



PERMYSL'S FALL AGAIN LOOKED FOR

Famous Fortress, Captured by Russians, Menaced by Austro-German Troops

IN DANGER OF BEING ENCIRCLED

Kaiser's Forces Now Attempting a Double Flanking Movement, Which, If Successful, Will Isolate the City From Rest of the Russian Army

London, May 28, 12.15 P. M.—The fortress of Permysl, garrisoned this time by Russians instead of Austrians, is once more threatened with investment. Just as the Russians, after surrounding Permysl and starving out its Austrian garrison, forced the surrender of the fortress on the 22d of last March, so Austro-German troops, who have driven a wedge through Central Galicia, are now attempting a double flanking movement, and with growing intensity of attack are seeking to encircle Permysl from the north and the southeast.

According to Vienna reports, progress is being made in both directions and, if the advance is not checked, Permysl will either be isolated from the rest of the Russian army or the Russian troops which fell back to the San will be forced into further retreat.

Position of Permysl Serious

This situation in Galicia is unquestionably of great strategic importance at the present time and even the British press concedes that the position of Permysl is serious. It is described as the key to the whole Russian position in Galicia, and its fall will mean that the railroad running eastward to Lemberg, the main artery of the Russian supplies in this region, will fall into Austrian hands. Reports that this railroad line already has been severed are still without confirmation to-day.

Fighting along the Austro-Italian frontier still is in the development stage. There is virtually no change on the western battle front and the British and the French admit that the Turks are so strongly entrenched on the Gallipoli peninsula that any siege warfare can be waged there.

Russian Report on Permysl

Petrograd, Via London, May 28, 3.12 A. M.—Use by the Teutonic allies of asphyxiating gas to cover their offensive in the Ossowetz region is reported in an official statement issued last night by the Russian general staff. Austro-German attacks all along the line between the upper Vistula and the left bank of the San are reported to have been repulsed with heavy loss to the attackers.

A very stubborn battle is said to be continuing on both banks of the San between Permysl and the Lubaczowka river, as well as between Permysl and the great marshes of the Dniester.

The Russians claim to have inflicted enormous losses upon their antagonists on the 25th on the entire front, capturing prisoners during counter attacks. The communication follows:

Very Stubborn Battle Continues

"In Galicia on the 25th and the succeeding night the enemy delivered attacks on the whole of our front between the upper Vistula and the left bank of the San, but was everywhere repulsed with great losses.

"A very stubborn battle continues with great intensity on both banks of the San between Permysl and the Lubaczowka river, as well as between Permysl and the great marshes of the Dniester. In the region beyond the Dniester on the 25th the enemy opened a determined offensive on the entire front from the great Dniester marshes to Dolina. In the course of this and the following day the enemy, who suffered enormous losses, was nowhere successful.

Hostile elements which pierced our line between our points of support near Nstry were destroyed by our fire. During counter attacks we took many prisoners, whose number has not yet been ascertained definitely."

SAYS GERMAN CASUALTIES IN WEST GALICIA ARE 106,000

London, May 28, 3.32 A. M.—The "Times" Petrograd correspondent says he learns that the German casualties in the West Galicia drive would reach 106,000.

An army organ in Petrograd, the correspondent adds, declares that Prince Joachim, a son of Emperor William, and the Prince of Lippe, narrowly escaped capture as the Russians suddenly stormed the Kurzany position with the bayonet. The princes, it is asserted, fled to their staff in the rear of the position.

BRITISH SHIP, ATTACKED BY GERMAN SUBMARINE, IS SENDING WIRELESS CALLS

Liverpool, May 28, 3.50 P. M.—The British ship Argylshire, which left Sydney, N. S. W., April 16, is sending out wireless dispatch calls after having been attacked by a German submarine, according to information received in shipping circles here.

Liverpool, May 28, 5.05 P. M.—The Argylshire reached port safely later in the day. The harbor into which she put has not been announced.

ITALIANS TAKE 14 TOWNS IN ADVANCE IN CARINTHIA

Geneva, May 28, Via Paris, 1.45 P. M.—The Italians are continuing their advance into Carinthia. They have taken three of the lower mountain passes and fourteen villages.

Rome, May 27, 10 P. M., Via Paris May 28, 8.30 A. M.—A successful raid upon the Trieste-Nabresina railroad by a squadron of Italian hydro-aeroplanes, together with the occupation of additional Austrian territory along the Tyrol frontier and the Frieule front, are reported in an official statement issued to-night by the Italian War Office. It is stated that an artillery battle is raging between the Italian fortified positions on the Trentino front and those of the Austrians.

