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CADORNA'S LINE PIERCED; FRENCH AGAIN ADVANCE

POILUS PRESS AHEAD; ENEMY NEAR RETREAT

Petain's Army Extends Gains on Laon Front

GERMANS' LINES GIVE WAY AGAIN

Enemy Razes Villages in Preparation for Another 'Strategic' Retirement

CIVILIANS QUIT MENIN

Evacuation of Flanders Town Begun, Dispatches From Amsterdam Assert

LONDON, Oct. 25.

Another unsuccessful German counter-attack south of Houthoulst wood was reported today by Field Marshal Haig. The assault came after artillery preparation yesterday evening. It was "repulsed completely," according to the British commander-in-chief.

PARIS, Oct. 25.

General Petain's victorious poilus drove further forward toward Laon today.

Capture of Rosey Farm and advance of the French line to new forward positions between Chavignon and Montdesinges were announced in the War Office statement.

Farther to the left, on the Chemin des Dames, advances were reported around Cerny-en-Laonnois.

Germany is believed to be preparing for another "strategic retreat," both in Flanders and from around the region of the latest French victory north of the Aisne.

An Amsterdam dispatch received today says civilians are reported evacuating the town of Menin, southeast of Ypres.

The Paris press today asserted that French aviators flying over the Laon sector reported evidences of the German plan of razing villages and trees which preceded the famous "strategic retreat" on the Arras-Cambrai line last spring. Trees have been felled and villages destroyed in what would seem to be the path of the French advance toward Laon. Everywhere great activity of the German "destruction corps" was seen.

The victory of General Petain's poilus, which, oddly enough, fell on the anniversary of the recapture of Fort Douaumont at Verdun, caused an outburst of rejoicing here.

"It is impossible to overestimate the importance of this battle in its relation to our final success," said Le Matin today. "The victory sounds a deathknell to the German hope of retaining the Chemin-des-Dames."

Every report that came from the Aisne front today emphasized the magnitude of the victory. So badly shattered was the German army south of Laon that it could deliver no counter-attacks, but spent all of Wednesday bombarding the French positions. All of the newly won ground has been consolidated by the French troops, and they have been busy since Tuesday night removing booty from the great cavern fortress formerly held by the Germans.

The number of German prisoners taken by the French has now been increased to about 9000, while seventy-five guns of all caliber were included in the booty.

Menin, from which the civil population has been ordered, according to the Amsterdam report, is approximately eleven miles southeast of Ypres, and is about six miles from where the fighting front is now located after General Haig's most recent successes. The town is one of the general objectives of the British drive. Some of the most bitter fighting of the Flanders campaign has centered astride the Ypres-Menin highway and railroad. The town is on the main line railroad from Lille to Ostend, which is one of the arteries of Germany's communications to the submarine bases on the coast.

A civilian evacuation would seem to indicate either fear by the Germany army of fighting immediately around the city or a plan of retreat.

BIG INCREASE IN WORLD CORN AND OATS CROPS

Less Wheat, Rye, Barley and Rice, However, Reports Rome Agricultural Institute

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25. — A French wheat crop only slightly more than half of normal and reduced world crops of wheat, rye, barley and rice were reported by the Rome International Institute of Agriculture, the Government crop estimate bureau announced today. Big increases in world corn and oats production this year were reported, however.

The aggregate wheat crop of the principal grain countries, exclusive of Russia, was given as 1,775,000,000 bushels, or 85.2 per cent of the average for five years.

