EDISON STUDIES DEFENSE AT SEA

Spends Ten Weeks on Ocean Perfecting Plan to Defeat U-Boat

URGES BOND PURCHASES

ORANGE, N. J., Oct. 25. Thomas A. Edison, veteran inventor, has spent the last ten weeks on the high sens, striving to perfect some means of defeating the submarine, his laboratories announced today. He is now back "somewhere in America," with the results of his studies and experiments.

First news that the electric wizard had carried his search to the seas was made in a brief statement by William Maxwell, vice president of Thomas A. Edison, Inc., and general manager of the musical phonograph department today. It was in conec-tion with a stirring appeal to the American people, written by Edison himself, that they

Edison's Liberty Bond appeal, received at his plant from "somewhere in America,"
where Edison is now working, read:

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One hundred and forty-one years ago our forefathers fought for less than we are fighting for today.

We have made heroes of the men who fought to make this country free and have branded as cowards and traitors the men who refused to fight. Posterity will grant similar judgment on the men and women who do not do their duty now and who are creating a heritage of shame for their children and their children's children.

Germany's place in the sun means nothing short of world domination. Every Liberty Bond you buy this week is a message from you to the Kaiser that his ambition to conquer the world cannot be realized.

not be realized. (Signed) EDISON. Prior to reading the Edison message,

"If there is any man in this country today who typifies the spirit of 1776 that man is Thomas A. Edison—seventy years old last February. He has been giving every moment of his time to the Govern-

"He has been on the high seas working day and night for America wherever his duty has taken him—tirelessly, under all conditions. Sometimes his assistants in the

aboratory or on the seas with him have complained, but he has replied to them:

Tou can stand it if I can.

Think of it! A man seventy years old setting the pace for young men! Edison has been so busy on special Government work that until now he hasn't had time to true purchase of Liberty Bonds, although he has purchased every dollar's worth he

Maxwell would not further discuss Edison's absence "on the high seas" or whether the inventor has perfected an anti-subma-rine device. He did say however, that during the ten weeks Edison was at sea he was never seasick, although frequently his assistants were so overcome that they wanted to get ashore. It was believed from the fact that Edi-

son's sea voyage was announced as ended and from strictest reticence at the Edison piant today as to his whereabouts, that the inventor had probably found the antisubmarine weapon for which he has been

PARLIAMENT MAY EXILE FORMER CZAR'S FAMILY

Petrograd Report Says "Tobolsk Incident" Led to Discussion

PETROGRAD, Oct. 25 .- Ex-Czar Nicho ins and his family may be exiled from Rus-cian soil. The Bourse Gazette stated to-day that it has learned from an authoritative source that, at a secret sitting of the Grand Preliminary Parliament of the Rus-sian Republic, it considered the question deporting the Romanoff family. the discussions, it was said, the Tobolsk incident was freely debated.

The "Tobolsk incident" was explained in a cablegram from Petrograd on Tuesday. An immense crowd gathered in front of the gates of the Tobolsk Monastery, in which the gates of the Tobolsk Monastery, in which the former Czar and his family are living. on bended knees, sang a Te Deum for the ex-ruler.

Child. Matches, Fire Engines, Doctor Lester Barish, two-year-old son of Mr. nd Mrs. L. Barish, of 1833 Ridge avenue. and Mrs. L Barish, of 1888 Ridge avenue, suffered severe burns this morning as a result of playing with matches. The child was in the dining room at the time and set firs to the table cloth. He was rescued from the flames by his mother. About \$250 damage was done by the fire.

BATTLE WITH U-BOAT

Seven of American Vessel's Crew Wounded, Two of Them Seriously

PARIS, Oct. 25 With seven of her crew wounded, two seriously, in battle with a U-boat, an American steamship arrived today at a French port. The battle lasted nearly four The timely arrival of an American de-

stroyer alone saved the ship from being sent to the bottom.

