RUSSIANS PURSUE **ENEMY IN FLIGHT** TOWARD GALICIA

Slavs Assume Offensive and Are Inflicting Heavy Losses on Austrians.

Invaders Retreat From Lublin District After Defeat-Attempt to Reach Warsaw Proclaimed Complete Failure by Petrograd.

Grand Duke Nicholas Now Expected to Launch Formal Drive All Along Front in Effort to Clear Native Soil of Invaders and Drive Once More on Lemberg.

PETROGRAD, July 9.

Austrian troops are retreating from the Lubin district of Poland toward Galicha.

The Russians are pressing forward in pursuit, indicting heavy losses on the enemy. Another Germanic campaign for the capture of Warsaw has failed.

These are the three outstanding features in the large state of the capture.

tures in the latest official news from the front received here today. Reinforced by fresh troops and ammunition, which they sorely lacked in Gallela, the Russians are now on the offensive.

While the Petrograd military critics While the Petrograd millitary critics expect more heavy fighting on the Vistula and Bug rivers before the soil of Poland is cleared of the Austrian invaders, they see in the sudden counter-thrust of the Russians another evidence of the strategic ability of Grand Duke Nicholas, who for the sixth time has blast-il the hopes of the Austrian and German general staffs.

Because of the information seek from

Because of the information sent from London that large Germen forces have been withdrawn from the eastern front, it is expected that the Ruestan armies wil' now take the offensive along the en-tire front and drive once more on Lem-berg. This is the plan that has been fol-lowed in the past, the Russians assailing the Teutonic allies in the East every time the Kaiser launched an offensive in the West.

The Austrians are said to be running

ENGLISH ATTACK GERMAN SHIP IN NEUTRAL WATERS

Berlin Complains About Violation of Neutrality.

BERLIN, July 9.

That English war vessels had attacked the German steamship Pallas, of Flensburg, in neutral Norwegian waters and that Norway had protested to England is the assertion made in an official statement issued at the Admiralty today. The statement follows: BERLIN, July 9.

statement follows: "According to latest reports, the German steamship Pallas, of Flensburg, was attacked in Norwegian territorial waters by an armed English trawler, which fired

by an armed English trawler, which fired twice at the steamship.

"The British auxiliary cruiser Victoria assisted in this violation of neutral rights until a Norwegian guardship, which had arrived, freed il men who had been seized by the British ships contrary to the law

"The Norwegian Government has pro-tested in London against this outrageous violation of the rights of a neutral Gov-

The Pallas is a steamer of 2052 tons, under command of Captain Dittmer.

THE WEATHER

Official Forecast WASHINGTON, July 9.

For eastern Pennsylvania and New Jersey: Fair tonight and probably Satur day; moderate temperature; light to moderate west winds.

The disturbance that was central over western Pennsylvania yesterday has moved northeastward with increasing energy and is passing off the coast at Nova Scotla this morning. It caused showers generally throughout the Atlantic States as far south as Georgia, but the skies cleared during the night, except in northern New England. A second disturbance is crossing the Rocky Mountains and has caused showers over a long narrow belt covering a large portion of the plains States. The temperatures have fallen throughout the northeastern portion of the country and are generally about \$ degrees below the normal this morning.

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FRENCH MAKE GAINS IN VOSGES

AND IN LE PRETRE FOREST

PARIS, July B.

The French offensive east of the Meuse River continues with excellent results, according to the French War Office. In an official communique today it is announced that the French recaptured from the Germans 500 yards of trenches in the forest of Lo Pretre, lost to the Germans from the hill southnest of La Fontenells to the Launois-Moyentier highway. A total gain represents an advance of 750 yards on a front of 600 yards. We captured 18 officers, one of whom was a battallou dief; two surgeons and 757 unwounded map, belonging to seven different battallous. Our field and captured more than 700 yards of trenches and captured more than 700 men.

The text of the communique follows:

"From the sea to the Alsne there was reported during the night only artillery cogagements. This was of a rather lively character around Souches. There was a continued bombardment of Arras and a violent cannonade between the Olss and the Alsne.

