

ITALIANS KEEPING ENEMY IN CHUCK

GERMANS MAKING STRONG EFFORT TO CRUSH ENTIRE ITALIAN ARMY

BRITISH AND FRENCH TROOPS NOW HASTENING ACROSS THE WESTERN ITALIAN FRONTIERS TO HELP THE ITALIAN ALLIES

AS RESULT OF TEUTONIC ALLIED OFFENSIVE INTERNAL CONDITIONS IN ITALY ARE DECLARED TO BE UNIFIED

From the head of the Gulf of Trieste, northward along the Carnic Alps region to the Ploekken pass, forming the eastern and northeastern boundaries of the Austro-Italian war front, the Germans and Austro-Hungarians are operating fast and strongly against the Italians in an endeavor to crush the forces of General Cadorna.

Already the enemy, according to the German official communication, is standing before the town of Udine, the former grand headquarters of the Italian army, having driven on past Cividale. The press westward from Gorizia he has captured the town of Gorizia, ten miles to the southeast of Udine, and the entire Italian front southward to the head of the Adriatic is reported to be in retreat.

In addition to the wedges driven into the Italian front on the west and northeast, the Teutonic allies have started a third wedge from the north, their hope evidently being to cut off the retreat of the Italian command-in-chief, however, reports that his army is checking the advance in this region. Evidently the weakness among the Italians has been entirely overcome, as Cadorna reports that all movements ordered by the general staff are now being carried out in regular order and that the Italians are fulfilling their duty by keeping in check the enemy's advance into the plains.

INTERNAL CONDITIONS UNIFIED

Maritime in order to aid the Italians in their hour of trouble, Great Britain and France are preparing to lend immediate aid, and the possibility is that already troops are being hastened across the western Italian frontiers by way of Turin and Milan to the battlefront in the east. As a result of the Teutonic allied offensive, internal conditions in Italy are declared to have been unified, the preponderating idea of the entire population now being to abolish party lines in order to meet the situation in the best interests of the country. Even the cabinet crisis is expected to be solved with comparatively few changes in portfolios.

On the western front in France and Belgium little fighting has taken place except in the nature of bombardments, though on the Italian front the Germans in an attack near Chame wood captured a portion of a French trench. Later, however, they were driven from the most of it.

The Americans daily are shelling the Germans with the German answering their fire. Snow has fallen in the region where the Americans are entrenched.

From the entire Wender peninsula projecting to the Moon sound in the Gulf of Riga. The possibility is that their success in landing further forces last week caused the decision to withdraw the troops.

MAXIMUM AWARD IN C.N.R. TO BE TEN MILLION DOLLARS

C.N.R. SHAREHOLDERS WILL GET NO MORE THAN THAT AMOUNT AND MAY GET CONSIDERABLY LESS THAN THAT

Winnipeg, Oct. 29.—In a dispatch tonight the Ottawa correspondent of the Free Press says: "It is stated tonight that tentative agreement has been drawn up between the king, represented by the minister of finance, and the receiver-general of the first part, and Mackenzie and W. M. Kenyon, and the Canadian Bank of Commerce, pledgees of the Canadian Northern, of the second part, providing for a maximum award of ten million dollars in connection with the arbitration regarding the valuation of the capital stock of the Canadian Northern to be acquired by the government. The agreement, which must be ratified by the full cabinet, provides that the value so determined shall be the sum of \$10,000,000 or more, the price shall be \$10,000,000; if the value so determined be less than \$10,000,000, the price shall be the value less than \$10,000,000 so determined. In other words, a maximum of ten million dollars has been fixed, above which the Mackenzie-Kenyon (the value) stock of the Canadian Northern railway to be acquired by the government. The order-in-council embodying the agreement has been drawn up and awaits ratification by full cabinet council this week. It is expected that the ministers will be at Ottawa by Wednesday or Thursday next."

U.S. FOOD PLEDGES

More Than 30 Million Homes Have Signed Up

Washington, Oct. 29.—Food pledges were actively under way today with half a million canvassers throughout the country securing pledges from 22,000,000 homes for the observance of the food administration's directions and advice in food economy which President Wilson has endorsed. With effective enrolment of families to save throughout the war, the United States will be able to export all the wheat, fats and sugar its allies in Europe sorely need to enable them to maintain their fighting strength.

