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MISS VICTORY LOAN

TEUTONS WIN OVER THE TAGLIAMENTO; NORTH WING OF **CADORNA BENDS**

Austro-Germans Have Started An Intensi- Slavs Advanced as Far as fied Drive Against New Position of the Italians.

Berlin, Nov. 5-Via London.-Austro-German troops have crossed the middle Tagliamento River in Northeastern Italy, and taken six thousand prisoners, the war office reports. They are advancing toward

Rome, Nov. 5.—The Germans have crossed the Tagliamento River, the war office announced today. The Austro-German pressure against the Italian northern wing has been intensified.

The announcement follows:

"The enemy, who has succeeded in bringing some of his forces onto the right bank of the Tagliamento, north of Pinzano, has intensified his pressure against the left wing of our line."

After their retreat from the isonzo, in consequence of the Austro-German offensive, the Italians took up positions along the west bank of the Tagliamento River, which runs across the northeast tip of Italy, from the Alps to the sea, and offers a natural line of defence for the plains of Northern Italy. This line is shorter than the old one, and apparently was more practicable for defensive purposes, but it is not certain that the Italian commander, Gen. Cadorna, intended to hold it, as he may not have had sufficient time to organize it, electing merely to defend it while preparing another line farther back.

Pinzano is on the northern edge of the plain, in the foothills of the Aups. It is about 40 miles north of the Adriatic.

HEAVY ATTACKS.

ROME, Nov 4.—Heavy attacks were launched on the Italian lines in the Guidicaria zone on the Trentino front yesterday after extended artillery preparation. The war office announced today that these attacks, which were directed at advanced posts in the Daone and Giumell valleys, were repulsed after hard fighting.

The artillery duel along the Tagliamento is proceeding and the Italians are replying with viscous measures to stronger Austro-German pressure on the Italian left wing.

TTALIAN HEADQUARTERS IN NORTHERN ITALY, Nov. 3.—(By the Associated Press.)—After trials such as a great military body has seldom experienced, the new Italian army is today reconstructed, with regiments, brigades and divisions reformed, and its concentration on new lines is being gradually established.

The situation early today showed the spirit and morale of the troops heartened, and, while conditions along the fighting front continue grave, yet the rapidity of the reformation and the renewal of steadiness and stability among all ranks has improved the general situation.

Acsta's Great Retreat.

The Duke of Acsta's success in bringing the third army practically intest into the new position back of the Tagliamento River, after extricating it Tagliamento River, after extricating it from the impending danger of envelopment, is regarded as a strategic operation of the highest order. It was a question of abandoning lines of intricate and solid construction, more than a mile in depth, with an elaborate system of emplacements, trenches, connections by roads and railways, in addition to enormous stores, guns and material, and all this in the face of a violent bombardment and infantry rushes by the enemy, in front, on the flank and sometimes in the rear

MEETCHEELE TAKEN BY PRINCESS PATS cessfully continuous pouncement tawa soon.

Montreal, Nov. 5.—Private advices announced today Meetcheele, in Flanders, which was captured last week, was taken by the Princess Patricles Canadian Light Infantry. HELFERRICH RESIGNS?

THE WEATHER

OWEN SOUND SOLDIER" LOSES BOTH LEGS IN GERMAN WAR HOSPITAL



OLD LONDON BOYS MAKE BIG CLEAN-UP IN SUNDAY'S RAID Wants Anti-Campaign of Nor-

Take 14 Prisoners, Several Guns and Kill Hundred

RUSS BREAK MUCH BOOT IS SECURED

Third Ottoman Line on Black Sea Coast.

Petrograd, Nov. 5.—In the region of the Black Sea coast the Russians have driven the Turks from their first line and advanced in some places to the third line, the war office announces. Much booty was captured.

BY FOE RAIDERS NORTH SEA

Cold-Blooded Slaughter When Convoy Crews Took to Lifeboats.

London, Nov. 5—(Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency).—An appalling story of the cold-blooded massacre by the Germans of the crews of the British North Sea convoy is told by the Norwegian newspapers. The Tidenstegn says that the German cruisers were observed at 6 o'clock in the morning, and were thought to be British vessels, but at 7 o'clock, when there was more light they suddenly began shooting, and the convoy was terrified to see the British destroyer at the stern of the convoy beginning to sink, although it fought to the end.

Shelled Lifeboats.

Advertisar Illustrations

PTE. JACK CROWE, an Owen Sound boy, who has written from a German war hospital that he was so severely wounded, before being captured, that it was necessary to amputate both legs. He expects to be repatrioted to England in a short time. Despite his wounds, the young soldier writes in cheerful veining.

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CERTIFE SHELL ORDER

Germans were not content to sink the ships, but shelled the lifeboats. The Germans were not content to sink the ships, but shelled the lifeboats and every living thing coming their way was mercilessly slaughtered. The survivors owed their lives to the high sea which was running, making the boats a difficult mark.

Keep Up Slaughter.

FROM UNITED STATES

Arrangement Made at Washington Involving Fifty
Million Dollars.

