

BRITISH AIRMEN PAY TRIBUTE TO INTREPID TEUTON

Impressive Funeral Services Held for Baron Richthofen; Wreath Inscribed 'Valiant and Worthy Foe.'

With the British Army in France, April 23.—A large number of British fighting men and aviation officers, as well as Americans stationed at an airdrome nearby, attended the burial yesterday of Captain Baron von Richthofen, who was laid away in the graveyard of a little hamlet near Saillly le Sac, where he was shot down in an aerial combat Sunday. It was an impressive funeral, worthy of the greatest aviator yet produced by the central powers. No finer rite could have been performed had it been the premier allied pilot who lost his life, instead of this intrepid German whom all honored.

The thoughts of those who stood at the grave while the army chaplain read the beautiful Church of England service were expressed in an inscription on one of the floral wreaths—'A Valiant and Worthy Foe.'

Airplanes Circle Over Grave. One particularly striking touch was added to the ceremony. As the chaplain took his place by the grave, a squadron of British airplanes came circling from all directions and throughout the service wheeled over the graveyard at a low altitude, their roaring engines producing an accompaniment to the words of the clergyman.

Captain von Richthofen died fighting in the air, as he undoubtedly would have chosen to do had he known he was fated to fall. The captain, with his 'flying circus' of more than 20 followers, came flying toward the British lines near Saillly le Sac, on the Somme, at about noon Sunday. The Germans were seeking British prey, which they hoped to surround and finish off when the ill-fated aviator had no way of escape.

As they neared the fighting front they encountered two British airplanes. Captain von Richthofen for some reason separated himself from his followers and started on a furious pursuit of these machines. Meanwhile a store of other British planes came swirling up and engaged the Germans. The captain kept after his man and attempted to out-manoeuvre him. The British plane which was accompanying the one under attack got above the German. The three machines raced toward the British lines, their guns chattering like mad. They kept getting lower until at last, when they were about 50 yards back of the British trenches, they were only a few hundred feet in the air. Meanwhile the other German machines were fighting the British squadron more than three miles away.

Shot Through Heart. Machine guns and rifles on the ground came into action against Captain von Richthofen, who also was being fired at by at least one of his adversaries in the air. Suddenly his machine turned its nose downward and crashed to the earth. Examination later showed that the German pilot had a bullet through the heart.

The spot where he fell was under the observation of German gunners, who had been watching the conflict and knew Captain von Richthofen was down. They immediately placed a heavy barrage around the fallen machine. A British soldier crawled out to it and found the aviator dead, still sitting in the seat of the machine which was smashed into a thousand pieces.

The captain was flying without a uniform. He had an aviator's outfit over his undergarments. There were no badges of rank, but a pilot's license found in his pocket gave all the essential facts about this 25-year-old wonder.

Mechanics of an aviation squadron constructed a coffin on which they placed a plate giving the aviator's name, rank and other data. The body was carried on a motor car which marched the firing squad and many officers and men. Six British aerial officers acted as pallbearers.

Bluffs Would Wrest Transfer Of Mail From Omaha Terminals

Omaha terminal committee, a government organization, the personnel of which is General Managers Jeffers of the Union Pacific, Walters of the Northwestern and Holdrege of the Burlington, is being bombarded with petitions by the Council Bluffs Commercial club.

Council Bluffs people are seeking to have the transfer of mail and express made at the old Council Bluffs transfer, instead of at the Union and Burlington stations in Omaha. While the petitions of the Council Bluffs Commercial club may go for naught, it is possible that the change of the point of transfer may be made.

Members of the Omaha terminal committee assert that petitions and protests, while they will be considered, will not have any weight in bringing about a decision. The whole proposition is up to the committee, and if the members find that it is more economical and the public can be better served by making the transfer in Council Bluffs instead of in Omaha, the order will issue.

Ancient Cruisers Sunk in Channels To Block Passage

iliaries, was to run alongside the mole and attack it with gunfire as they approached. Storming and demolition parties were to be landed. Meantime, three block ships, assisted by motor boats, were to make for the entrance to the canal, run around and be blown up. Two old and valueless submarines, filled with explosives, were to run against the pile work connecting the masonry with the shore, in order to cut off the mole from the shore.

