

# AERIAL RAID NEAR LONDON: FRENCH FLIGHT TO RHINE GERMAN FLYERS KILL WOMAN IN SOUTHEND DASH

Seaside Resort Forty Miles From  
London Attacked—Bursting Bombs  
Illuminate Town with No Material  
Damage—Little Babe Among In-  
jured—English Unperturbed.

SOUTH END, England, May 27, 10:35 a. m.—Another Zeppelin airship raid was made upon this town last night and one person was killed and several injured by bombs. The victim was Mrs. May Fabin, who was here on a visit.

The entire town was illuminated by the bursting of shells dropped by the aircraft. The material damage caused appears to have been less than on the occasion of the last raid.

Southend, which is a municipal borough and popular seaside resort at the mouth of the Thames, forty miles east of London, has been the target of Zeppelin raiders several times in the last six months. On no previous occasion, however, have the results been so serious.

Some reports say that two, and others that three Zeppelins took part in the raid. It is, however, impossible to give the number accurately because of the heavy clouds.

The noise of the propellers of the airships was first heard shortly before 11 o'clock. Then came at once the shock of the explosions as the bombs rained down from above. Some of the missiles were incendiary and threw out bright flames of light.

Crowds assembled in the streets of Southend to view the raiders. The one fatality, the killing of Mrs. Fabin, occurred while the woman was leaving a street car. On the previous raid the only victim was a woman.

British aeroplanes went up in pursuit of the raiders, but were not successful in overtaking them. Some time later two Zeppelins were seen over Burnham-on-Crouch, seven miles to the northeast of Southend, but no bombs were thrown.

LONDON, May 27, 11:50 a. m.—The secretary of the admiralty has issued a statement on the Southend raid, which, contrary to the dispatches, says two women were killed. It reads:

"Late last night a Zeppelin visited the east coast and bombs were dropped on Southend. The casualties reported today are two women killed and one child badly injured. Very little material damage was done. Aeroplanes and seaplanes pursued the enemy, but the Zeppelin escaped in an easterly direction."

## DANISH VESSEL IN NORTH SEA SEAWOLF PRIZE

SOUTH SHIELDS, England, May 27, 2:41 p. m.—The Danish steamer Betty was torpedoed by a German submarine in the North sea yesterday and went to the bottom. The members of her crew were rescued and have been brought to the Tyne.

The Danish steamer Betty was 281 feet long and of 1267 tons net register. She was built in 1912 and was owned in Copenhagen. She sailed from Baltimore April 10 for Copenhagen, where she arrived May 8.

CARDIFF, Wales, May 27, via London, 4:20 p. m.—The steamer Morwenna of Montreal was torpedoed and shelled by a German submarine at Midway, Wednesday, at a point 150 miles west by south of St. Ann's head.

One member of the crew of the vessel was killed, while three were wounded. The others have been landed here.

# MILITARY PLANT ON RHINE TARGET; DAMAGE HEAVY

French Aerial Squad Flies 240 Miles  
to Attack Import German Chemical  
Plant at Ludwigshafen—Belgians  
Repel Virious Center Attacks Near  
Dix Mude.

PARIS, May 27.—A French aerial squadron composed of eighteen aeroplanes, each one carrying fifty kilos (110 pounds) of explosives, this morning bombarded a chemistry factory at Ludwigshafen, on the Rhine opposite Mannheim.

Fire broke out in several of the factory buildings as a result of this bombardment. This factory is one of the most important manufacturers of explosives in all Germany. The French aviators were in the air six hours and covered more than 400 kilometres, 240 miles.

This expedition against an important German military establishment was the French reply to the attempts of German aviators on the city of Paris.

This information was contained in the French official statement given out by the war office this afternoon. The statement reads:

"Belgian troops last night repulsed two German attacks, one to the north and the other to the south of Dixmude. The first was driven back by a counter attack, and the second was stopped by artillery fire.

"In the sector to the north of Arras two engagements took place last night. To the southwest of Souchez we took possession of one of the trenches of the enemy near the Chateau of Carleulen, taking at the same time some prisoners, including one officer. To the east of Neuville St. Vaast the Germans advanced to an attack but were checked by our artillery.

"At various points along the front, notably near Rheims and in the Vosges there were yesterday artillery engagements.

