

HALF MILLION FRESH GERMAN TROOPS ON WAY TO FIRING LINE

Pass Through Berlin, but Destination Being Kept a Dark Secret.

BELIEVED FLANDERS GOAL

Military Experts in London of Opinion That Soldiers Will Be Used in Drive in Galicia.

London, June 5.—(U. P.)—Half a million fresh German troops have passed through Berlin in the last fortnight, bound for the battle front, their destination a closely guarded secret. This information reached here tonight from reliable sources in Copenhagen. It confirmed the belief expressed in military circles today that the Austro-German drive in Galicia, the sudden drive against the British at Ypres, and the operations of a swarm of German submarines, each formed part of the Kaiser's plan for a great offensive movement on all fronts.

The belief prevailed here tonight that the new German levies were destined for the Flanders battlefield. The departure of the troop trains from the German capital began too late to send reinforcements to Mackensen at Przemyśl. The new German offensive against Ypres was launched two days ago. Sufficient time had elapsed to permit the arrival of the troops from Berlin and their destination along the Flanders fighting line.

English aviators have reported to headquarters signs of great activity along the Meuse road east of Ypres. The Germans are concentrating armored automobiles at several points in the region of Hoge, strengthening the report that the Kaiser plans a quick smash that will sweep General French off his feet.

Desultory skirmishing has occurred in the past 24 hours on the outskirts of the village of Hoge, where the enemy obtained a hold in Thursday's fighting. German gunners continue their intermittent bombardment of what remains of Ypres, but the general assault of the city has not yet begun.

North of Arras the situation is most encouraging for the allies. Despite heavy artillery and infantry counter assaults, the Germans have been unable to halt the French advance toward Lens. Berlin this afternoon officially admitted the capture of the Souchez sugar mill by the French.

High Rate Paid for Space on St. Paul

American Liner Leaves Liverpool on What Many Believe May Be Last Trip for Some Time.

Liverpool, June 5.—(L. N. S.)—The American liner St. Paul, which sailed from Liverpool today, took a full complement of passengers. Every berth was occupied. The popularity of these steamers should prove a good argument for the building up of an American merchant marine, for there is no reason, if the ships are forthcoming, why a largely augmented transatlantic service could not be run, very profitably, as almost everyone now wants to travel under the American flag.

Today some of the St. Pauls were sold for \$500, while the regular fare was much increased from what it was a few weeks ago.

At Euston station this morning there were heard expressed some doubts as to whether the St. Paul would get through the danger zone successfully, while not a few of those on board are hurrying back to the United States because of the belief that the situation between Washington and Berlin makes it possible that the St. Paul may be the last American ship to leave here for some time.

Philadelphia Is Jammed. New York, June 5.—(L. N. S.)—Her cabins jammed, the American liner Philadelphia today sailed for Liverpool, 200 Americans being among the 695 passengers. The Philadelphia, which has been in the second class service, sailed as a first class steamship and so great was the demand for accommodations that suites which on previous voyages had been bringing \$35, cost \$100 this trip.

J. Forbes Robertson, the British actor, was among the passengers. Speaking of the United States and the war, he said:

"From the bottom of my heart I would advise Americans to get ready."

Portion of King's Tenth Rib Removed. Ruler of Greece Undergoes Second Operation and Will Be Confined to Bed Several Weeks; Recovery Expected.

Athens, June 5.—(U. P.)—A second operation was performed on King Constantine this afternoon by Professor Eilberg, the royal surgeon, to remove a portion of the king's tenth rib was removed. An official bulletin issued immediately afterward said the operation was "highly successful."

No quick recovery can be hoped for, said the physicians. The king will probably be confined to his bed for several weeks.

Tacoma Girls, on Adventure, Steal

Tacoma, Wash., June 5.—(U. P.)—Two high school girls, 17, of rich Tacoma families, for the thrill of the adventure, have entered 20 Tacoma homes in the last few weeks and stolen money, jewels and other valuables. Today detectives took the girls in a closed automobile and rode over the city while the culprits pointed out the homes they had robbed.

As fast as possible the officers are returning to the various homes the articles stolen. The girls had no use for the things they took, made no effort to sell them, as far as has been learned, and the stored up hoards of trinkets are being sent back to their owners.

Threatened to Blow Up Offices. New York, June 5.—(L. N. S.)—Edward A. Sullivan was held in default of \$10,000 bail today on a charge of threatening to blow up the Cunard offices here in an alleged attempt to extort \$20,000.

Austro-Germans Nearing Lemberg

Break Russian Resistance on Heights of Medyka; Meanwhile Czar's Army Await Heavy Reinforcements.

London, June 5.—(L. N. S.)—The Austro-German armies advancing from Przemyśl have broken the Russian resistance on the heights of Medyka, according to official advices from Vienna, and again are sweeping forward toward Lemberg. The action at Medyka, however, is believed here, was merely a rear guard action on the part of the Russians to hamper the Teuton advance while the czar's forces strengthened their lines in the Grodok lakes region.

At this point Petrograd claims the Teutonic allies are certain to meet strenuous opposition, due in part to the natural strength of the Russian positions and to the fact that heavy reinforcements of reserves have been brought up to stiffen the Russian lines.

