

War News.

Messages Received
Previous to 9 A. M.

FRENCH MAKE IMPORTANT GAINS

PARIS, Oct. 23.—The French forces of General Pétain struck a mighty blow against the German line northeast of Soissons on Tuesday morning and made one of the most important gains since they threw back the army of the Crown Prince which was besieging Verdun. They captured more than 1,500 Germans, a large amount of war materials and 25 guns. The greatest depth of the drive was in the centre of the line, where the village of Chevreignen was captured after a violent fight, which resulted in the enemy fleeing pell-mell. Some of the best troops in the army of the German Crown Prince were endeavoring to hold back the onslaught, but their efforts were unavailing. For about a week the French artillery has been hurling tons of steel into the German line in front of them in preparation for the drive. When it was started, sad havoc had already been wrought by the guns. In addition to prisoners taken, the Germans also suffered heavy casualties.

ALLIED LINE INTACT.

British Front in France and Belgium, Oct. 23.—The Allied line established in yesterday's limited attack astride the Ypres-Staden railway, was intact this morning with the exception of the loss in the southern fringe of Houthost Wood of one fortified farm, which the British were forced to evacuate last evening when the Germans delivered a heavy local counter attack. Yesterday's operations may now be recorded as a success. While only limited objectives were sought, their attainment greatly improved the Allied position. It was hard fighting at numerous points and the Germans lost heavily, especially in the region of Poelcapelle. Large numbers of enemy dead were reported this morning lying in front of the British advanced posts. Fighting was especially severe near the point of junction of the British and French forces. At one point north of the Ypres-Staden railway, British advanced posts were unable to maintain the most forward positions reached because of violent enfilading artillery fire. The main Allied line, however, was to-day well north of the strong line of German positions which skirted the outlying copse of wood. More rain fell last night and this morning.

CRUISER AND DESTROYER SUNK.

LONDON, Oct. 23.—The British merchant cruiser Orana has been torpedoed and sunk. It is officially announced. A British destroyer has also been sunk in collision. Two officers and 21 men were saved from the destroyer. No lives were lost on the Orana. The Orana registered 13,927 tons gross, was 551 feet long and was built at Glasgow in 1911. Before being taken over by the British Admiralty she was operated by the Orient Steam Navigation Company of Glasgow. She was one of the small British squadron which in March, 1915, off the Chilean Island of Juan Fernandez, sank the German cruiser Dresden which escaped at the time the other vessels of the German Pacific squadron were destroyed.

RUSSIAN OFFICIAL.

PETROGRAD, Oct. 23.—The text of to-day's official reads: On the northern front, in Riga region, in the sectors of Staul, Hindenburg, Alahs, and Lemberg, our detachments advanced and occupied a first line of trenches which the enemy had left. On the western, southwestern and Roumanian fronts, the hostilities reached certain intensity in Foksham region. On the Caucasus fronts there is nothing to report. In the Baltic Sea no

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British patrol ships on the occasion of the sinking of neutral steamers under convoy in the North Sea last week, has asked the British Government to forward the names of the officers and crew of the vessels, so that Norway can express to them individually her gratitude for their rescue of Norwegian sailors. As a result of reports that the Germans may have received news of the convoy's movements from spies on land, the Government has issued a proclamation prohibiting the use of any unauthorized signals, flags or lights which could be observed from the sea or from aircraft. Infringement of the restrictions is punishable by imprisonment for six years or fines of 100,000 kroner.

GERMANY EXPECTS ATTACK.

STOCKHOLM, Oct. 23.—The military critic of the Svenska Dagbladet assumes that Germany is anticipating an attempt by an Entente fleet to force an entrance into the Baltic in consequence of German successes in the Gulf of Riga. He says never has such a number of German destroyers and submarines been stationed in the neighborhood of the Belts, the Sounds between the Islands of Denmark and the Sound between Denmark and Sweden.