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A few hours after the vessel had entered the danger zone a lookout sighted a submarine on the port bow, but before he had time to report its presence the submarine fired a shot which missed the stern of the ship by a few yards. The captain immediately sent out a wireless call for assistance. The gun crews of the two vessels then began to exchange shots. The chief gunner of the steamship opened fire at a range of 2900 yards, but all the shots fell short. The submarine kept maneuvering to keep out of the range of the ship's guns, at the same time maintaining a running fire in an effort to disable them. The merchant ship, after altering its course, started at full speed in an attempt to escape.

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The stubbornness of the battle is indicated by the fact that the submarine fired 234 shots at the steamship, which responded with more than 260 shots.

After the fight had continued for about two hours and several shots had struck the ship, wounding four men, one shell bit the vessel and exploded in the engine room, outling the engines out of commission and putting the engines out of commission and rendering the ship helpless. The German commander then approached nearer and the submarine continued to rain shells upon the

Teuton Allies Break Through Isonzo Line

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front and that an offensive against the Itallans on a major scale was imminent.

RIGA LINE STRIPPED

FOR DRIVE ON ITALY

LONDON Det 25. Direct connection between the German retirement on the Riga front and the Ger-man-wased Austrian offensive on the Ital-ian front was seen by observers here today. Germany has now stripped her lines facing the Russians to the thinnest point of which they are capable in order to answer the frantic appeals of her ally and grant aid against Italy.

Berlin's customarily sweeping claims success of the Austro German drive on the Bainsizza plateau were not borne out by Italian dispatches. The latter admitted strength of the drive and added that it was under German direction, with German troops and German guns and munitions at the head, but added nothing supporting the German claim of "thousands of prisoners." Complete confidence was expressed in the Italian defense. In this connection recent dispatches were recalled detailing how British and French re-enforcements in men, guns and material were on their way to the

Italian front. I For two months Vienna has been clamor ing for German aid to ease the unyielding Italian menace toward Trieste and Laibach. n the face of successive blows against Ausin the face of successive oldwa against Austria's military prestige inflicted by Cadorna's offensive, the peace sentiment has grown so steadily in the dual empire as to alarm Emperor Carl and the German military machine. Evidently it was felt the tary machine. Evidently it was felt the only way this could be combated was to produce news showing Teutonic strength. Therefore, Germany is diverting some of her precious man-power and munitions to aid of her ally.

FRENCH AND BRITISH AID CADORNA IN BIG BATTLE

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 One of the decisive battles of the war is apparently being fought today on the Bainapparently being rought today on the Bain-sizza Plateau, where the Austrians, with twenty fresh divisions containing many German contingents, are on the offensive. General Cadorna, Italian high commander, with resourcements of Planck Commander. with re-enforcements of French and British troops, is prepared to hold the Italian lines at all costs, official Rome cables stated. Italian officials declared the Austro-Ger-

mans are willing to sacrific thousands of their troops for gains on the Isonzo that would be heraided in the Teuton press to

strengthen the people's morale.
German aerial squadrons are strongly represented on the mountain battleground. One German filer was brought down, said the Rome cables.

U. S. SHIP IN FOUR-HOUR UNA GRANDE OFFENSIVA WILSON ASKS NEW YORK BRITAIN WILL STAND ALLA FRONTE ITALIANA

L'Austria Impotente a Fronteg- Tells Empire State Callers to giare gli Italiani ha Chiesto Aiuto alla Germania

ROMA. 25 Ottobre. Un comunicato ufficiate annunzia la cor centrazione di considerevoli forze nemiche alla fronte italiana, allo scopo di iniziare una poderosa offensiva contro le posizion occupate dalle truppe del generale Cadorna Dette forze in larga proporzione sono tedesche ed il materiale da guerra impiegato e' in gran parte proveniente dalla Ger-

manta. Feco il testo del comunicato del generale Cadorna, pubblicato ieri dal Ministero della

Cadorna, pubblicato seri dai Atinistero della Guerra italiano:

Il nemico ha concentrato considerevoli forze alla nostra fronte con lo scopo di iniziare una grande offensiva. Una larga proporzione di queste truppe e materiale da guerra sono provenienti dalla Germania. Nullameno il colpo del nemico ci trovera. fermi e preparati.