Despite the Austro-German victory at Przemyśl and the successes following it, there is still no sign of a weakening in the Russian lines. The czar's troops are preserving an unbroken front in the whole Galician theatre, and although, according to Berlin and Vienna, they are retreating rapidly, their fighting line on both sides of the railway to Lemberg are intact.

48 PROMINENT MEN OF TEXAS INDICTED FOR ELECTION FRAUD

District and County Judge and Other Public Officials Among Those Arrested.

Corpus Christi, Texas, June 5.—(U. P.)—Unearthing what may be in many respects like another Terre Haute scandal, the federal grand jury here today indicted 48 men, many of them prominent officials, for alleged irregularities in the Nueces county election.

Some of the indicted men were before Judge Burns this afternoon and were placed under bonds from \$10,000 down to \$500. Trial will be held in September.

Failure to produce bonds within five days will result in jailing the indicted men.

The charges are for alleged conspiracy to defraud the United States by corrupting and debauching an election at which were to be elected John N. Garner of Uvalde as congressman from the fifteenth district, and two

TO VISIT PORTLAND SOON



Princess Prem Kaur, chief wife of the Maharajah of Kapurthala, who, with her husband, will be a Portland visitor next month.

Among the interesting visitors in Portland this summer will be the Maharajah of Kapurthala and his chief wife, Princess Prem Kaur, who are due to arrive in the city July 28 from California after a visit to the exposition. The Maharajah and his party recently arrived in New York from Europe. While there the princess attracted much attention. From a Spanish dancing girl to the chief wife of

congressmen at large Jeff McLemore and "Cyclone" Davis.

Some are specifically charged with a conspiracy to defraud by electing and attempting to elect three persons "to the grand jurors unknown," as congressmen from the fifteenth district and congressmen at large. As a means of carrying out this alleged conspiracy, it is charged that a fund was gathered to buy poll taxes, to bribe persons to influence votes and to bribe voters themselves.

Others were indicted on charges of voting unnaturalized persons or persons convicted of felonies, without having their citizenship restored. Some face both charges.

Bonds were announced as follows: County Judge Timot, Assessor Blunzer, William N. Blunzer, and County Clerk Uehlinger, \$10,000 each; W. H. Hull, W. J. Cody and E. G. Castle-

bury, \$5000 each, with others in lesser amounts. Most of the indicted men have already perfected their bonds. District Judge Hopkins was allowed to go on his own recognizance.

Vagrancy Is Charged.

A. J. McLean, a railroad man whose home and relatives are in Boston, was arrested yesterday afternoon by Patrolman Thorpe at Fifth and Morrison streets on charges of vagrancy preferred by Julius Wright, manager of the Acacia club. According to Mr. Wright, McLean was stopping men, who were Masonic emblems, on the street, and exhibiting a conspicuous Masonic chain on his fob, was asking them, through their fellowship connection, for money. He will be tried in the municipal court Monday.

Believe Wealthy Man Murdered

Remains of Jacob Weissbein Found in Ruins of Burned Home; Brother Arrives to Investigate.

Nevada City, Cal., June 5.—(U. P.)—Jacob Weissbein, rich San Francisco real estate operator, arrived here this evening to take charge of the investigation into the death of his brother, Julius, whose body was found in the



charred ruins of his home early today. The authorities have not been able to get indisputable proof that the man was murdered, nor have they been able to run down the tramps who were seen loitering near the Weissbein bungalow last night. The fact that an attempt to burn Weissbein's Pittsburgh mine preceded the fatal fire in the bungalow, has convinced them that Weissbein was the victim of foul play.

Allies May Seize Interned Foo Ships

London, June 5.—In anticipation of any action that may be resolved upon by the British government by way of attaching an interned enemy vessel for every one destroyed by submarines, a complete list is being compiled of all such ships in possession of the allies, whether in European or other waters.

The number of vessels held by France of both German and Austrian ownership, is much greater than is generally understood, while Britain holds five or six times as many ships interned in her ports as compared with the British tonnage in Germany. In Baltic ports, the Russians likewise have a fair amount of enemy shipping at their disposal.

VON ARMIN ADMITS THEFT OF MOGUL'S TREASURE CHEST

Young German Steals Strong Box Belonging to Maharajah of Kapurthala.

PROPERTY IS CONCEALED

Thief Leads Detectives to Hiding Place; All But Money Found Intact in Basement.

Salt Lake City, June 5.—Jail and life in an alien camp look as one to Lorenz Von Armin, a cultured young German, held at the city jail on a charge of grand larceny for the theft of the strongbox of the maharajah of Kapurthala from the Indian prince's suite in the Hotel Utah last Thursday. Von Armin made a complete confession to the police, which he regards in the light of his message to the public. Von Armin was arrested in Ogden last night after he had been detained by the Ogden authorities when he attempted to "exchange" foreign money for American currency. On the return to Salt Lake he broke down and confessed everything to the detectives, and told them where he had cached the strongbox of the Indian prince.

