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Italians, Sustaining Foe Counter Attacks Brace Thèmselves For Renewal of Offensive

British, Driving Forward on Wide Front, Force Withdrawal of Hindenburgs Forces

## Country is Isolated, Revolt May be in Progress

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## Heavy Battles Raging Upon British and-Italian Fronts, While-Atten-

 tion of the World is Gradually Centered Upon Spain-Veil of Secrecy Drawn Over Kingdom, Revolution May be in ProgressBritish troops are striking along almost the entire line they hold in northern France, not with the terrific force which marked the victories of Arras and Messines, but in a more or less tentative manner, giving weight to the belief that Field Marshall Haig is preparing to launch a mighty blow on a hitherto unprecedented scale. Two features of the fighting stand out with sharp significance. The first is the feebleness with which the Germans are reacting and the second is the surprising promptness with which

The whole situation is entirely similar to that existing prior to the great "strategic retreat" of the Germans from the Somme. There is considerable evidence that Field Marshal von Hindenburg is planning another great withdrawal and that Field 'retreat to victory materializes.

> Italian Front

The Italians, having successfully maintained their advance in the face of the most formidable Austrian counter-attacks, are apparently preparing for a resumption of their offensive, Vienna reports that the Italian guns have opened with the greatest violence in Carinthia, indicating that General Cadorna has north of Gorizia, anda $n$ offensive in this region would support the reports that the Italian commander has far more ambitious plans than even the conquest of Trieste.

Spanish Situation
The upheaval caused by the great war, which h has already dethroned two monarchs now seems to menace the ancient throne of Spain. The utmost exertions of the Spanish censors have failed to completey suppress the reports of grave happenings in the Peninsular kingdom. From what little is know the Spanish army is taking the lead in the revolutionary mo genent, which is further accelerated by the food carcity, and industrial unrest. Rumors of revolt ha ve been current for several montus, and at che end May it was announced that theiconstitutionaliguarantees would be suspended, while the government prohibited all public manifestations in respect to international questions. The that the soldiers sided with the at Barcelona on June 1 ,

The exact part which the issues of the war play in the Spanish crisis is difficult to determine. The masses of the people herm and other domestic questions have apparently had a leading role in the growing unrest.

Greek Si tuation
No new developments have occurred in the Greek situation but the triumphant return to Athens of Venizelos predicted in England, a step almost certain to be followed by a definite alignment of Greece on how strongly the disappearance of the Kaiser's royal a lly has affected Berlin.

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