Durante la notte si e' notata was crescente intensita' di fuoco d'artiglieria nel varii settori della fronte Giulia e vio-lento bombardamento per lo piu' con speciali proiettili espiosivi tra Rombon e le lince settentrionali sull'altipiano di Bainsizza, ove si delinea il principio dell'attacco.

Nonostante il cattivo tempo, il fucnemico comincio" a diminuire verso l'aiba seguito al violento fuoco delle nostre

batterie. Dalle anzidette notizie ufficiali deve ritenersi che Lannunziata offensiva austro tedesca e stata iniziata e sara' condotta in special modo sull'altipiano di Bainsizza ove le valorose truppe del generale Cadorna, salde e preparate nelle loro posi-zioni formidabili, sapranno scrivere un'altra pagina gloriosa di questa guerra di rederazione di redenzione.

L'Austria da sola non puo' piu' frontegglare l'armata italiana e spera con l'atuto della Germania poter impedire un altro colpo di Cadorna che porterebbe allo sfacelo dell'impero. Ad ogni modo e' opinione ge-nerale che se l'aiuto della Germania potra' ritardare l'avanzata delle truppe italiane, non potva' impedire una disfatta per gli

L'aluto dei rinforzi tedeschi rappresenta una conferma della importanza delle vit-torie riportate dagli italiani nei recenti comnattimenti ed il valore strategico delle positioni che essi hanno occupato, specialmente ull'altipiano di Bainsigga da dove gli ital ani potranno intziare operazioni che affretterebbero la soluzione del grande conflitta. Dispacci giunti da Londra confermano l'ammassamento delle forze tedesche ed austro-ungariche sulla fronte italiana e che una poderosa offensiva e' imminente. Circa tale offensiva i critici militari ri-

tengono che l'esito potra' essere disastroso per gli imperi centrali, e riguardo ad essa sono di tre opinioni e cioe': 1. Che i teutoni sono d'accordo per una

mnovra strategica allo scopo di sollevare lo spirito depresso delle popolazioni tedesche ed austro-ungariche;

2. Che essa sia un'operazione militare per distogliere l'attenzione degli alleati al fronte occidentale; 3. Che si tratta di uno sforzo per una era e propria offensiva nella quale la Ger-nania e l'Austria hanno impegnato tutte

le forze per sconfiggere l'Italia. FALLS FROM HIGH WINDOW

Michael Rooney, fifty-five years old, 1402 South Ringgold street, received a ossible fractured spine and other injuries hen he fell from a second-story window of the machine shop of the Atlantic Refining Company, Thirty-second street and Passyunk avenue, today. He is in St. Agnes's Hospital.

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SUPPORT OF SUFFRAGE

Carry His Message Home to the Voters

TIME FOR STATE ACTION

Declares Question One Which Lies at Foundation of Organized Society

WASHINGTON, Oct 25. "Speaking for myself with all my heart.
I hope the men of New York will vote for woman suffrage. I hope you will be my messengers in carrying this message to

President Wilson in these words reassured 100 women who called on him at the White

House of his support in their campaign for the vote in New York State. "I know the difficulties under which you I know the difficulties under which you have been laboring in New York State." the President said, "but in my judgment those difficulties cannot be used as an excuse by the leaders of any party or by the voters of

the leaders of any party of the distribution which you are pressing upon them.

"The whole world now is witnessing a struggle between ideals of government. It is a struggle which goes deeper and touches more of the foundation of the organized is a struggle which goes deeper and touches more of the foundation of the organized life of man than any struggle that has ever taken place before; and no settlement of the questlans that lie on the surace can satisfy a situation which requires that the questions which he underneath and at the foundation should also be settled and set-tled right. I am free to say that I think the question of woman suffrage is one of the question of woman suffrage is one of those questions which lie at the foundation.

"The world has witnessed slow political reconstruction and men have generally been obliged to be satisfied with the slowness of the process. I believe that this war is toing to quicken the convictions and consciousness of mankind with regard to po-itical questions. I believe that just be-cause we are quickened by the questions of this war we ought to be quickened to give this question of woman suffrage our impediate consideration.