The Continuation of the Story
RASPUTIN
Devil or Saint?
by the
Princess Catharine Radziwill
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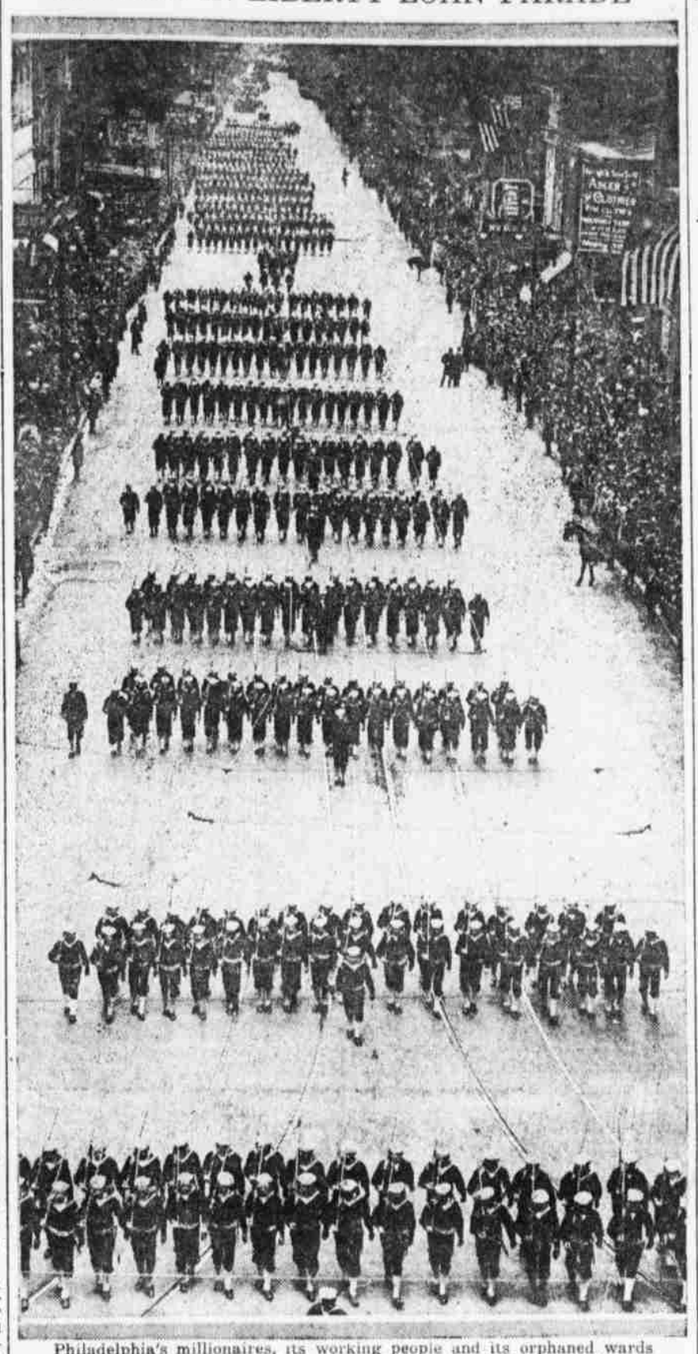
SAILORS IN LIBERTY LOAN PARADE



Philadelphia's millionaires, its working people and its orphaned wards to the number of several thousands backed up Uncle Sam's bluejackets and marines today in the city's Liberty Loan turnout on Market and Broad streets. The sailors from Philadelphia Navy Yard, comprising part of the first division, are shown marching west on Market street.

PALMER WILL WIDEN ENEMY SEIZURE RULE

Decides to Take Over Holdings of Bulgars, Turks and Austrians

REGARDED AS ENEMIES

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25.

All holdings of subjects of Bulgaria, Turkey and Austria in the United States will be seized, together with Germans' property, A. Mitchell Palmer, alien property custodian, announced today.

Palmer's decision regards Bulgaria, Turkey and Austria as enemies, although the United States has never formally declared war against the three allies of Germany. His ruling followed a series of conferences with Treasury Department officials, at which the scope of the trading-with-the-enemy act was carefully studied.

Bulgaria, Turkey and Austria have vast stores of war supplies in the United States. These, as in the case of the German property, will be seized and used against the Kaiser. Austrian capitalists are especially affected by Palmer's new ruling. The dividends from their investments also will be turned over to the Treasury Department for investment in future Liberty Loans.

Announcement is expected shortly of local officers who will enforce the act in all the principal industrial and shipping centers of the country.

