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War News.

Messages Received Previous to 9 A. M.

ITALIAN OFFENSIVE.

VIENNA, Aug. 20. The Italians have begun another big offensive against the Austrians in the Isonzo region of the Austro-Italian theatre, where fighting is in progress over a thirty-seven mile front, running from the head of the Adriatic Sea on the Carso Plateau. This information is contained in the war office communication issued to-day. Rome.—The Italians in their offensive on the Isonzo front, begun yesterday, have crossed the Isonzo River and already taken 7,500 prisoners it is officially announced by the war department to-day. Many guns have been captured by the Italians and Austrians have suffered serious casualties. The battle continues vigorously. The statement says the batteries on the Julian Alps front yesterday morning. After a bombardment of twenty-four hours, during which our artillery shelled the enemy positions with ever increasing intensities of our infantry commenced to advance toward their objectives north of Gorizia. After having brilliantly overcome the technical difficulties and the resistance of an enemy, numerous pontoons were thrown across the Isonzo, and our troops passed over to the left bank of the river. From Piava to the sea, after having crossed the first line of the enemy, which had been destroyed completely, our troops brought pressure to bear upon him. Resisting bravely and being supported by considerable artillery and a large number of machine guns, the enemy offered desperate resistance.

FRENCH CAPTURE.

PARIS, Aug. 20. A smashing French victory on the Verdun front is recorded in the official reports issued by the war office to-night. The French have captured the enemy defences on both sides of the Meuse over a front of more than eleven miles, penetrating the German lines at divers points to a depth of a mile and a quarter. More than 4,000 un wounded German prisoners have been taken.

BRITISH ADVANCE LINES.

LONDON, Aug. 20. A German counter attack on the positions captured by the British yesterday morning—southeast of Epey,

was completely repulsed after sharp fighting, according to the official statement issued to-day by the war office. A successful raid was carried out last night south of Lens. On the Ypres battle front, the British lines were advanced slightly southeast of St. Janshoek.

BRITISH POSITION IMPROVED.

LONDON, Aug. 20. An official report from British headquarters in France to-night reads: By a successful minor operation early on Sunday morning in the neighborhood of Ypres-Poel-Cappelle Road, our line was advanced to a depth of about five hundred yards on a mile front. All of our objectives, including a series of strongly fortified farms were captured with very slight loss to us. The enemy's losses were considerable. We took prisoners. The German prisoners captured by the Allies during the fighting on Thursday northeast of Ypres are now 2,114, including 55 officers. Strong westerly winds prevailed yesterday, but activity of our airplanes continued. Bombing raids, artillery, photographic work were carried out successfully throughout the day. Three German airplanes were brought down in fighting. Four others were driven down out of control. Eight of ours are missing.

GERMAN ESTABLISHMENTS RAIDED.

LONDON, Aug. 20. German military establishments in Belgium, which have been attacked repeatedly of late by British airplanes were again raided on Saturday night, the Admiralty announces in the following statement: Many tons of bombs were dropped on the nights of August 18th and 19th by naval air service on the following military objectives, St. Pierre Station and sidings at Ghent, Thourout station and dump, and Bruges docks. A raid was also carried out yesterday morning on the Snelleghem airdrome, where a direct hit was made on a large shed. On the return our machines were attacked by hostile aircraft which were beaten off with the aid of a royal flying corps patrol. One enemy machine was shot down out of control; all ours returned safely.

CHINESE IN FIGHTING TRIM.

PEKING, Aug. 20. General Chang Chen Yam, commanding the troops sent to suppress General Chang Hsun's forces in Anwei Province, has telegraphed President Wang Kwochang urging the immediate sending of his force of thirty thousand men to Europe to fight the Germans. The Ministers of the Entente to China have agreed upon a common note sent individually to the Foreign Office congratulating China on its declaration of war. Baron

Hayashi, the Japanese Minister, visited Wang Tahsieh, Foreign Minister, and assured him that the declaration of war had strengthened the friendship between Japan and China. China has instituted a cable and mail censorship.

GERMAN PRESS ON PEACE NOTE.

LONDON, Aug. 20. Comment in German newspapers reaching Amsterdam is generally unfavorable to the Pope's peace note, according to despatches received here. The German Catholic papers express the deepest respect for the Pope's initiative, but consider the note disquieting as far as it regards Germany's interests. The Liberal newspapers view the note as an appeal of great hopefulness. The Mergen Post says that it does not see why Germany should reject the appeal adding, that it is well to understand that neither Alsace-Lorraine nor the Trentino are questions that can be submitted to any tribunal, because such questions do not exist. The Tages Zeitung declares that the pope's peace proposals would mean Germany's ruin. The Voessische Zeitung asserts that Germany will rapidly solve the Belgian question in conformity with the wishes of the Pope, but declares that France must also give up all hopes of annexing Alsace-Lorraine, and that peace must bring an equilibrium.

BELGIAN OFFICIAL.

