

Austro-German Advance is Checked

Situation Much Improved Upon Italian Battle Line

Impossible For Russia to Conclude a Separate Peace

British Parliament Gives Thanks to Military Forces

British Renewed Offensive on Flanders Front

PRaise FOR EVERY DEPT. OF FORCES

Could Not Do Justice To Their Accomplishments In the War SAYS LLOYD GEORGE

British Government Gave Vote of Thanks to Army and Navy

FLEET INVALUABLE On Countless Times During War It Has Been Allied Salvation

By Courier Leased Wire London, Oct. 29.—(Via Reuters Ottawa Agency) Premier Lloyd George, in moving the resolution expressing the thanks of the Government to all branches of the forces, said that even had he leisure in these terrible times, especially during the anxiety of the last few days, he could not do justice to this great theme.

The deeds referred to in the resolution, had won the admiration and gratitude of every subject of his Majesty, and he felt no words were needed to commend the acceptance of the resolution to any body of Britons throughout the world.

BRITISH RENEW FLANDERS DRIVE

By Courier Leased Wire. London, Oct. 30.—The British attacked on the Flanders front early this morning. Good progress is reported by the War Office. The announcement follows:—

"At 5.45 o'clock this morning we attacked north of the Ypres-Roulers railroad. Our troops are reported to be making good progress."

Paris, Oct. 30.—A German attack on the Aisne near Courmy was repulsed last night by the French the War Office announces. The statement follows:

"South of St. Quentin we made a successful attack on the German lines, bringing back prisoners and a machine gun."

There were artillery engagements near Chavignon and Dargny-Filain. Patrols were active in the region of the Canal. A strong enemy detachment which attempted to approach our lines in the region of Cerny was repulsed with losses.

"On the right bank of the Meuse (Verdun front) heavy artillery fighting continued in the sector between Chaume Wood and Bezonvaux. We recaptured further trench elements on the Carrières Crest. Everywhere else the night was calm."

"Last night enemy aviators bombarded Nancy and the Region north of the city. One person wounded. The damage was insignificant."

CADORNA HOLDS AUSTRIO-GERMAN FORCES FAST

Enemy Advance is Halted and With Prospect of Aid From Allies, Italians Take Fresh Heart

By Courier Leased Wire Italian resistance to the Austro-German onslaught along the Isonzo apparently is stiffening, as Gen. Cadorna prepares to reform his forces along the strong defensive line of the Tagliamento River. The entire Isonzo line has been turned and the Carso position has been given up to the victorious Italian soldiers, who are now before Udine, the former Italian General headquarters.

Despite the crushing blow suffered by the Italian forces on the Northern Isonzo and the consequent retirement all along the river, Gen. Cadorna has the Tagliamento line from which to beat back the invaders from the Venetian plains. Berlin does not report any great additional number of prisoners and this, coupled with Cadorna's official statement that his troops are checking the Austro-German attack may mean the force of the first blow has been spent.

Tentative activity is reported in the region of Ploceon Pass, in the Carnic Alps, north of Tolmezzo, where the Tagliamento runs westward. A strong advance here might make the Tagliamento line untenable, as also would any Austro-German effort southward from the Carnic and Lomane Alps. The Italian high command must consider, too, the possibility of a blow from the Trentino. From Swiss sources, it is reported that the Austro-Swiss frontier has been closed and that German reinforcements are being hurried to the front. This may mean either supports of the invaders west of the Isonzo, or material for a new drive from the mountains southward behind the Tagliamento.

Meanwhile there are no reports of any activity in the Trentino, and Great Britain and France have taken steps to reinforce the Italians. What form this help is taking has not yet been disclosed.

Raid and small operations are occupying the troops on the front in France. The artillery is very active along the Aisne front and northeast of Ypres, in Flanders.

San Francisco, Oct. 30.—Comprehensive plans of war vessels being constructed for the United States Government at a shipbuilding plant here were seized by Federal officers yesterday in a raid upon the home of John Kulleroff, a mechanic, who is under arrest, charged with taking pictures of the plant.

At the same time it became known that plans for other ships in process of construction and which have been commandeered by the Government were seized last Friday in a raid upon a separate office maintained down town by a naval constructor at the plant. Federal officials said this man had a contract with a German shipbuilding concern which stipulated that he would sever his connection with the San Francisco plant whenever called upon to do so.

Federal officials said they had no evidence pointing to a direct relation between the two men, but at the same time they had both had plans of ships being constructed at the same plant.

I. W. W. Plot. By Courier Leased Wire Tulsa, Okla., Oct. 30.—The destruction by a nitro-glycerine bomb of the residence of J. Edgar Pew, vice-president of the Carter Oil Company, yesterday was the premature breaking of an I. W. W. plot to terrorize the oil industry, of which Tulsa is the centre, according to the authorities here, who said that they had been in possession of information for several days indicating that a reign of destruction and terror was to be launched November 1.

"We have known for some time that it was coming," said Captain Wilkerson of the police department, "but we did not know where they would strike."

MONTREAL EXCHANGE IS CLOSED

Brokers Reported to be Near Ruin Throughout the City

By Courier Leased Wire Montreal, Oct. 30.—The Montreal Stock Exchange was not opened as usual this morning. Unofficially it was explained that the exchange was closed down because a number of brokers are in danger of ruin on account of their heavy holdings and inability to dispose of them in the bad markets of recent days.