GERMANY TO DECLARE WAR ON ITALY IN 48 HOURS, REPORT

Geneva, Switzerland, May 28, Via Paris, 1.40 P. M.—A dispatch has been received at Basel from Berlin saying that Germany will formally declare war on Italy within the next 48 hours, and that "Turkey will make her declaration upon Italy later.

BRITISH STEAMER CADBY IS SUNK BY GERMAN SUBMARINE

Penzance, Eng., May 28.—The British steamer Cadby has been sunk off the Scilly Island by gunfire from a German submarine. All those on board the vessel, including four passengers were saved.

The Cadby was sent to the bottom yesterday. Her crew of 18 men, together with the four passengers on board, took to the boats and were later rescued by a fishing smack and brought into Newlyn, a fishing village near here.

After firing a shot to halt the Cadby, the submarine ceased firing while the crew and passengers took to the boats. She then opened fire again. It required thirty shots to sink the vessel.

The steamer Cadby was of 677 net tons register, and 225 feet long. She was owned in Glasgow.

TURKS LOST 7,000 IN ATTACK ON AUSTRALIANS' POSITIONS

London, May 28, 3.46 A. M.—From the front comes a report that the Turks on May 25 attempted to capture Australian positions at Gaba Teneh. Describing this attack the "Times" correspondent says:

"The first onset began at 3 a. m. and for 12 hours the enemy attacked in serried columns in a series of desperate assaults, yet at 2 p. m., the Australians were able to signal that they were holding easily and at 3 o'clock they counter attacked, driving the enemy back with the bayonet and pursuing him in the open to his entrenchments with great slaughter. The Turks lost 2,000 killed and 5,000 wounded. The Australians' casualties, though heavy, were light in comparison.

Danish Steamer Sunk by Mine

Copenhagen, Denmark, May 28, via London, 2.35 P. M.—The Danish steamer Ely struck a mine off Stockholm yesterday and sank. Her crew was saved. The Ely was bound from Engstrand for Sundsvall, Sweden, with a cargo of coal.

GERMAN REPLY TO U. S. NOTE HERE TO-MORROW, REPORT

London, May 28, 3.30 P. M.—The "Evening News" publishes a dispatch from The Hague giving reports from Berlin that Germany's reply to the American note will be presented to-morrow.

"It will be of a temporizing character," the dispatch continues, "and will ask the United States either to affirm or to deny that the Lusitania carried ammunition destined for the allies."

SUES FOR \$8,000 FOR BOY ON WHOM SKIN IS GRAFTED

Mother of Paul Erb Says She Is Convinced Now He Is a Cripple For Life

VICTIM OF A "HARMLESS" TOY

Parent of Child Who Was Terribly Burned by "Sparkler" a Year Ago Seeks Damages From Mrs. Annie B. Albitz, Charging Neglect

Almost a year has elapsed since Paul Sydney Erb, now 16 years old, son of Mrs. Lottie M. Erb, a widow of 1804 North Sixth street, was frightfully burned on his right leg and about the body by a supposedly harmless



BOY WHO FIGURED IN \$8,000 SUIT Damages Sought for Alleged Negligence That Caused Paul Erb to Be a Cripple

"Sparkler" in a premature Fourth of July celebration on the farm of Mrs. Annie B. Albitz, at Enterline, Dauphin county, and although two skin grafting operations have been performed on the lad and he has received constant medical attention he has not recovered sufficiently to leave his roller chair.

On the strength of the attending physician's statement now that the lad is certain to be a cripple for life, even though his wounds do heal, and on the further allegation that the boy's injuries were neglected at the

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APPROVE REORGANIZATION PLAN OF CENTRAL IRON CO.

Majority of Bondholders Give Assent to Proposal and It Is Understood Also That a Majority of Creditors Also Are Agreed

A majority of the bondholders of the Central Iron & Steel Company have assented to the recently announced plan for reorganizing the company by increasing the capital stock, increasing the bonded indebtedness by \$500,000 if necessary and putting the plant on a sound basis for extensive operations, so it was learned there to-day. Belief was expressed that the bondholders' committee and the creditors' committee within the next few weeks will proceed to carry out the general idea as outlined.