SENATORS ATTACKED

German Submarine Got After U.S. Passenger Ship

London, Oct. 29.—The steamer on which were United States Senators John Kendrick and W. M. Kenyon, and Representatives J. J. Rogers of Massachusetts, and Jas. Parker of New York, was attacked by a German submarine off the coast of Wales Saturday. The gunners on the steamer opened fire immediately and the submarine submerged before having time to launch a torpedo.

PROFITTEERING IMPOSSIBLE IN U.S.

Washington, Oct. 29.—Profiteering by retail dealers in foodstuffs will be made impossible after November 1, the food administration announced tonight under a plan to cut off supplies to those not satisfied with reasonable margins. Manufacturers and other handlers of food, whose businesses will go under license, will not be permitted to sell to distributors who seek undue profits.

"This is one of the most sweeping safeguards," the announcement says, "against high prices which will be incorporated in the licensing system, for which complete rules and regulations will be made known within a few days."



FIGHTING ON THE ITALIAN FRONT

GIOLITTI AGAIN IN FULL CONTROL OF ITALIAN PARLIAMENT

One Time Pro-German Leader Has Once More Gained Support of Italian Members

SAYS HE IS LOYAL

He Changed Attitude When Italy Joined in the War With the Allies

Turin, Italy, Oct. 29.—The fall of the cabinet of Premier Bosselli is attributed to Giovanni Giolitti, former premier, who thus reasserts his old power as Italy's political leader. Before the entrance of Italy into the war he was in favor of the country's neutrality, representing conservative opinion.

The political situation now enters into a new and interesting phase, which is being watched closely.

It is assumed that the new cabinet will be far stronger at home, in view of the overwhelming majority favoring to Signor Giolitti, which includes the Socialists.

On this account it is believed the new government will not be forced to temporize and make concessions to trouble makers, as did Premier Bosselli.

Since the foregoing dispatch was filed, word has been received of the selection of Prof. Orlando to form a new ministry. Signor Giolitti aroused much opposition by his activity on behalf of neutrality, and in the summer of 1915 was reported to have fled from Italy in fear of his life. It was May of that year he was reported to have gone to Berlin for an audience with Emperor William. After Italy entered the war he announced his support of the government and urged Italians to rally to the colors and government during the war.

U.S. PACKING HOUSES UNDER FULL CONTROL OF U.S. GOVERNMENT

Control Will Be Absolute and Action Will Be Taken Nov. 1

Chicago, Oct. 29.—Official announcement was made today that every packing house in the country is under full control of the government and that after November 1 the control will be absolute, operation of the plants then being under license.

The announcement was coincident with the grand jury drive against high-priced milk and was made by J. P. Cotton, chief of the meat division, and Prof. Charles McCarthy, of the University of Wisconsin, personal representative of Food Administrator Hoover after weeks of investigation of the Chicago packing plants.

Within a short time meat price bulletins will appear with the food administration's prices.

I.W.W. IN LONDON

London, Oct. 29.—In the house of commons today, Sir George Cave, the home secretary, said an attempt had been made to establish a branch of the I.W.W. in London, but that it had received little or no support. The home secretary added that all necessary steps had been taken by the government to deal with the matter.

FOOD CONTROLLER MAY ELIMINATE ALL TRAVELERS

An Unofficial Report from Winnipeg States That the Controller Will Prohibit Sale of All Goods Through Commercial Travelers

GREAT SAVING

If the 500 Men Traveling Out of Calgary Were Put in Other Positions, Consumer Would Save \$137,000 Monthly

"What are we going to do?" is a question many commercial travelers will ask themselves if the unofficial report from Winnipeg that the food controller contemplated issuing an order prohibiting every commercial house in Canada selling their goods by means of commercial travelers, proves true.

Local wholesalers state that while it will entail overwork on the local staffs it would go a long way towards reducing the B.C.L. salaries paid commercial travelers in western Canada.

