROWING RELATIVES MEET SHIP. Relatives and friends of the victims whose bodies were on the New York were taken down the bay by Collector of the Port Dudley Field Malone on a revenue cutter.

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LUSITANIA SURVIVOR WITH FUNERAL SHIP SCORES CUNARD LINE

New York, With Flag at Half-mast, Arrives With Bodies of Frohman and Eight Other Victims of Sea Disaster.

NEW YORK, May 24.—Nine bodies of Lusitania disaster victims arrived here today on board the American liner New York, which, with her flag at half-mast, came into port through a thick fog bank.

A thrilling story of the catastrophe was told by Dr. Carl E. Foss, of Harlem, Montana, a survivor, who returned on the New York.

CRITICISES LUSITANIA'S CAPTAIN. Doctor Foss, who went aboard to do Red Cross work in France, soundly criticized the policy of the Lusitania's captain, and declared that the crew displayed a lack of preparedness in time of disaster.

"I saw one submarine an hour before the Lusitania was struck," declared Doctor Foss. "It was then about 1:30 in the morning, and I was standing at the rail of the liner, looking through my binoculars. The submarine was about a mile away, keeping pace with us, and I watched it for some time, meanwhile looking to other persons on the deck."

"By that time it was only a matter of seconds until the ship sank, so I went to the port side, which was the highest out of the water, and jumped overboard. I struck the water near the propellers and could hear them churning the water."

"As I started to swim away, I saw a lifeboat containing five men, plunging bow first from the davits. One poor fellow was cast against the side of the ship and his legs were caught in the propellers. He screamed horribly and I saw him being crushed to bits by the propeller blades. A hundred yards away I came upon a woman with a life preserver fastened on her body and a baby in her arms. I saw both of them and a lifeboat containing about 25 persons and helped them on board."

"I saw that the boat was filled to capacity and swam away from it. A waterlogged boat, filled with 25 hysterical men and women, floated toward me. I looked, it was caught by a wave and turned over. Not more than 15 of the occupants floated to the surface."

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