The approval of the creditors of the reorganization plan also must be obtained before any definite steps are taken. Although a formal report has not

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NEW SERIAL STORY

A real story of adventure on the briny deep is "The Lady and the Pirate," by Emerson Hough, which will appear serially in the Star-Independent beginning to-morrow. This thrilling tale, by one of the country's best known writers of the day tells of a man who has been disappointed in love, and who sets out to capture by force the object of his devotion. There are many humorous situations, which go to make up a very enjoyable story.

E. A. JONES QUILTS POST IN HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Second Deputy Commissioner, Appointed by Tener to Serve Under Bigelow, Submits Resignation and Brumbaugh Accepts It

Edward A. Jones, of Scranton, Second Deputy State Highway Commissioner, this afternoon tendered his resignation to Governor Brumbaugh, to take effect when his successor is appointed.

Mr. Jones, who was prominent in public affairs in Lackawanna county for years, was appointed Second Deputy Highway Commissioner by Governor Tener and served in office during the whole of Commissioner Bigelow's term. It was said some time ago, before the present administration came into office, that Mr. Jones contemplated resigning in order to make a canvass for the Republican nomination for County Commissioner in Lackawanna county, but whether his purpose in resigning now is to carry out that intention could not be learned, as Mr. Jones was not in the city to-day.

Governor Brumbaugh has accepted the resignation, and Mr. Jones is now awaiting the appointment of his successor.

STEEL CORPORATION HEAD SEES BIG RACE AFTER WAR

Depicts International Struggle For Supremacy In All That Tends to Make Countries Prosperous When Gigantic Conflict Comes to An End

By Associated Press.

New York, May 28.—Elbert H. Gary, chairman of the United States Steel Corporation and president of the American Iron and Steel Institute, in an address to-day at the annual meeting of the institute declared that after the war there would be seen among the nations the most persistent efforts to succeed in the international race for supremacy that the world has ever witnessed. Whether the United States would occupy the first, or a secondary place, depended much upon our management of affairs, he said.

"There was never in history, therefore, so great a necessity for wise and disinterested statesmanship, or for loyal and honorable conduct upon the part of practical business men.

"After all differences are adjusted," said Judge Gary, "the nations now, or are engaged in this colossal conflict, though terribly crippled, will take a new start and in many respects a new course and will begin immediately to build on a better and firmer and more permanent basis for success and high achievement in everything that adds to national wealth, power,

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BIG FRENCH LINER RUNS ASHORE AND IS BADLY DAMAGED

La Champagne Aground Near St. Nazaire—All Passengers Are Reported to be Safe

900 PERSONS WERE ABOARD

Officials of French Line Report There Is No Need of Anxiety As to Safety of Vessel and Say She Was Not Torpedoed

Nantes, France, May 28, 2.40 P. M.—The steamer La Champagne, of the French transatlantic line is ashore near St. Nazaire. She is badly damaged. The 900 persons on board of her have been taken off.

La Champagne was engaged in transatlantic trade between Central and South American ports and France. She was last reported as having sailed from Colon on May 7. The steamer is 493 feet long.

A plot to blow up La Champagne was reported last February in a dispatch from Madrid to a Paris newspaper. According to this dispatch officials of the vessel stated on her arrival at Corunna, Spain, from Mexico, that the plot had been frustrated by a wireless message received aboard the ship. This message was said to have conveyed the information that a man on board intended to destroy the ves-

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BUCHER MANSION NOW TO BE SOLD, AFTER 125 YEARS

Dwelling at Front and Market Streets Has Been in One Family Since 1790

E. M. HERSHEY IS THE BUYER

He Will Transform It Into Apartments As Soon As Court Procedure Facilitates the Transfer From the Heirs of Mrs. Eliza B. Hummel

The old Bucher mansion, on the southeast corner of Front and Market streets, built 125 years ago, and which is now a part of the Eliza Bucher Hummel estate, will pass into the hands of a new owner and be converted into an apartment house provided the Dauphin county court confirms the sale as made to E. M. Hershey, a local attorney, by the Hummel heirs who are direct descendants of John Jacob Bucher who built the house about 1790. It will thus pass out of the hands of the Bucher family or its descendants, for the first time.

