

RUSSIANS ABOUT TO LOSE GALICIA

Austrian Report Says Situation is Very Favorable to the Germanic Allies.

GREAT FIGHT NEAR CONCLUSION

AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN FIELD HEADQUARTERS, June 4.—(Via London).—According to information given out by the Austro-Hungarian military authorities to representatives of the press heavy fighting is now in progress along virtually the entire Galician front and the general situation is very favorable to the Austro-Germans. A decisive conclusion to the entire Russian campaign in Galicia is in sight.

"The Russian rear guards," the statement says to the press, "are fighting delaying actions south of the Dniester river against the Austro-German forces advancing from Strzy, to cover the passage of the river. The Russians north of Przemysl are launching a series of the most desperate attacks against General Von Mackensen's army. Here they are making use of new reserves, and at the same time they are exerting heavy pressure against the troops commanded by Archduke Ferdinand in the triangle between the San river and the Vistula river.

"The Russian offensive in southeastern Galicia, designed to relieve this situation, has been a complete failure."

Russians Not Alarmed

PETROGRAD, June 4.—News of the fall of Przemysl apparently has awakened no apprehension here. It is conceded that the Germans have won a "moral victory," but the strategic importance of the fortress, according to the opinion expressed here, had been nullified before the Russians relinquished it.

A leading Russian military expert, analyzing the situation, says: "Having crossed the San river with two armies, which began operations against the fortress, the Germans found themselves in an extremely dangerous and unstable position; being attacked on their left flank they were compelled to shorten the strip of ground they occupied on the right of the San. A reverse to these armies would have turned the German movement into a catastrophe, since retreat to the rear would have been cut off by the San river and the pressure of the Russian forces at Sienawa on the German left. Accordingly the Germans were forced to halt their attack against the fortress, throwing forward enormous forces.

"The indefensibility of the fortress was due to the fact that the Austrians had blown up the most important forts upon their evacuation of Przemysl, coupled with the configuration of the land. This was unsuitable to a stubborn defense for the reason that its undulations made it possible for the enemy to hide their approaches.

Losses of Troops Heavy

"The primary idea in the construction of the Przemysl fortress had been to meet attack from the eastward. There had been insufficient time to reconstruct the damaged fortress on the west and on the north and to adapt the position to defense against attacks from these directions."

Russia's long range guns, the expert says, shooting to the last shell into the thick masses of advancing Austro-Germans, caused them severe losses. Eventually, however, the Russian military authorities reached the decision to remove the army from the fortification.

"Strategic considerations," the expert concludes, "led to this same decision, since the Przemysl army constituted a sharp wedge, cutting into the German lines and subject to being attacked from every side. To defend this crescent-shaped front required tremendous forces, and it was clearly the desire of the Germans that numerous forces be diverted to this front for defensive purposes."

"It is estimated that the proper defense of the Przemysl fortress would have required the concentration there of forces equal to those of the former Austria, namely 45,000 men. It would have been necessary also to develop to their fullest capacity no less than 1,500 guns and to re-establish all the destroyed forts, which in the same time available was impossible.

Strategic Importance Lost

"The abandonment of the blood-conquered fortress certainly is a sad blow, but it is necessary to remember that Przemysl, twice annihilated once by the Austrians, once by us, has today no more importance than any other large city in Galicia. In February the German occupation had little influence on our maneuvering. In the future it will play no role at all. Like Jaroslau and Tarnow, Przemysl will pass time and again from hand to hand and it will soon again be in our possession.

"Just as the Austrians destroyed the Przemysl forts before they fell into Russian hands, so the Russians methodically blew up everything possible before the occupation of the Austro-Germans.

It is being explained that the abandonment of the position had been regarded here for some time past as strategically imperative and that preparations to leave it had been going on for a month. The released garrison will now be available for field operations, whereas if any attempt to hold out had been made, between 25,000 and 30,000 men would have been locked up at the mercy of the heavy Austrian guns.

GERMANY AGREES TO PAY FOR HURT DONE TO GULFIGHT

(Continued from Page One.) have to determine, together with a German expert, the amount of damage. "It has not yet been possible by means of an inquiry to clear up fully the case of the American ship Cushing. Official reports available report only one merchant steamship attacked by a German firing machine in the vicinity of Northlightship. The German aviator was forced to consider the vessel as hostile because it carried no flag and, further, because of no recognizable neutral marks.