Montreal, Nov. 5.—The Gazette says it is understood that H. J. Fuller, of the Canadian Fairbanks-Morse, is, to have charge of the New York end of the business in connection with shell orders which Canadian manufacturers to the amount of about fifty millions of dollars. Recent negotiations, which have taken Sir Joseph Flavelle, chairman of the imperial munitions board, and some leading manufacturers to Washington, are said to have been successfully concluded and an official announcement may be expected from Ottawa soon.

Meet Week, A shell struck the boat and killed five of her occupants, only the mate escaping by swimming. The other lifeboat rowed back to rescue the captain and two waitresses from the wreck. A shell struck the boat and killed five of her occupants, only the mate escaping by swimming. The wive dark as now a mass of tames. The two girls jumped into the saptain was saved by climbing to the wreckage. As the two women were saplarently drowned. The captain was saved by climbing to the wreckage. As the two women were sald to have been successfully concluded and an official announcement may be expected from Ottawa soon.

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This is "Miss Canada" in the Victory Loan moving picture film "Victory's Call to Canada," appearing in Canadian moving picture houses next week. She played against no less distinguished a lead than Sir Thomas White himself.

Liberal Leader's Manifesto Creates Great Interest at Ottawa.

Ottawa, Nov. 5 .- Sir Wilfrid Laurier's election manifesto created considerable interest at the capital today, although individual comment by ministers of the crown and others is being reserved until later. While Unionists express satisfaction that the issue as to conscription has been made clear, the sup porters of Sir Wilfrid assert that he has made an appeal to the peo ple which will bring him a great deal of support.

Ministers are gathering to deal with a number of important matters before scattering for the campaign. Hon. T. A. Crerar, minister of agriculture, who came in from the West this morning, expressed his satisfaction with the manner in which the situation is shaping in the prairie provinces Hon. J. A. Calder, minister of imgration and colonization, is expected to arrive in the capital on Wednesday.

Hon. Sidney Fisher, ex-minister of agriculture, is here in the interests of the opposition campaign. It is expected that before the end of the week final action will be taken in regard to the Canadian Northern arbitration. The appointment of Hon. Wm. Pugsley as lieutenantgovernor of New Brunswick is regarded as practically certain within a day or two. Mr. Pugsley, it is understood, has indicated his willingness to accept the post.

SEVEN STRATFORD MEN IN LATEST CASUALTIES

[Special to The Advertiser.] Stratford, Nov. 5 .- The first batch of casualties among men in the recent fighting received includes seven wounded, namely: Ptes. Roy T. Morrow, seri-W. Adair, Daniel F. Fraser.

ENGINEER COMMANDER DEAD.

CHAIN OF LETTERS IN GERMAN PLOT

New York, Nov. 5 .- A German New York, Nov. 5.—A German plot, the apparent purpose of which is to clog the mails, both demestic and foreign, is underinvestigation by the secret service it was learned this morning. The scheme, which calls for flooding the mails with millions of letters, each letter a link in one of a dozen or more chains, is said to have originated in Boston. Some of the letters which have fallen into the hands of the Government are out and out propaganda documents, while of the Government and out propaganda documents, while others are on their face harmless affairs, usually prayers for the protection of peace or for the protection American soldiers and sailors.

ARTILLERY ACTIVE ALONG FRENCH LINE

Enemy Attacks on Small Posts Repulsed and Prisoners Taken.

Paris, Nov. 5 .- 'There was intermit tent artillery activity in Belgium and Upper Aisace," says today's official ancouncement. "An enemy attack on our

ously ill; Walter T. Stephens, Robt. is a member of the L. W. W. when ar-Phair, W. Bradley, Harold Lund, John rested at the officers' training camp

KEMP DEMANDS EXPLANATION OF MEWBURN'S HAMILTON ATTACK ON THE MILITIA DEPARTMENT; SAYS ONE OF THEM MUST QUIT

TO MAKE NEW PEACE OFFER

ally believed in diplomatic circles here that the visit to Berlin today of Count Ottokar Czernin, the Austro-Hungarian foreign minister, may be a preliminary to a new peace offer by the central powers.

20,000 FORMS MUST **COME IN FIVE DAYS** FROM THIS DISTRICT

Only 19,109 Out of 39,000 Estimated Eligibles Reported.

Over twenty thousand forms have ve to be received in the next five days by Deputy Registrar W. E. Wismer if all the estimated eligible men in class on in this military district conform to the instructions under the military service

Today 1,254 claims for exemption were filed as compared with 44 reports for The total to date is 18,650 service. claims for exemption and 450 reports for service, making a total of 19,109 signed orms received from 39,156 estimated eligibles in the district.

The claims for exemption continue to be based principally upon the second clause, which reads:

Dead on Beach.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Leamington, Ont., Nov. 5.—Montgomery Brown, a well-to-do farmer living on the first concession, was found dead near his home on the beach today. Last evening he went for fish, and when he did not come home the family thought he had stayed all night with his brother. This morning his cog came home and after eating breakfast started for the beach. Following the dog the members of the family found Mr. Brown dead. He had his arm through the handle of the basekt of fish, and beside him was a mark in the sand where his dog, a little fox terrier, had watched all night. Mr. Brown was in his 75th year, and for several weeks had not been well.

