L'AUSTRIA CONCENTRA FORZE NEL TIROLO PER UN'AZIONE OFFENSIVA

Reparti Italiani Estendono e Consolidano le Loro Posizioni nella Zona Montana della Marmolada

LA DIFESA DI VALONA

ROMA, 2 Marso.

Il Ministero della Guerra pubblicava teri sera il seguente comunicato ufficiale in base al rapporto dei generale Ca-

"Alcuni nestri reparti hanno esteso consolidato la ponizione da noi occupata ad ovest delle alture della Marmolada dopo aver superato grandi difficolta of-ferte dal terreno e dalle condizioni atmos-

Nella zona del Monte Nero altri nostri reparti hanno eseguito un'audace ricogni-nione verso la linea nemica dei Mizili, con-tro la quale hanno gettato granate a mano, causando così l'allarme tra le file aus-

"Nella zona di Gorizia si sono avute azioni d'artigliera particolarmente vio-lenti. Il nemico ha bombardato luoghi abitati facendovi danni materiali, ma nessuna vittima.

"La nostra artiglieria ha efficacemente bombardato alcuni riparti nemici, posti di osservazione e coionne di truppe in mar-

Si dice che gli austriaci stanno preparando un'offensiva sulla fronte italiana alla quale inviano continuamente rinforzi facendo credere che essi servono a rimpiazzare truppe essurite dalle fatiche invernali e dalle malattic. Si sa bene invece che il millone di austriaci che si trovano che il milione di austriaci che si trovano ora sulla fronte italiana sono in eccellenti ondizioni. Allo scopo di coprire questo uovo concentramento di truppe, gli aus-riaci hanno chiuso di nuovo la frontiera della Svizzera.

Essad pascia' che da qualche temno si trovava' a Roma e' partito alta volta di Nizza, dove pare si tratterra' per lungo tempo. Egli non ritornera' per ora in Albania. La difesa di Valona e' affidata esclusivamente alle forze italiane comandate dal generale Ameglio. Queste forze sono constituite da uno a tre corpi d'armata ed hanno potentemente fortificato la baja e l'hinterland di Valona. ficato la baja e l'hinterland di Vatona. Essad ha espresso la sua piena fiducia nella sconfitta delle forze austriache in Albania dove esse non troveranno alcuna risorsa e dove saranno minnacciate dalle bande albanesi e dalle truppe italiane.

LA RITIRATA DA DURAZZO.

Si hanno ora particolari circa l'evacua zione di Durazzo da parte delle truppe italiane. Mentre avveniva l'evacuazione la flotta italiana era impegnata a tenere la squadra austriaca bloccata nelle Bocche di Cattaro, impedemdole cosi' di uscirne per attaccare i trasporti italiani. Un-altra squadra italiana bombardaya gli ap-procel di Durazzo, impedendo agli aus-triaci di avvicinarsi alla citta'ed ostacolare le operazioni di imbarco.

Le truppe italiane furono le ultime ad imbarcarai, giacche dovettero prima pro-teggere l'imbarco dei fuggiaschi serbi e montenegrini e del materiale. Gli itallani non formavano neppure una brigata, mentre gli austriaci erano in numero di circa 10,000 e forse avevano in riserva due divisioni. Per giunta, mentre avveniva l'imbarco scoppio una tempesta che aumento le difficolta delle operazioni. Le piccole navi da guerra italiane non potevano piu' tirare esattamente contro le posizioni austriache che erano ben celate e cercavano di bombardare gli italiani. Presto pero' entrarono in azione gil incrociatori Puglia ed Etruria, che audaca-mente entrarono nella rade dove le acque erano piu' calme ed aprirono il fuoco sulle batterie nemiche coi loro pazzi da sei pollici, riducendole presto al silenzio.

Nel frattempo l'esploratore Agordat quattro incroclatori ausiliarii con alcuni cacciatorpediniere coprivano coi loro fuoco le strade di accesso a Durazzo, immobilizzando cosi le forze nemiche.

Dodici trasporti entrarono nella rada e presero tutti a bordo compresi i feriti, gli ultimi rifugiati ed il materiale ed i viveri. Completata l'operazione, i trasporti si diressero verso Valona lasciando a Durazzo nulla per gli austriaci. Durante tutte queste operazioni la squadra austriaca si tenne prudentemente nelle Bocche di Cattaro.

La squadra austriaca, sebbene avesse una delle sue migliori basi a poche miglia

THE WEATHER

Official Forecast WASHINGTON, March 2, 1916.