The expenses will average \$180 a month. At least that is the traveling allowance the majority of firms allow their representatives.

Were the salaries of the Road, who make daily headquarters in Calgary, eliminated from this sphere of activity, there would be a saving of \$137,000 a month.

The average salary at least a month and the allowance of the wholesaler seen by the Alberta yesterday stated that undoubtedly the food controller had the power to call off the dogs.

Greater priority of whom would be looking for a job. An apparent saving that a good business providing all business all lines of business would be a boon to see a relief.

LIBERTY FOR IRELAND

T. P. O'Connor Tells of Progress of Conference

Chicago, Oct. 29.—The Irish-American constitutional liberty committee was formed here today as a meeting of Chicago Irish-Americans under the guidance of T. P. O'Connor and Richard Watson, members of the Irish parliamentary party in the British house of commons. Michael J. Flaherty was elected chairman and W. P. Hailey secretary.

"The constitutional movement in Ireland is working successfully to secure self-government for the Irish people," he said. "It refuses to purchase liberty for Ireland at the price of the liberty of the rest of the world."

ITALIAN ATTACK WILL BE BOOMERANG

SAYS GEN. SMUTS

Italy's Position Is Serious, But Not Discouraging, Says Boer General

Cardiff, Oct. 29.—"The German offensive against Italy is a repetition of the history of the previous autumn," said General Smuts today. "You remember the first autumn of the war when Germany crushed Serbia. She had to offer her people some encouragement to call off the dogs. In the autumn of 1915, she brought Rumania's head on a platter and now we see the onslaught against Italy. Italy's position is serious, but not discouraging," said General Smuts today. "Italy already knows that the allies will stand by her to the end. We shall not see her head on a platter. I shall not be surprised to see this boomerang come back on the German. The war was not decided in Serbia nor Rumania and will not be decided in Italy."

"In the principal theater of the war the enemy is going steadily downward and Germany has been beaten by the French and British armies."

CELEBRATE VICTORY

London, Oct. 29.—A school holiday has been proclaimed throughout Germany in celebration of the Austro-German victories against Italy, and the display of flags has been ordered. Emperor William and Empress Charlotte are expected to meet on the Isonzo front in a few days.

THREE LOADS OF RETURNED MEN

Quebec, Oct. 29.—Three ships reached Quebec yesterday forenoon with some 2,000 men invalided home or on furlough. All are now undergoing their medical examinations before being allowed to proceed.

POSTIES GET BONUS

Regina, Oct. 29.—Regina letter carriers and postal clerks were notified today that the long expected war bonus has been granted. Men getting \$1,000 or under are raised \$150, and salaries between that amount and \$2,400 go up to \$1,800. There is no increase for salaries over \$1,800. This is a Dominion-wide measure.

ONE AIR RAID FAILED

London, Oct. 29.—Hostile airplanes endeavored to carry out a raid tonight on the southeast counties of England, but none of them was able to penetrate the outer defenses, according to an official statement issued late tonight.

"Hostile airplanes attempted to raid the southeastern counties tonight. Our airplanes went up, and the guns and lights were in action. No hostile airplane succeeded in passing the outer defenses."

Warning of the raid was given long before by police and special officers, but in the absence of gunfire in the city area, there was no excitement. A few persons entered the underground railways or sought refuge in basements. As usual, the streets were cleared quickly, except that here and there automobiles, buses and a few pedestrians were going about their business apparently unconcerned. Crowds in the theaters and restaurants remained there until the bugles sounded their "All clear" message, which was greeted by cheers.

CANADIAN TROOPS, WAIST DEEP IN MUD, ARE FIGHTING HARD

CANADIANS NOW MASTERS OF LOWER SLOPES WITH STRONG ENEMY POSITIONS ON LEFT AND RIGHT FRONT

(By the Canadian Overseas Correspondent)

Canadian Headquarters in France, Oct. 29.—Subject to intense artillery fire and fighting machine guns and gas, waist-deep in slimy mud, the Canadians are steadily strengthening their positions on Bellevue spur. On Saturday night the Germans gained a foothold on our right flank, only to be repulsed with heavy losses, when our infantry met them with bayonet and bomb and drove them back. A further enemy attempt to weaken our hold on the right flank, though supported with successive and intense artillery bombardments, has proved unavailing.