"One of our aerial squadrons, composed of eighteen aeroplanes, each one carrying fifty kilos (110 pounds) of projectiles, this morning bombarded at Ludwigshafen, on the Rhine, the factory of the Baden aniline chemical products establishment, one of the most important manufacturers of explosives in all Germany. The results reached are proof of the efficacy of the bombardment. Several of the factory buildings were struck by the projectiles of our men and a number of fires broke out. They were in the air for almost six hours, and they covered more than 100 kilometres, (240 miles).

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## SPOKANE EMBEZZLER RETURNS TO PLEAD

SPOKANE, Wn., May 27.—Glenn B. Derbyshire, former county clerk, who is charged with embezzlement of \$4,000 of the county trust fund, returned to Spokane today and surrendered himself to Sheriff Leory Waller. Derbyshire disappeared last January soon after his term as county clerk expired. It is declared he came to Spokane from San Francisco, where he has been for some weeks.

George Holds Privy Council  
LONDON, May 27, 12 noon.—King George held a privy council this morning, at which the seals and warrants of office were handed to the new members of the cabinet. Subsequently the first meeting of the new coalition cabinet was held. The king has conferred knighthood on Frederick Edward Smith, solicitor general in the new ministry.

# CHILDREN WOUNDED BY BATTLEFIELD SHELLS



Here are four of the many little children wounded at Ypres. The se were taken to La Pisse to be nursed. The youngest is only six weeks old.

# TRENCH WARFARE AGAIN RESUMED ON WEST FRONT

Costliness of Every Advance in Lives  
Causes Change—Slav Retreat Called "Masterly"—Italian Border to Furnish Glamor of War—New Battle Along the San.

LONDON, May 27.—Notwithstanding the superb weather the contenders in the western arena of hostilities, realizing the terrible losses even an insignificant advance entails, have reverted, generally speaking to the trench warfare of the winter, and it is Galicia in the east, the Dardanelles, and perhaps the Italo-Austrian frontier which are most likely to furnish spectacular developments during the next fortnight.

The Russians at last have admitted the extent of their retreat from the Dunaec to the San, but they profess that as masterly as Italian border to furnish glamor of war—New Battle Along the San.

The Germans and Austrians now are bringing up reinforcements and fresh ammunition and another great battle will be fought to determine whether the new lines to which the Russians have fallen back are tenable.

Italy and Austria are now engaged in the roles of issuing contradictory official communications relative to the border fighting, but it is claimed that there have been as yet no important engagements. Of the 250 miles of common frontier between Italy and Austria, it is estimated that only one fifth is of a character for critical military operations, and it

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# TURKS BAFFLED BY ALLIED ATTACKS

PARIS, May 27.—A dispatch to the Havas agency from Athens dated May 26, says the action of the allies against the Turkish positions in Dardanelles straits is continuing vigorously. Reinforcements are now constantly being brought up. The Turks appear to be terrorized by the incessant renewal of the attacks. These indicate to them the absolute determination of the allies to force the straits.

From time to time the British and French artillery throw a veritable hail of shells on the Turks.

# TEUTONS IN BATH HIT BY HOWITZER; ARMY IN GRAFT

LONDON, May 27.—An account of the occurrences at the front, written by the British eye-witness under date of May 25 and given out in London today says:

"A building in La Bassée used by the Germans as a bathing establishment, was hit recently by one of our howitzer shells while it was full of German officers," the eye witness relates. "Between 20 and 30 of them were killed or wounded."

"The Germans are still extracting the utmost from the country occupied. Mention is made of one incident in connection with the recent sporadic bombardment of Lens by the allies. Six shells fell on the Lens station," the writer says, "and the town was fined 300 marks for each projectile or a total of 18,000 marks, part of which was distributed among the soldiers. The grounds for the fine was the allegation that some of the inhabitants must have been in communication with the enemies of Germany, hence the bombardment."

"That some of the enemy at least are not enjoying themselves in Flanders is shown by the following message flung into the British trenches: 'We are too few to attack, too many to retire, and too proud to surrender, but we all want to go home.'

"A few days ago a kite was flown over our lines. On it was written: 'Please send this back when the wind is favorable. Wouldn't you like to come over here, as you have no more ships left? Won't you give up soon? We don't like it any longer.'

