

Resignation of Michaelis Impending

Boycott on German Education After War

Kornstadt Evacuated by Civilian Population

Rebellion Threatens in all West Ireland

Chancellor Object of Hatred to German People

No Official Confirmation of Michaelis' Withdrawal From Office as Yet, But it Must Come Soon; Teuton People Angry Against Chancellor.

By Courier Leased Wire. London, Oct. 25.—Nothing has come from any source up to early to-day confirming the report of the resignation of Dr. Michaelis, the Imperial German Chancellor.

A brief despatch to The Daily Mail from Amsterdam says that everything that is published concerning the position of Chancellor Michaelis is based upon supposition. MICHAELIS IS HATED. Rome, Oct. 25.—Luigi Bellomo, an Italian who has succeeded in escaping from a concentration camp in Germany, says that the Pope's peace proposal aroused great hopes among Germans, which the people believe Michaelis has dashed to pieces.

The Germans detest the Italians, but hate the English more than any other nation, as England is supposed to be the nation that prolongs the war. The Kaiser is not adored with blind faith as before, but is still venerated and respected. The three men most liked by the people are the Kaiser, the Crown Prince and Hindenburg.

The anger of the people is chiefly directed against Michaelis, who is accused of delaying peace. No suggestions of coffee, wine or salted meats can be bought in Germany. The only thing allowed and recommended is sleep.

SCHOOL BOYS STARVE. Amsterdam, Oct. 25.—It is learned that the schools of Cologne are closed on account of the increase in what is called "hunger typhus," a type of dysentery caused by the bad quality of food, especially the bread produced within recent months. There are tens of thousands of cases all over the country. Vienna reports an increased number of cases of this malady. Official notices published in German papers show that "the domestic front" is sustaining the greater food scarcity. The pressure of the price of bread is increased everywhere as from to-day it is officially admitted that there is practically no fish obtainable throughout the country nor are there even the faintest hopes of this state of affairs being remedied in the near future. Fruit is extremely scarce, sugar has gone up fifty per cent. in price, the milk supply together with that of butter, is also highly unsatisfactory.

A traveller from Switzerland, who stayed one day en route to Frankfurt tells of the largest hotel in the city having no coffee, tea, sugar, milk or butter for breakfast.

The Situation. General Cadorna's skill and strategy which made possible the capture of the heights on the eastern bank of the Isonzo, is being put to the test by a strong Austro-German offensive on the front from Flietsch to the Banizza plateau, northward of Gorizia. The first blow has been struck, but apparently with no great success for the attackers. Austria's army could do little against the Italians who were pressing forward steadily and breaking the morale of the Austrian army. The Chiapavano Valley already had been threatened seriously and Pola, the great Austrian port was in danger. The Italian efforts were having their effect. Germany, which up to this time has sent little of men or munitions to this front, has come to the help of the joining Austrians and it is German soldiers and German munitions and guns that are thundering against Cadorna's defences along the Isonzo. The Italians, General Cadorna reports, are "steady and prepared."

After a heavy bombardment the Austro-German infantry was thrust forward against the Italian positions the northern part of the Banizza Plateau, a front of 25 miles. The first blow brought little gains, the Austro-Germans, by their own report, gaining only the foremost Italian defences at these points. Generally the Italians have some advantage in terrain, but the Austrians and Germans hold many high mountain positions near the Italian lines, near Flietsch, near Tolmino, and on the Italian side are fighting with their backs to the Isonzo River. The German political situation is still clouded, but the absence of definite news may be the calm before the storm. Dr. Michaelis, the bureaucratic Chancellor, is reported to have placed his resignation in the hands of the Emperor, but there has been no confirmation. Nearly all the political parties in the Reichstag have joined in the drive against Dr. Michaelis, which became most intense when he attempted to throw the blame for the mutiny in the German army upon the Independent Socialists, who have been persistent hecklers of his policies. The furor raised by the announcement of the mutiny has subsided apparently, but the Government has taken steps to prosecute the Socialist deputies accused by Michaelis and Admiral von Capelle. Emperor William probably is in a quandary as to who to select for the Chancellorship. Prince von Buelow is opposed by the Socialists and other Reichstag elements. Do not wait for the Emperor's decision. Socialists, who have been persistent hecklers of his policies. The furor raised by the announcement of the mutiny has subsided apparently, but the Government has taken steps to prosecute the Socialist deputies accused by Michaelis and Admiral von Capelle.