Our forward position is now within 1,000 yards of Eschschendels itself. While the number of prisoners taken by us up to Saturday night amounted to 25 officers and nearly 600 other ranks. On the left, where Bellevue spur runs on to Eschschendels, with the slimy stretch of the Ravobek valley between, our men have made slow, stubborn progress through an almost impassable country.

As the result of the last three days fighting the Canadians now masters of the lower slopes, have before them strong enemy positions at the Great farm on the left front, and Meecham on the right. In reply to the enemy's employment of gas in the attack, Saturday night, our artillery bombarded the opposing batteries with gas shells, to which he retaliated with heavy shelling of our forward area. Again in the afternoon he shelled our right flank yesterday evening he opened a heavy fire on our left position.

Reports taken from captured prisoners show that the Germans in this area admit the superiority of our artillery, "which destroys everything in its path," and the excellence of our command, "who dominate our zone of defense and report everything to their artillery."

Examination of prisoners has further proved that the enemy was informed of the Canadian movement from Lens to this salient, and he hurried up fresh forces, including the Fifth Bavarian division, to meet the expected attack.

FIRST DIVISION TO HAVE FURLOUGH

Winnipeg, Oct. 29.—The Free Press' Ottawa correspondent, in a despatch tonight says:

"All the militia who went overseas with the original first division—and who are still in France—will be brought back to Canada on furlough, on a proposal now under consideration by the government, if found practicable by the militia authorities. The idea of the government is that if adequate reinforcements can be provided and the change that might be necessitated in the ranks and among the officers of the battalions would not interfere with the military requirements and the efficiency of the first division as now constituted, the 3,000 or more men who have survived the hardships and fighting from the first terrible conflict at Langemarck down through the battles of the Somme, Vimy ridge and Lens, should be brought back to Canada in a body and given a well-deserved rest."

CREW OF GERMAN RAIDER CAPTURED IN THE PACIFIC

Members of Raider Seeadler Which Was Captured Early in Month

A Pacific Port, Oct. 29.—Count von Luckner, commander of the raider Seeadler, and five German members of the crew, were captured September 31 of the Fiji Islands, when an armed launch was taken by Fijian constabulary in pursuit aboard the steamer Amra. News of the capture was brought by a steamer from the Antipodes.

The report of the capture of the Germans confirms a message to this effect received some time ago from Australia, that because of others of the Seeadler's crew is not definitely known. One report was that they were at sea in a commandeered vessel. The Seeadler, wrecked on the Mahopas island in the South Pacific several months ago, sank three American vessels during her cruise in the Pacific. Previously in the Atlantic she put an end to 16 vessels of various types.

News of the destruction of the Seeadler was announced in Washington, October 4.

COULDN'T SEND GUNS

Italy Made Appeal to Britain Some Months Ago

London, Oct. 29.—The Pall Mall Gazette, referring to the fact that the entente allies have taken steps to send assistance to the Italians, says it is recalled that some months ago an appeal was made by Italy for guns. The newspaper adds that this appeal was strongly supported by Premier Lloyd George, but at the time the exigencies of the campaign on the western front, which was then opening, rendered full compliance impossible, as the war office and the general staff at the front were making demands for guns which were impossible to resist.

GRANTS SAFE CONDUCT

Washington, Oct. 29.—Safe conduct for Count von Luxburg has been granted by the French and British governments and the former German diplomatic representative to Argentina will sail for Germany by way of New York very soon. The Argentine government requested this country to obtain permission for Von Luxburg.

MUST CARRY CARDS

Rio Janeiro, Oct. 29.—A general census of the German population of Brazil is now in progress of preparation. Hereafter it will be necessary for German residents to carry identification cards.