"Similar overtures have been made at different points on our lines."

# NATIONAL OFFICIAL OF W.C.T.U. DYING

PORTLAND, Or., May 27.—Mrs. Elizabeth P. Hutchinson, national treasurer of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, who underwent an operation here on May 4, was sinking rapidly this afternoon and her physicians believed she had but a few hours to live. Her only daughter, Mrs. C. W. Roberts, of Winfield, Kan., was at the bedside.

Mrs. Hutchinson was returning to her headquarters at Evanston, Ill., from Seattle, where she had gone to arrange for the national convention of the W. C. T. U. when she stopped off here and was forced to enter a hospital, where she underwent an operation for a tumor. She showed improvement after the operation and until recently it was believed her recovery was assured. Mrs. Hutchinson's home is in Hutchinson, Kan.

# KILLING FROSTS IN EAST BREAKS RECORD FOR MAY

Fruit and Vegetables Crops Suffer in  
Middle Atlantic and Great Lakes  
District—Unseasonable Cold Caused  
"Storm High Area"—New York  
Heaviest Sufferer.

WASHINGTON, May 27.—Killing frosts throughout the lake region and the middle Atlantic states broke May weather records of many years last night and promise unseasonable cold weather for the next 24 hours. Reports to the weather bureau this morning indicate heavy damage to fruits and vegetables throughout that section particularly in the interior of New York.

In the parlance of the weather bureau experts a "strong high area" over the lake region which arose to block the path of a storm from western Canada, was responsible for the early summer phenomenon.

While ice was being formed on standing water and crops were frozen in the east warm showers were playing over the central valleys.

WATERTOWN, N. Y., May 27.—A killing frost prevailed in this section last night, doing great damage to gardens.

PHILADELPHIA, May 27.—The thermometer in this vicinity went as low as 44 degrees during the night. Unusually cold weather was general in Pennsylvania. In the northeastern part of the state there was a heavy frost. Hazleton reported that ice formed on the mountain tops.

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# CONFIDENCE RULES ITALIAN TOWNS

ROME, May 26.—Except for the flags which fly not only from every house but almost every window, Rome gives little indication of being the capital of a nation which has entered upon a great war. While the entire nation was eager for the conflict, a spirit of calm confidence has followed the stormy scenes which were enacted from the time the Salandra cabinet resigned until it was restored to power and the demonstrations of rejoicing which followed until the opening of hostilities.

It is apparent that the nation is preparing to make without complaint whatever sacrifices the war may bring.

# DETAILS ATTACK NEBRASKAN ERE OFFICIAL ACTION

State Department Awaits Result of  
Probe Whether Mine or Torpedo  
Used—Skipper Files Report of Ac-  
cident—Washington Awaits Fur-  
ther Accounts.

WASHINGTON, May 27.—Messages received by the state department today from Ambassador Page and Consul General Skinner at London and Consul Forst at Queenstown failed to say definitely whether the steamer Nebraskan had been torpedoed or had struck a mine.

The American naval attaché at London has been sent to Liverpool to examine the Nebraskan's hull.

Consul General Skinner's message follows:

"Green, master of American steamer Nebraskan, in wireless addressed to me via London, reports: 'Nebraskan passed Fastnet rock Tuesday, 4:33 p. m. from Liverpool, bound for Delaware breakwater in ballast. At 8:24 p. m., when steamer was about forty-eight miles west half south from Fastnet she experienced violent shock, followed instantly by terrific explosions, bursting hatches and throwing hatches, beams, cargo derricks and twisted iron into air, filling lower hold forward completely with water. Crew immediately took to boats.'

"After standing by ship one hour, returned on board and at 10:30 started for Liverpool. About 1:25 a. m. met two vessels sent by British admiralty in answer to our wireless call. One has been with us ever since."

"It was dusk when explosion occurred. Flag had been hauled down five minutes before. Steamer's name painted on both sides of the ship in letters six feet tall. Had no warning and saw nothing."

Ambassador Page sent the following message:

"Admiralty has reported from Queenstown that the Nebraskan is now on her way to Liverpool under her own steam and is being escorted. I am sending naval attaches to Liverpool to examine ship, which, it now appears, was outward bound from Liverpool Breakwater when she was torpedoed."