For Eastern Pennsylvania: Snow this afternoon; partly overcast tonight and Friday; somewhat colder tonight; fresh

east to north winds.

A storm that was over western Oklahoma yesterday morning has moved with homa yesterday morning has moved with remarkable speed into the Ohio Valley, and thence eastward to the Virginia capes, causing snow and rain throughout the eastern half of the country. The temperature has risen at most places, east of the Mississippi river, but the changes have been irregular. A cold area is apreading southward over the plains States with considerable severity in some places. The cooling is accompanied by places. The cooling is accompanied by light snow in scattered areas.

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dall'Albania, non e' stata capace di im-pedire il tramporto di truppe italiane dall'una sull'altra sponda dell'Adriatico nd i movimenti delle navi italiane ed allente. Queste navi hanno potuto trasportare ben 260,000 uomini tra l'Italia e la costa al-bancse senza quasi incidenti e sotto il naso della flotta austriaca.

I partiti interienzionisti, e specialmente i nazionalisti, i radicali ed i riformisti, domandano l'allargamento delle estitita' anche da parte dell'Italia, zostenendo che dopo la firma del Patto di Londra e' necessario che l'Italia dichia la guerra anche alla Carrania. cessario che i Italia dichia la guerra nuche alla Germania. La quistione sara discussa alla Camera, ma si ritiene generalmente che il presidente del Consiglio, on. Salan-dra, dimina la situazione e che egli rac-cogliera' ancora una grande maggioranza se sara posta la quistione di fiducia.

SONNINO A PARIGI. SONNINO A PAPIGI.

Nel consiglio di ministri che ha avuto luogo leri e' stato deciso che il barone Sonnino, ministro degli Affari Esteri, si rechera' a Parigi per partecipare alla conferenza che gli alicati terranno nella capitale francese. E' stato per questo che il governo non ha fatto alcuna dichiarazione nella seduta di leri della Camera del Deputati, sulla politica della guerra.

Si sa che questa dichiarazione sera: SI sa che questa dichlarazione sara fatta non appena il barone Sonnino sara tornato da Parigi.

UNA SQUADRA NEMICA INSEGUITA DA CORFU'

Le Navi Austriache Prendono la Fuga all'Apparire delle Navi degli Alleati

equadra austriaca comparve jeri davanti all'isola di Corfu, che, come si sa, e' oc-cupata dalle forze degli alleati e dove sono concentrate le forze serbe. La squadra austriaca si diede poro' subito alla fuga, non appena vide comparire una squadra di navi alleate che le dava la caccia. Le navi alleate (nseguirono il nemico fin nelle vicinanze delle Bocche di Cattaro. La netizia e' confermata che da un dispaccio proveniente da

Telegrammi da Roma dicono che recchi prigionieri russi, che erano tenuti dall'Austria, sono riuscii a fuggire ed a rifugiarsi in Italia. Essi riuscirono miracolosamente nel loro piano di fuga dai campi di concentramento austriaci. Un di loro annego' mentre guadava un fiume del Tirolo, ma gli altri raggiunsero le linee italiane e furono ricevuti mentre erano mezzi morti di fame e di stanchezza.

Si dice che un attentato e' stato consu-mato, senza successe pero', contro re Ferdinando di Bulgaria mentre questi si recava a Vienna. Si dice pero' che il re

GERMAN RAIDER MOEWE REPORTED TAKEN BY FOE

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ported to have been selzed by the Moewe before the Appam was captured. Simi. The Luxembourg (Belglan), 2782 tons. from Newport January 18 for Buenos

The Belge (Belgian?) (British), 2364 tons, from Liverpool January 22 for Colon. The Westburn was taken into Santa Cruz

de Teneriffe and her passengers landed. The ship was then taken out to sea by her captors and scuttled.

The depredations of the Moewe have been carried on despite the reported pres-ence of British cruisers in the waters she frequented. That the raider was finally chased across the Atlantic by a superior force of the enemy, as stated in the Buenos Aires dispatch, is at least plaus-ible.

TODAY'S MARRIAGE LICENSES

Maurice Actaun, 628 S. Broad at., and Kath-ryn Bellmore, 724 Lombard st. orris D. Howers, 5717 Wyalusing ave., and Kathryn E. Hill, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

Thomas Broadwater, 1236 Kater st., and Ella N. Freeman, 1406 Senate st.