The German embassy here, despite the fact that it rests on "German territory," will be taken over by A. Mitchell Palmer, receiver of enemy property, and will probably be rented and the rental turned into the Treasury Department. The trading with the enemy law is interpreted to include the embassy, which has remained idle since Count von Bernstorff and his party returned to Germany.

REPORT VILLA IN ACTION

Rumored Preparing to Attack Parral and Chihuahua City

EL PASO, Tex., Oct. 25.—A mining company here today received a report from Parral that Francisco Villa, at the head of 1000 men, is camped along the Rio Florida and threatens to attack Parral and Chihuahua City.

The report also alleged that Villa, after raiding several small hamlets south of Parral, allowed the men of his band to carry off a number of girls.

TOWN MEETING PARTY SUES CITY COMMISSIONERS

Asks Court to Compel Printing of Candidates' Names in Three Wards

"IMPUDENT VARE TRICK"

The Town Meeting party late this afternoon brought mandamus proceedings in the Court of Common Pleas No. 3 before Judge Davis to compel the County Commissioners to print the names of its candidates in the Seventeenth, Twenty-sixth and Thirtieth Wards on the ballot for the official election. The writ will be argued next Monday morning.

The action followed the announcement of the County Commissioners this morning that when double sets of nomination papers are filed the names will not be printed on the ballot.

The affidavits of the Town Meeting party, which were filed by Paul Reilly, allege that the second sets of papers in these wards were filed by Vare workers long after the candidates of the Town Meeting party had filed theirs.

In a statement issued at the headquarters of the Town Meeting party the action of the County Commissioners is declared to be "a particularly impudent effort on the part of the County Commissioners in collusion with the Vare-Smith combination to make use of palpable fraud to deprive the citizens of these wards of an opportunity of voting an honest and independent ticket.

"It is a clear effort to elect the gang ticket in these wards by removing all opposition to it, and it will be fought to the full extent of the legal recourse open to the Town Meeting party."

RULING DENTS VARE ATTACK

Judge Davis made a big dent in the Vare-Smith case against the Town Meeting party's nomination papers today when he ruled that an affiant vouching for the signers of a nomination petition need not know all of the signers, provided that the five affiants collectively know all of the signers to be qualified electors.

The ruling, considered very important by the defense, came during the testimony of Howard Klatz, a salesman, of 2141 West Susquehanna avenue, who was one of the five who signed the affidavit vouching for a nomination petition containing seventy-seven names. Klatz, under questioning by William Connor, the 50-50 ticket's attorney,

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TEUTON ALLIES PIERCE ITALIAN LINE ON ISONZO

Austro-Germans Break Through Defenses on East Bank

BATTLE CARRIED TO WEST SLOPES

Enemy Checked at Monte San Gabriele, Rome War Office Reports

KAISER'S BIG GUNS AID

Infantry Attacks Preceded by Violent Artillery Preparation on Eighteen-Mile Front

ROME, Oct. 25.

Austro-German troops broke through the Italian lines to the left of the Isonzo, today's official statement announced.

To the west of Volnik, on the western slope of Monte Sant Gabriele, the enemy was checked, the War Office stated.

The Teutonic gains, it was explained, were achieved by the enemy taking advantage of the bridgehead positions at San Maria and San Lucia, south of Tolmino. In violent fighting the Austro-German troops carried the battle to the slopes of the right bank of the Isonzo.

Every dispatch from the front emphasized the great concentration of German and Austrian forces on the whole of the attacking front—a sector of approximately eighteen miles. The infantry attacks were preceded by a violent artillery preparation, mostly by heavy German guns.

10,000 ITALIANS TAKEN PRISONERS IN ATTACK

BERLIN, Oct. 25.

Ten thousand prisoners, including a brigade and divisional staff of the Italian army, have already been captured in the Austro-German drive on the Isonzo, the War Office announced today.

"Much rich booty has also been taken," the statement asserted.

