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SMASHING AUSTRIANS ALL WAY ALONG ON FRONT OF 125 MILES

Enemy Giving Way Everywhere—More Than 1,000 Square Miles of Territory Re-claimed in Last Week

Rome, Nov. 2.—The destruction of the Austrian armies continues apace along a front of 125 miles. On every sector of the long front the enemy is giving way before the smashing blows of the Allies.

At the same time he is threatening the Austrian contingents holding the section southeast of the Piave, which may be enveloped or cut off by the Italians advancing toward Pordenone.

King Victor Emmanuel is always the first to share the danger with his troops. He divides his time between the Monte Grappa region and the section east of the Piave.

When recognized by his men they shout to him: "Viva the soldier king. When liberated populations, with tears in their eyes, surround his automobile, they shout: "Viva our liberator."

London, Nov. 2.—Troops of the tenth Italian army have crossed the Livenza River between Motta and Sacle and have established a bridgehead on the east side of that river, according to an official statement on operations on the Piave front issued by the war office here today.

Rome, Nov. 1.—Formidable positions held by the Austrians on the Asiago Plateau, west of the Brenta River, have been captured by the Allies, according to an official statement issued at the war office tonight.

Enemy resistance at Fidalto defile was overcome by our troops, who have entered Belluno. The third cavalry division has reached the plains north of Pordenone. The second cavalry is fighting hostile rear guards in Medva.

Italian Headquarters in Northern Italy, Nov. 1.—(By the Associated Press)—Allied troops have reached the Grigno, five miles north of Monte Liser. They are cut off the retreat of the Austrians in Trentino, except over nude peaks in the mountains.

Rome, Nov. 2.—The Austrians are being driven from Udine, about fifty miles east of the Piave, according to reports received here. They have abandoned a great quantity of war material in the town of Udine, which was Italian headquarters before the 1917 retreat.

Italian Headquarters East of the Piave, Nov. 1.—(By the Associated Press)—Allied troops continue to advance. The fighting along this front is but one continuous skirmish.

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Lightning Blow Friday On Both Sides of City

MAIN ATTACK FROM SOUTH

Terrific Canadian Barrage to Crush Resistance Quickly and Save Lives of Allied Soldiers—Only Miracle or Early Retirement Will Save German Force

With the British Army in France and Belgium, Nov. 1.—(By the Associated Press)—Valenciennes today was bottled up as the result of a lightning blow by the British on both sides of the city.

The main attack at Valenciennes was south of the city, just above Farnars. The Canadians, who engineered the drive, were supported by one of the heaviest artillery bombardments of the war.

The idea of the Canadians in using this great barrage was to crush the resistance as quickly as possible, so as to save Allied lives. The bombardment had the desired effect, for the opposition offered by the enemy was not strong, and the Canadians pushed rapidly through to their objectives, which gave them the whole of the railway line running south from Valenciennes.

The enemy's casualties were heavy and the little Rhonelle river was lined with German dead. About noon the enemy massed for counter-attacks from Soullain. According to the latest reports the Canadian artillery was dealing with the projected assault.

At the same time the Canadians attacked with other British troops and drove forward north of the city and forced a crossing of the Scheidt. Audenarde was gravely threatened today.

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With the British Army in France and Belgium, Nov. 1.—(By the Associated Press)—At dawn this morning the Germans were seen retiring towards Audenarde, on the Scheidt. The roads were choked with German troops and the Allied forces were turned on them, reaping terrible harvests.

The Allies started the day's advance by pushing on ahead through Cyselbrechtgen, Boschent, Wortegem and Noker. As the morning advanced it was apparent that the enemy intended to offer only slight resistance, having withdrawn over considerable stretches of the line during the night.

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TERMS THAT DEAL WITH HUN FLEET

Versailles Conference Has Reached Agreement on This Phase; Nothing as to Austrian Armistice; a Bid For The Kaiser's Crown; New Government in Hungary

London, Nov. 1.—The Versailles conference finally agreed late yesterday on the armistice terms governing the maritime powers of the Central Empires. The proposals contain six points which are believed to throw every safeguard around the German fleet.

London, Nov. 1.—Late tonight the government had received no news as to the reported signature of the Austro-Italian armistice.

London, Nov. 1.—The withdrawal of Austrian troops in Venetia is continuing, and in the southeast the main forces of the Austrian army have reached the northern bank of the Danube, according to the official statement issued at the war office tonight.

London, Nov. 1.—The Bavarian premier has notified Berlin that the Bavarian royal family claims the imperial throne in the event of Emperor William's abdication, according to the Socialist Leipzig Volks Zeitung, which is quoted in a Hague despatch to the Daily Mail.

London, Nov. 2.—The reigning king of Bavaria is Ludwig III. He was born on January 27, 1845, and became regent in succession to his father, Prince Luitpold, who died on December 12, 1912.

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A peasant government has been established at Tirnova under the leadership of M. Stambulsky, who has been the chief of the peasants and agrarians of Bulgaria for some time.

M. Stambulsky, who is reported to be the head of the new government in Bulgaria, is said to be in command of a republican army of 40,000, according to a Zurich despatch to the Central News.

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SOME LOCAL COUPONS FROM THE VICTORY BONDS

The other evening while the Victory Loan salesmen were busy in the lobbies of Imperial Theatre in connection with the outdoor programme a little bird flew into the building and perched first upon one thing and then another. It seemed quite at home and everybody took it as an omen of good luck.

Another interesting incident took place at the same kind of a meeting on Thursday evening. A farmer from up the C. G. R. line said he would take \$200 worth of bonds but if he could sell a certain lot of poultry he possessed he would go another hundred. A commercial traveler happened to overhear the remark and being a keen salesman with a knowledge of the country and its people, went to the long distance phone and got in touch with a farmer in need of hens, etc. A dicker was made right there and the farmer bought the extra \$100 worth of bonds.

Last evening no fewer than eight boys who work in various capacities, some in the cotton mills, others selling papers and still others drawing as high as ten and twelve dollars in manufacturing plants, walked into the Imperial Theatre Victory Bond booths and made their initial payments on \$50 bonds. Others simply registered and made filled out application forms until pay day arrived.

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