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War News.

Messages Received Previous to 9 A. M.

BIG DRIVE AGAINST ITALIAN FRONT.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25.

The great Austro-German drive against the Italian front, now in full swing, was fully expected by General Cadorna. For several weeks past he has been placing his army in readiness, selecting with great care proper defensive positions for the Italian troops. Official telegrams received here to-day declare that in addition to heavy reinforcements which the Austrians have received from troops withdrawn from the Russian front, many German divisions have appeared on the long line from Tolmino to the Carso, so that there are now twenty full divisions with a great amount of artillery in German trenches. The Italian headquarters recognized in this enemy force confirmation of reports that have been leaking out from Germany and Austria of the conclusion reached by the German General Staff that the real issue of the war is to be fought out on the Isonzo and Tyrol fronts. It was also learned that the German general staff has freely conceded the high strategy and military ability shown by the Italian Commander-in-Chief in his choice of positions. Many days of extremely bad weather, which finally gave way to cold and clear, made possible the beginning of the Austro-German offensive. This was necessary according to information received by Italian officials here, to encourage the suffering and starving people in the interior of Austria, who are thoroughly tired of the war and spirited by the long defensive campaign of the Austrians. To-day's reports state that in this drive German troops for the first time have appeared on the

Italian front, and German airplanes and much German war material on the Bainsizza Plateau. One German airplane was brought down yesterday within the Italian lines.

ITALIAN OFFICIAL.

ROME, Oct. 25.

To-day's official statement says: Yesterday morning after an interval of a few hours the enemy resumed a violent bombardment all along the front with especially destructive fire on that portion between the southern slopes of Monte Rombo and the north edge of the Bainsizza plateau where afterwards a strong infantry attack was launched. The enemy succeeded in breaking through our advanced lines on the left bank of the Isonzo. Taking advantage of his capture of a bridgehead of Santa Maria and Santa Lucia he then brought the battle to the slopes of the right bank of the river. At the same time powerful attacks were made to the west of Volnik, on the Bainsizza plateau and on the western slopes of Monte San Gabriele, but they were kept in check by our troops which in the course of successive counter attacks captured a few hundred prisoners. On the Carso a violent enemy bombardment was effectively countered by our batteries.

HAIG'S OFFICIAL.

LONDON, Oct. 25.

Haig's official report reads: Following on the activity of his artillery already reported the enemy delivered another strong counter attack yesterday evening south of Houtholst forest. His troops were again completely repulsed. Successful raids were made yesterday afternoon and early in the night against the enemy's positions between Boes and Gevelte. Many Germans were killed and enemy dug-outs destroyed, and we captured a machine gun.

AMERICAN STEAMER ESCAPES.

A FRENCH SEAPORT, Oct. 25.

Escaping from a German submarine after a bitter fight lasting nearly four hours and with seven of her crew wounded, two of them seriously, an American steamer arrived here to-day. The timely intervention of

an American torpedo boat alone saved the ship from being sent to bottom.

NO NAVAL ACTION.

HELSINGFORS, Oct. 24.

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 Helsingfors is menaced by German successes in the Gulf of Riga. No measures of evacuation have been taken except that families of officials have been advised to leave the Finnish capital owing to the scarcity of provisions.

KING ALBERT TO VISIT ITALIAN FRONT.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25.

King Albert of Belgium has decided to visit Italy soon. He will make an inspection of the Italian armies at the front and visit the trenches. The King will be accompanied by his Minister of Justice, M. De Wilt. Both have daughters in the Convent of Assumption in Italy, whom they will visit during their stay.

GOVERNMENT DEFEATED.

LONDON, Oct. 25.

Premier Lloyd George's Government suffered first defeat. Provision was made for the payment of a royalty of ninepence per ton. An amendment striking this provision out was carried by 44 to 95. The defeat of the Government is regarded as purely mechanical, and will not affect the Government's tenure of office.

THE WORLD'S WHEAT CROP.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25.

The world's wheat crop is one per cent. less than it was last year for countries which thus far have reported to the International Institute of Agriculture at Rome. Cables to the Department of Agriculture from the Institute issued to-day place the production at 1,775,000,000 bushels.

Nyal's Face Cream at Stafford's Drug Stores, Duckworth St. and Theatre Hill.—sep7.17

The King Fishers.

Fifty drifters were steaming, with their fleets of nets adrift. With their miles of nets of strong steel mesh a-stretch athwart the tide; Their mizzens holding up their heads to windward, to the lift Of the lipper washing southward from the Adriatic's bride.

Three cruisers were cruising on the hunt for these same craft. Were a-cruising with their heavy guns all ready to be trained To command these little drifters, and to take 'em fore and aft. If they dared remain to do their gallant duty. They remained.

They remained and fought; those drifters till the potty little gun Which comprised the total armament of each was smashed or burst;

And a dozen of the noble drifter fleet sank one by one. While Watt, aboard the Gowan Lea, cried "Strike! We'll perish first!"

Oh! the men upon the drifters, who refused to leave their ships. Although blasted, rent, and sinking; who dared all to "play the game!"

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known to dig out a badger. In the vestibule of his official residence may be seen a magnificent stuffed specimen which he helped to bring to the surface some years ago on Lord Cowdray's estates in the same county.

It is doubtful, indeed, whether, except in the matter of arboricultural pursuits, the present Prime Minister has derived a precedent from any of his predecessors. The nearest approach, perhaps, is Mr. Balfour, who goes in for farming at his Scottish home at Whittingehame, where some splendid cattle have been turned out.

The late Lord Salisbury found his principal source of recreation away from the cares of office in his laboratory at Hatfield House, where he followed the peculiar bent of his family in scientific and electrical pursuits.

Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, who was an omnivorous reader, was never so happy as when staying at his beloved Dover; Mr. Asquith is credited with a passion for novel reading; Lord Rosebery, whose literary tastes are well known, spends most of his time between Mentmore and his Scottish seat; while Mr. Gladstone, when not at Dollis Hill, enjoyed a sea trip, or a sojourn at some east coast resort.—Tit-Bits.

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