

### FRENCH POSITIONS IN CHAMPAGNE LOST

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### RHEIMS AGAIN SET AFIRE

#### Zouaves and Turcos Figure in Battles North of Ypres—Belgians Repulse Attack by Germans From Steenstraete.

LONDON, April 30.—The official statement from German army headquarters as received here from Berlin contains the statement that in the recent fighting in the Champagne district the Germans have captured French positions extending more than half a mile. This part of the statement is as follows:

"In the Champagne district north of Le Mesnil the French attempt to win back their former position resulted in failure. A whole group of fortifications 1000 yards wide and 300 yards deep has been reversed in its entirety and is being maintained.

#### French Report Taking of Trenches.

The official report issued tonight by the French War Office at Paris said: "In Belgium to the north of Ypres our attacks have progressed on the whole front on a depth varying from 500 meters (about 1600 feet) to one kilometer (two-thirds of a mile). We have taken two successive lines of trenches and captured a great many prisoners.

"The correspondent of the Associated Press visited today the summit of the mountain of Watterloep, which the enemy has not attacked for the last two days. "One of our airships has been bombed by the railroad and sheds in the Valenciennes. One of our aeroplanes, which was destroyed by an explosion, fell inside the enemy's lines."

The earlier French war office report dealt with operations of yesterday. It said: "We made progress yesterday north of Ypres, in the region of Steenstraete. The city of Rheims received 500 shells of which many were of an incendiary nature. These missiles started several fires but it was found possible to circumscribe them and to put them out quickly.

"In the Champagne district, the enemy shelled one of our ambulances, wounding a doctor."

#### Germans Hold Bridgeheads.

The report of the German general staff issued at Berlin today said: "Last night there was fighting between Steenstraete and Het Sas. German troops have fortified and hold bridgeheads on the western bank of the canal near Steenstraete and Het Sas, and on the east bank of the canal north of Ypres. Zouaves and Turcos attempted a charge against the German right wing, but this charge broke down under the German fire.

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"In the Argonne district, north of Four de Paris, a trench of the enemy was captured. German troops here took prisoner one French officer and 30 men and the ground gained against repeated French counterattacks.

"Near Cornay, in the eastern part of the Argonne, an aeroplane of the enemy came to earth. The aviators were found to be dead.

#### French Charges Fall in Meuse.

"Between the Meuse and the Moselle French attacks on positions conquered by us on the heights of the Meuse resulted in failure. Also to the north of Eijsberg, French charge failed with heavy losses. In the fighting on the heights of the Meuse between April 24 and 25, the French lost three regimental commanders and about 4000 men."

An official report given out by the Belgian army headquarters today said: "During the night of April 28-29 our troops repulsed with heavy losses a German attack delivered from Steenstraete. On April 28 the enemy's artillery became active and bombarded at intervals various parts of our lines. We occupied a farm to the south of Watterloep."

A dispatch from Havre says that the virtual annihilation of the Germans who crossed a bridge near Steenstraete is described by the newspaper Vingtieme Siecle. Belgian heavy artillery destroyed this bridge, while field artillery showered the German positions with shrapnel. Many tied handkerchiefs to their bayonets and raised them in sign of surrender, but immediately their own quickfiring machine gunners opened fire and mowed them down pitilessly. Many survivors were made prisoners by the Belgians.

### BRITISH ARTILLERY ACTIVE

#### Situation on Front, However, Stationary for Last 48 Hours.

LONDON, April 30.—The semi-weekly report from the headquarters in the field of the British commander-in-chief, Field Marshal Sir John French, dated April 29, was given out here tonight as follows:

"The situation on our front has remained unchanged during the last 48 hours. The area in the neighborhood of Ypres has been the scene of great artillery activity throughout this period, but there have been no other operations so far as the British army is concerned.

"On our immediate left the French made counter-attacks today, supported by our artillery fire, which made sensible progress.

"A German aeroplane was attacked yesterday in the air, fired at by our guns and was brought down at our lines east of Ypres.

"Successful mining operations have been carried out southwest of Wytschaete and in the neighborhood of Ghenvy."

### ALLIES SWEEP OVER TROPS

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stormed by the British in frontal attack through undamaged wire entanglements. Sixty-two men were killed about 2 P. M., four pom-poms being captured.

"The situation at this end of the peninsula thus was definitely secured and the disembarkation of French and British forces proceeded.

#### Provincials Fight Doggedly.

"On the morning of the 27th, after repulsing a Turkish attack on their left toward Cape Helles, the allied force advanced and at 8 P. M. was established in an entrenched line running from a point about two miles north of Cape Tekeh to a small plateau above De Totts battery. From this line an advance since has been made to the neighborhood of Kriethi.