ALL WEST IRELAND ON VERGE OF ARMED UPRISING Situation More Serious Than Ever Before in History of Nation; Sinn Feiners Roused to a Pitch Which Cannot be Broken by Pacific Means

By Courier Leased Wire. London, Oct. 25.—The seriousness of the situation in Ireland is insisted upon by a correspondent of The Daily Mail, who has been following the Sinn Fein doings in Ireland for several weeks. He declares that the whole of West Ireland is on the verge of armed rebellion, and continues: "The young priests in Professor De Valera's train have suddenly awakened to the danger of the spark they helped to kindle, and are now trying to quench it, but I fear it has gone too far. The militant Sinn Feiners are the top of their stride. They have been allowed to carry their program to a pitch which it seems almost hopeless to break by pacific means. "The Sinn Feiners are sublimely confident, and say that Tuesday's debate in parliament shows plainly that the government is afraid of them." The correspondent, however, adds that there is a ray of hope in that the Sinn Feiners congress, which opened in Dublin yesterday, may result in the checking of the militant section, for though the military Sinn Fein camp is large, it is not omnipotent. The police are now arresting sev-

WEATHER BULLETIN Toronto, Oct. 25.—Since yesterday morning the Atlantic coast storm has moved almost due north causing heavy easterly gales with rain in the Gulf and Maritime provinces and strong northerly winds with rain in eastern and southern Ontario. The weather is now fairly mild in the western provinces. Forecast: Fresh northwesterly winds, clearing, Friday—Fair and milder.

RUSS PERIL GREATER; KRONSTADT AND PETROGRAD BEING EVACUATED

Civilian Population Removing From Capital and Most Important Naval Base of the Country; Move Probably a Military Measure, in Anticipation of Further Advances by the Germans; Hun Sympathizers at Work in Riga Gulf

By Courier Leased Wire. Petrograd, Oct. 25.—The evacuation of the civil population of the naval base of Kronstadt has begun.

The removal of civilians from Kronstadt, which is the most important Russian naval base, probably is a military measure. The civilian population is moving from Petrograd, from which the government also will go to Moscow. The evacuation of Revel, another important port on the Gulf of Finland, was reported last week. QUIET IN BALTIC. Helsinki, Tuesday, Oct. 23.—(Delayed)—There has been no naval action in the Baltic or in the Gulf of Finland during the last two days. The Russian fleet is guarding vigilantly the entrance to the Gulf of Finland. It is not believed that Helsinki is menaced by the German fleet in the Gulf of Riga. No measures of evacuation have been taken, except that the families of officials have been advised to leave the Finnish capital, owing to the scarcity of provisions.

TO DECIDE FATE. Petrograd, Oct. 25.—The Russian preliminary parliament, according to the newspaper, shortly will discuss the fate of the Romanoff family, now imprisoned near Tobolsk, Siberia. Particular attention will be paid to the question of eventual bailment abroad of the former emperor and his immediate relatives. END WAR QUICKLY. Petrograd, Wednesday, Oct. 24.—M. Skobelev, delegate of the Workmen's and Soldiers' Councils to the inter-allied conference at Paris, declared at a meeting of the Congress of Peasants' Deputies to-day that the Paris conference must frankly state the conditions on which the Allies are willing to

The British Dealt Heavy Blow to Foe in Aisne Offensive; French Continue Progress

By Courier Leased Wire. London, Oct. 25.—(via Reuters' Ottawa agency)—Telegraphing from French headquarters the Reuters correspondent says: "The strategic intention of the high command in the Aisne battle was finally to completely thrust the enemy off the crest line. We now hold practically the entire line of the crest between Craonne and Vaux-la-Colonne. In addition we have got a commanding view of the Alliet valley from end to end and also a view up the Ardennes valley, at the head of which stands Laon, and a view northward across the plain over the enemy communications at Anizy in the upper Concy Forest. It will not be long before the full strategic fruits of the victory are garnered."

"Seventy tanks co-operated very effectively despite the breakneck ascents accomplishing all that was expected of them." French Official. Paris, Oct. 25.—Further progress was made last night, by the French on the Aisne front between Chavignon and Mont des Singes. The French war office statement, issued this afternoon says the farm of Rohay was captured by the French and that a number of prisoners were taken.

Twenty-five German airplanes were brought down by French pilots last night or compelled to land in a damaged condition. The announcement follows: "North of the Aisne the situation in the sector between Brayen-Laonnais and Chavignon was not changed during the night. On the front between Mont des Singes and Chavignon our troops made further progress and reached Rohay Farm. The number of prisoners taken up to last night in this region exceeds 500. There were vigorous artillery engagements in the region of Cerny-en-Laonnais, especially in the sector of Vaux-la-Colonne. We dispersed German patrols which attempted to approach our lines east of Cerny. An attack on the Saigneul bridgehead which the enemy made after a violent bombardment was repulsed. "On the left bank of the Meuse there was heavy artillery fighting in the sector of Champwood. In the region of Eparques we carried out a detailed operation which enabled us to bring back prisoners. "German aviators threw down two bombs on Nancy. There were no victims. "During the night of October 24 twenty-five German airplanes were brought down by our pilots or fell disabled in the enemy lines."