The court will be asked on June 22 to approve the sale, notice of which fact is contained in an advertisement which the heirs have authorized to be published. The deed of transfer will call for the properties, No. 1 South Front street, and Nos. 101 and 103 Market street. Court proceedings to facilitate the transfer from the several Hummel heirs, may defer for several months the date when Mr. Hershey will receive title to the property, but he said to-day that as soon as he does obtain possession it is his plan to proceed with the work of transforming the big brick structure into an apartment house. An architect will be engaged to prepare the plans which likely will provide for the enlargement of the present two-and-one-half story structure to one of three or four stories.

Until comparatively recent years the house, which is a Harrisburg landmark, was used exclusively for residence purposes, but in later years the downstairs part was converted into business quarters and stores.

The sale of the property is about to be consummated by Valentine Lorn Hummel, Mrs. Eliza Hummel MacDonal and Mrs. Helen Ray Donaldson, all of whom are great great-grandchildren of the John Jacob Bucher, who built the home in 1790; that is just after his coming to Harrisburg, 125 years ago. Mr. Bucher was very wealthy and at one time served as associate judge of Dauphin county.

When the court confirms the sale it will be the first time for the house to pass out of the hands of the Bucher family or the direct descendants of John Jacob Bucher. Judge John C. Bucher, a son of the original owner, came into possession of the residence after the death of his father and under the will of John C., his three daughters inherited it, along with other Harrisburg real estate. Two of these three daughters were Mrs. Eliza Bucher Hummel and Mrs. Alexander Ray, and the third died when quite young. Mrs. Hummel survived her two sisters and after Mrs. Ray's death became the sole owner. The heirs now about to complete the sale to Mr. Hershey are all grandchildren of Mrs. Hummel and inherited the property from her. Miss Hannah Ross, the present tenant, is the only person who has ever lived in the house aside from the Bucher family or the Bucher heirs.

SHIFTER HITS SIX IN AUTO

One Man in Party Mortally Injured in Grade Crossing Accident

Wilkes-Barre, May 28.—Six were injured, two seriously and one mortally, when a shifting engine on the Lehigh Valley railroad, struck an automobile on a grade crossing at White Haven, near here, to-day.

James Schatzel was probably fatally injured, his legs and one arm was cut off in the accident. With two others he was taken to the Bethlehem hospital in a special train.

The men, who are residents of White Haven, were on their way to work in a stone quarry at Moosehead.

Boys and Girls! Uncle Harry Talks To-day On "Life in the War Countries"

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GRECIAN KING WHO HOVERS BETWEEN LIFE AND DEATH



KING CONSTANTINE OF GREECE

Athens, May 28.—The condition of King Constantine of Greece continues to be critical, and grave anxiety is felt through Greece. The King is forty-six years of age and was active recently in overturning the war party in Greece.

INCOMPLETE REPORT ON SINKING OF NEBRASKAN IS RECEIVED BY BRYAN

Washington, May 28.—Secretary Bryan said to-day that an incomplete report had been received from London of the investigation into the explosion which damaged the Nebraskan, but that nothing would be made public until the report of naval experts had been received. Department officials said the full report of the investigation would be cabled as soon as possible by Ambassador Page.

American government officials to-day awaited the affidavit of Captain Greene, of the American steamship Nebraskan, regarding the explosion that damaged his ship off the coast of Ireland on Tuesday night. Ambassador Page, at London has called the captain's sworn statement concerning the incident had been given to Lieutenant Powel, naval attaché of the embassy at Liverpool, and that it would be forwarded to-day.

Officials here express the belief that Captain Greene's affidavit may not be more definite than a previous report by him which said his ship either struck a mine or was hit by a torpedo. In unofficial advices received here the captain, who arrived with his ship at Liverpool last night, is quoted as saying that although he saw no submarines, he was certain that the ship was torpedoed. Officials have been unable as yet to determine from advices received up to date how the Nebraskan was damaged.

An examination was to be undertaken in Liverpool to-day by American Naval Constructor Beckridge, to determine if possible whether the Nebraskan was damaged by a mine or torpedo.

Liverpool, May 28, 7.11 A. M.—While none of the crew of the American steamer Nebraskan, disabled Tuesday night by an explosion off the coast of Ireland, saw a submarine, the chief engineer believes he saw the wake of a torpedo on the starboard side, according to Captain Greene, of the steamer.

The captain, in reply to questions, stated that there is a hole about twenty feet square in the forecastle below the water line large enough to admit a freight car.

The members of the crew of the Nebraskan admit that no submarine was actually sighted, but nevertheless they are convinced that she was struck by a torpedo. They do not believe a mine could have done this damage.