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"As one of the spokesmen of a great party. I would be doing nothing less than obeying the mandates of that party if I gave my hearty support to the question of woman suffrage which you represent. But I do not want to speak merely as one of the spokesmen of a party. I want to speak for myself and say that is seems to me that this is the time for the States of this Union to take this action.

o take this action.
"I feel, therefore," he concluded, "that I im standing upon the firmest foundation of am standing upon the firmest foundation of the age in bidding godspeed to the cause, which you represent and in expressing the ardent hope that the people of New York may realize the great occasion which faces them on election day and may respond to it in noble fashion."

SOLDIER VOTE TO BE TAKEN

Governor Expected to Appoint Commissioners in Day or Two

HARRISBI'RG, Oct. 25.— Governor Brumbaugh probably will name in a day or two the commissioners who will take the November vote of the Pennsylvania the November vote of the Pennsylvania guardsmen and drafted men in the army cantonments. The commissioners will name election boards for each unit. These boards will be made up of army officers who will transcribe the results of the soldier election in books prepared for the purpose. Entries will be made according to the counties represented in each unit. One copy of the official vote will be sent to the prothonotaries of the counties and another to the Secretary of the Commonwealth for checking up purpose. wealth for checking up purpose.

WITH ALL HER ALLIES

No Separate Peace at Expense of Russia or Rumania, Cecil Declares

LONDON, Oct. 25. Britain will never make a separate peace with the Central Empires at the expense of Russia or Rumania, Lord Robert Cecil, Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, told the House of Common today. He vigorously denied the Government was seeking such an arrangement, declared that Great Britain would stand by Russia to the last and assist her in every way to consolidate her new-

"England will not desert Rumania," Lord Robert added.

Lord Robert Cecil's declaration was made probably with two objects in view—to dis-pel the possible effects of the minister propagaida conducted by Tewon agents seeking to allenate Russia and Rumania and in-duce them to sign a separate peace and to disarm the Russian Bolsheviki, who have been spreading the idea that Great Britain was planning to betray Russia into the hands of Germany.

HAS POWER TO PERMIT "TRACKLESS TROLLEY"

to Use State's Highways

HARRISBURG, Oct. 25,-Highway Con missioner J. Denny O'Neil may grant a per mit for the operation of a "trackless trolley" over a State highway, according to an opinion handed down today by Deputy Attorney General Keller, in response to a query raised by the commissioner following the application of the Dover-Rossville Transit Company for permission to erect poles along State roads in York County.

The deputy attorney general finds that the commissioner shall direct the manner and method of construction and impose such conditions as may be necessary for the electric trolley line and wires. The com-missioner also may decline to issue such permit if, in his judgment, the facts war rant such action. The highway

holds, has full authority over the roads so that they may be kept safe to traffic. The company, which was chartered in Delaware, has been granted a certificate of public convenience by the Public Service

SLAV CIVILIANS QUIT KRONSTADT

Abandonment of Petrograd's Main Naval Defense Officially Reported

TROOP LANDING REPULSED

PETROGRAD, Oct. 25. Civil evacuation of Kronstadt, the main naval fortress guarding Petrograd, was begun today, according to official announcement.

German attempts to land troops at Tomba, south of Verder, were repulsed, an official statement declared today.

To the north of Friedstadt (Dvina River front) the Germans continue their retirement, said a dispatch from headquarters today. Russian advance detachments have reached the line of Felwark, Opery-Webs-Starust-Subak, where they have consolldated their new position.

Russian reconnoitering parties report that Kovel, Louisha, Elishan and Rakor have all been evacuated by the Germans. Russian cavalry has reached Tourgol in he Hachfahrt forest, Southeast of Me-Keller Holds O'Neil May Grant Right the Hochfahrt forest. Southeast of Mecupied a monastery.