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THREE NATURALIZATION REQUESTS BEING MADE DURING FALL ASSIZES

London Residents Request Full Citizenship Rights.

Old and New War Ministers of Borden's Cabinet Fall Out Over Latter's Statement That Kemp's Administration Left Militia Department In a Deplorable Condition-Kemp Declares If Explanation Not Satisfactory, He Will Ask Borden To "Fire" His Successor, Else He Will Step Out.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Ottawa, Nov. 5.—"Gen. Mewburn's attack in Hamilton on the administration of the militia department by his predecessor in office, Sir Edward Kemp, is the latest sensation in political circles in the capital. The attack came with all the greater surprise, as Gen. Mewburn was brought to the department by Sir Edward Kemp, and the influence of the late minister was exerted on his behalf to secure his entrance into the cabinet. EXPLANATION OR DENIAL.

By Gen. Mewburn's attack, Sir Edward Kemp's position in the cabinet is impossible without some explanation or denial from his successor. Sir Edward Kemp was to have gone to England as overseas minister of militia, but if his administration at home was "deplorable," his acceptance of the more important and difficult work overseas is impossible.

SOMEBODY MUST RESIGN. It is expected that Sir Edward Kemp will immediately demand an explanation, and if a satisfactory one is not forthcoming will ask Sir Robert Borden to either accept his resignation or dispense with the services of his minister of militia.

NEW MINISTER OF MILITIA SAYS HE FOUND KEMP'S DEPARTMENT WAS IN A DEPLORABLE CONDITION

Ottawa, Nov. 4.—The speech of General Mewburn at Hamilton has created constenation at Ottawa. General Mewburn at the match has been in charge of forms during the next few days.

TERRIER KEPT VIGIL

BESIDE DEAD MASTER

Ottawa, Nov. 4.—The speech of General Mewburn at Hamilton has created constenation at Ottawa. General Mewburn at the past conduct of the war by their found the condition of the militia department "deplorable," puts it up to Sir Edward Kemp, who has just been named for the Canadian overseas military portfolio.

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Sir Edward has been in charge of the past conduct of the war by their conservative colleagues. Particular reference is made by the Journal to the speeches of Hon. F. B. Carvell and Gen. Mewburn at the Hamilton convention. Referring to Mr. Carvell's statement that he "never went after a man unless he deserved some attention," the Journal says:

"This kind of talk is a poor service to union. We would like to remind Mr. Carvell that included among those whom he went after are many men who are now earnestly striving to column the department striving to column the department are deplorable.

Aged Learnington Man Found

Ottawa, Nov. 5.—This morning's Jour-nal urges that "a little more caution" quently repeated.

Edmonton, Nov. 5.-The Bulletin Hon. Frank Oliver, proprietor, says edi

often been broadly stated to be the failure of voluntary enlistment in Quebec. From present indications conscription is not likely to give very much more satisfactory returns than the voluntary system did. Sir Wilfrid's challenge is: (dive Quebec a fair chance, under sympathetic leadership, and she will do her share. If she does not, then enforce conscription by mandate of the people, but not in defiance of the people or by disfranchisement of a large part of them."

partment are deplorable.

In the face of this it is not seen how Sir Edward can be sent to the more important military portfolio overseas if General Mewburn is allowed to continue in the cabinet in Canada. ing conscription, by emphasizing that "grave mistakes had been made from the very outset in recruiting?" Politics are usually thrown into a topsy-turvy state by elections, but we sincerely trust that the spectacle of members of the Government attacking their own col-leagues, whether the attacks be unconscious or otherwise, shall not be too fre-

WINNING IRON CROSS QUITE SIMPLE MATTER SAYS BOCHE PRISONER

"To amplify the argument of the manifesto, the need for conscription has Fighters Get Them Whether They Are Deserved or Not.

Imper Absace, say's today's official announcement, "An enemy attack on our small posts west of the Upper Coucy forest was repulsed and prisoners remained in our hands. Everywhere else the night was calm."

Applications for naturalization as British abslice Middle of the inght was calm."

American army Private CHARGED WITH PLOTTING FOR INDUSTRIAL WORKERS
Thought to Have Caused Death of Several Army Horess.

Plattsburg, N. Y., Nov. 5.—Pte.

Privated at the officers' traiming camp years ago, and there took of the 15th United States Field Artillery, who admitted he is a member of the I. W. W., when arrested at the officers' traiming camp years and that he is the author of several conficients in the former place of residence of the shall be used. By his pronouncement had caused the death of several army horses, informed the military authorities that his real name is Frank E. Wermk, and that he is the author of several conficients in the first of the shall be used. By his pronouncement and the system of the little with the state of the shall be used. By his pronouncement Laurier had caused the death of several army horses, informed the military authorities that his real name is Frank E. Wermk, and that he is the author of several conficients and the system of the little of the state of the stat British Front in Belgium, Nov. 4-(By

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