The positions captured, the War Office said, are situated on steep mountain slopes barring the roadway to the surrounding valley. They were scaled and captured by Teuton troops despite desperate Italian resistance.

The War Office statement on the operations against the Italians is the first to come from this source since the entry of Italy into the war.

Great masses of concentrated guns of big caliber began bombarding the Italian positions in the Julian Alps and along the upper Isonzo on Sunday, increasing to great intensity. Fog and snow flurries at times hampered the work of observation, but the guns were kept thundering up to the hour for the attack.

The grand assault was launched simultaneously all along a front of twenty miles, and, despite the stiff resistance of the Italian warriors, the Germans occupied a number of first-line trench systems. The preliminary bombardment of the German and Austro-Hungarian artillery used large quantities of a new gas shell against the Italians. At latest reports the battle was continuing.

A London cablegram on Monday quoted Rome advices as saying that the Germans and Austro-Hungarians were massing reinforcements of men and guns on the Italian

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RESENTS REFLECTIONS UPON RUSSIA'S ARMIES

Slav War Minister Declares Country's Forces Will Fight on to Final Victory

PETROGRAD, Oct. 25.—"He who says that the Russian army no longer exists utters a lie," declared General Verkhovsky, Minister of War, in a speech before the grand preliminary Parliament of the Russian Republic today. He added that the Russian army, when discipline is completely restored, can be looked upon to do its duty and to fight to final victory.

The War Minister has submitted a special measure to deal with disaffection. Special tribunals will be established which must act upon all cases of insubordination within twenty-four hours after charges are made. From the tribunals the cases will go to the commanders.

M. Savinkoff, former acting Minister of War, was expelled from the Socialist revolutionary party today. He had been summoned before the central committee to make certain explanations but failed to appear.

Premier Kerensky is leader of the Social revolutionary party.

City Treasurer's Statement

The weekly statement of City Treasurer William McCoach shows that the receipts amounted to $135,563.42 and the payments to $589,249.26, which, with the sum on hand, not including the Sinking Fund Account, leaves a balance of $21,661,393.23.

HIT THE HUN!

America set a new record yesterday for Liberty Loan subscribers. Did you buy a bond? If you did, buy another today. If you didn't, buy several.

Only Two Days More to Buy Liberty Bonds

Philadelphia must subscribe $190,000,000 more by Saturday. It's up to you to do your part.

GET BUSY!

QUICK NEWS

FOOTBALL SCORES

G'T'N P. JRS.	0	0	0	7—7	C'NTR'L PR.	0	0	0	0—0

SOCCER SCORES

CENTRAL H.	1	1—2	SO. PHILA. H.	0	1—1
GERMANTOWN H.	0	2—2	PEDAGOGY	0	3—3

FRANCE GETS ANOTHER $20,000,000 LOAN FROM U. S.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25.—Another loan of $20,000,000 to France was extended by the United States Government today. This brings France's total up to $810,000,000 and the totals for all the Allies to $2,820,400,000.

LUTHERAN BODIES IN U. S. SANCTION MERGER

Union of the millions of Lutherans in the United States in one body, by merging the General Council, General Synod and the United Synod of the South into an organization to be known as the United Lutheran Church in America, was unanimously approved in a resolution by the convention of the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, including delegates from every state in the Union, in the Witherspoon Building late today.

GERMAN SPY SUSPECT SHOT

CAMP GREENE, Charlotte, N. C., Oct. 25.—Frederick Beethoved, believed to be a German spy, was shot here late today by a provost guard while prowling about the camp. He had been enlisted and deserted. He is expected to recover.

DECISION WITHHELD IN PASSENGER RATE HEARING

No decision was reached today in the hearing in the protest case against the rates of the Philadelphia and Western Railroad, held before Michael J. Ryan, member of the Public Service Commission, in City Hall. Harold S. Schertz represented the complainants, which included civic and improvement associations of Brookline, Ardmore, Beechwood, Norristown and the Philadelphia and Western Commuters' Association.

