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ISTRIANS YIELD TO ATTACKS OF ITALIANS

Have Already Partly Captured Monte San Gabriele---Gain Important Ground on Heights East of Gorizia.

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The Cologne Gazette's coron the Isonzo front, Monte ele has been partially taken ns. The Austrians, adds mondent, are deserting this

Attack Strong Line.

red and are at present ata powerful line of resistance had been previously organized which the enemy is defending ration. On the heights be-Gorizia we made some gains. ing the day we captured more ,000 prisoners and several ma-guns. Altogether, 247 airplanes dicipated in the battle. A squad-of forty Caproni machines, which part in the action east of Gor-dropped more than 7,000 kilo-of projectiles on enemy bat-in the Panovizza wood, the Carso an artillery duel and

STORMY WEATHER CONTINUES

London, Aug. 29.—The official report from British headquarters in France tonight reads:

"Stormy weather continues. Early this morning enemy parties made a bombing attack on two of our posts east of Oosttaverne, but were driven

VISITS LENS FRONT. Morgenthau Sees Operations Along Fighting Line.

With the British Army in France and Flanders, Aug. 29—(By the Associated Press).—Henry Morgenthau, the former ambassador of the United States to Turkey, has just completed a short trip to the British front by which he was able to see some of the operations along the actual fighting line. He spent some of today in a position from which he could observe the stricker City of Lens, in which the stricken City of Lens, in which the unhappy Germans sit and watch the ever-tightening Canadian mesh. He also visited the Ypres salient and had Valley and succeeded in pene-ig it. Our men, however, were a view of a large sweep of territory to occupy a higher summit, from in this important area.

ENTIRE PROVISION TRADE **WILL SOON BE TAKEN OVER**

Food Controller is Determined to Secure Reduction in Price of Commodities.

London, Aug. 29 .- Lord Rhondda, the food controller, has decided take over gradually control of the entire provision trade in the British es. The vital consideration in the regulation of prices of provisions control of imports, and Lord Rhondda is in constant touch with the nerican food control department on this subject. It is stated that the

two governments are working in entire harmony to secure a reduction in the prices of commodities coming from the United States.

Regarding the supply of tea, concerning which there have been alarmist reports recently, the food ministry today issued a reassuring statement, saying that while imports in May were small, owing to tonnage difficulties, the imports since that time have improved and there "is no present cause for alarm, altho all possible economy is desirable."

SOCIALIST CONFERENCE AGREES ON NOTHING

Inter-Allied Gathering at London Fails to Reach Unanimity of Opinion Either on Stockholm Conference or Peace.

London, Aug. 29 .- The so-called inter-allied Socialist conference conuded a two-day session this evening. It failed to reach unanimity of tion on the Stockholm conference or peace. The United States was represented at the conference, and one South African delegate was he only representative of the British overseas dominions. Delegates rom pacifist bodies were in the majority. The trades union congress, renting the bulk of British labor, had only eight delegates in attend-

ance, and the labor party, twelve delegates. M. Vandervelde's amendment that the enemy should not be met in while he is still in occupation of conquered territory and con-

les his barbarous conduct was defeated. The Socialist conference ended after unanimously voting congratula-

tions to Russia on the success of the revolution. KERENSKY REITERATES STAND BY REVOLUTION

ma and Rumania recently had indi- crossing of which by the enemy,

failing back by the Russians in eastem Bukowina toward the Bessarabia frontier comes the news that, disloyal to their colors, the Russians in southem Moldavia, from Fokshami

London, Aug. 29.—The disaffection in sians have suffered heavily in men, Russian army which resulted in killed and wounded, and have lost the forced evacuation of the greater more than 1000 men made prisoner part of Galicia and Bukowina by still and three guns and 50 machine guns. troops apparently has as yet not eradicated, altho a stiffening in did vantage points guarding the approaches to the Sereth River, the that the Russians were to make in conjunction with an invasion of Moldavia from Bukowina, undoubted-

U.S. REPLY TO POPE BORDEN'S RESIGNATION IS REFUSED;

President Desires to Head Off the Pacifist Propaganda.

TO IMPRESS RUSSIA

Washington Expects Note to Evoke Response From German People.

remarkable state paper of tion by the pacifist element action by the pacifist elements in and out of congress in the United States.

