CANADIANS WIN SPLENDID VICTORY

Make Important Gains on the Ridges of Flanders

Enemy Drive From North Threatens to Prevent Entente Reinforcements From Reaching Cadorna-Invaders Sweep South.

London, Oct. 30.—The drives of the Germans and Austro-Hungarian armies, begun a week ago against the eastern and northeastern fronts of the Austro-Italian theatre, continues unabated, but with the Italian cavalry fighting rearguard actions to cover the retreat of the Italians to positions chosen for a stand, and the Teutonic allies also being impeded by the flooded condition of the Tagliamento River.

Udine, former headquarters of the Italian army in eastern Venetia, has been captured by the invaders, who are pressing the Italians westward from the Isonzo front and invading Italian terribory from the north thru passes in the Carnic Alps.

The invasion of the Province of Venetia from the east, with Udine the apex of the drive, already is about 20 miles, but as yet no definite information is at hand from which it is possible to judge the extent of the advance of the Teutons in the other districts. If the movement from the north keeps pace with that from the border and eastward by rail.

CADORNA CONDUCTING

No Decisive Battle Yet Fought, But One Expected to Develop Soon-Italy's Fighting Spirit ls Aroused.

Rome, Oct. 30.—The wiping out of time's rapid gains of the past six days are regarded as having been due not so much to superior force as to ing of Italy s morale in the face of the element of surprise the present military effort by the

time of trial, these statements de- fashioned style-One effect of the participation of maining sympathizers with Germany. together with the arousing of the fighting spirit to a marked degree

rausing the nation to realize that it is

According to The Giornale d'Italia. Austro-German coulition, is exempli- no decisive battle has; et been fought, fled in the statements issued by two altho one is expected to develop. Such of the political parties, the Catholics a battle, it is predicted, will be on a and the official Socialists. No party large scale, and involve wide movesentiment must be recognized in this ments in 'he open field, in the old-

The italian retreat, according to The Messagero, is being accomplish-German troops in the of ensive has ed in good order, with the artillery been the elimination of the few re-saved or desiroyed and stores and magazines burned.

The Messaggero also declares the Germans are making a mistake if among Italians in general they think to terrorize the Italians General Cadorna's bulletins are politically by this effort and "conthey think to terrorize the Italians vert the country into another Russia." facing a severe trial, but the press It asserts that every revolutionary reflects a spirit of determination on idea to make a lame peace has disthe part of the people that the loss appeared, and that the whole nation of the fruits of victory won in the will fight until a just and lasting past shall be but temporary. The en-

CONFIDENT ITALIANS CAN MAKE FIRM STAND

Washington, Cheered by News of Saving of British Heavy Guns, Expects Cadorna Soon to Give Battle Successfully.

President Wilson and his advisers at today's cabinet meeting, discussion touching immediate military aspects and the extension of assistance by the allies. Furnishing of supplies, especially coal, badly needed for Italian munition factories, is said to be regarded as this country's particular sphere of immediate action.

While the auministration shares regret and concern over the initial success of the Teutonic drive, high officials here are said to reject utterly opinion, advanced in some quarters, that events in Italy can become decisive of the war, or even an imfortant turning point. It is felt that settacks in Italy will act as a spur rather than a discouragement both upon Italy and the other allies. There no apprehension that Italy break down or weaken in adherence to the common cause against Ger-

Further advices concerning the retreat are anxiously awaited in official and diplomatic quarters. Army officers, as well as officials of the Italian Embassy, appear to be entirely oufident that General Cadorna will check on the new line at which he has Athens today.

Word that the Eritish artillerymen Cadorna's men were holding their or-spatch.

Sanization in the face of the smash- The organization of bands was dimerican officers think there is every his forces.

Washington, Oct. 30.—The Italian reason to believe that much of the situation was discussed at length by Italian artillery vital to defence in a final stand also has been brought Tack.

Today's reports are taken to indicate that the artillery losses of the Italians, claimed by the Germans to be enormous, comprise smaller pieces and mountain guns. On the new line laid out years ago as the Italian defensive front, there are emplacements. charted ranges and other factors which will aid in stemming the tide which will aid in stemming the tide of the enemy advance. The British winghar convention, select James Bowbig guns will become doubly useful mag as win-the-war union candidate.

GREEK KING ACTED AS AN AGENT FOR GERMANY

Telegrams to Kaiser Show Constantine Kept Huns Well Posted on All Military Affairs.