GERMANS BOMB NANCY; FRENCH BAG 25 PLANES

PARIS, Oct. 25.—Twenty-five enemy airplanes were brought down by the French on Wednesday alone, today's official statement announced. Nancy was the object of another German air raid, but without any victims.

PADEREWSKI, POLISH PIANIST, PLANS NATIVE ARMY

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25.—Ignace Paderewski, noted Polish pianist, wants to recruit 150,000 Poles in the United States to fight for Polish independence. He has tried to obtain permission from the War Department to rally these men, none of whom is a citizen. Up to the present, he has been unsuccessful. Paderewski has expressed the opinion to various officials with whom he has come into contact here that the people of Poland have no desire for a freedom gained through an alliance with Germany and that his people have no confidence in Russia. They want to play a lone hand, he declares.

SUNSET DIVISION VANGUARD REACHES NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Oct. 25.—The vanguard of the "Sunset Division," which will be composed of 28,000 men, all from points west of the Mississippi River, began arriving in camp near New York today. The first arrivals were the 145th and 147th Artillery regiments. They came in on ninety Pullman cars, their equipment being carried on thirty-four freight cars. These units were transferred from Camp Greene, Charlotte, N. C. Nearly every State west of the Mississippi is represented in the "Sunset Division."

COLONEL "TEDDY" TAKES STUMP FOR MITCHEL

NEW YORK, Oct. 25.—Colonel Roosevelt joined Mayor Mitchel's campaign squad today. Roosevelt will speak at five Mitchel rallies, beginning October 29 and covering the last week of the campaign.

SEEK GAS AND FLAME FIGHTERS FOR U. S. ARMY

NEW YORK, Oct. 25.—Gas and flame fighters for the United States army are sought in New York today. The recruiting officers assured applicants they would be in France before Thanksgiving day.

NAME WINTER QUARTERS FOR REGULAR REGIMENTS

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25.—Winter quarters for the regular army regiments now being expanded in northern camps were designated by the War Department today. The troops now at Syracuse, N. Y., and Gettysburg, Pa., are to be moved to Camp Greene, Charlotte, N. C. One regiment of regulars now stationed at Fort Douglas, Utah, are to be moved to the National Army cantonment at Des Moines, Iowa, and the remainder of the post are to be sent to Camp Pike, Little Rock, Ark. One battalion of infantry now at Fort Snelling, Minn., will be sent to the regular army post at Fort Des Moines, Iowa. Only the troops that have no wooden barracks for winter use are to be transferred, the War Department announced today.

IOWA VILLAGERS CHANGE THEIR MINDS; BUY BONDS

MANILA, Iowa, Oct. 25.—Almost every man in Aspinwall, a small village near here inhabited mostly by Germans, owns a Liberty Bond today, and those who do not are under investigation by Federal authorities. After attempts to hold a Liberty Bond meeting at Aspinwall had been frustrated through the alleged unfriendliness of the townspeople, seventy-five citizens of Manila invaded the town, closed the stores and obtained subscriptions for almost the entire amount of the town's quota.

DOLLARS TALK IN WAKE OF OLD LIBERTY BELL

Parade for New Loan Brings Money March to U. S. Coffers

$275,000,000 RAISED HERE

Great Outpouring of People's Cash Follows Patriotic Procession Headed by Ancient Relic

Money talked today. Nay, it fairly sang—as bullets sing. It did more. It paraded, throwing down the gantlet to the Hun in a challenge unmistakable in its determination.

Money, which we have been told for weeks and weeks, will win the war against barbarism, spoke today in terms of the $275,000,000 that Philadelphia has already contributed to the Liberty Loans and it spoke in terms of the millions more that she intends to contribute; that she must contribute.

"Make the day ominous for the Kaiser."

It was Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo who gave the slogan.

Delayed by yesterday's weather, Philadelphia demonstrated today with an enthusiasm that amounted to a patriotic fervor just how ominous she can make this, and every succeeding day, until "finis" shall have been written to the Teuton menace.