U. S. MAIL BRIDE, LUCKY, WARNS OTHER GIRLS

> Miss Bessie Neary Becomes Wife of Californian After Correspondence Wooing

> Miss Bessie Neary, who today became a "correspondence bride," thinks that she has had a good deal of luck in picking such a "fine fellow" as she did, but does not recommend a correspondence courtship for other girls. Miss Neary, who lives at 2304 Haverford avenue, was married at 9 o'clock this morning to Charles Edson, a banker and bee rancher of Knight's Landing, near Cafexico, Cal., in St. Agatha's Cathelle Church. She was wooed and won by mail.

was wooed and won by mall. The ceremony was performed by the Rey. John Tushy. The bridesmaid was Miss Bessie Oatsman and the best man Stephen Shaughnessy. The couple will go to Atlantic City for their honeymoon and from there to California by way of New Orleans. After the ceremony there was a eception at the home of the bride.

"Courtship by mall in most cases I should think would be taking a terribly long chance," said Miss Neary. "In my own case it was perfectly all right, because you see Charlie is such a wonderful man. But all girls couldn't be so lucky." The correspondence couple will go California to live, where they will settle down like "two little love bees," as goes the song, on Mr. Edson's bee ranch.

Miss Neary says she thinks she will learn to like California as much as she does Philadelphia. She became engaged when she went there hast August. She made the trip partly to see the Panama Exposition, but mostly to see the man that wrote her such thrilling letters. She liked both very much, indeed. She says her engagement was not insentaneous, but that, gagement was not incentaneous, but that, on the contrary, it did not happen until fully six days after she had arrived in California. Then they bought the ring and all the stories began to be printed in the Sacramento papers. This is the only thing that worries Miss Neary. She is afraid that she won't come up to the pictures drawn of her. But she seems to worry needlessly on this score. She might very well be called an "imported California peach," with her blue eyes and pretty featuren. Miss Neary met her husband in Philadelphia, but they did not become well acquainted until Mr. Edson returned to California, and they wrote so many leto California, and they wrote so many let-

"I am frightened because the people expect such a 'queen'," she says. Miss Neary expects to write a book on sunny California some day and will devote no small part of it to landing there after a "courtship through the U. S. mail."

PHILADELPHIANS PROTEST AGAINST U. S. SHIP MEASURE

Maritime Exchange Submits Contentions to House Committee

WASHINGTON, March 2.—The Phila-delphia Maritime Fxchange has filed a protest with the House Merchant Com-mittee against the ship bill.

The Philadelphians alleged the bill would create unfair competition, that the Government could not build the necessary vessels with present facilities, that it would eliminate American-owned private lines, and would mean extinction of the American ship owner.

FIREPLUG PLACED IN 1740 FOUND IN AN OLD MARKET

Looks Like Large Spigot When Compared With Present Ones

Alterations being made to the old 2d Street Market House, running from Fairmount avenue to Poplar street, have caused the discovery of an old fireping which is said to have been placed there Morris Hymanson, 511 N. Marshall st., and Jennie Reinstein, 711 N. 7th st. and Jennie Reinstein, 711 N. 7th st. and Jennie Klein, 23 S. Ruby st. and the top is fastened with a piece of chain. It is much smaller than the modern type below the control of the cont ern type, being nothing more than a large

It will be presented to the City His-Revolutionary exhibits.

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barles A. McGrath, 633 E. Lippinsoit st.,

and Catherine E. Pieir, 437 E. Clearfield st.

Villiam Bauer, 3125 N. 7th st., and Laura

Weidman, 802 E. Indiana ave.

Villiam H. Banting, 4105 Chestnut st., and

Gertrude M. Howeil, 1811 Garnet st.,

taron Thompson, 1747 Beechwood st., and

Gertrude M. Howeil, 1811 Garnet st.,

Villiam Strange, 4214 Ludlow st., and Christiana Lyons, 679 N. 42d st.

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Villiam C. Walch, 455 N. 55th st., and Mary

A. A. Dooley, 135 S. 12th st.

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> Philadelphians eligible Thursday evening principal drill night

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Police Court Chronicles

The sight of a chicken strutting around always awakens the farm yard memories of Fred Dents. Before settling in Kensington he had a big chicken farm up the state which was talked of for miles around, it is said, because of its thoroughness. So when Fred say a homeless rooster promagading along Trenton ave-nue he took it under his arm. There was something sympathetic about the touch of Fred, and the receiver knew by intuition that he was in good hands.



to a feed store. He borrowed several flatfuls of corn and gave the bird a banquet on the sidewalk.