London, Oct. 30 .- From the text of the telegrams exchanged between Constantine of Greece and Emperor William before the king's abdication, the deciphering of which will be completed shortly by the Greek Government, it develops that Constantine, "to put it mildly, was a German be able to hold the Teutonic forces in agent," says a Reuter despatch from

'The king promptly cabled the emperor all information of a military or with the Italian army had brought political nature received from Greek their suns thru the retirement with-out the loss of a battery was welcom-to the central powers and Greek powtoday as indicating that General ers at Salonica continues the

Ing Austro-German assaults. The rected from Berlin. The emperor or-British guns are all "heavies." big dered the formation of bands of 500 lices that it takes time to withdraw. men to cut General Sarrail's comall of them have been saved, munications and harass the rear of

HUNS MAY CUT OFF CANADIANS SMASH COUNTER-ATTACKS AID FROM ITALIANS WITH AID OF CAPTURED MACHINE GUNS

ALLIES' SUPPLIES **BURN AT BALTIMORE**

Millions of Dollars' Worth of Munitions Ablaze-Fire Incendiary?

New York, Oct. 30.—A great fire, probably of incendiary origin, is raging at Baltimore at 1 o'clock this morning. Two piers stored with vast quantities of supplies and munitions for the allies are in flames. The loss will run into many mil-

RUSSIANS REPULSE ATTACK BY GERMANS

Foil an Attempt of the Enemy to Make Advance in Jannzeme Sector, Petrograd Says.

Petrograd, Oct. 30 .- (British Admiralty, per Wireless Press.)—The following official communication was is-AN ORDERLY RETREAT sued today by the war office:
"On the northern front, in the seacoast region, the enemy, after violent preparation with gas shells, attempted on the Januzeme sector to commence an attack. He was received by a strong fire from our rifles and machine guns, however, and retired to his own

> launch on infantry attack which was stopped by our fire. "On the remainder of the front there

> have been fusillades, which reached a degree of intensity at Kokenhuzen Castle and Stockmannshof Manor. "On the Rumanian front there have been fusillades and scouting operations. On the Caucasus front there is nothing to report. On the Baltic Sea the situation is unchanged."

POLITICAL NEWS IN BRIEF

Dr. J. P. Rankin is chosen candidate at North Perth Liberal convention. Muskoka Liberal fail to name candi-

Independent-Labor party at Ottawa decides to place candidate in Ottawa con-

T. A. Scanlon issues statement regarding recent meeting of Ward One Liberal

Captain William McBrien cables from overseas that he is seeking nomination in Parkdale riding.

Liberal-Conservative Association of East York meets in Classic Hall, East Gerrard street, tonight.

J. B. Bartram, Liberal nominee in the County of Durham, offers to resign in favor of union candidate.

Hamilton Win-the-War League outlines its platform to candidates, and calls private meeting for Saturday.

West Lambton Conservative Association unanimously endorses A. J. Johnston as union win-the-war candidate.

F. F. Pardee is registered at a Toronto hotel, and Hon. George P. Graham is expected to arrive in Toronto early today. Liberals in Portage la Prairie and

Hamilton conference of Conservatives and Independent-Liberals, called for the purpose of trying to avoid an election, fails to reach a decision.

Hon. Charles Cross declares that in the three western provinces of British Columbia, Alberta and Manitoba, Laurier

candidates will win 22 out of the 42 seats. Major R. C. Cockburn is unanimously chosen candidate in East York to repre-sent the East York Riding Soldiers' Allince, which organizes for coming elec-

As W. F N'ckle is not the choice of both partier in Kingston it is reported that the Liberals will oppose his return and that they will select a candidate shortly.

Liberal Association of Glengarry and tormont hears John McMartin, nominee Stormont hears John McMartin, nominee explain his union stand, and decides to old a new convention in Alexandria on

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The captured German gun emplacements make sp (Official photograph.)

MEN OF SIX PROVINCES SHARE IN THE VICTORY ON FLANDERS RIDGES

minated in Success Despite Bad Terrain and Strong Hun Resistance.

via London, Oct. 30-Scrambling over mighty to the Ypres-Roulers railway on the infantry worked together with in the early hours of the evening, attention to detail. changing to cold and clear weather, So with the medic

wards higher levels of ground that was little more than a constant succession of shell holes, from our own and the enemy gunfire in the last reaching the advanced dressing status and the constant shelling. Ottawa expects the writs for the Do-ninion election will be issued today or few days and the constant shelling tions. But the greater the task, the Six of the nine provinces were re-

Columbia, eastern Ontario, Quebec as human and Saskatchewan, moving forward advance. by concentrated machine gunfire. One lished by a wise combination between of wing attacked toward Meetchcle, the both services, had been pushed for. enemy's strongest remaining machine gun pill box position on Bellevue spur.

The other moved up against Control of the services, had been pushed for ward far into the forward areas, amply supplied with hot soup. Farm, held by a permanent garrison, strongly wired, defended by machine

guns, concrete strong points, and situated on the shoulder of Passchendaele ridge, overlooking the ruins of Passchendaele itself.