"Meanwhile, the Australian and New

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#### WARSHIPS REPORTED DAMAGED

#### Turks Also Say Hostile Army Driven From Asiatic Soil.

CONSTANTINOPLE via London, April 30.—The following Turkish official statement regarding the operations at the Dardanelles was given out here tonight:

"On April 28 the fire of our batteries damaged the British battleships Jeanne d'Arc, which left for Tenedos in flames. An English destroyer was sunk by our shells on April 28 at the entrance to the narrows.

"Sixteen armored cruisers attacked our advance batteries at the narrows and were driven back by our shells. Thousands of shells fired on our batteries and infantry positions resulted in only the wounding of a number of men. The transports of the British fleet were struck repeatedly by our shells and one of them was beached. We sank some boats and sailing vessels and the British battleships Majestic and Triumph, which had been damaged, had to withdraw from the fighting line.

"For the last two days the enemy fleet has undertaken no operations against the narrows.

"No enemy forces remain on the Asiatic side of the Dardanelles. Hostile forces at Gaba Tepeh (west coast of the Gallipoli Peninsula near the tip) are obstinately maintaining their positions under the protection of ships.

"From the other parts of Gallipoli the enemy has been driven off."

### AMERICAN SHIP TARGET

#### GERMAN AIRMEN ACCUSED OF DROPPING BOMBS NEAR.

#### Steamer Cushing Attacked While Flying United States Flag and With Name Painted on Side.

LONDON, April 30.—The Reuter Telegram Company has received a dispatch from its correspondent at Rotterdam saying that the American steamer Cushing, from Philadelphia, arrived at Rotterdam today and reported having been attacked by German airmen in the North Sea last Wednesday.

The airmen dropped two bombs, but no damage was done.

The Cushing was flying the American flag at the time of the attack, and her name was displayed on her sides in huge letters.

The steamer Cushing left Philadelphia April 11 for Rotterdam, yesterday. She is of 4200 tons net register and is 427 feet long.

PHILADELPHIA, April 30.—The Cushing is owned by the Standard Oil Company. She was formerly the German steamship Prometheus and was transferred to American registry last November.

The Cushing's cargo consists of 2,450,000 gallons of refined petroleum and 50,000 gallons of lubricating oil.

### CHINA CALLS ON BRYAN

#### NEW JAPANESE DEMANDS ON CHINA PRESUMABLY EXPLAINED.

#### United States Believed to Urge Further Modification to Preserve Administrative Freedom.

WASHINGTON, April 30.—Viscount China, the Japanese Ambassador, had another long conference today with Secretary Bryan, presumably on the Japanese-Chinese negotiations being conducted in Peking. Both officials adhered rigidly to the policy of secrecy, but it was assumed the conference related to the revised demands presented to the Chinese Foreign Office early this week.

The revised list is known to amplify the original 21 articles, by adding three. The reappearance of all the original demands in modified form, it is thought, is bringing about explanations from the Japanese authorities.

While no inkling has been given of the course to be followed by the United States with respect to the new demands, those familiar with American policy have been further convinced that it is believed that one of the subjects being considered is Japan's demand for the right to propagate Buddhism in China.

### CANADIAN LOSSES GROW

#### List of 136 Reported Is Said to Be Only Beginning of Total.

OTTAWA, Ont., April 30.—Casualty lists issued by the military department today contain the names of 136 members of the Canadian expeditionary forces killed, wounded or missing, and are the heaviest given out since the Canadians have been in action. It is understood, however, that these lists are only a beginning, particularly with reference to the killed, whose names are announced next of kin it takes a long time to trace.

The only officers among the killed mentioned in the lists are Lieut. E. Patrick, of Ashbury, England, and the Hon. Captain John Herriek McGregor, of Oakbay, Victoria, B. C., both formerly reported wounded. Lieutenant Fitzpatrick belonged to the fifth battalion and Captain McGregor to the 16th.

#### Canada to Send 150,000 Men.

OTTAWA, Ont., April 30.—Although it has been no official announcement as to the number of men Canada will send to swell the ranks of the allies, it is understood that according to present plans, 150,000 men will be sent to the firing line, and more if Lord Kitchener needs them.

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#### LONDON, April 30.—The British official "eyewitness" in a narrative of the battle of Ypres says the Germans had prepared to attack the allied line on the 28th, but the wind not being favorable "for their use of asphyxiating gases" they postponed it until the 23d.

The gas, the narrative says, was distributed along the German front line, in front of the French position, and the wind being from the North, it was blown directly on the French. The German plan, according to the "eyewitness," was to make a sudden onslaught southwestward, which, if successful, would enable the Germans to advance rapidly to the south of the British line and place them well behind the British line and in a position to threaten Ypres.

"Our flank being thus exposed, the troops were ordered to retire on St. Julien with their left flank parallel to, but to the west of the high road. The splendid resistance of the troops who saved the situation already has been mentioned by the Commander-in-Chief.