PARIS, Aug. 20. The Belgium official communication as issued through the French war office last night, reads as follows: On the nights of the 17th and 18th our patrols combated advance elements on the left bank of the Yser and Saint Jacques Capelle. Yesterday and today our artillery executed a destructive fire on the enemy's batteries and neutralised several others. The aviation service showed great activity last week, and despite the continual barrage of the enemy operating in dense formations, we executed numerous missions above the enemy lines. On the 16th Sub-Lieut. Thieffry brought down his seventh German machine.

CONFERENCE OF SEAMEN.

LONDON (Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency), Aug. 20.—Great interest has been aroused by the proceedings of the International Conference of Seafarers of all grades called to consider the U-boats crises which was resumed yesterday under the presidency of Havelock Wilson. Capt. Moore, representing the captains and officers of the British mercantile marine, read communications from Swedish, Norwegian and French Societies, Captains and Officers expressing general approval of the objects of the conference. The French message was especially cordial and read: "We ex-

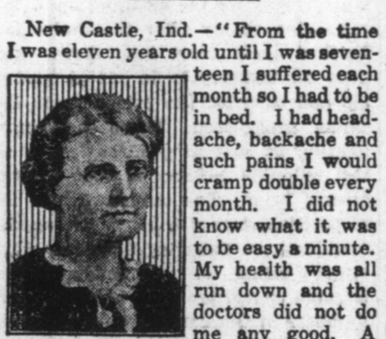
press adherence to the principle presented by the conference." Capt. Grace of the Imperial Merchant Service Guild voiced sympathy with neutrals who are maintaining their neutrality despite the fact that a brutal and unscrupulous belligerent was fountering about the ocean. Germany, he said, had broken every written and unwritten international law. The Germans ought to be debarred from sailing on British ships for ever. Nothing had happened since their previous London conference to justify any departure from the previous decision not to carry peace delegates to Stockholm. We are fighting to break the military power of Germany, said Captain Grace, and until that work is accomplished peace terms will be so many scraps of paper and nothing more. The chairman introduced amidst cheering, George Sleski, seaman, survivor of the Belgian Prince, who told the story of the torpedoing of his ship, and his escape, and was warmly congratulated.

CATHEDRAL DESACRATORS.

ST. ETIENNE, France, Aug. 20. Vandals broke into the cathedral Saturday night and stripped the al-

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tars of valuables and then set fire to church furnishings, laces and altar cloths and the altar in the Sacristy where the two great organs stood. The organs were destroyed, as well as several valuable statues. In addition to the damage done by the fire, considerable damage was wrought by water thrown inside the edifice by the firemen.

NOTED R. C. BISHOP DEAD.

DUBLIN, Aug. 20. The Most Rev. Thos. O'Dwyer, Roman Catholic Bishop of Limerick, died yesterday. For a generation the Bishop had been a prominent figure in Irish politics.

A SENTENCE OF IMPRISONMENT.

PETROGRAD, Aug. 20. In consequence of an article in Maxim Gorky's newspaper Novaya Zhizn, in which the Russian author is alleged to have continued his insulting expressions regarding the Entente Allied Powers and their representatives, the Russian Government has promulgated a law sentencing to imprisonment in a fortress persons insulting the Entente Powers, their rulers or Presidents.

AMERICAN STEAMER DISABLED.

AN ATLANTIC PORT, Aug. 20. The American steamer Racine was brought into port last night by a tug which found her disabled off Cape Cod yesterday with a leaky boiler. The vessel was formerly in the Great Lakes service, and was on her way to an Atlantic port to be remodelled into an ocean tug.

STEAMERS DAMAGED BY FIRE.

NEW YORK, Aug. 20. The Norwegian steamer Christian Bers, 4,076 tons, was damaged to the extent of \$100,000 by fire early today, while lying at her dock in South Brooklyn. The steamer arrived recently from Buenos Ayres and had about completed the discharge of a cargo of hides. The British steamship Barren Jeddeburgh, discharging a cargo of sugar and glue, was also badly damaged by the fire.

SIAMSE PROPERTY SEIZED.

LONDON, Aug. 20. An Amsterdam despatch states that the Berlin newspapers announce the seizure of all property in Germany belonging to the Government of Siam or to its citizens.

STRIKE IN NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, Aug. 20. Labor leaders in charge of the strike in the shipyards of New York district to-day, asserted that 250,000 metal workers in various parts of the country would be asked to declare a sympathetic strike unless a settlement was reached to-day.

CANADA'S WHEAT CROP.

TORONTO, Aug. 20. Information wired to Sir John Aird, General Manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, by the Superintendent of the Bank at Winnipeg, says that after three extensive trips through Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, 200,000,000 bushels is the lowest estimate that could be placed on the wheat crop of the Canadian West.

NEW TYPE OF AIRSHIP.

LONDON, Aug. 20. A despatch to the Daily Mail from Verri, Switzerland, says that the barns of the Zeppelin works at Friedrichshafen are being used for building a new type of airship from which much is expected. The body of the machine is serpentine in form and from both sides of it smoke clouds can be thrown out which will conceal the machine.

