

EXODUS OF GERMAN RESIDENTS FROM ITALY HAS BEGUN; HUNDREDS ARRIVE IN SWITZERLAND

ANTI-NEUTRAL PARTY IN ITALY DETERMINED TO FORCE GOVERNMENT TO INTERVENE

Rome, April 9 (10.55 p.m.), via Paris.—Political parties favorable to Italy's immediate intervention in the war, comprising Democrats, Radicals, Reformists, Socialists and Nationalists, have arranged a great meeting to be held Sunday throughout Italy, in an endeavor to bring about the participation of the country in the conflict.

The Courriers D'Italia, commenting today on the event, says that it has assumed the character of a warning to the Monarchy, since the National League, which arranged the meeting, adopted a resolution containing this sentence:

"If, after long waiting, there are disillusionings, no matter of what nature,

a profound political upheaval is inevitable."

Prof. Mussolini, a Socialist leader, explains this section of the resolution thus:

"In other words, if the Monarchy is unable to make national war, the Monarchy will cease to exist in Italy, as a profound political upheaval means a change of regime."

German Exodus Begun
Geneva, Switzerland, via Paris, April 9.—The German government today, besides prohibiting exports from Germany to Italy, is stopping at the frontier stations all empty Italian freight cars bound homeward.

Passenger trains arriving in Switzerland today from Italy are crowded with German families.

ITALY'S JUST WISHES WERE TURNED DOWN BY AUSTRIA

Rome, April 9.—The Messenger, in an article on the political situation published today, says one object of the recent Italo-Austrian negotiations was to show that Rome has been ready to reach Vienna a peaceful solution of at least some of the grave problems arising from the war, which was brought into being "by the Central Empires, without Italy's interests."

"The negotiations show," the paper continues, "that Austria, notwithstanding the pressure of Germany, refused to take into serious consideration the just wishes of Italy. Therefore, the negotiations are destined to be interrupted the moment one side or the other believes that further delay would serve the enemy better than herself."

BATTLES BETWEEN MEUSE AND MOSELLE INCREASE INFIERCENESS, BERLINSAYS

Berlin via London, April 9.—The official statement given out today by the general headquarters staff says: "The Belgians have again been driven out of the demolished hamlet of Drol Grachten on the Yser Canal. Two Belgian officers and 100 men and two machine guns were captured. "In retaliation for the bombardment of villages, situated behind our positions, the city of Rheims, in which large assemblies of troops and batteries were observed, has been bombarded with incendiary shells. "North of the village of Beausséjour, northeast of Les Menils, we took from the French last night several trenches and two machine guns. Two attempts to recapture the position during the night were repulsed. "A French infantry attack in the Arconne forest, during which the French again employed asphyxiating bombs, failed. "The battle between the Meuse and the Moselle rivers continue with increased fierceness. The French suffered the heaviest losses, but again were unsuccessful in their attacks. "In the plain of the Woëvre they also unsuccessfully attacked. During the morning and evening they continually brought up new forces for the occupation of the Meuse hills, near Combrès. "An attack on the forest of Sehouse broke down before our entangle-

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SAYS BRITISH TORPEDOED WARSHIPS AFTER TURKS FIRE DAMAGED THEM

Eye-Witness Claims British Sent the Ocean and Irresistible to Bottom After They Had Been Badly Damaged by Turkish Forts, to Prevent Them Drifting Ashore.

London, March 30.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press).—Private advices have been received here from the Dardanelles to the effect that the British battleships Ocean and Irresistible, sunk during the bombardment of the Turkish fortifications on March 18, were torpedoed by British warships, after they had been damaged badly by the fire of the Turkish forts.

Information from eye-witnesses of the battle is that after the Irresistible was struck amidships by the Turkish shells, "one of our craft finished her with a torpedo."

The fate of the Ocean, it is said, was similar. Having struck a mine, which almost wrecked her, "she was despatched by a British torpedo."

It is said this action was taken to prevent the helpless battleships from drifting ashore, where they might have fallen into the hands of the Turks.

The statement of the British Admiralty said that the Irresistible "sank, having probably struck a mine," and that the Ocean "also having struck a mine sank."