"Meanwhile, apparently waiting until their infantry penetrated well behind the allied line, the Germans opened a hot artillery fire upon various tactical points to the north of Ypres. "Some of the projectiles used," he says, "contained asphyxiating gas."

"The British had been ordered to range, checked their rush and did not lose a gun. The infantry meantime fired on the German tanks and bayonets finally were brought up by officers on their own initiative to meet the Germans, who by this time were barely two miles from Ypres.

"These battalions," the narrative continues, "attacked the Germans with the bayonet, and then ensued a melee in which our men more than held their own, both sides losing heavily.

"Other reinforcements were thrown in. As they came up the fighting was continued by moonlight, our troops driving back the enemy by repeated bayonet charges. In the course of which our heavy guns were recaptured. By then the situation was somewhat restored in the area immediately north of Ypres.

"Further to the west, the enemy had forced their way over the canal, occupying Steenstraete, and crossing at Het Sas had established themselves at various points on the west bank.

#### Alles Attack With Bayonets.

"In the early morning of Friday we made a strong counter-attack northward in co-operation with the French. Our advance progress was for some little distance, reaching the edge of the wood, about a half mile west of St. Julien and penetrating it.

"Here our men got into the Germans with the bayonet and the latter suffered heavily. The losses on our side, however, were severe and the advance had to be carried out across the open. But in spite of this, nothing could exceed the dash with which it was conducted.

"About 11 A. M., not being able to progress further, our troops dug themselves in.

"Broadly speaking, on the section of the front then occupied by us the result of the operations had been to remove to some extent the wedge which the Germans had driven into the allied line, and immediate danger was over. During the afternoon our counter-attack made further progress south of Pilleken, thus straightening the line still more."

"The writer then tells how the Germans, bringing up strong reinforcements and "again using gas," captured St. Julien and managed to throw several brigades across the canal. The British made a strong counter-attack on Sunday, and while they gained some ground, it stopped in front of the village of St. Julien. The Germans, he narrative adds, made repeated attacks against the British near Broodseinde, backed by a tremendous artillery bombardment and gas, but they all were driven off "with great slaughter to the enemy."

#### NAVAL CADETS TO SEE FAIR

#### 10,000-Mile Cruise to Be Made by Annapolis Classes.

WASHINGTON, April 30.—The Panama-Pacific Exposition at San Francisco will be the objective point of a 10,000-mile cruise of the Annapolis midshipmen this year. They will leave Annapolis June 6 and return August 30, under command of Rear-Admiral Fulford on the battleship Missouri, and will visit the Hawaiian Islands, Alaska, and the West Coast. The squadron will reach Colon June 15. It leaves Panama June 20, putting into Magdalena Bay June 25. At that day's stay the vessels will resume their cruise, reaching San Diego July 3 and San Francisco July 5.

Returning the ships will leave San Francisco July 23, visit Los Angeles from July 24 to 26, arrive at Panama August 7 and Annapolis August 30.

#### Snow Falls at Twin Falls.

TWIN FALLS, Idaho, April 30.—(Special.)—Although one-half inch of snow fell in the Twin Falls country last night, the lowest temperature was only 23. There was no danger to fruit. Horticulturists say the temperature could fall to 23 without any danger. Considerable snow fell tonight, but the temperature is mild and the sky is thickly overcast with clouds.

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## NEW LAND INVADED

#### Germans Move Against Russian Baltic Provinces.

### OFFENSIVE IS EXTENSIVE

#### Country is Rich in Production of Foodstuffs and May Solve Big Problem of Berlin—Carpathian Actions Continue.

LONDON, April 30.—German invasion of the Baltic provinces of Russia apparently is the intention of a new offensive that has suddenly taken on large and serious proportions.

"Success of the unexpected movement would solve the food problem for Germany, as that part of Russia is rich in foodstuff production.

Petrograd reports the new offensive. "In the eastern arena of the war the vanguards of the German forces, advancing into Northwestern Russia, reached yesterday the railroad running from Duenaburg to Libau. The Russian forces did not offer serious resistance.

#### Important Country Involved.

"Fighting is now going on near Szawie and Kalwarya (in Russian Poland, north of Suwalki). "Duenaburg is about 225 miles to the east of Libau. It is an important manufacturing city and is described as a great depot for the Russian artillery. The railroad line between these points runs east and west through the province of Kovno and is described as a line between Kovno and East Prussia."

"Strong Russian attacks on our positions failed with heavy losses. German troops took prisoner five officers and 500 unarmored Russian soldiers.

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"The official Russian report follows: "Further to the south, between Kalwarya and Augustowo, Russian charges failed."

"Enemy attacks, which were barren of results, took place between the rivers Pissa and Skwa, north of Vaskh, and on the right bank of the Omulev and continued all day the 28th. The enemy yesterday, covered by the fire of his heavy artillery in the sector be-

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