No rejoinder from the Vatican is expected here in the immediate future. Comment from the press of Europe, including Germany and Austria, is awaited with interest. Bitter attacks upon the American note by the German press and possibly condemnatory speechese by German officials are fully expected when the president's reply is

New York, Aug. 29.—While the fighting force massed by the central powers on the Russo-Rumanian front is larger than was generally believed, the greater part of the German army is on the western front, according to a statement issued here today by the official bureau of French information "According to official information received in Paris from the Russian general staff," says the statement, there were actually on the Russo Rumanian front 137 enemy divisions, consisting of 88 German divisions, 41 Austro-Hungarian divisions, four Turk divisions and four Bulgarian divisions. Of the 88 German divisions 12 only are active divisions. All the others are made up of Landwehr and

"This represents a more considerable force than was generally believed, but s nevertheless much inferior to the German force on the western front, which includes actually 148 divisions, of which more than 80 are opposed to

FLIGHT LIEUT. TODD NOW LISTED KILLED

Former Toronto Aviator Was Previously Reported Missing-Others Among Casualties.

CAUCUS PLEDGES ITS FULL SUPPORT AND STANDS FOR UNIONIST CABINET

THE PARTY'S PLEDGE TO SIR ROBERT BORDEN

ng is the resolution passed by the Conservative caucus:

he supporters of Sir Robert Borden's government in the parliament of Canada, record our emval of that government's policy and achievements during these three years of war. rse the earnest and patient efforts of the prime minister to bring about a union of all the war nade and to give to this Dominion in these days of ever-increasing lyantage of an administration which would typify that union and specialistic of our people to see this war thru to victory.

or the purpose of such union we are one and all prepared to make any personal or party sacrifice

"We record unanimously our profound admiration of the great work and splendid leadership of Sir Robert Borden. We sincerely believe that no other man can discharge with like capacity the tremendous task of prime minister during this crisis; and that now, of all times, his continuance in the premiership is indispensable to the nations, and to his support we pledge our unalterable devotion."

TO HELP ENFORCE **CONSCRIPTION LAW**

Carrying Law Into Effect.

Premier is Given Free Hand For Cabinet Reconstruction

Laurier Promises to Assist in Caucus Also Discusses Dominion Franchise Legislation, by Which Only British Born Women Will Get the Vote.

By Staff Reporter.

Ottawa, Aug. 29.—The political skies which have been cloudy and ercast for several weeks, suddenly cleared today with the holding of the Conservative caucus. Those who hoped for disunion or breakdown were be distinctly heard from the corridors, abundantly testified how Sir Robert Borden emerged. What happened at the caucus is fully set forth in the that such board of selection should be composed of an equal number of members chosen from the two political parties, and he would therefore ask the leader of the opposition to name twelve of the twenty-four members. the presidency of any one of several men they suggested, including Sir George Foster. The caucus, however, refused even to consider the retire-

we said at the state department to day that no official advices are as yet at hand, recarding the development it; would not be a matter of surprise it; would not be a maintenance of the constitutional season and the surprise of the season as a constitutional surprise of the surprise of the season and the surprise of the surprise of the surprise it; would not season as a constitutional surprise of the surprise it; would not be an adviced to the surprise of the surprise of the surprise it; would not be an adviced to the surprise of the surprise of the surprise of the surprise it is surprised in the surprise of the surprise of the surprise it is surprised in the surprise of the surpri

Nearly Hundred and Fifty German Divisions Are Co-operative Railway Management Of All Lines Is Borden's Objective

Prime Minister Announces Government's Goal Which it tribute to Sir George Foster's splen-Soon Hopes to Accomplish, First Step Being Acquisition of Canadian Northern.

not only during the war but for all time to come, is the goal which the government has in view and soon hopes to accomplish. This was in ef-fect the announcement made by Sir-Robert Borden tonight in a notable speech in the house of commons upon the motion for the third reading of the Canadian Northern bill. He pointed out that what had been done in England could be done in Canada By a proper system of co-operative man-agement milions of dollars, he said, would be saved every year in railway construction and railway operation as well. The acquiring of the Canadian program of public ownership. That road, he declared, should not be absorbed by the Canadian Pacific, but at the same time it would be operated to prevent unnecessary duplication of service and construction.