"On the plateau of Nouvren, in Champarne, there was a mine conflict, and in

seems and 75 unwoulded men, belonging to seven different battallons. Our field hospitals have received one officer and 22 wounded German soidlers. We captured a cannon, two rapid-fire guns, several bomb throwers and a great quantity of munitions. Since dawn the enemy has violently hombarded his lost position. or munitions. Since dawn the enemy has violently bombarded his lost position."

The War Office also gave out a supplemental statement questioning the accuracy of recent German reports claiming victories in the Woevre district. This

On the plateau of Nouvren, in Cham-pagns, there was a mine conflict, and in the Argonne there occurred rifle and artil-lery fire without any infantry action. "Between the Meuse and Moselle there was considerable activity during the night. Between Fey-En-Hays and Le Pretry forces, we reconside the ommunique said:
"Contrary to the claims contained in be German official statements of July 5, night. Between Fey-En-Hays and Le fand 7, the Gerr Fretro forest we regained, in a combat Aprenont and in which grounden were used, about 500 yards of trenches lost on July 4. At the enemy were created in the evening on a front of 300 yards after the evening on a front of 300 yards after the evening on a front of the evening that the enemy set of the evening of the evening that the even the evening that the even the evening that the even the ev 5 and 7, the German gains in the forest of Apremont and the forest of Le Pretre never exceeded 309 metres. The losses of the enemy were considerable, especially in the forest of Le Pretre. The only artillery lost by us were mountain guns. The bomburdment of Arras with incendrary shells was not justified by any military necessity. Much damage was insucceeded in gaining a foothold in our flicted upon historic and artistic build-first line of defense, the Germans were ings. A repetition of those incendiary driven out by an immediate counter-attack. They succeeded in holding only a on our part."

FRENCH RECAPTURE POSITIONS NEAR NOTRE DAME DE LORETTE

The French forces north of Arras, who | 80 have been defending their ground against heavy and fierce onslaughts of the Germans, have again been able to assume the offensive. A week ago they were compelled to give way at a point east of the lopes of Notre Dame de Lorrette. They have now recaptured a considerable sec-tion of the lost territory. The remaining ection the Germana still occupy precari-

usly.

The fighting has been terrible and the losses on both sides exceedingly heavy.
A French officer recently returned from
the scene of action assures me that a sunken road between Ablain and Augres was piled with dead 10 feet high, a shastly spectacle. He also declares 17 French women prisoners were found in the German trenches.

The British capture of German trenches southwest of Pilkern, Belgium, on July 8, was the result of a small but important action, well conceived and brilliantly carried out. The British attack apparently was unsuspected. Even the heavy fire of the French artillery which preceded falled to wake the Germans to the imminent danger of an infantry assault. The troops sprang from the trenches at the appointed moment and raced across the intervening space without serious opposition.

space without serious opposition.

The trenches of this section are comparatively shallow. The enemy had not had time to convert them into a formidable position of defense. They were defended by a comparatively few machine guns, so the British infantry had for once something like an equal chance. The enemy evidently suffered considerably from the shell fire of the French guns and made a feeble registance. Most field the made a feeble resistance. Most fled; the

ARRAS IN FLAMES AS GERMANS POUND TOWN WITH SHELLS

Arras is still burning, the result of the combardment by German artillery, according to dispatches from headquarters oday. Practically all the enemy's supply stations in the city have been destroyed. Official dispatches today said that the destruction of the cathedral by fire robbed the enemy of a valuable ob-

BERLIN, July 9. matically battered into ruins by German significant shell-fire. For 48 hours the Teutons have been bombarding the city from long range, both day and night, with scarcely a moment's cereation.

Several sections of the city are reported in flames. French soldlers have promptly extinguished all fires that threatened

testruction of the cathedral by fire infilitary works, but residences and public robbed the enemy of a valuable observation post."

PARIS, July, 5.—Arras is being syste-

GERMANS FORCED TO EVACUATE HILL NO. 631 IN VOSGES

French troops have forced the Germans to evacuate Hill No. 631, in the Ban-de-Sapt region of the Vosges, according to today's official report from the General Staff. This height was captured by the Germans on June 2.