Plowmen's Convention in Full Swing at Oak Park

Plowing Matches and Tractor Demonstrations Got Off to a Good Start Despite Bad State of Weather this Morning—Workers For Red Cross on Hand

Oak Park Farm, Oct. 25.—(By a Staff Reporter)—Plowing contests and tractor demonstrations, included in the programme for the annual Provincial Plowing Match now in progress at the Oak Park Stock Farm, were commenced this morning shortly before ten o'clock. At an early hour this morning, in spite of lowering clouds that threatened rain, and chilling blasts swept over the fields, crowds began to arrive at the miniature tented city that has been erected on the farm immediately adjacent to the stopping place of the Brantford Municipal Railway. Special services were given on all the lines that touch the farm and throughout the morning and early afternoon automobiles continued to arrive and were parked in the space allotted for that purpose. Although the event was well attended the size of the crowd did not equal expectations, many being kept away no doubt on account of the sharp weather and muddy roads. Preparations. The tented city, opposite the Hydro Electric power station has been planned in a model manner, and the arrangements have all been made with a view of avoiding confusion, and conducting this important fixture with efficiency. Tractor Plowing. A large field of sod has been set aside for the demonstration by the tractor and all the important manufacturers of tractors are represented. The roar of the mechanical devices as they steadily advanced over the fields turning over the sod in long furrows, contrasted strangely with the silence attendant upon the walking plows hauled by horses. The sod field provided an excellent opportunity for those tractors of good quality to demonstrate their superiority. The work of the tractors was keenly watched both yesterday afternoon and this morning by the best and most competent and experienced plowmen ever assembled in Ontario, including beyond a doubt a score of the best plowmen in the world. Demonstrations. Demonstrations a revelation to many were given yesterday afternoon and this morning by the iron horses, skillfully handled by competent drivers. There were about twenty entries including all the recognized makes. The chug-chug of the tractors as they

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rolled over the sod was musical to from Orilla to Port Hope and from Niagara Falls to Northern Ontario. Visitors were present from all quarters of Ontario. Noon Day Banquet. At noon to-day a banquet was given by the Wentworth County Joiners' Association to about 400 guests when addresses were given by Premier Hearst, Sir Adam Beck, Professor

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Inter Allied Educational Exchange to Overthrow Teuton Kultur—A Ban Will be Placed on German Universities and Professors Alike

By Courier Leased Wire. Easton, Pa., Oct. 25.—Plans for the overthrow of German "kultur" at the end of the war, by an interally educational exchange, were announced here to-day by Dr. Lyman Powell of Hobart College, and Francis Monod, secretary of the French high commission. Dr. Powell has just returned from France, where he represented the Association of American Colleges in conferences for the furtherance of the program. In brief, said Dr. Powell, in outlining the plans, the idea is to cut away from the before-the-war habit of sending American young men to the graduate schools and universities of Germany and abolish absolutely the old system of exchange professorships between America and Germany and to substitute therefor a system giving Americans, French and British easy access to the colleges of the three nations. "I have conferred with the educational and governmental authorities of France and England in this all important matter," continued the speaker. "It gives me great happiness to announce that the plans are

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formed, that the idea has been partly endorsed and that we only await the close of the war to put the new educational program and policy into effect in the three great nations." U. S. Liberty Loan. Washington, Oct. 25.—With only three days left in which to complete the five billion maximum of the second Liberty loan, workers throughout the country, cheered by the tremendous stimulus given by celebration of liberty day all over the land, renewed their drive to-day with renewed determination. Complete returns from yesterday's flood of subscriptions to the loan had not been compiled at the Treasury Department early to-day, but it was believed that a minimum of \$3,000,000,000 had been attained. Many outdoor celebrations and parades were postponed until to-day on account of inclement weather throughout the east. The enthusiasm aroused from these was expected to swell the aggregate by many millions of dollars. About two billion dollars must be raised between now and Saturday night when the campaign closes. It was announced that the plans are

NOTICE!

A meeting of South Brant Conservatives and others will be held Saturday Evening Oct. 27th At 7.30 In the Borden Rooms, King and Dalhousie Streets, for the purpose of nominating a Union Government and Win-the-War Candidate N. D. NEILL, Secy.

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