When the third reading was moved. It practically declared that the Hon. Wm. Pugsley proposed an amendment practically hanging the road for a long time to come.

By a Staff Reporter.

Ottawa, Aug. 29.—Co-operative management of all the railways of Canada, not only during the war but for all upon in the case of Sir Wiffrid liquidation. It would involve receivupon in the case of Sir Wiffrid

Pugsley's Amendment. Late this evening the house pro-ceeded with the third reading of the Canadian Northern bill, and Hon. Wm. Pugsley offered an amendment to section 1, which authorizes the acquiring of the capital stock of the Canadian Northern by the government. This amendment was a proviso to the ef-fect that such capital stock would not be acquired until the award of the arbitrators was approved by parlia-ment. He argued that the arbitrators might award Mackenzie and Mann \$60,000,000. He said that the bill involved the principle of railway na-tionalization, which ought not to be adopted as the policy of this country until passed upon by the people at a general election. Sir Robert Borden said in reply that

erships without number and a paraly-sis of traffic. It would bring to ma-turity the securities now bearing turity the securities now bearing three and a half per cent., and have to be refunded at seven per cent. The Canadian Northern Company had

financed admirably, borrowing money at exceedingly low rates of interest.

Means Vast Saving.

The question then before the house was whether the Canadian Northern should be taken over by the Canadian Facific or acquired by the government. The Canadian Pacific Railway of the task that had confronted the prime minister since the outbreak of Co. claimed that by acquiring the Canadian Northern it could save \$160.000.000 that otherwise would have to be expended in unnecessary construction work. This admission.

(Concluded on Page 2, Column 5.) DINEEN'S NEW FURS.

Fur styles for 1917-1918 are on dis-play in the Dincen show rooms. All sition Sir Robert held among the describing the many toward the Bessarabia frontier comes the news that, disloyal to their colors, the Russians in south-sian premier, has reiterated to the rocks, have quit their trenches and field in disorder. The enemy, by read of this defection, has materially bettered his positions for an advance staward, and at last accounts was continuing to develop his success.

The Berlin war office says the Russian territory north of the bend in the Danube.

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When the third reading was moved. Hon. Wm. Pugsley proposed and the Dinne show do not acquire the solution for the conference at Moscow the determination of the provisional government to protect the arbitrators was approved by partiagent. He was followed by the revolution and declared that it was out of the surpressentative of Liberal-Conservation of the surpressentative of Liberal-Conservation and the provisional government to protect the arbitrators was approved by partiagent. He was followed by the revolution and declared that it was out of the surpressentative of Liberal-Conservation of the surpressentation of the surpressentative of Liberal-Conservation of the s

Prime Minister Offers to Serve Under Sir George Foster, Who Refuses to Accept Leadership, After Paving Remarkable Tribute to Sir Robert

Ottawa, Aug. 29.-Following is the fficial report issued on the proceed-

orning the prime minister reviewed outside of the prime minister. That offer having been refused, he made it to that section of the Liberal party which supported compulsory military service and was prepared to sustain every effort for the ending of the in the east as well as in the west, and latterly he had an interview with four and the other two were prot connected with the agricultural inter-

ests of the prairie provinces. frankly and fully with these gentlemen, and no divergence in questions ed with their friends, after which three of them and another prominent Liberal despatched to the

his conviction that any question as to the personal status or political fortunes of any individual was utterly insignificant. The prime minister expressed his absolute willingness to retire altogether or to serve under Sir George Foster if the result would be to unite all elements of the population and have them represented in a union government. He paid a warm did ability, wide experience and personal qualities, and said that he would be ready and happy to serve under Sir George Foster if he would undertake the formation of a government. He dwelt upon the strong desire of the best elements of both political parties that such a government should be formed. The overmastering purpose should be to support the gallant men at the front, to emulate their devotion and self-sacrifice, and to win

Sir George Foster's Views. "Sir George Foster followed Sir Robert Borden, emphasizing the warm friendship and co-operation there had prime minister since the outbreak of hostilities, and the untiring patience and devotion that had held him to the performance of his duties, during which he had acquired vast knowledge of conditions and requirements not only in Canada, but overseas as

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