According to the story told the police, Von Armin went to the rooms of the maharajah last Thursday seeking money to extricate him from financial difficulties. He carried with him eight original drawings by a celebrated American artist. These he offered to sell to the Indian prince for \$20.

The maharajah referred him to his secretary. Von Armin returned to the prince's suite later. While the prince and his favorite wife were absent from their apartments, Von Armin entered. Placing the strongbox in a suitcase he belonging to the prince, Von Armin made his escape unobserved.

Box Contains Valuable Papers. Besides \$558.12 in foreign money the box contained some valuable papers and a collection of obscene literature and photographs. Everything but the money Von Armin carried to a vacant house, where he concealed the treasure chest in the basement.

Last night he led the detectives to the hiding place. The box was recovered. But for the money the contents were intact.

Requisition for Putnam. Salem, Or., June 5.—Governor Withcombe has granted requisition papers on Governor Lister of Washington, for the return of John Putnam, wanted in Umatilla county for larceny.

Columbia County to Open Highway Bids

Contract Forfeited by Consolidated Contract Company to Be Completed. Attempt to Reach Agreement Fails.

Bids will be opened at St. Helens tomorrow for the completion of the contract on the Columbia highway held by the Consolidated Contract company which was declared forfeited a few days ago by the Columbia county court owing to the failure of the Consolidated Contract company to resume work on the order of the court.

Efforts to reach an agreement between the county officials and the Consolidated Contract company have failed thus far. It was thought that an understanding had been reached yesterday but it fell through.

The Consolidated Contract company has, it is reported, made a proposition to settle all claims for the sum of \$70,000. This is \$10,000 more than the county is willing to allow. While standing firmly on the final estimates of the state highway engineer of approximately \$54,000, it is understood that the county offered to increase the amount to \$60,000 in order that work on the road could be begun as soon as possible, the county doing the work by force majeure.

At a conference between State Engineer Lewis and the members of the county court in this city yesterday it was decided not to settle on any other basis and to proceed with the reletting of the contract.

Russians Retreat Without a Stand

Double Track Railroad Leading From Przemyśl to Lemberg Jammed With Trains Hauling Russian Supplies.

Vienna, June 5.—(U. P.)—Dispatches to the war office tonight said that the Russians retreating eastward from Przemyśl moved in a hasty and without attempting to make a stand and passed on in the direction of Lemberg. The double track Przemyśl-Lemberg railway is jammed with cars hauling away Russian guns and ammunition.

Fortune Awaits Man If He Weds

Long Beach, Cal., June 5.—(P. N. S.)—Arthur Visser, 32, formerly a marine with Admiral Dewey at Manila and later wounded in the Peking troubles, will receive \$10,000 cash and \$6000 in property from his grandfather's estate, if—

He marries a Christian girl and settles down before September first, next. Visser's grandfather died in Holland, Michigan, and a portion of the estate was left to him on that condition.

Visser's wife died a year ago and he says he doesn't want to wed again.

Dipping in a strong solution of alum will give new life to old hair brushes.

GERMAN DIVERS ADD ELEVEN TO LIST OF SHIPS SUNK FRIDAY

With Exception of One, All Were English Steam Trawlers and Fish Boats.

NONE OF CREWS LOST

Fearful That Trawler Vanilla, Missing Since April 18, Has Been Sunk With All Hands Aboard.

London, June 5.—(L. N. S.)—German submarines continued their activity in English waters today and added 11 ships to a list of similar size sunk yesterday.

No loss of life was reported today and the lost vessels with one exception—the small French steamship Penfield—were English steam trawlers and fishermen operating under sail.

The losses of the day attributed to German submarines include the following craft: Steamship Penfield, 974 tons, later, owned by Cheilvete Bros, Brest, France, torpedoed in the English channel; crew rescued and landed at Brest. Steam trawler Edna May of Peterhead, Scotland; torpedoed off the Shetland islands; crew rescued and landed at Lowestoft.

Steam trawler Strathban of Aberdeen; torpedoed southwest of Penland; crew rescued and landed at Wick. Drifter Horace of Lowestoft; sunk in North Sea by bombs placed aboard by sailors of submarine after the commander had ordered the crew aboard the sailing vessel Little Boy, which was spared to serve as a lifeboat.

Drifter Economy met same fate at Lowestoft. Steam fisherman Evening Star, a steel screw vessel of 120 tons, owned by A. Ritchie, Aberdeen; torpedoed off Orkney islands; crew rescued and landed at Kirkwall.

Steam fisherman Cortes of Aberdeen; torpedoed off Orkney islands. Sailing ship George and Mary, owned by W. Hughes, Belfast; no details of destruction received.

Fisherman Kathleen of Peterhead; torpedoed off Shetland islands; crew saved. Eric Ebenezzer, owned by J. Robinson of Shoreham, sunk by gunfire from submarine while on fishing cruise off Aberdeen.

Steamer Dunnehead of Leth; 243 tons register, owned by A. F. Henry and J. MacGregor; torpedoed south of Skerries; crew saved.

This crew of the Grimby trawler Vanilla, which has not been heard from since April 18, has been given up as lost, a victim of the submarine raiders.

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