The announcement of its loss indicates that the French are making severe asaults on the north flank of the German allent extending to St. Mihlel.

The Germans have offset the loss of Hill No. 631, however, by taking by storm everal lines of French trenches on a front 350 yards wide east of Ailly, which s near St. Miniel.

The report of the General Staff says;

killed. Up to the present we have not succeeded in clearing the enemy from the trench section we lost Wednesday, west of Souchez.

"The report circulated by the French army administration regarding the capture of German cannonis incorrect."

ture of German cannonis incorrect.

"East of Ailly unsuccessful isolated attacks by the enemy occurred. We took by storm several French trenches extending over a width of 150 yards adjoining our newly captured positions in Priestwald (La Fretre forest) to the east of Ailly. We captured 250 prisoners and four machine guns. Otherwise only unimportant patrol engagements occurred between Ailly and the Moselle. between Allly and the Moselle. X "After artillery preparations the enemy attacked Hill No. 621, near Ban-

The report of the General Staff says:

"A French attack north of the sugar refinery at Souchez was repulsed. Small bodies that penetrated our position were the fill."

de-Sapt, which we captured by storm on June 2. We were forced to evacuate the completely destroyed trenches on top of the hill."

VIENNA ADMITS RUSSIAN ARMIES TAKE OFFENSIVE

sued the following statement last night: "in Russian Poland, east of the Vistula, the battle is proceeding. Numerous

severe Russian attacks have been bloodly repulsed. Before counter-attacks of superior Russian forces, brought un for the protection of Lublin, our troops were withdrawn from both sides of the road to the heights north of

"West of the Vistula some Russian advanced positions have been stormed. On the River Bug and in East Galicia the back.

AUSTRIANS READY TO BLOW UP NAVAL BASE AT POLA

Teuton Officers in Disagreement Over Defense.

ROME, July 9. Austria's naval establishment at Pola has been thoroughly mined and its deffeet, now under the command of German naval officers, has been moved to other

Pola. The precautions, it is understood, have been taken in the fear that Italy will be able to invest the city both by

The garrisons which were stationed at Pola and at other points in Istria are now being withdrawn to Laibach, thus leaving that part of the Austrian possessions on the Adriatic practically undefended. German officers are said to have been responsible for these measures, they not agreeing with the Austrians that the Pola defenses are impregnable.

Swindler, III, Hopes for Pardon

William H. Armstrong, Jr., one of the ve convicted officials of the International comber and Development (Testional) and Development Company windled stockholders put of M. Lumber and Development Company, which swindled stockholders but of E. 200,000 in Mexican land investments, hopes President Wilson will pardon him, that he may remain in his apartments at illih and Chestnut streets, where he is confined with illness. He escaped commitment to prison three months ago because of the illness, which prevented his removal. His other associates, John R. Markley, Isaiah B. Miller, Colossi Albert G. Hewart and Charles M. McMahon, now are serving sentences in the Eastern Penitentiary.

SCHOOLS AND CULLEGES BILL & CL.

VIENNA, July 8.—The War Office isued the following statement last night:
"In Russian Poland, east of the Vis"In Russian Poland, east of the Vis-

The most noteworthy feature of the Austrian official report, in military critics' eyes, is the admission that it is now the Russians who are attacking, and that at one point, at least, the Austrians have given ground before them. Further heavy fighting must occur, but the Russian military writers express confidence that now any effort of the Germanic allies to deliver a lightning blow has been discounted and that the Grand Duke's army will be able to hold its positions and perhaps drive the invaders positions and perhaps drive the invaders

RUMANIA REJECTS LAND OFFER, ROME DECLARES

Bukowina and Bessarabia Deemed Insufficient as Inducement.

The offer of Bukowina and Bessarabia to Rumania as compensation for that fenders are prepared to blow it up at the Government's neutrality was refused, it first concerted attack by an Italian fleet, is understood here, on the ground that according to information received here. It was insufficient. It is not impossible Meanwhile the main part of the Austrian that it will be increased to include a part of Transylvania, since the Austro-Germans are determined to avert a war points along the Dalmatian coast, notably at Cattare.