BRITISH NAVY IS STEADY ANCHOR OF ALLIED CAUSE

If It Lost Hold Hopes of the Allied Cause Would Be Utterly Shattered, Says Premier Lloyd George

ITALY WILL NOT FAIL

British Premier Outlines the Great Work That Navy Has Done Since War Began

London, Oct. 29 (via Reuters' Ottawa Agency)—Premier Lloyd George, in showing 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 felt he could not do justice to this great theme.

The deeds referred to in his resolution had been the admiration and gratitude of every subject of his majesty and he felt no words were needed to commend the sacrifices of the fleet to any body of Britons throughout the world.

Anchor of Allied Cause

Referring to the navy, he said it was like a vital international organ, the existence of which we are unconscious until something goes wrong. It was taken for granted, but it was the anchor of the allied cause. If it is lost, the hopes of the allies would be shattered. It is understood that a part of the navy was held only to imagine what would have happened if the navy had been defeated early in the war.

Our armies in France, Mesopotamia, Salonika and Egypt would have languished and died without the steady support in men and materials. France would have been deprived not merely of a steady support, but of the great element which the British navy anchored still to get from abroad and would have been almost probably in a defenseless position against the overwhelming hordes of the foe.

Italy Will Not Fail

"Italy will not fail," the announcement said and the British navy will stay by her side and vindicate her name—Italy's name and not Germany's—because she has been defenseless and he said that not for the British navy, an overwhelming disaster would have fallen on the allied cause. (Cheers)

What Navy Has Done

The Prussians would have been isolated in the Balkans and the present Europe would have been the whole affairs of the world had the British navy been a more potent factor in the great influence in the affairs of men. (Continued on page six)

RUSSIAN OFFICERS TELL SOME TRUTHS

Cannot Answer for Men in Petrograd Garrison

Petrograd, Oct. 29.—The officers of the Petrograd garrison met today to discuss the position of the Russian army and adopt a resolution declaring that authority on the part of its chiefs is virtually non-existent. The resolution says in part:

"The community, as it is at present, cannot defend Russia. On the contrary the approach of winter and the present subversive aspirations of the army and its lack of any sense of responsibility will complete the ruin of the country. It renounces our duty, but answering for ourselves we do not answer for our men. The time has come to make this declaration openly so that nobody may be deceived or trust in vain delusions."

KAISERS' CONGRATULATE

Charles and William Gloat Over Triumph on Italian Front

Amsterdam, Oct. 29.—A dispatch received here from Vienna says Emperor Charles of Austria-Hungary has congratulated Emperor William on the capture of the Italian town of Cividale by the German troops and has thanked the emperor for placing at his disposal "a number of your splendid divisions."

"The attacking energy of your troops," said the monarch's message, "proved, as we are to be understood, that the Emperor William, in reply, sent the following telegram to Emperor Charles:

"The operations so successfully begun under your command against the Italian army give promise of progress. I rejoice that beside your well-trained Isonzo fighters the German troops in command of arms have beaten our former ally. Congratulations on the recapture of Gorizia and the Carso plateau. Forward with God."

TO ITALIAN FRONT

Italians Are Hurrying Along Further Reinforcements

London, Oct. 29.—A dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph from Rome says it is reported from Rome that the Austro-Swiss frontier again has been closed and that the Germans are hurrying reinforcements to the Italian war front.

CONTEST NOTES

The number of votes secured during the term of the Ford special is on have no bearing whatever in determining the winner. The candidate collecting the largest amount of subscription money for the Ford special is the winner. He has to declare the winner. Nothing complicated about this method of awarding.

The call for more receipt books has increased very materially. We have plenty. Phone or wire if it will take too long to get returns by writing. We want nothing to stand in the way of a candidate getting the maximum returns from his or her efforts.

Be sure and get your letter containing today's report in the mail before midnight. When it reaches the contest office it will then be allowed in the \$5,000 extra vote club and tabbed up to your credit for the special Ford prize. City candidates may turn in their report up to 10 or 11 o'clock tonight. Be sure and gather one club today—two would be better and three better still.

Don't hesitate about sending in your nomination if you want to work for the Ford special. Your chance is just as good as the next candidate's, more particularly if your territory has not been covered by a candidate or one who failed to make good.