The rooster was enjoying the feast un-disturbed until a stranger came along with another live rooster which he had just bought for dinner. Without any in-vitation he dropped it on the sidewalk and allowed it to butt into the dinner pro-

vided by Fred. The two roosters "squared off" and then collided. Feathers and "squawks" mixed together and very soon a small audience was attracted to the fight. Policeman Bradley heard the c

and as Fred couldn't explain where he got the rooster, he was taken to the Trenton avenue and Dauphin street police station.

On hearing that the prisoner had really acted as a good samaritan without any intention of wrong-doing, Magistrate Dietz was touched. And to make matters better for the prisoner the owner of the rooster arrived and claimed it. He too, was convinced that Dentz was actuated by humane impulses. So in addition to being discharged, Fred received

NEVADA DELIVERED TO U. S.

Superdreadnought Not Seriously Damaged by Explosion

QUINCY, Mass., March 2.—Despite her accident yesterday the United States su-perdreadnought Nevada was delivered to Commandant Rush and naval officers at the Charlestown Navy Yard today. Three men who were seriously injured when the two hatchways on the water ballast compartments burst open were in the hospital today. Damage to the ship was easily repaired.

Pays \$2.50 for Spitting

11 cost Joseph Engleman, of 1528 North 10th stret, \$2,50 to spit in the eastern cor-ridor of the sixth floor of the City Hall this morning. Guard Dunlap arrested

GERMAN FOKKER, SHOT BY AIR FOE, DROPS 7000 FEET; 2 KILLED, 4 HURT

Briton, Flying Over Enemy's Lines, Sees Attack on English Biplane and Comes

to Rescue

LONG DIVE GETS HIM

LONDON, March 2.—How a German Fokker fighting plane, shot down by a British airman, came tumbling down from a height of 7000 feet, was described in a letter from the British pilot to his friend. The Fokker plunged through the roof of a British dug-out, wounding four soldiers. The British pilot, with au observer, was starting for a flight of reconnaissance over the German lines, and had ascended to a height of more than 10,000 feet. Coming from the German front and several hundred feet below him, he saw one of the Fokkers pursuing and rapidly overhauling a British biplane, fleeing back to the British lines.

"Down we went, almost vertically," said

the airmen. "The Folker had could with the Britisher and was comprise gun at 50 yards. We wound up one of 50 yards behind the German, who also until we opened fire." "Twenty rounds falled to hit here you had a spot of the begge to describing circuits around us, firing all time, while we did a sort of inner circuits around the could be a sort of the begge to the could be a sort of the begge to the could be a sort of the could be a so 'Suddenly he decided he had enough as started for home. After him we went on ing lustily. We were getting so low expected the German archies to bean moment. Then we got him, A lucky found its billet and the Fokker piles and the started to the second started to the second sec

"First he turned over, wheels up; no he looped, then several noss dive, loops, several turns on and off his sideways until he truck. The ness head first through the top of the december of earth on top. The pilot and mechanician were torn to pieces."

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Sanitation is the keynote of modern farm-building construction, and fresh air is the keynote of sanitation. This is an article for the farmer who believes in helping his livestock to keep healthy. It tells how to plan a ventilating system.

The Lure of the Land

It's high time somebody warned back-to-the-landers that there are unscrupulous land dealers; that farming is not a romance, but a business; that a business farmer doesn't put all his capital into land, and doesn't overequip. The Country Gentleman says this and more.

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The "water power" is a stream six inches wide, that fills a six-inch pipe only three inches deep at low water. But he hitched it up to a dynamo and it does the trick. He tells how, and gives costs.

A Page of Spring Fashions

A page for the farm mother-the home dressmaker. A number of attractive, simple patterns illustrated and described.

A Cheap Water System

A modification of the farm home water system worked out by the Government. It can be made and installed for from ten to twenty-five dollars.

And Don't Miss

this week's installment of Diana of the Moorland, the story by Louis Tracy; the latest addition to A Game and a Gamble, about implement dealers, their credits and creditors; On the Road of Progress, by Herbert Quick; A Stove-Heated Hotbed; The Buff Orpington, by Judge W. H. Card; Tomatoes in Cool Climates; How to Balance a Ration for Farm Stock; Getting Rid of Groundhogs; Forty-Dollar Cottonseed Meal; Going to School at Home, for farm children.

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