A fletilla of submarines, including the nine recently sent from Germany, and a number of torpedoboats have been left at possible Italian Invasion.

AUSTRIANS RUSH BIG REINFORCEMENTS TO ITALY FROM GALICIA

Heavy Artillery Massed Along Isonzo Front. Vienna Reports Assaults Near Gorizia Repulsed,

ROME, July 9. Heavy reinforcements are being sent by the Austrians to the spheres of operations around Gorizia, Tolmino, Monfalcone and

Most of them have been in the cam-paign against the Russians, though some have been withdrawn from the Servian ne of hostilities. The Austrians are also massing great quantities of artillery for future use along

In the Carinthian and Tyrolese Alps severe artillery duels are under way.

A dispatch from Bologna, where general headquarters is located, states that two companies of Slavonians surrendered to the Italian Alpine troops in Carnia. The Aipine forces of the Italians in Carnia are steadily advancing despite the tremendous obstacles they have to over-

the Isongo front.

After a violent battle lasting all day the Italian troops took Pedgora, a sub-urb of Gorisia, commanding the railway bridge over the Isonso River.

bridge over the Isonso River.

On the slopes of Mount Calvario the Austrians had constructed a series of trenches and strewn the surroundings with every kind of entanglement. The mountain had been made a veritable fortress against which the first Italian infantry attack was powerless to make an impression. Further attacks were preceded by a well sustained artillery bembardment which lasted the whole afternoon. afternoon

At midday the infantry again entered into action. Desperate hand-to-hand struggles raged until sunset. By this time the Austrian resistance had been overthrown and before dark the Austrians were in full flight, leaving many prisoners and considerable booty.

The occupation of Pedgora marks an important step in the corrections against opportant step in the operations against

Officially it was stated by the War Office last that no important action has occurred along the whole of the Italian front during the last 24 hours Unofficially, however, several very important reports have been circulated here.

One is to the effect that the Austrians at

general war council held at Laibach de-ided to draw further reinforcements rom Russian Poland. At the same time, was said, they are sending every available man to aid in the defense of Goritz, toward which the Italian army is ap-proaching, to the Monfalcone front and to the Tolmino front.

VIENNA REPORTS ITALIANS REPULSED AT GORIZIA

VIENNA, July 9.-Infantry attacks following terrific bombardments have been aunched by the Italians all along the front in Gorizia, but these were repulsed by the Austrians, it was officially an-nounced today. At Redipulla 250 Italian corpses were counted in front of the Austrian trenches.

The text of the official report follows:

"In the latest fighting in Gorizia the enemy commenced the actions with over-whelming artillary bombardments on July 5, following up with infantry attacks. All these attacks were repulsed. A strong attack against the bridgehead at Lunicalo was also repulsed. The enemy at-tacked successfully at Redipulla, notwithstanding a continuous artillery bom bardment. We counted 250 lying before our positions. An attack by the Italians against Monte Goston broke down under the fire from the fortress.

ITALIAN KING BRAVES SHELL FIRE DIRECTING BATTERY

Officer Killed at Spot Just Left by Victor Emmanuel.

ROME, July 8.—King Victor Emmanuel, who is at the front with his army, has had several narrow escapes from death. owing to his prenenses to expose himself to the fire of the enemy. The Tribune to-day prints a story of the King's latest escape. He had been helping direct the fire of a battery and the guns were doing beavy execution among the Austrians. A short time afterward the King, in conversation with one of his generals, de-scribed enthusiastically the work of the artillery officer he had just left. "That officer was killed by a shell half an hour ago just where you left him," ex-claimed the general.

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BRITISH CLAIM RIGHT TO ARM TRADE SHIPS

Neutral Governments So Notified, Lord Robert Cecil Tells Commons.

LONDON, July 9. "Merchant vessels of a belligerent Power are entitled by established and uninterrupted usage of the sea to carry With Heavy Loss to and use armament in self-defense," said Lord Robert Cecil, Parliamentary Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, in reply to a question put by Commander Carlyon W. Bellairs in the House of Commons last night.