Asks for Data. "The attack of four bombs was, of course, not aimed at any American ship. However, the ship attacked was the American steamer Cushing. It is possible, considering the time and place of the occurrence; nevertheless, the German government accordingly requests of the American government that it communicate to the German government the material which was submitted for judgment

In order that with this as a basis a further position can be taken in the matter. "The undersigned leave it to the ambassador to bring the foregoing to the immediate attention of his government and takes this opportunity to renew to him the assurance of his most distinguished consideration."

CABINET STAMPS NOTE OF WILSON WITH APPROVAL

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answer be received diplomatic relations, it is believed generally, could not be continued. An affirmative reply would make possible a discussion of the facts in individual cases that have occurred.

The American point of view briefly is not the complete abandonment of submarine warfare, but its modification to such an extent as would make submarine act as do other warships in dealing with the enemy's commerce. Some arrangement whereby merchant ships carrying passengers would be definitely known as unarmed vessels is one of the proposals which it is generally suggested might make the submarine able to exercise the right to visit and search.

Gerhard Sails for Copenhagen. NEW YORK, June 4.—Meyer Gerhard, who is understood to be the agent Ambassador Von Bernstorff is sending to Berlin, sailed yesterday aboard the steamer United States for Copenhagen. It became known here today.

Mr. Gerhard's accommodations aboard the vessel were engaged by wire less than two hours before sailing time. Mr. Gerhard reached the pier about 5 minutes before the vessel cast off. Until the receipt of the telegram officials of the Scandinavian-American line, owners of the steamer, knew nothing of his plans to sail.

Official documents bearing the embassy or consular seals of Great Britain, Russia and France, giving him guarantee against molestation by officers of the allied warships while on the way were in his possession. Otherwise it was said, he would not have been permitted to take passage as the line has been at great pains to exclude from its passenger list anyone whose name or connection might cause delays or detention of the ship by war vessels enroute to its destination.

Mr. Gerhard registered under his own name at his home at New York City. Whether he is an American citizen was unknown. He carried in addition to the official documents signed by representatives of the allied governments, official papers signed by American, German and Austrian authorities, the nature of which was not ascertainable today. It was assumed, however, that the German and Austrian documents were his credentials to the German government.

At the Ritz Carlton hotel, where Count Bernstorff stays when in New York, it was said today that Mr. Gerhard had been registered there, but had left yesterday, saying that he was going to Washington. His quarters at the hotel were still being held for him today.

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FALL OF PRZEMYSL CAUSES GREAT JOY

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ever and that Russia has been deprived of its dearest wish, the possession of Galicia, which was to have become a new Russia. The Lokal Anzeiger publishes a special dispatch that the Russian lines on the eastern and southeastern sides of Przemysl, in the direction of Medyka and Siedliska, have not yet been passed. It claims that the Russians are using reserves advanced in years and youths of the 1844 class throughout all Galicia in their desperate attempts to get a breathing spell. The Russians still are fighting stubbornly south of the Dniester and along the banks of the river San.

The Morgenpost says this victory shows that the strength of the Austro-German forces has not been broken and cannot be broken.

The Norddeutsche Allgemeine Zeitung declares this victory is a dead, the glory of which will go down in history. Other papers hail the fall of Przemysl as an indication of the end of Russian dominance in Galicia and proof of eventual victory everywhere. They are particularly gratified that the stronghold fell before an Austro-German attack in fewer days than it took the Russians, who were months in capturing it.

General Alexander Linington, who commanded the forces which captured Strzy, has been decorated with the order of Pour Le Merite, while many other officers active in the Galician campaign have been given similar or lesser honors. The Pour Le Merite also was bestowed

on Generals von Plettenberg and von Francois, General von Emmich and von der Varwitz, who already possessed the Pour Le Merite, were granted the Oak Leaf decoration to that order.

Russians Save War Material. PETROGRAD, June 4.—(Via London).—Russian troops on the fronts to the north and west of the fortress of Przemysl evacuated their positions Wednesday night after all the war materials taken from the Austrians had been removed, according to an official statement issued last night by the Russian general staff.

It is explained that after the capture of Jaroslau and Radymno by the Austro-German forces, they began to spread along the west bank of the San, making the defense of Przemysl a difficult task. The Russians contend they realized from the first that Przemysl was incapable of defending itself, and they remained there only as long as it served their purpose. The positions occupied around Przemysl extended the Russian front by about twenty-four miles, and the troops occupying them were exposed to a concentrated artillery fire.