At Ostend the operation was more simple, but the difficulties were considerably increased by mist, rain and low visibility and the consequent absence of aerial co-operation.

Block Ships Sunk. The results thus far are known to be that two block ships were run ashore and blown up at Ostend. It is too early to say definitely whether they accomplished their object, but so far as the offensive could see in the darkness they were slightly off the course. At Zeebrugge two of three block ships attained their objective, being sunk or blown up at the entrance of the canal. The third grounded while passing in.

A certain amount of damage, at present unknown, was done by gunfire and torpedo attack on an enemy destroyer and other craft lying at the mole. Coastal motor boats report having torpedoed an enemy destroyer, which was trying to escape seaward. One of the two old submarines gained its objective and destroyed the piling approach to the mole.

Attack Under Heavy Fire. The storming parties from the vindictive and the ferry boats attacked under an extremely heavy fire and fought with the greatest gallantry, maintaining their position alongside the mole for an hour and causing, it is believed, much damage to the enemy and inflicting considerable losses. The objectives for the storming and demolition parties on the mole were the enemy forces holding it, and the battery upon it, as well as the destroyer and submarine depots and the large seaplane base upon it.

After re-embarking their landing parties the aforesaid three vessels withdrew. Their attack primarily was intended to engage the garrison of the mole, thereby allowing the block ships to enter the harbor.

Up to date the British losses reported are one destroyer sunk by gunfire and two coastal motor boats and two launches missing.

We have sufficient information to show that the entrance to the Bruges canal probably was effectively blocked, that material damage was done and that the greatest credit is due to all ranks for their gallantry.

The ports of Ostend and Zeebrugge, on the Belgian coast, are the principal bases for the operations of the submarines in their campaign against shipping in the North sea and English channel. They are of great importance to the Germans for this purpose, and it has been recognized by

Years ago Council Bluffs was the point where the transfer of mail and express from one train to another was made. Subsequently after the Omaha and Chicago roads perfected a lease with the Union Pacific so that their trains were run over the bridge and brought to this side of the river, the point of transfer was brought to the Omaha stations.

Should the point of transfer be changed, the change would affect something like 50 mail and express handlers. To be closer to their work, they would have to live in Council Bluffs.

While none of the members of the Omaha terminal committee have expressed an opinion relative what their action will be in favoring or opposing a change, they assert that making the transfer in Council Bluffs would relieve to a great extent the congestion at the Union and Burlington stations in Omaha. Here the trains from both directions are held on the tracks of the passenger yards, frequently delaying trains that are made up and ready to start out on their runs.

the allies that to deprive the enemy of them would be one of the most effective means of dealing with the submarine.

An attack on these ports by the British fleet has been urged, but the British naval authorities apparently regard the land defenses as too strong to make this practicable. Various measures have been adopted to destroy German submarines on entering or leaving these ports. Field Marshal Haig's offensive in Flanders last summer was generally believed to have as one of its main objectives the bending back of the German northern flank so as to deprive the enemy of these two points.

Great Arizona Copper Concern in Court's Hands

New York, April 23.—An equity receiver for the Gila Copper Sulphide company, a \$2,500,000 corporation, owning 1,500 acres of coal, iron and copper land in Arizona, was appointed today by United States Judge F. and.

The Gila company, reported to have been financed by Benjamin P. Cheney of Boston, husband of Julia Arthur, actress, is said to have defaulted in the payment of \$680,000 on mortgage bonds which matured April 1. In the suit in equity, brought by the London-Arizona Consolidated Copper company, it was alleged that on account of the unprecedented financial conditions caused by the war, it will be impossible for the defendant to borrow the amounts necessary for re-financing.

Bolshevik Minister Asks Explanation From Berlin

London, April 23.—A Russian wireless dispatch received here tonight says: "All attempts, direct and through the intermediary of the German government, to open peace negotiations at Smolensk between Russia and the Kiev rada having failed, M. Tchitcherin, the bolshevik foreign minister has wired Berlin asking whether the delay means that Germany has decided to renounce the fulfillment of the clause in the Brest-Litovsk treaty which provided that Russia should conclude an immediate peace with the central rada."