"Several neutral Governments," Lord Robert said, "were communicated with in this matter at the outbreak of the war, and several more have been approached since, as circumstances suggested. The seinciple of merchant ships carrying arms for self-defense has been generally rec-ognised, and British ships so armed have been trading regularly with the various countries since an early stage of the

war." Commander Bellairs' question was whether, in view of the unusual character of the German attacks on unarmed mer-chant vessels, the Government would ask all neutral Governments to allow merchant all helitral Governments to allow hiercash; yessels armed for purposes of defense only, with a gun in the stern, to trade with their ports, in spite of the fact that they carried a gun.

FEAR OF SWEEPING CHOLERA EPIDEMIC IN FRANCE ALLAYED

Conditions on Battle Front Offer No. Grave Menace, Says Report.

PARIS. July 9.

Fear that heaps of decaying human bodies along the battle front would prove the source of a cholera epidemic that would sweep all France was allayed today by an official report from the parliamentary Committee on Hygiene.

Doctor Potievin, chairman of the committee, began the investigation to learn the truth of statements that the decomposition of thousands of cadavers in the trench country threatened serious conservations. position of thousands of cadavers in the trench country threatened serious consequences. For several weeks reports have reached Paris that the choiera epidemic in Austria had its origin in the slaughter in the Carpathians, and that other warring countries were fighting epidemica developed from putrefaction. The committee's report made public today declared these assertions to be unfounded. "From leading medical men, the committee has found that decomposition of bodies at the front offers no grave men.

bodies at the front offers no grave men ace," said Doctor Pottevin, "Not onl ace," said Doctor Pottevin. "Not only is it out of the uestion that a cholera lague could arise from such a condition but the sanitary conditions surrounding the French army would not permit as epidemic to take hold. We have taker every precaution to prevent cholera from reaching France from other countries."



MEANING OF MOVES IN TODAY'S WAR NEWS

All floubt as to the intention of the Germans for a great offensive in the West, including a new drive on Calais and the expulsion of the French from Alsace, is now re-moved. The movement of 2000 military trains from the eastern front can have but one meaning-

front can have but one meaninganother attempt to inflict a serious
blow on the French and English.
The Allies are conscious of this
fact and stand ready to meet the
new sweep of the Teutons.

The definite check of the AustroGerman invasion of South Poland
by the Russians and the offensive
resumed by the Slavs in southeastern Galicia give indications of the
complete failure of the third Teuton attempt to capture Warsaw ton attempt to capture Warsaw and a resumption of a new Russian invasion of Galicia in the near future. The tone and admissions of Berlin and Vienna dispatches on the situation in the East are highly significant in this regard.

The Italians operating along the Isonzo are meeting with an increasing resistance from the Austrians. Even should they capture Gorizia, the fall of which is imminent, it is clear that as far as the immediate future is concerned the opposition of the enemy will be stubborn and will entail much sacrifice of life.

Plan Wilmington Trade Excursion

WILMINGTON, Del., July 2.-It is ex ected that at least 250 business men will take part in a trade excursion in automobiles to the towns of New Castle county, this State, and Cocil County, Maryland, on July 29. A number of similar trips have been taken and it is said that following each excursion there has been an increase in trade with the towns which were visited.

FRENCH SENATE VOTES CASE TO PAY FOR DACIA'S CARGO

\$600,000 Appropriated to Pay to Seized Ship.

PARIS, July 5. The French Senate has unanimously spropriated \$500,000 to be used by the Minister of Marine in payment for cargoss of neutral vessels that have been subsequently that of the American steam

ship Data.

The Dacia formerly belonged to the Haibburg-American Line. The versus purchased by E. N. Breitung, of New York, and, changing her registry, sailed under the United States flag from Galicaton, Texas, with a cargo of cotton detined for Germany. On reaching European waters she was picked up by a French cruiser and taken into Breat. A French prize court, after hearing the case, recommended that the French Gonernment purchase the cargo. ernment purchase the cargo.



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