Montreal, Que., Oct. 30.—It was decided to open the market at 11 o'clock. Minimum prices will be established similar to those in Ypres, when the exchange opened in 1915, after the closing down due to the war.

Toronto, Ont., Oct. 30.—On receiving the news that the Montreal Stock Exchange was not opened this morning, the members of the Toronto Stock Exchange discontinued trading for half an hour, from 10.50 a.m. while they held a meeting to discuss the situation. It was announced that the minimum price decided upon by the Toronto brokers was based on last night's closing prices.

Montreal, Oct. 30.—In order to prevent the danger of brokers being forced into liquidation on account of the weak market of the Montreal Stock Exchange decided this morning to revert to the minimum price system in vogue when the stock exchange re-opened after the declaration of war. It was officially stated that none of the brokers are actually on the brink of failure.

It was also officially stated on behalf of the Stock Exchange that the brokers are all anxious to help with the war loan and with minimum prices revealing they feel that they can leave their businesses without fear to handle this work.

TEN DAYS MORE. Ten days only remain for the young men who will be summoned to the colors under the first draft to register at the Post-office. To date a large percentage have failed to report, and absolve themselves from coming into conflict with the provisions of the Act, but apparently the penalties for non-compliance have not yet been sufficiently understood by the majority. Women are taking a hand in the registration here and many claims for exemption have been filed by mothers of young men affected by the Act. The clerks are kept busy explaining to the ladies what the Act calls for.

RUSSIA BANISHES ALL TALK OF SEPARATE PEACE

AMERICANS IN THICK OF FIGHTING

Is With the Allied Cause to the End—Defence of Russian Territory is Essential Today

By Courier Leased Wire Petrograd, Monday, Oct. 29.—Foreign Minister Terestchenko, in addressing the preliminary parliament to-day said a separate peace was impossible, and that defense of Russian territory was one of the fundamental needs.

CRISIS IN ITALY NOT SUPREME

Decision of Britain and France to Give Aid Proves Satisfactory

TROOPS MAY BE SENT Or Assistance May Take the Form of Drive on West Front

AUSTRIANS CHECKED Cadorna's Forces Halt Advance Over Northern Plains

By Courier Leased Wire Amsterdam, Oct. 30.—The Austro-German offensive against Italy, according to the Vorwarts of Berlin, was not undertaken in an aggressive spirit with the object of conquering but rather to force a peace.

Amsterdam, Oct. 30.—Dr. Von Seebohn, the Austrian premier, speaking in the upper chamber of the Austrian diet at Vienna, on Saturday, said that the war situation was the best conceivable, but "our aims are the same as those for which we entered the war." He continued: "We are still ready to sit at the conference table with the enemy if he has no intention of imposing one-sided and arbitrary peace terms. If such tendencies are continued, we can only answer them with a more decided prosecution of the war until we convince the Entente that we are also able to compel peace."

London, Oct. 29.—Satisfaction with the decision of Great Britain and France to help the Italians is expressed by most of the morning newspapers, which again urge that whatever assistance possible must be given without delay. There is of course no certain indication of the exact form this help will take, but the general assumption seems to be that concrete reinforcements contributed by Great Britain and France will appear on the Italian front.

The Morning Post contends, however that the best way of helping Italy is to keep hammering the Germans on the western front. It adds: "A German victory over the Italians will not help them if we keep striking hard in Flanders—a maxim in war never to allow the strategy to be diverted to the enemy, and every move of our enemy now is to attempt to create a diversion from the western front."

Taking the view that the German success is due partly to treachery, and that the Germans are using the same tools in Italy as those with which the Russian armies were betrayed, the Post declares: "Let our statesmen awake and counteract these activities. This may be of even more service than any military aid we can render." The Post, nevertheless, assumes that such military aid as can be given without weakening the pressure on the western front also will be furnished, and urges the Italians to hold on until success arrives.

While some commentators to-day take a somewhat gloomy view of the situation, others believe that the Italians will recover, and that the Germans will not gain any permanent advantage.

The Daily Express says:—"Germany has made a gambler's move, and won the first coup, that is all. We may wait and see what will happen."

The Daily Telegraph, while fearing that the German claim to have shaken the whole Italian front is justified, is persuaded that the perilous situation will inspire the Italians to a wider determination. It adds: "Because the enemy has succeeded in effecting a surprise, there is no reason to suppose that he will be as successful in the plains or before strong positions like the Tagliamento. Gen. Cadorna will know how to counteract the present moment attacks and to snatch victory."

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WEATHER BULLETIN

Toronto, Oct. 30.—The disturbance which was in Indiana yesterday increased greatly in intensity and is now centred in the Upper Ottawa valley. Rain has been general in Ontario and Quebec and a heavy gale has been blowing on the Great Lakes since midnight. The weather continues cold in the western provinces. Storm signals are displayed on the great lakes and along the seaboard. Forecast: Lower and Georgian Bay—West-erly gales, partly fair, becoming cold. Snow flurries. Wednesday—fresh westerly winds, cold and partly fair, local snow flurries.