The message from Consul Frost said the ship had "struck a mine or torpedo," but gave no details. As soon as the dispatches were received at the state department they were forwarded to the white house and immediately placed before President Wilson. As they did not make it certain whether the steamer had been hit by a mine or torpedo, they left unanswered the principal point that the president and his advisers want made clear. They expect further reports from the naval attaché. Pending receipts of clearer explanations, no action will be taken."

PRAY ANEW FOR  
WARRING CLANS

ROME, May 26, via Paris, May 27, 9:10 a. m.—The hour which we are traversing is painful, but our prayers will go out more frequently and more fervently than ever to those who have in their hands the fate of nations, is a declaration made by Pope Benedict in a letter to Cardinal Vannetti, published in the Osservatore Romano, the vatican organ. The pontiff recalls his first encyclical in which he urged the belligerent nations to make peace, but points out that his voice was unheeded and that the war continued "until the terrible conflagration has extended to our beloved Italy."

# GERMANS ON TROLLEY KILLED BY AIRMEN

AMSTERDAM, May 27.—Fifty German soldiers, passengers in a street car at Ostend, were killed by a bomb dropped from an allied aeroplane, according to a dispatch from that city to the Telegraph denouncing a series of air raids by the allies' aviators. The railroad station, shipping in the harbor and numerous houses have been damaged.

Turks Capture Transports  
CONSTANTINOPLE, May 27, via Amsterdam and London.—Official announcement was made here today that a transport ship, escorted by the French cruiser Jules Michelet, attempted a landing at Boudronn under protection of the ship's guns. "We killed one enemy officer and sixteen men," the announcement declares, "and wounded others. We also captured the transport."

# ITALIAN FORCES NEAR TO TRIESTE, ISONZO CROSSED

Advance Guard Before Monfalcone,  
Thirty Miles From Austrian Sea-  
port—Battle Raging Around Picken  
and in Pradil Pass—Air Corps  
Are Active.

GENEVA, May 27, via Paris, 2:33 p. m.—A strong Italian advance guard today crossed the Isonzo river after a sharp fight with an Austrian force and arrived before the town of Monfalcone, which is thirty miles in from the Austrian seaport of Trieste. The first of the Austrian wounded are now arriving at the latter place.

The Italians also attacked at several points along the forty miles of the Carinthian frontier.

A battle between the Italians and Austrians now is raging around Picken and also west of the Pradil Pass in Austria.

In Adige the fighting has been limited to skirmishes.

Italian forces which penetrated the Tyrol at Candino and other Italian arms which captured Cronons, have reconstructed the railway and are now marching on Gorz, the capital of the Austrian crownland of Gorz and Gradisca.

Both the Austrian and Italian aviation services are active along the frontier. Many machines have been gathered at Venice to protect that city. A Parival airship arrived by rail at Trent yesterday from Munich, Bavaria. A Zeppelin dirigible balloon is reported to be preparing to follow it shortly from Friedrichshafen.

Heavier guns have been mounted on the Italian gunboats on Lake Garda.

Several regiments of Bavarian Alpine troops yesterday crossed Brenner Pass, which is 4485 feet high, bound for Bosen.

Between Salzburg and Innsbruck forty-five trains are passing daily, transporting men and material. Swiss patrols are making the eastern frontier of Switzerland with flags to prevent incidents.

# PRESSES BLADE TO HEART WHILE POLICE WATCH

PORTLAND, Or., May 27.—As he stood before the desk sergeant at police headquarters here today, after he had been arrested for failing to pay a taxicab fare, T. H. Fearay, manager of the International Harvester company of America agency at Newberg, Or., stabbed himself with a pocket knife and died ten minutes later. Financial difficulties are supposed to have caused his act. While the arresting policeman still held him by the arm, Fearay somehow opened his knife, and slipping his hand under his coat, pressed the blade slowly home into his heart. Those who unconsciously saw him commit suicide did not realize what had happened until the blade clattered to the floor. In his room were found upon a table several farewell letters to relatives. On top of the letters was found an ace of diamonds. No other cards were discovered in his room, and the police are trying to learn its significance. Apparently his arrest merely hastened the contemplated act of taking his life.