U-BOAT BOTTLING PURPOSE OF RAID ON GERMAN BASES

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terprise that demonstrated the high spirit of the allied naval forces and the eagerness of officers and men to get into the fight. The operation is the most daring attempted by the allied sea forces during the war and the fact that landing parties were successfully put ashore and the survivors re-embarked in the face of German batteries and troops shows, officers here say, that nothing should be viewed as impossible until it has been tried out.

May Mine Coasts. Presumably the allied naval forces now are preparing to mine the Belgian and German coasts thoroughly, backing up the mines with a guard of heavy ships to beat off the German fleet should it come out, and with numerous smaller craft to drive off or destroy mine sweepers that attempt to clear lanes for the U-boats.

The sinking of concrete laden ships in the entrance to Zebrugge canal might shut in destroyers and U-boats based there, and allied craft would keep watch to prevent the removal of the obstructions. If the channel was not completely closed at the first attempt, further efforts are to be expected.

Some officers thought it probable that the Germans had removed some of their shore batteries for the use in the fighting in Flanders. This might have caused the allies to move just at this time and account for the boldness of the operations. Since the raid shows the German

coast defenses are not invulnerable, to some officers this action is looked upon as forecasting the possibility of an attempt to force a landing in the rear of the German line, thus turning the flank of the whole German position in Flanders. That possibility has been discussed widely ever since the deadlock of trench warfare began.

Morale of Allied Forces Remains at Highest Pitch

With the British Army in France, April 23.—In touring virtually the whole line from north to south, the correspondent everywhere found a feeling of optimism.

Yesterday, as the shell-shaken town of Villers-Bretonneux was reached, a British military band in a camp not far away struck up a smashing American march. It was indicative of the spirit of the men.

It may be said that the morale of the allied forces remains at the highest pitch. Despite the infantry inactivity there has been little easing of the tension, for everyone realizes that heavy fighting is impending.

Germans and Turks Advancing in Russia

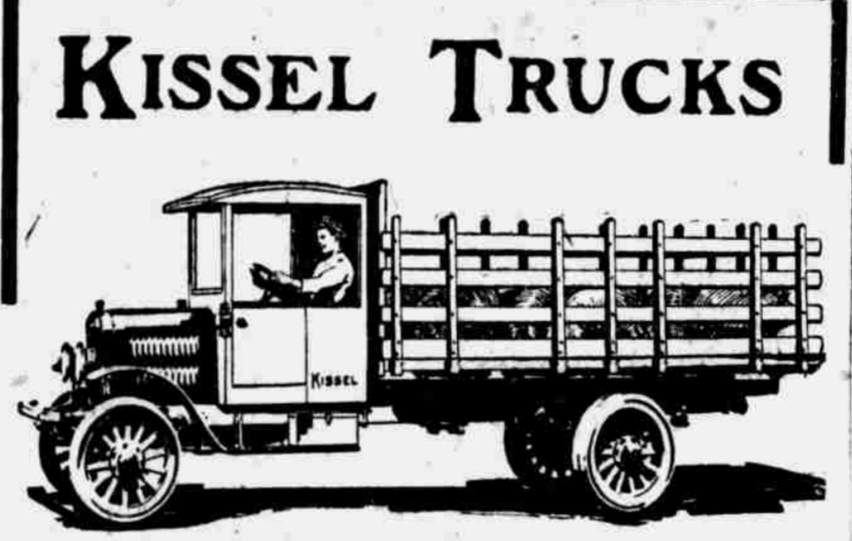
Moscow, April 23.—The Germans after the capture of Lakhita are moving in the direction of Viborg. The Finnish bolshevik government is evacuating Viborg.

London, April 23.—A Turkish official communication issued April 22 and received here today says: "We are fighting our way to Kars, in the Caucasus, and have occupied Ouzureti, 30 kilometers northeast of Batum."

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Red Cross Hogs Bred at Grinnell, Set New Record. Chicago, April 23.—Red Cross hogs—a new breed—evolved by 72 farmers of Grinnell, Ia., topped the Chicago market today and set a new record price of \$18.50 per hundred. The 72 farmers donated a hog apiece and made up a carload that reached Chicago today.

The Weather For Nebraska—Unsettled weather Wednesday, with rain in east portion; warmer in west portion; Thursday probably fair and warmer.

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