TAKING DUTCH SHIPS.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23.—New proposals made by the War Trade Board for increase of the New Amsterdam and other Dutch ships now in American ports have been submitted to Holland by Chevalier Van Rappard, the Netherlands Minister. The Dutch Government is ready to make substantial concessions to prevent commandeering the ships by the United States. It was made clear to-day that while the ships could not be devoted to traffic within the danger zone without the consent of Holland, they could be put to any other use in coastwise or overseas trade which would realise all tonnage. If a charter agreement is reached it will be with that understanding. One hundred Dutch subjects, many of them officials, stranded in New York have petitioned President Wilson to assist them to obtain passports for their own country.

SINN FEINER ARRESTED.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—U. S. secret service men to-day arrested Leon Mallows, said to have been a Sinn Feiner revolution plotter, while trying to make his way back to Ireland under false papers. At the same time they took into custody Baron Von Reitelhuyesen, said to be a wealthy German and friendly with Mallows. It is alleged that Mallows was attempting to leave the country in guise of an American seaman. He is charged with taking out false papers in this connection. The British authorities, it is understood, have arrested at Halifax two other alleged Sinn Feiners whom they took off a vessel there. The pair were trying also to get back to Ireland, it was said.

IRELAND'S AFFAIRS.

LONDON, Oct. 23.—In the Commons to-day, Henry E. Duke, Chief Secretary for Ireland, said that last February the Government deported prisoners from Ireland because Germany was again offering a helping hand to the Sinn Feiners. Duke declared that recent troubles in Ireland had arisen because the Convention was doing well and the Sinn Feiners wished it to fail. He said the Government intended to do its best to prevent criminal acts with such intention. The belief was expressed by Duke that the Convention was on the eve of a solution of its problems. He announced that while the Constitution was in the making, the Government would do its utmost to avoid a policy of making arrests, which he considered as likely only to help the Secessionist propaganda.

Ex-Premier Asquith, speaking on the Irish question in the Commons to-day, expressed his belief that within a few months schemes for Irish Government acquiesced in by a majority of the Irish people, would be presented to Parliament.

TO-NIGHT AT THE CASINO THEATRE!

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The Commons to-day occupied itself with Ireland, John Redmond opening the debate on the following motion: "This House deplores the policy which has been pursued by the Irish Executive Government and Irish military authorities at a time when the highest interests of Ireland and the Empire demand the creation of an atmosphere favorable to a successful result of the deliberations of the Irish convention." Mr. Redmond's motion was defeated by 211 to 78.

In the course of a speech in the Commons, Lloyd George declared the Government was aware that arrangements were again being made partly by Count Von Bernstorff, to land arms in Ireland.

SWEDEN'S MAIL.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23.—The British Embassy to-day decided to deliver to the Swedish Legation without examination three mail pouches seized at Halifax several weeks ago, and claimed by Sweden to contain only statistics relating to its imports and exports trade, called for by the War Trade Board in its negotiations with northern European neutrals on the exports of those countries. The delivery will be made to-morrow without ceremony, the Embassy deciding to turn over the pouches because of urgent representations that information is needed in carrying through negotiations, and Swedish assurances that no other mail matter is contained in them.

CANADIAN WAR COMMITTEE.

OTTAWA, Oct. 23.—A Reconstruction and Development Committee has been appointed to deal with all questions relating to the war, the personnel of which is as follows: Sir Robert Borden, Chairman; Hon. A. R. McLean, Vice-Chairman; Sir George Foster, Sir Thomas White, Hon. J. D. Reid, Hon. J. A. Calder, Hon. Arthur Meighen, Hon. T. A. Crerar, Sir James Longheed, Hon. Senator Robertson.

FRENCH MINISTERIAL TROUBLE.

PARIS, Oct. 23.—The decision to resign which the Cabinet reached yesterday was arrived at during a meeting held at a late hour. Premier Poincaré proceeded to the Elysee Palace to inform President Poincaré of the decision which his colleagues awaited his return. Upon the President's refusal to accept their resignation, the Ministers resumed their deliberations, finally placing their portfolios in the hands of the Premier to dispose of as he might find necessary. It was long past midnight when the meeting broke up. The last sitting of the Chamber of Deputies did not tend to solidify the

gram from President Wilson's Labor Commission in the West.