They brought the Bell out for the parade. There is only one bell for an occasion like this—the Liberty Bell. Lovingly it was lifted from its sacred shrine yesterday and guarded with reverent care through the night.

Today embowered in leaves it led the parade—once more doing service in behalf of a people bent on being free. Thousands had assembled in Independence Square to take part as marchers or spectators in the gigantic demonstration.

SILENT SPELL OF OLD BELL

Once more that ancient cracked object of brass worked its magic spell and tightened with emotion the throats of all who beheld it. Aureed by its incomparable tradition, the most cherished symbol of a people who will not live if they cannot be free, the Liberty Bell was none the less potent because of its awesome silence. But doubtless could it have rung out as it did of yore it would have mixed with the triumphs of its peals the supplication:

"Give, give, give! Give as your forefathers gave. Give until you feel the pinch of giving. And then give!"

Men, women and children who have bought and who will buy until the last penny is gone, if necessary, made today's parade the uplifting, inspiring, soul-stirring demonstration that it was. On and on, wave after wave, a surging mass of everybody—bankers, boilermakers, newsboys, sailors, marines, society women, working women, Boy Scouts and school children—they came. Many who had thought to stand in the sidelines were swept irresistibly into the parade, caught by the contagion of the overwhelming necessity to give patriotic expression to the profound conviction that dollars will win the war.

Regiments of dollars were represented by the marchers. Many of them have worked untiringly for the success of the loan, buying bonds up to the hilt meanwhile. All realized that this was but the beginning. All realized that Germany, which has subscribed to eighteen billions of dollars in seven loans in three years of the war, must be driven back, dollar for dollar, man for man, if necessary to make the world a liva-

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MRS. FOX BEATEN BY MRS. BARLOW

City Champion Eliminated in Bumm Golf Semifinal at Whitemarsh by 1 Up

MRS. STETSON IN FINAL

CHESTNUT HILL, Pa., Oct. 25.

Mrs. Ronald H. Barlow, of Merion, and Mrs. G. Henry Stetson, of Huntingdon Valley, qualified for the final round of the Belle Steelman Bumm Memorial Cup at the Whitemarsh Valley Country Club today. Mrs. Barlow defeated Mrs. Caleb F. Fox, of Huntingdon Valley, 1 up, and Mrs. Stetson defeated Miss Mildren Caverly, of the Philadelphia Cricket Club, 3 up and 2 to play.

The match between Mrs. Barlow and Mrs. Fox was the more exciting, and if Mrs. Fox had been able to putt the match might have had a different ending. At it was, Mrs. Barlow won on the last hole one up. On the first hole Mrs. Fox missed putts for a win in four and on the fifteenth and eighteenth holes she missed putts that she should have made easily.

On the other hand, on the sixteenth she holed out with her approach, the ball running up the hill nearly into the rough and then down again into the hole. At the end of four holes Mrs. Fox was two up, but on the fifth she put her tee shot into the creek and then put two out of bounds and gave up the hole. On the sixth she put her drive out of bounds and lost with a six to a five.

The seventh was halved in sixes, but for the first time during the tournament Mrs. Barlow played the seventh well and won with a six and a seven. Mrs. Barlow missed the green on the ninth and took a four to Mrs. Fox's three and the match was square at the turn.

Mrs. Fox won the tenth with a six to a seven, but on the eleventh Mrs. Barlow had a fine six to a seven, only to lose the twelfth

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THE WEATHER

FORECAST

For Philadelphia and vicinity: Partly cloudy and continued cool tonight and Friday; moderate westerly winds.

For eastern Pennsylvania and New Jersey: Fair tonight and Friday; not much change in temperature; fresh west winds.

LENGTH OF DAY

Sun rises....6:21 a. m. | Sun sets....5:08 p. m.

DELAWARE RIVER TIDE CHANGES
CHESTNUT STREET

Low water...3:46 a. m. | Low water...4:05 p. m.
High water...9:04 a. m. | High water...9:20 p. m.

TEMPERATURE AT EACH HOUR

8	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5
44	48	49	50	51	52	52	52	51	49