TURKS CAPTURE AND HOLD 2 ENGLISH POSITIONS AT KURNA

Constantinople, May 27, by Wireless to Berlin and London, May 28, 8.11 A. M.—Fresh activity of Turkish forces in the vicinity of Kurna, Mesopotamia, is announced in a war office statement which says:

"In a night attack by volunteers in boats we captured two English positions which we are still holding."

Kurna is on the right bank of the Tigris river at its junction with the Euphrates. It is a stopping point for river steamers going up and down and has a small trade.

REFUSE AID TO MURDERERS

Arizona Legislature Declines to Recommend Clemency to 5 Doomed Men

By Associated Press.

Phoenix, Ariz., May 28.—By a vote of 15 to 12 the House of Representatives of the Arizona Legislature declined to-day Governor Hunt's request to memorialize the Board of Pardons and Paroles to relieve the five men condemned to be hanged at Florence to-day.

James Scarlet's Barn Dynamited

Wilkes-Barre, Pa., May 28.—The barn of James Scarlet, at Luzerne, near here, was dynamited early to-day. One horse and two cows were killed. The explosion shook the neighborhood, breaking windows and causing other damage to nearby houses.

URUMIAH IS OCCUPIED BY RUSSIANS

Persian Town, Scene of Turkish Atrocities, Is Taken by Czar's Forces

OPENS THE WAY TO SEND RELIEF

U. S. Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions Welcomes News of Russian Victory and Sees Way to Succor Besieged Christians

Petrograd, Via London, May 28, 7.08 A. M.—Urumiah, Persia, has been occupied by the Russians after an engagement with the Turks in the direction of Dilman and near Bahkala, according to a statement issued by the General Staff of the army of the Caucasus.

New York, May 28.—Officials of the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions welcomed the news to-day that the way to Urumiah had at last been opened. The city has been beleaguered since January 2 last according to their reports, and during that time no foreigner has been able to reach it.

For more than three months persistent and continued efforts had been made on behalf of the board to send succor to the Christians at Urumiah. Expeditions from Dilman, it was said, have repeatedly endeavored without success to penetrate through the Kurdish infested section lying between that city and Urumiah. Two messengers, natives dispatched from Urumiah by Presbyterian missionaries, have reached the outside world with stories of tremendous hardships, sustained by the population there.

These messengers were sent back over their perilous road to convey to the beleaguered missionaries the tidings that everything possible was being done to aid them. Whether they succeeded in reaching the city was unknown to officials of the board to-day. Representations have been made in several instances, it was said, to the State Department at Washington by individuals of the board calling attention to the plight of the Christians at Urumiah, and Ambassador Morgenthau, at Constantinople, the board was advised, has received Turkish assurances that the Christians would be protected.

Now that Urumiah has fallen into the hands of the Russians, relief will be possible by expeditions sent from the north through the Russian lines. Such relief will be transmitted as speedily as plans could be perfected for doing so, officials of the board stated to-day.

Eager to Fight the Italians

Berlin, via London, May 28, 10.45 A. M.—Hundred of volunteers, including men more than fifty years of age, have reported to the military authorities at Frankfurt in the past few days, making the specific request that they be permitted to serve against Italy.

LATE WAR NEWS SUMMARY

The capture of fourteen Austrian villages along the Galician front by the invading Italian forces is reported in an unofficial dispatch from Geneva. It is said also that the Italians have taken possession of three mountain passes and are continuing their advance elsewhere along the border.

The statement to-day from the German war office concedes victory to the Russians in a battle along the San river, in central Galicia. The Germans lost six cannon and were compelled to fall back from the left bank of the river near Sieniawa, where their positions were not defended strongly. Petrograd reports say that the Austro-German advance in Galicia having been checked, the Germans are taking the initiative in the north, along the line from the Baltic to Southern Poland. The capture of 9,000 more prisoners is announced by the German war office

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Danner Seeks Re-election

Roy C. Danner, Register of Wills, to-day formally announced his candidacy for re-election. He will be a candidate on the Democratic ticket.

WALL STREET CLOSING

By Associated Press.

New York, May 28 (Wall Street).—Recovery of 2 points in Rock Island and losses of a point each by Chesapeake and Ohio and New Haven were the sole features of the final dealings. The close was strong. Canadian Pacific was the chief feature of to-day's market. Delay of the German reply to this government's note was a restraining factor.