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VICTORIES UPON TWO FRONTS

Prisoners Taken by French Now Number Over 7500 **Moscow Conference May Renew Russ Civil War**

BRANTFORD DAILY COURIER.

Austrian Losses Over 30,000 in Latest Fight

Franco-British and Italians Make Notable Gains



FORTY-SEVENTH YEAR.

Views Of Allied Governments On Peace Question

Unobtainable POPE'S PEACE NOTE

France Does Not Look With Approval Upon Papal Proposals

Rome, Wednesday, Aug. 22 The British and Belgian ministers, accredited to the Vatican were received separately by Pope Benedict to-day and inquired as to the meaning of the reference to the freedom of the seas in the Pope's peace propsal. The Pontiff replied he intended to give to this condition the same meaning as that of President Wilson in his message, while leaving ample liberty to the belligerents to agree in future dis cussion as to detail

Germany to default ed receipt of the peace note, pro-mising to examine it with bene-volent interest and care and to give an answer after reaching an agreement with her allies.

Paris, Aug. 23-France probably will not answer the Pope's peace note individually, since it has no repre-sentative at the Vatican but Great. Britain doubtless will tender a collective reply in the name of the En-The four government's views o nthe note therefore are unobtainable officially An important figure in the political life of France whose specialty is foreign politics, said to the As-sociated Press to-day that while the humanitarian character of the Pope's step was incontestable, he had, in ignoring the Balkan question, passed over the most formidable problem with which the peace negotiators will have to deal. This question. it was stated, involved a mass of con-tradictory interests and irreconcilable reports of all nations that hist-ory had spread about the Balkan peninsula. Regarding the Belgian question it was stated, it was impossible to re-concile the independence of which the Pope spoke with the regime of servitude by the Germans. "In addition," said the man, "were one to accept the Pontificial theory about the absence of indemnity, one would be doing nothing less than san-

British Operations on Ypres Front are Crowned With Success; The D French Ottain Objectives at Verdun, and Take More Prison-UANGER U ers; Italian Drive Assumes Larger Proportions, Austrians in **Danger of Annihilation**

British Front in France and Belgium, Aug. 23 .--- (By the Associated Press)---Definite successess can be recorded this morning for the latest British operations east and northeast of Ypres on the Belgian front, which yesterday were surrounded by much uncertainty owing to the fierceness of the resistance offered by the Germans.

London, Aug. 23 .--- The British have advanced their lines southwest of Lens, the War Office announces. An attack east of Langemarck was repulsed. British posts in the neighborhood of Lombaertzyde, Belgium, were raided by the Germans.

FRENCH OBJECTIVES ATTAINED

Paris, Aug. 23 .--- The French objectives north of Verdun appear to have been attained., If the offensive were continued French artillery preparation would be necessary.

The German counter-attacks yesterday against dominant positions such as Dead Man Hill and Hill 344, proved to be costly failures, leaving the French masters of the points they held before the beginning of the great battle of Verdun last year with the exception of Hill 304, which as yet is in the enemy's hands.

Those who believed in the theory that cannon fire brings on rain always refer to the offensives of the Allies in support of their contention, as they have frequently been hampered by downpour after a day or two of fighting. In the present instance, however their argument has failed. Although the firing on the Verdun front has never been equalled there has been no rain since Friday.

A projectile fired by a French Battery, which was silencing enemy batteries, struck a depot of asphyxiating gas. It burst, silencing three batteries.

. German prisoners express admiration of the French artillery fire. "No troops could have got through your barrages," said one.

ITALIANS RECORD GAINS

Udine, Italy, Aug. 23 .--- Enemy losses during the first two days in the new Italian advance are calculated at 30,000 in killed, wounded and prisoners.

Rome, Aug. 23 .--- Furious fighting continues on the Isonzo front. The War Office announces further



TWO CENTS

Cabinet and Socialist Party To Be Opposed By The Democrats

By Courier Leased Wire. Petrograd, Aug. Russian forces on the end of the Russian front, where the Germans have begun fensive, yesterday retired under pressure from the region of Raggedzem and Kemmern Lake Shloyirn and Fra The official st ed to-day by the Ru withdrawal, says that

Petrograd. Aug. 23 .- As the day approaches for the opening of the extraordinary national council at neculation concerning expected dra matic announcements indications ludging from present the congress is likely to take th form of a struggle of the cabinet backed by a Socialist Left, against the bourgeoisie, consisting of Con-stitutional-Democrats, discontented

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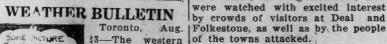
ctioning a retrogression of several centuries, which Germany by its new war methods is imposing on man-Losses Very Light From the

"If obedient to the suggestions of the papacy, the German Government should be quits for its depredations in Belgium and northern France, if individuals are not to be indemnified for losses inflicted, German com-

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nerce could safely go on from the point at which they stopped at the outbreak of the war, while French industry and French commerce would need at least 25 years to rise from need at least 25 years to rise from ficiency of the gun and aircraft de-

their ruins. "The Pope certainly could not have seen that his proposal generous in appearance would have singularly in-quitous consequences."



Toronto, Aug. | Folkestone, as well as by the people 23-The western of the towns attacked. Air Battles listurbance is now In the fight over Dover, spectators

Arthur while an- ed, that it was impossible to disother is develop- tinguish friend from foe.