Worst Conditions of War. Negotiations are under way looking to the entry of Premier Brewster of British Columbia in the union cabinet.

As I write the men of the Dominion are slipping, scrambling, struggling over treacherous ground, pulling one As I write the men of the Dominion over treacherous ground, pulling one another out of quagmires, and subjected at every exposed point to ma-chine gun fire and constantly shelled. are slowly pushing their way forward, and have gained considerable ground. In the whole history of the war, whether on the Somme or in the salient, it is questionable if men have ever first desperate effort to take Bellevue Lakeside announce their willingness to support Hon. Arthur Meighen as union candidate.

Farm. These Canadians, the capture of that spur and their success in secondidate. These Canadians, the capture curing a footing on Passchendaele Ridge last Friday, have won glowing tributes from the British commanderin-chief, who personally called Lieut.-Gen. Currie to compliment his troops enguged in these splendid achievements. Very warm and welcome congratulations have also been received from General Byng, so greatly loved by the Canadian troops, and from other high commanders in the

British forces. Big Hun Preparations. Today's advance was made under better conditions chan those of last week, and on rising ground, but where the terrain was better. The enemy has had four precious days in which to strengthen his defences. Information gathered from aeroplane observation. the examination of pris ners and from ther sources, proves that he has made the best possible use of the During the same period miracl's ave been performed with our artil-

teams have worked incessantly ad-

By W. A. Willison.
Canadian Headquarters in France, little guns have been hitched to the hastily-constructed trenches which have marked the forward line of the recent attack, the Canadians at dawn today pushed forward again again from muddy beds at daybreak along Bellevue and Passchendaele to strain again with their mighty ridges in an advance which stretched from beyond Meetchele on their left moved up, and today the artillery and Dry weather yesterday had precision which is the result of a comgiven place to an intermittent drizzle plete understanding and an exhaustive

So with the medical services. Evac-Hon. George P. Graham will not run in with a biting wind. But no wind could uating the wounded was a tremendous dry this already deluged land, and task on our first push. With the adour infantry, skirting the quagmire of Ravebeek basin, struggled up to-that task has been rendered more diffiwards higher levels of ground that cult, stretcher bearers having thouharder the responsible men strain to overcome it, and every detail of topresented in the advance, regiments from Nova Scotia. Manitoba. British as humanly possible, well before our as humanly possible, well before our

So with the Red Cross chaplain serunder the protection of a tremendous barrage from our artillery, supported vices in common. Coffee posts, estabevery wounded man and the worn-out stretcher-bearers.

Battle Begins at Dawn. The battle commenced in the greyness of the early dawn, our artillery combining with that of the French, British and Australian allies on te right and left flanks in a continuation

of the offensive movement. From Houthulst wood in the north, o Gheluvelt, in the south, 10 miles off the front, it was one roaring stretch of flaming guns and bursting shells, with the Canadians in the centre pouring all manner of shells, including gas, into the enemy positions, while our counterbatteries sought out enemy guns.

ENEMY'S WAR LOSSES NOW SIX MILLION MEN

Socialist Reichstag Deputy States the Germans Killed in War Are Million and Half.

Washington, Co. 30.-Germany lost sax million men in the three years of war, according to a declaration made in the reichstag by the independent socialist, Ledebour. A report of his speech reaching Washington thru Switzerland states that, contemplating the prospects of a fourth winter

campaign, the socialist leader said: You have not evidently, gentlemenan exact echception of what war means. We have had 1.500,000 dead, three cr four million wounded, of whom 500,000 are crippled for life. and two million absolutely invalided. That makes altogether eix million men lost during three years.

It is stated that official information confirmatory of these figures has Straining men and straining been in possession of American officials for some time.

Dominion Forces Deal Enemy Positions on Passchendaele Ridge Mighty Blow, Forcing Back Germans in Places to Depth of 1,000 Yards---Gained All of the Objectives Set---Berlin Reports British Troops in Passchendaele---Fight in Flooded Territory.

London, Oct. 30.—The British troops in Flanders carried out successful operations today, according to Field Marshal Haig's report tonight. The Canadian troops gained all their objectives on the Passchendaele Ridge and beat off five hostile counter-attacks.