QUIET IN SPAIN.

MADRID, Aug. 20. Official news has been received from throughout Spain that tranquility reigns everywhere and the general strike is expected to end to-day. A meeting of the Cabinet has been called and it is thought martial law will be annulled.

STREET CAR FATALITY.

DOVER, Eng., Aug. 20. Sixteen persons were killed and 40 injured to-day when a crowded street car on a suburban line ran wild on a steep hill at the foot of which it was wrecked. The accident was due to the failure of the brakes. Casualties include soldiers and sailors. Not one person on the car escaped injury.

THE KAISER'S ANNOUNCEMENT.

AMSTERDAM, Aug. 20. At the conclusion of his visit to the German high seas fleet at Wilhelmshaven, Emperor Wilhelm issued the following to the fleet: "After having recently received the announcement that a renewal of the heavy attack of the enemy in an attempt to break up our sea front in Flanders had been successfully repulsed, I have to-day by a visit to my fleet and island fortress, Heligoland, been enabled to convince myself of the strength and security of this front, too. I express my warm appreciation of all the high sea forces, on the water, under the water and in the air and to the fortress of Heligoland for their untiring self-sacrificing and successful labor by means of which they have kept firmly in view and attained this aim. May the fleet remain conscious that the confidence of myself and the fatherland, reposes firmly on it." The Emperor distributed a number of iron crosses. His visit is reported to have been caused by the threat of strikes at the Wilhelmshaven arsenal.

Boy Breaks Leg.

While returning from the fishing ground last evening a boy named Willis had his leg broken by coming in contact with the shaft of his motor boat. He was taken to his home in Lime Street where the broken bone was set by Drs. Cowperthwaite and Roberts. A number of accidents of a similar nature have occurred during the past year.

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MUCH IMPROVED.

We are pleased to hear that Rev. Bro. Fendergast, who recently left for New York to undergo special medical treatment, is now much improved.

American Boys.

To Help Our Wounded and Sick Heroes.

The boys of the American collier now in port are very anxious to do "their little bit" for the Nfd. Hospital funds, and the means devised to play a baseball game to-morrow morning at St. George's Field. The game will commence sharp at 10 o'clock, and in view of the worthiness of the object no apology is needed for charging 10 cents admission. The entire proceeds will be devoted towards augmenting the funds of the Old Boys' cricket match to be played in the afternoon in aid of the Jensen Camp and Waterford Hall hospital. This is the first opportunity local fandom will have of seeing regular big league baseball. A representative nine from this ship won the championship of the North Atlantic fleet in 1916, and most of their old players are with them. Baseball is part of the regularly prescribed drill in the American Navy as the exercise keeps the "boys in blue" in top notch form as no other can. Mary Roberts Rhinacourt, the famous writer, has this to say in a recent issue of the "Saturday Evening Post":—"The average age, officers and men, that went around the world, was twenty-two. And to-day we know the psychology of play and its value. More than once, when I went to France, I carried a football right up to the lines to be used behind the trenches. So the blue-jacket goes at specified times to his ballgrounds and plays EXCELLENT baseball. The Navy has always encouraged baseball, and from battleships to submarines, each ship's crew has at least one team. Very good ball it is that they play, I am told. I have seen them playing; but I am, at the national game, rather like the old lady who considered the pitcher poor because he did not give the batter a chance to hit the ball." The visitors had a tryout yesterday, and the Deck Force beat the Engineers by 3 to 1. It was thought that they would prove too strong for a local team, so the League therefore considered it better that they should give an exhibition to show how fast class baseball is produced. Of course the regular coaches are going to be on the lines, so that fans if they are attentive will have some new stuff to throw at the umps and players in our local games. Lieut Downing will be in charge of the party. The lineups will be:

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| Deck Force: | Engineers' Force: |
| DeBarrie, c. | Fletcher, ss. |
| Miller, p. | Nichols, cf. |
| Walton, 1b. | Whittaker, 1b. |
| Kinsel, 2b. | Rathoff, 2b. |
| Hrivnak, 3b. | Simpson, 3b. |
| Chesterfield, cf. | Hoff, c. |
| Thayer, rf. | Crosby, lf. |
| Brown, ss. | Lesnau, p. |
| Callahan, lf. | Murphy, rf. |
- Messrs McKay (Deck) and Passmore (Engineers) will be coaches, or in other words "official goat getters."

Everyday Etiquette.

"When my girl chum brought her mother over to meet me for the first time, should I have risen?" asked Edith. "A hostess should always rise when introduced to a man or woman. It is not necessary for a lady to rise to greet a man when she is introduced in your own home; it is a mark of hospitality and breeding to greet your guests with a welcome handshake and a cordial remark," replied her oldest sister.

BULL RUNN
BY CARL ED
Sure, the Witt Will Let Bull Buy the Car but—Who's Going to Drive It?—Ask the Missus!



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