The text of the communication follows: "We carried away from Przemysl the materials taken from the Austrians. This finished, we moved on Tuesday the last of our batteries. The following night our troops, pursuant to orders, evacuated the forts to the north and west of the positions surrounding the city, and formed a more concentrated force to the east. "Attacks delivered by the enemy Monday between Przemysl and the Dniester were repulsed.

"In the regions beyond the Dniester the enemy, concentrating important forces in the town of Tsimenitz-Strzy front. They sustained great losses, however, leaving a thousand prisoners in the course of our counter attacks. "On the Switza-Lomitzia front Monday we pressed the enemy on the Bystria and successfully repulsed his attacks."

Russia Will Permit Inspection of Prison Camps by Americans

WASHINGTON, June 4.—Emperor Nicholas of Russia has responded favorably to President Wilson's personal letter conveying a request by Austria that provision be made for inspecting Siberian camps where Austrian prisoners are held. Following unsuccessful negotiations through usual diplomatic channels Dr. Constantin Dumba, the Austrian ambassador here, asked President Wilson about two months ago to send a personal letter to Emperor Nicholas. The request was the result of reports that Austrian civilians and prisoners of war were not getting proper treatment. The Austrian government asked that the inspection be conducted by American Red Cross agents. The answer, delayed because of the absence of the emperor from Petrograd, was brought here today by Ray Bauer, private secretary to Ambassador Marve.

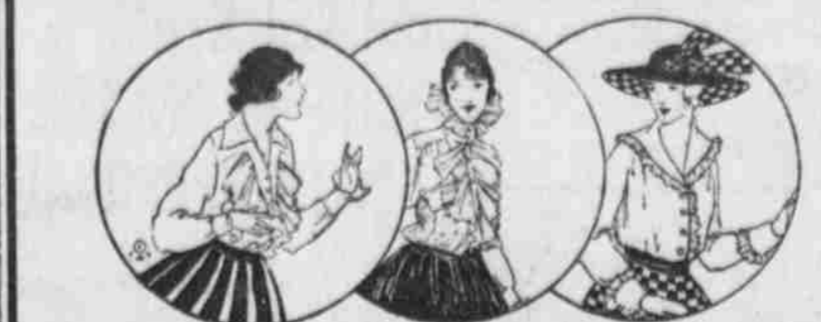
IOWANS AND NEBRASKANS GIVEN DEGREES IN BOSTON

BOSTON, Mass., June 4.—(Special Telegram).—Among the students awarded degrees at Boston university today were the following: Bachelor of sacred theology, Alfred V. Hunter, Waspung Water, Neb.; Owen L. Jones, Linn Springs, Ia.; Albert M. Olson, Cambridge, Ia.; Claude L. Peake, Omaha; Arthur A. Fitman, Sioux City, Ia.; Bert D. Story, Lincoln, Neb.; Leroy W. Stringfellow, Oakdale, Neb.; Arthur C. Wischmeier, Chester, Neb.; C. Wischmeier, University Place, Neb. Diplomas in theology, Frank Lindner, New London, Ia. Doctor of philosophy, Roy F. Swift, A. B. and A. M., of Nebraska Wesleyan university, Shubart, Neb.

Department Orders

WASHINGTON, June 4.—(Special Telegram).—Postmaster: Stoppage of letters—Norway, Thomas county, Ines P. Hilliker, vice E. E. Hilliker, removed. South Dakota—Garden City, Clark county, Thomas Mankey, vice E. Sealey; Mina, Edmunds county, Fanny Dooda, vice N. R. McLanahan; Omel, Fall River county, John E. Emory, Wakarusa county, Floss Godfrey, Witten, Tripp county, Thomas R. Worstell. In the recommendation of Senator Hitchcock, Dr. J. C. Swartzlander has been appointed pension surgeon at Sibley, Neb. Nebraska pension granted: Ann M. Lakin, Aurora, Ia. The postoffice at Summit, Neb., will become a domestic money order office on July 1. The postoffice at Lucy, Blaine county, Nebraska, has been discontinued; mail to Dunning. The comptroller of the currency has received the application of the following persons to organize the Howard National bank, Howard, S. D., capital \$25,000: F. A. Forman, G. G. Gassman, G. Sherman, T. P. Stecker and C. A. Drexler. See Want Ads Produce Results.