LATEST CASUALTY LIST EVIDENCE OF FIERCENESS OF FIGHTING LAST MONTH

London, April 9.—Another extended list of casualties, totalling 1,108 names was issued by the British War Office today, and it emphasizes the fierceness of the battle of Neuve Chapelle, in France, last month. The killed in this latest list number 336.

The British casualty list issued today, when added to those issued in the previous two days, shows that a total of 4,058 men were either killed or wounded or are missing, and to a large extent these casualties are attributed to the battle of Neuve Chapelle, which resulted in the capture of that French town by the British in the second week of March. Out of the casualty total of 4,058 for the three days given 1,331 men were killed.

ALLIES' SHIPS SEIZE MAIL FOR GERMANY HELD AS SPY, HAD AMERICAN PASSPORT

As Part of Reprisal Programme for Enemy's Attacks on Non-Combatant Ships.

London, April 9.—A man giving the name of Kueperle, arrested here on a charge of having sent military information to Germany, was found to have in his possession an American passport. This passport gives Kueperle's address as 1664 DeKalb Ave., Brooklyn.

Basel, Switzerland, April 9.—British and French cruisers, according to advices received here, have taken from Italian mail steamers 2,500 bags of German mail addressed abroad, and containing letters, post cards, money checks and small packages.

Bags coming from abroad, intended for Germany, will be treated in the same way and confiscated. This course on the part of the Allied countries, it is understood, is being made in response to Germany's submarine war against non-combatant merchant and passenger ships. British warships recently captured on a Norwegian vessel confidential letters forwarded by Dr. Von Bethmann-Hollweg, the German Imperial Chancellor, to Count Von Bernstorff, the German Ambassador to the United States.

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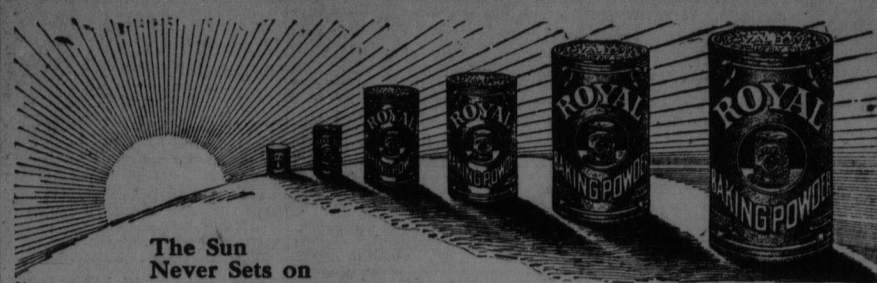
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Fearful Mortality Rate Among Refugees

New York, April 9.—A fearful rate of mortality, among the ten thousand refugees crowded into the yards of the American Mission at Urumiah, where, it is said that a thousand persons could scarcely find accommodation, is reported in a communication received here today through the State Department at Washington by the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions. So great was the menace, it is said in the communication that for a while it was not safe for anyone to leave the premises and consequently the bodies of the dead could not be buried. Later, when the way was opened, the communication declares, one missionary was kept busy attending to the burial of the dead. At times on an average of forty refugees died every day.

The communication, which is a copy of one sent to F. W. Smith, the American consul at Tiflis, by the Rev. Robert Larabee, of Urumiah, described in detail the flight of Christians not only from Urumiah, but from all Aserbajan provinces after the withdrawal of the Russian troops.

Brussels Street U. B. Church

A missionary Easter meeting was held in the Brussels street United Baptist church last evening. The local talent was present to aid the efforts of the missionary branch of the church and a programme was provided as follows: Opening hymn, "Jesus Saves;" scripture reading and prayer; reading, Eastertide, Miss Ida Bond;

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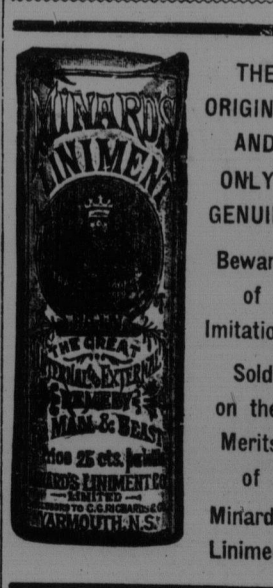
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