Raid Attempted Yester-

day Morning

ing near the mid-dle Atlantic coats. fiercely off Ramsgate, while shells Fairly heavy rains burst all around the machines, some have occurred sin-ce yesterday clouds from shrapnel. The manoe-

morning in Mani-toba and rain is now falling in the vey. There were cheers from the

"Zimmie" northeastern and northwestern por-tions of Ontario. The weather is fine in Saskatchewan and Alberta. Cautionary signals are displayed on Lake Superior. crowd when ing helplessly to the earth. Increase Defences The papers, commenting on the raid, declare that the defending forces are not large enough, and Forecasts. Generally easterly to southerly winds, shower of thunderstorms in dimensione control to overwhelming forces are not large enough, and must be increased to overwhelming the southerly is a southerly in the southerly forces are not large enough. dimensions, so that it may be im

many localities. Friday-Winds, increasing to moderate gales from increasing to moderate gales from possible for any raiders to return west and northwest, clearing and be- home. So soon as this is done, they declare, the raids will cease. coming cooler.

gains for the Italians on both the northern and southern wings.





German Imperial Foreign Secretary Before Reichstag Committee Yesterday Pronounced Doom of Prussian Kultur-German Empire Beset by Foes and Difficulties

AMSTERDAM, Aug. 23—"A policy based on might alone and not on right is doomed to failure from the beginning," was the interesting admission made by Dr. Richard von Keuhlmann, German Imperial Foreign Secretary in his maiden speech to the main committee of the Reichstag yesterday. The new secretary, according to a telegram from Berlin, dwelt on the tremendous responsibility in assuming office "when the country is beset by the mightiest of enemies without and grave difficulties within." Dr. von Kuchlmann laid down the following program: "First, the maintenance of cordial relations with the Allies, and second with the neutrals, whose rights and necessary conditions of existence we shall be most careful to respect as far as is compatible with enemy trick-

ery and our own military needs.

ery and our own military needs. "To arrest further defection of important neutrals in an extremely serious and important task confronting us," said Dr. Kuehlmann, "we can only solve it successfully by observing the principle that in politics might counts, but also right and that only if we base our confidence on both, can we hope to achieve lasting results. Furthermore we still have relations with the belligerents although, of course, official relations are ruptured, yet currents of public opinion waft across the border line of the trenches." Dr. von Kuehlmann eloquently emphasized the necessity of studying enemy pose psychology so that no sufficient words should be wasted when the other side holds rigidly aloot. On the other hand no hard words should be uttered when there are indications that the ice was breaking on the other side and more conciliatory

should be uttered when there are indications that the ice was breaking on the other side and more conciliatory feelings became manifest. Dr. von Kuehlmann concluded with an appeal for trust in the army and navy.

Peace Issue.

Berlin, via London, Aug. 23. -The Liberal press points out as a significant feature of Tues-day's session of the main committee of the reichstag, Chancel-lor Michaelis' statement that the government would not take final action on the papal peace note without consulting and advising with the committee. This is be-ing received as a pledge that the government henceforth intends

to collaborate with the reichstag factions in dealing with the stag factions in dealing with the chief problems of the nation's foreign policy, and that it would continue to work in harmony with the committee in the direc-tion of achieving peace of recon-ciliation and mutual understanding. The suggestion that a smaller sub-committee of the main com-mittee be organized for the pur-

agent between the government and parliament, is meeting with approval. It also is said to have the sanction of the chancellor. The smaller unit would enter into intimately confidential relations with the government for the purpose of suggestion and pav-ing the way to general deliberaecutive session.

sident, M. Riabushinsky, and dismissed generals who all agree in sev-erely criticizing the present course and policy demanding radical chan-

This view is taken by the Petro-This view is taken by the refle-grad and Moscow press, which de-clare that if no agreement is reached between the contending groups open conflict must follow. First steps already have been taken toward vigor-ous and aggressive action by the malcontents. Among those who have arrived at Moscow 'are President Rodzianko of the duma, A. J. Gushkoff, ex-foreign minister; A. I. Shing-aroff, V. A. Mackloff and Brussiloff, PART IN WAR aroff, V. A. Mackloff and Brusshon, who yesterday conferred with the leaders of the Moscow movement, M. Paris Figaro Calls Upon Aid For Entente From the Erzerum, and Ataman of the Coss-

East IS NEDED IN RUSSIA By Courier Leased Wire. Date and the subject of Japanese participation in the war. Asking if the moment has not arrived for Japan to take further steps, the writer de-seribes Japan as hitherto having argued that as an essentially Asi-atic power, it was her duty to re-serve all her force for /her future-mission in Asia. He says, however, that this situation has now changed by China entering into the war, and **Data Hamman of the Coss- acks arrived later.** Conferences were held under the conferences between the government and the Bourgeoisle were sharply emphasized, the only exceptions being made for Premier Kerensky, whom some of the speak-ers acclaim as capable of saving the country on the condition that he liberate himself from the Socialist and Council of Deputies control. The press was excluded from the prelim-inary discussion and precautions were taken to prevent speeches be-ing recorded, but it was stated these concerned the reconstruction of the by China entering into the war, and that Japan therefore should send soldiers and artillery to Russia's aid has foresworn all ideas of expansion has foresworn all ideas of expansion

Prince Troubetskoi, in a sharp speech, attacked the government, de-claring the sacred revolution had fallen under the "coarse claws" of men who think only of plundering the patienal rights and of their any The Petit Journal, in an editorial along the same lines, says the mili-tary reserves of the Entente Powers should be used prudently. It adds that never will the Japanese troops be mre needed on the Russian front the national riches, and of their own interests. The government, the speaker said, is entirely in the hands interests.

of Petrograd. That is the chief evil, Petrograd being the centre of rot-tenness. Therefore, he said, it was Jap Mission Washington, Aug. 23.—The im-perial Japanese mission to the Uni-ted States, which arrived here yesimperatively necessary to transfer the capital to healthy Moscow. Prince terday, is devoting its first full day tion of mutual co-operation between Japan and America will be discuss-ed.

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