Kronstadt's civil evacuation is evidently in anticipation of a German naval drive toward Petrograd. The fortress is located twenty miles west of the Russian capital, on the island of Kotlin, and is regarded as a fortress of the first rank. A large naval depot, with docks, yards and various estab-lishments, is also located there. Reval, the outermost of the Russian naval

fortifications on the Gulf of Finland, has already been evacuated, both by civil and military forces. The Russians are apparently concentrating their power of defense on the remaining fortifications of the golf— at Viborg, Helsingfors and Kronstadt,

Young Girl Struck by Auto Anna Matey, of 2301 South Twentleth street, an eleven-year-old schoolgiri, was knocked down by an automobile near her home last night. She was taken to the Methodist Hospital in a serious condition. James Perry, 1500 Christian street, driver of the machine, surrendered to the police.

MICHAELIS'S EATE RESTS WITH KAISER

Emperor Studies Political Situation in Detail Before Making His Decision

BERLIN, Oct. 25. Kaiser Wilhelm has not yet made his

decision as to the Chancellorship. The Berlin press today was filled with exhaustive discussion of the whole Cabinet crisis, with varying guesses as to the outcome. The Kaiser, it was stated, is study. ing the situation in detail and does not desire to continue the friction between Chancellor Michaelis and various political groups longer than necessary.

The Taegliche Rundschau today asserted that Chancellor Michaells does not regard his resignation as required by present con-

Dispatches from London quoted a wire-less press dispatch from Amsterdam yes-terday as stating that Chancellor Michaells had tendered his fortfolio to the Kalser. The foregoing dispatch, direct from Berlin, would seem to confirm this report.



Columbia Records



Hello, My Dearie One-Step (The Ziegfeld Follies - 1917)

Old feet become young, young feet take on a new burst of speed when Prince's Band starts up this swinging one-step. This number introduces 'Chu Chin Chow," the cymbal-clashing strain to which the girls climb the ladders in the last act of the Ziegfeld Follies. Turn the record over and play "Ching Chong," a one-step that simply won't let your feet behave. Luckeye Roberts' greatest success.

Columbia Record A5986, 12-inch, \$1.25

Send Me Away with a Smile One-Step. Columbia Record A5990, 12-inch, \$1.25

Here is a dance arrangement of the song that everybody is humming and whistling nowadays. It's a dance particularly popular just now because it fairly rings with martial vigor. It introduces "You Can't Tell the Mothers from the Daughters," "No, George!" and "Look Me Up When You're in Dixie." The companion one-step on the other side is "Peg O' the

Castle Valse Classique

Columbia Record A5989, 12-inch, \$1.25

Every lover of the waltz owes a debt of gratitude to Earl Fuller's Rector Novelty Orchestra of Rector's, New York City, for this beautiful waltz arrangement of Dvorak's immortal "Humoresque." The dreamines of the stately waltz tempo is enriched and enlivened by the merry vibrant notes of the player xylophone. "One Fleeting Hour," introducing "My Dreams," is on the other side,

For the Freedom of the World

Columbia Record A2347, 10-inch, 75 cents

The rolling of drums, the calling of bugles and the blaring of a full brass hand fairly pour dash and swing into this one-step. And you simply can't refuse to fox-trot to the time on the other side— "Everybody's Jazzin' It."

In addition to these splendid dance records, the Columbia November List of Dance Hits includes Borbee's Jazz Orchestra in "Paddle-Addle," and on the same record, "The Ragtime Volunteers Are Off to War," (A2363, 10-inch, 75, cents). Better than reading about these dances is to listen to them and dance to them. Ask any Columbia dealer to play them for you.

New Columbia Records on Sale the 20th of Each Month

Due to the fact that our factory has been unable to purchase raw materials for certain merchandise that we have featured below, we have decided to discontinue these numbers and we offer them to you at the following ridiculously

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Quenching a Nation's Thirst

by John R. McMahon What shall America drink? The States are deciding that it shall not be rum. The new drinks will come from the orchards, the vineyards and the berry fields. What the new drinks are and how to make them are

told in this issue. Other articles are: Bring Up a Tree in the Way it Should Grow The Farmers' Own Cold Storage

Trading a Farm for City Real Estate This is the first of many articles and stories in which we shall show up the real-estate, blue-sky and get-rich-quick crooks and their schemes to separate the farmer from his money. Invest a dollar and save your savings by profiting by what you read in