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Values \$1.50 and More Saturday 98c a Pair Don't overlook this timely special sale; supply at least a part of your summer needs Saturday. These are black and white silk hose, medium weight, some with lisle tops and soles, others thread silk at the top. Values \$1.50 and more. Saturday 98c a Pair



Special Sale of Baby Bonnets

Baby Wash Bonnets of lawn, mull, swiss, and all lace ribbon and lace trimmed, soiled and mused from showing, sizes 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16, regular prices \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.25 and \$3.00—Saturday Your Choice, 49c

The Bride's Slippers

There's an out-of-the-ordinary daintiness and charm about SOROSIS White Satin Slippers that appeals to the bride and her attendants. In fact this slipper was designed for weddings and all other occasions requiring the use of white satin slippers—especially with a view of making the foot appear small and trim.



Special Women's Lisle Union Suits, Regular 75c Quality, Saturday only—49c Third Floor.



A Beautiful New Display of Summer Millinery

\$5.00, \$6.75 and \$8.75 New Black Maline Hats, New All White Hats, New Garden Hats. Outing and Sport Hats at 45c, 65c and 95c

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Thompson-Belden's exclusive suits are offered at three prices: \$11.75, \$14.75, \$21.75 All Sizes. Because of the low prices we must make charge for alteration.

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Serviceable, trim and fashionable; new arrivals for Saturday's display. Suits: \$12.50, \$15, \$16.50. Skirts: \$5.95, \$6.50, \$7.50.

Dainty Dresses

For the Summer Dance and Lawn Party; exquisite, artistic creations that appeal to misses and young ladies, \$16.50 and - - - \$19.50 Street and Porch Dresses at \$6.75, \$7.50 and - - - \$9.50



A Necktie Sale That Tops Them All

1,000 Four-in-Hand Ties Saturday 19c, 6 for \$1.00 No Tie Worth Less Than 50c Many as High as \$1.00 Included are both wide and narrow and four-in-hands, in figured and plain silks; also a line of plain and fancy knit scarfs. Saturday 19c, 6 for \$1.00 Be On Hand Early

Our Greatest Petticoat Sale--Basement

\$1.50 Saten and Halcyon Petticoats 69c All lengths from 38 to 42. All petticoats 2 1/2 yards or over around the bottom. This is a remarkable sale. It is possible to give these values because one of America's largest Petticoat manufacturers wished to rid himself of a spring and summer stock.



All spring colors, besides white, plain black and black and white stripes. These Petticoats are now on display—Howard Street windows. Sale starts at 8:30 A. M. Saturday.

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35c Demar's Talc.10c 1.00 Rholoids for Rheumatism.28c 10c Red Wing Grape Juice, per dozen.75c 25c pints Red Wing Grape Juice each.16c 50c quarts Red Wing Grape Juice each.33c \$1.50 Self-filling Fountain Pen guaranteed 1 year.89c \$1.00 Men-o-ne.25c 25c Tooth Brushes.25c 50c Syrup of Figs.39c 50c Doan's Kidney Pills.33c 50c Lantz Red Kidney Pills for.18c 25c Sloan's Liniment.17c \$2.75 Horlick's Malted Milk for.59.68 \$1.00 Horlick's Malted Milk for.67c 25c Mennen's Shaving Cream for.17c \$1.00 Duffy's Malt Whiskey for.79c SPECIAL SATURDAY Flower Department. Peonies, All Colors. 3c each—36c dozen. \$1.00 Hood's Sarsaparilla.67c \$1.00 Listerine.50c 75c All Rubber Bath Caps.39c 50c Stuart's Dypapepla Tablets for.29c 50c Pebecco Tonic Paste.17c 25c Bromo Seltzer.17c \$2.50 Thermos Bottles, quarts.\$1.95 \$1.50 Thermos Bottles, pints.\$1.10 PHOTO DEPARTMENT. \$1.50 Ansco Vest Pocket Camera.\$5.00 (Pictures 2 3/4 x 3 1/4) 5c M. Q. Developer, 10 for.25c We develop all size films for.10c 25c Kolynos Tooth Paste.14c 25c Sanitol Tooth Powder or Paste for.12c 75c Pompeian Massage Cream for.45c 50c Pompeian Massage Cream for.28c 25c Carter's Little Liver Pills for.14c 25c Dewitt's Early Risers for.12c 25c Mentholatum.14c 25c 1/2 lb. Peroxide Hydrogen for.7c 50c Hay's Hair Health.28c

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