

GERMANS SHIFT TO SOUTHEAST, TAKE 2 TOWNS

Attempt to Approach Verdun From Another Quarter and Capture Fortified Towns 7 Miles From City.

REPORTS SAY GERMANS LOST 45,000 KILLED

Advance on Verdun From the Northeast Checked, According to Paris.

45,000 Germans Killed. Amsterdam, Feb. 29.—(I. N. S.)—Forty-five thousand Germans have been killed in the fighting about Verdun, according to dispatches received here today by the Vandal News Agency.

Berlin, Feb. 29.—(I. N. S.)—The German general staff today announced capture of the fortified villages of Manheulles and Champron at last night's developments on the Verdun front.

ADVANCE IS CHECKED, SAYS PARIS, THOUGH VILLAGE IS CAPTURED

Paris, Feb. 29.—(I. N. S.)—The great German advance on Verdun has been checked, although the bombardment of the fortress continued with unabated fury today, Verdun today, communique indicates, is in no danger of falling, all attacks of the Germans having been repulsed.

KAISER SAW BATTLE FROM HILL NORTH OF FORT HIS MEN TOOK

Paris, Feb. 29.—(U. P.)—Standing on a hill four miles north of Fort Douaumont, Kaiser Wilhelm watched for six hours the struggle for capturing the Douaumont German prisoners today.

Two Officers Owe Lives to the Pope

St. Intervention Moves Kaiser to Commute Sentence of Belgian and Car to Be Sent to Austria.

Inspectors Regain Positions They Lost

Washington, Feb. 29.—(I. N. S.)—Secretary of Commerce Redfield today reinstated Steamboat Inspectors Robert Reed and Charles Eckloff, both of whom had been suspended following the Eastland disaster at Chicago.

German Memorandum Is Here Secret British Orders Charged Unarmed Vessels Not to Be Sunk

Washington, Feb. 29.—(U. P.)—The text of the memorandum given the state department by Ambassador von Bernstorff and obtained by the United Press today follows:

The Imperial German government reiterates the pledges given September 1 and October 16, 1915, and it does not consider that these assurances have been modified by subsequent events.

British Issued Secret Orders. The United States adopted this point of view when it requested the Italian ambassador to give assurances that the armed Italian liner Veduggio, which entered New York harbor, would not fire on submarines when warned.

TURKS IN TREBIZOND DEPART HASTILY AS RUSSIANS APPROACH

Russians Were Within Fifty Miles of Port Saturday According to Reports.

Petrograd, Feb. 29.—(U. P.)—The Turks are hastily evacuating Trebizond and neighboring cities before the Russian advance, according to Tiflis dispatches today.

Report Turks Seek Peace

London, Feb. 29.—(I. N. S.)—An Athens dispatch to the London Chronicle says: It is stated that both the Turks and Bulgarians are asking for an understanding with the entente. The only thing they require is that they retain their national integrity.

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BRITAIN DENIES ORDERS ISSUED TO SINK OWNERS

Cabinet Meeting This Morning Discusses Submarine Situation and Considers Conflicting Claims.

OPTIMISTIC OUTLOOK IS DENIED BY LANSING

Alleged Summary of Views of State Department Brandegee as Incorrect.

By John Edwin Nevin. Washington, Feb. 29.—(I. N. S.)—The international situation so far as the submarine question is concerned, was still serious today.

NEARLY 1000 MAY BE TOLL TAKEN BY LOSS OF FRENCH STEAMER

Of 1800 on Board Auxiliary Cruiser La Provence but 870 Reported Safe.

Paris, Feb. 29.—(U. P.)—Nearly 1000 men are believed to have perished when the French auxiliary cruiser La Provence, carrying 1800, sank Saturday in the Mediterranean.

Committee Appears To Favor Navy Yard

Poincaré Finds Sentiment for Appropriation to Equip Bremerton for Construction of Battleships.

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Maloja Sunk by Submarine, Says Officer

Big P. & O. Liner Torpedoed, Not Sunk by Mine Off Dover, Testifies Chief Officer.

Dover, England, Feb. 29.—(U. P.)—That the Peninsular and Oriental liner Maloja was the victim of a submarine off here Sunday—and was not mined, as reported—was the testimony of Chief Officer Forbes today.

INNOCENT BYSTANDER SUFFERS BROKEN LEG

Help Was Soon on Hand and Breeches Buoy Rigged Up With Shore.

MONROE DOCTRINE TO BRING WAR, ASSERTS NAVAL COLLEGE HEAD

Rear Admiral Knight Declares Crisis Is Apt to Come Any Minute; Policies Irritate.

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Myers Bill Is Tacked on the Shields Plan

Anti-Conservation Senators Make One Bill an Amendment to the Other; Pinchot Opposes Both.

Washington, Feb. 29.—(U. P.)—Anti-conservation senators today made the Myers bill an amendment to the pending Shields water power bill.

COURT HOLDS CONVICT LOSES HIS RIGHT TO A PRIVATE INTERVIEW

Circuit Judge Galloway Says Prison Authorities Have the Right to Hear Conversation

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CHANGES IN LAND GRANT BILL OFFERED BY LANE

Secretary of Interior Would Have Timber Sold by Competitive Bidding, Under Direction of Department.

ALL LANDS SHOULD BE CLASSIFIED, HE SAYS

Oregon Given, He Thinks, Too Great Share From Sales of Timber.

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