SUGAR SUPPLY.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—Consumers must curtail their sugar supply fifty per cent, to avert a sugar famine in New York City, Henry Moskowitz, Commissioner of Markets, told a meeting of refiners and dealers to-day.

STEAMER ASHORE.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Oct. 23.—The steamer Roman, of the Pittsburgh, S. S. Co., is ashore at Fox Point, 10 miles north of Milwaukee. There is danger of the vessel pounding to pieces as a heavy sea is running. Twenty members of the crew are aboard. The life-saving crew have been unable to take them off.

SAFE CONDUCT GRANTED.

LONDON, Oct. 23.—Britain has granted safe conduct to the German representative in Uruguay to embark on a Netherlands ship for Germany.

IN MOURNING.

ZURICH, Switzerland, Oct. 23.—Friedrichshafen is in mourning over the loss of at least four Zeppelins in the ill-fated raid on England, according to advices received here from Swiss towns on Lake Constance. The majority of the crews of the destroyed Zeppelins lived in Friedrichshafen where they were receiving their train-

ing. The King of Wurttemberg has sent messages of condolence to the families of the men lost in the raids. Swiss newspapers express the opinion that the disaster in France is a death blow to aircraft of the Zeppelin type.

Household Notes.

Salt codfish can be scalloped as well as fresh fish. Broken rice is about half the price of whole rice.

A baby coop on wheels is invaluable for busy mothers. Never over-wrap a baby—it is a sure way to give him a cold.

Turnip tops can be used for greens even as late as October. Use a milk skimmer to lift poached eggs out of the water.

When the meat course is light the dessert should be substantial.

The hollowed halves of eggplants can be stuffed with the vegetable itself.

One secret of good tea or coffee is to make it with water freshly boiled. Buy market produce when it is in season and you can buy more cheaply. Grated coconut or chopped nuts are good sprinkled on the tops of little cakes.

Onion soup is delicious with toast on top of it which has been sprinkled with cheese.

If you wish to save a lemon that has been cut, turn it upside down on a butter dish.

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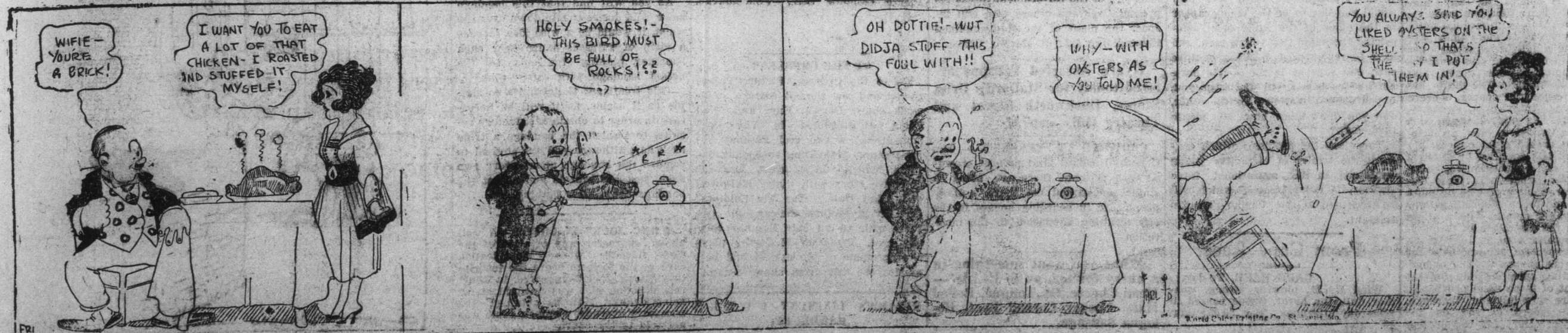
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