The text of the statement reads: "Successful operations with limited objectives were carried out by us early this morning against German positions between the Ypres-Roulers railway and the Poelcapelle-Westroosebeke road. In spitc of the marshy nature of the ground on the greater part of the front attacked, and notwithstanding heavy rain and gales, which made communication with our troops extremely difficult, important progress

"On the right of the attack, in spite of fierce opposition, the Canadian troops gained all their objectives on the main ridge and have reached the outskirts of Passchendaele. The fighting was most severe on the spur west of the village, where five hostile counterattacks were beaten off by our troops. Captured German machine

"On the left of our attack, where the ground is low-lying and intersected by flooded streams, the going was particularly bad.

night southeast of Gavrelle. Another successful raid, in which 19

London, Oct. 30 .- (Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency.) - Reuter's correspondent at British headquarters in France, telegraphing this

sent them reeling back in some places to a depth of nearly 1000 vards. Luck was with us today in the matter of the weather. The morning had broken keen and dry, being just the weather that the Canadians would have chosen for going over the top. Apparently so successfully have they gone over that before the sun was two

"The fighting was on a more limit-order front than last Friday. It has fantry appear to have taken both been chiefly towards the outskirts of Crest Farm and Meetchele already. Passchendaele and in the region of Poelcapelle. Reports received up to the time of telegraphing indicate that our men have fought their way well along several important tributary spurs of the great ridge system which is gradually being won from the des-

perately resisting enemy. Shortly after making the first aptack was directed. The place was ficulties.

liberally furnished with machine guns. At least one spot in the line wh which were promptly swung into position against the encoming Germans. The ground was soon strewn with grey-clad corpses. Rifle fire com- advance over it, and the atterpleted the work of the machine gun- be made from either side. "Our attack today differed little from its predecessor as regards meth-

ca. The barrage was very intense. While this was drumming forth its flaming curtain, the great guns far-ther back were doing fine counterhattery work against known positions of enemy artillery, hence the enemy's retaliation was very severe. Despite the high winds our indomitable airmen were in contact with the enemy on the ground. The ground is still desperately bad, but along the higher places where the principal fighting

good between the waterfilled shell Passchendaele Captured by British Berlin, via London, Oct. 30.—Fass-chendaele Village, on the Flanders front, was captured by the British, according to the official announcement tonight, but it adds that later

developed, the surface is reasonably

they were ariven out. PRESS UP THE SLOPES.

By W. A. Willisonvia London, Oct. 30.-Satisfactory progress has been made by our forces along the line. After a check on the right wing, our infantry, fighting slopes and seems to have gained a footing on Crest Farm itself. On the left, where the advance was made, our troops have passed the immediate points and are fighting for possession of Meetchcle, the enemy's last stronghold in front of Passchendaele, on the

The first wounded are soming in exhausted, but report satisfactory progress, while the prisoners already taken testify to the success of our

Final bulletin: The glorious in-

has been made.

runs were used effectively in repuising these attacks.

Nevertheless naval and London territorial battalions captured a number of farms and strong points after heavy fighting.
"Gloucester troops successfully raided the enemy's trenches last

"In the Skulu region from dawn until 8 o'clock in the morning the enterny bombarded our positions with his heavy artillery and endeavored to heavy artillery a

SENT ENEMY FORCES REELING BACK."

"Our armies have again struck the Germans in Flanders and hours high they had gained the greater part of their objectives.

FORWARD THRU THE MUD.

With the British Army in Belgium, Oct. 30.—(By the Associated Press.)— When the Canadians a few days ago "Shortly after making the first captured the tip of Bellevue Spur, stage of their advance, the Germans which twice before had defied deterlaunched a big counter-attack from mined attacks, they accomplished the direction of Myshelmarke. It so what is characterized as one of the chanced that the Canadians had just best strokes of the war. Today the carried a strongly fortified line of Camadian troops have gathered fresh redoubts at the centre of which the laurels in the face of tremendous dif-

they held at daybreak along the flooded Rorebek was covered with such a vile morass that it was impossible to Rifle fire com- advance over it, and the attack had to ners, and the counter-attacks were battled their way up the slopes in the beaten back with heavy punishment. face of a heavy machine gun and rifle fire they were floundering in deep mud in many places.

The weather this morning was very co'd and threatening. A strong wind was blowing, and when this despatch was filed rain was again failing from

low-hanging clouds. The Canadians at that time operating along Passchendaele ridge holding a line which represented a gain of about 800 yards or more, and north of here the troops were close to Gotberg, which represented an even deeper push.

PART OF CARNIA FRONT GAINED BY AUSTRIANS

Vienna, via London, Oct. 30. (British admiralty, per wireless press.)-The Austro-Hungarian official communication issued today

"The Italian Carnia front has collapsed on the most important sectors. During a snowstorm our troops wrested from the enemy positions which he had built up during two and a half years southwest of Travis, near Pontafel, in the Ploecken region. and on St. Pal.

DINEEN'S MEN'S HATS. Regular three-fifty hard and soft felt hats reduced to \$2.65. A wide range of choice at this price. A new importation of United States Army Service hats from a foremost American hat manufacturer to the United States Government, Dineen's, 140 Yonge street,