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ITALIANS PLAN STAND ON TAGLIAMENTO RIVER

CADORNA WILL FALL BACK SIXTY MILES; TROOPS KEEP CHECK ON FOE'S ADVANCE

Desperate Efforts Put Forth to Save Third Army as Austro-Germans Push Mighty Advance Into Plains Beyond the Isonzo

BERLIN, Oct. 29,

Austro-German forces invading Italy have arrived before Udine, the War Office announced today.

"Movements which the General Staff ordered are being carried out," said today's official statement. "Troops opposing the enemy are fulfilling their task of keeping a check on the advance on the plains."

PETROGRAD, Oct. 29. The Germans have evacuated the Verder Peninsula, in the Gulf of Riga, according to official announcement made today by the War Office. German forces were landed on the peninsula during the recent German offensive.

Violent fighting in the Meuse sector was reported in today's official state-

ment. After a heavy bombardment on the right bank of the river around Lachaume Wood and Bezonvaux, the Germans attacked and succeeded in gaining a footing on about 500 yards of advanced French lines north of Caurrieres Wood. A counter-attack, the War Office asserted, retook the greater part of this gain.

LONDON, Oct. 29.

Great raiding activity of British and Belgian troops in Flanders was reported in today's official statement. "Opposite Warneton we raided the enemy at night," Field Marshal Haig declared. "In the neighborhood of Reutel hostile reconnoitering detachments were repulsed. North of Merchem a Belgian patrol captured a German post and twenty-one men yesterday. North of Dixmude a successful Belgian raid brought back twenty-three prisoners and a machine gun."

WASHINGTON, Oct. 29.

START BIG "DRIVE"

TO MOBILIZE COOKS

Food Pledge Week Opens

With Half Million Volun-

teers at Work

SEEK SUCCESS OF WAR

THE greatest food experts on both I sides of the Atlantic say that there is a world shortage of food. The boys who are enduring the hell

of the trenches for our sake cannot hold out if ill-fed. The situation

which we have to face right now in

their vital needs or the soldiers must

go short so that the stay-at-homes

may fatten. You cannot have it both ways and must make your

WASHINGTON, Oct. 29 -The food ad-

ministration's big drive to mobilize Ameri-

Half a million volunteers began invasion

to sign the food pledge to conserve wheat,

meat, fat and sugar. Aiding in the work

is an army of 14,000 "four-minute men"

scattered among the country's "movie"

Lord Northcliffe, of the British mission, and Baron E. de Cartier, commissioner from Belgium, today added their voices to Hoover's in an appeal to the housewives

of this country. . "America," said Baron de Cartier, "has

ca's kitchens for the duration of the war

this Food Pledge Week is obvious. Either the stay-at-homes must save so that the soldiers may get

Ill-Fed, Says Northcliffe

Boys Can't Endure Hell if

General Cadorna's Italian army will make its first determined stand against the Austro-German invasion of Italy on the Tagliamento River, official Italian cables indicated today.

Cadorna is now making a tremendous effort to save the third Italian stmy, stationed at the Gulf of Trieste's end of the Italian lines, the cables added. Cadorna's decision to fall back approximately sixty miles to the Tagliamento River means he has found it necessary to sacrifice a strip of territory fixty miles wide at its widest point and stretching forty-five miles along the Gulf of Trieste and northward more than 120 miles. Among the larger cities included in the territory which will be given up are Udine, Tarcento and particularly Cividale, where all Italian stores and munitions have been held in reserve. Much of this material already has been destroyed.

There is no fear among Italian officials

that the Tagliamento line will not hold.
Grave doubts are voiced, however, as to the
morale of the people back of the lines.
"Italy is not defeated," said one high
Italian official. "She will carry on her
part of the war if the civilian population can be sufficiently quieted by rations that must come from America in American

Whether the famous Italian general, outnumbered nearly four to one, can check the spectacular onrush of Von Mackensen and the Teuton hordes depends, military authorities here believe, entirely upon the number of big guns the Allies are able to set to Cadorna before the great battle along

the Tagliamento begins.

Territorials at Plezo and Caporetto, composing the routed second army, were re-sponsible for the general Italian defeat, the sables said. Against these troops—all men of more than forty years of age with milies and only partly trained to military service—the full force of Mackensen's drive

That Italy was betrayed by German spies. the firm belief of Italian officials here. Otherwise Von Mackensen could never have known the weak point in the Italian lines. The Hun hordes struck that part of the talian lines held by the territorials from a point east of Tolmino to Pontebba. Hundreds of Italian villages will be left behind Cadorna, including such important points as Udine, Palmanova, Tarcento and, most important of all, Cividale.

ITALIAN ARMY DRIVEN BACK FROM PLAINS

The Italian situation dominated the

whole war viewpoint today. Enguifed by an overwhelmingly superior force in men and guns, Italy's armies were fast being thrown back in a rout. The de British press was unanimous today

in insisting that the Allies must grant im-Although all circles reiterated their con-Starce in General Cadorna's strength and shifty later to stem the tide, nevertheless, many newspapers today pointed out that the chemy's power had been gravely missiculated by the Allies.

Cadorna's advised by the Allies.

Cadorna's admission of disaffection in his ranks was more disquieting than the lesses, staggering as these have been re-corted by Berlin and Vienna. The Teutons

tre how claiming 100,000 prisoners and DISAFFECTION ADMITTED

The Italian admission of the defect in the congression of Cadorna's troops is in de in the following official report issued in bunday:

"Upon the success or failure of Ameri-ca's households to join this food-conserva-tion movement," said Herbert C. Hoover, "will largely stake the issue of this war." The failure to resist on the part of some Continued on Page Four Column Two

The Italian Crisis Will be discussed by ADALBERTO CAPORALE

in a masterly article, in which he forecasts the final battles of the war on the Venitian plains, in

Tomorrow's



FIRST OF GERMAN SHIPS SEIZED BY U.S. IS SUNK

Huns Bag the Clara Mening, Under Charter to Italy-No

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 29. Chancellor Michaelis' resignation has een accepted, according to a report reachng here today,

Chancellor Michaelis handed in his resignation to take effect reveral days ago, according to a report cabled from Amsterdam The Kaiser delayed action and it had been reported that he would refuse to accept the resignation.

ILL WOMAN DISAPPEARS

Police Asked by Husband to Search for Mrs. Margaret Bayer

Mrs. Margaret Bayer, twenty-eight years old, of 2451 North Third street, is being Martin in Court of Common Pleas No. 5. ought by the police following her disapsearance from her home last Friday, at going to end my life."

The police were not notified until this corning. Prostration from grief over the isappearance of his wife is given by Bayer as an excuse for his failure sooner to com-municate with the authorities. Mrs. Bayer has been in ill health for a number of years. She has a four-year-old son living with relatives at McKeesport.

Man's Skin Like Photo Paper

A case of argyria, in which the human skin is sensitized like photographic paper, is attracting attention at the Philadelphia General Hospital. The patient is John Stenanigan, who some years ago attempted to tighten a stomach tube by applying silver nitrate which arread his system. fiver nitrate, which entered his system and aused his skin to turn black where ex-

Caught in Machinery and Badly Hurt Peter Gino, twenty-six years old, 4317 Factory street, received injuries that may prove fatal when his clothing caught in a machine in the plant of the Andrews Mill Company, Adams avenue and Leiper street. His left arm and leg were badly crushed. He is in the Frankford Hospital.

MAYOR'S FIGHT FOR FREEDOM HEARD IN COURT

Move to Quash Fifth Ward Murder Conspiracy Charge Is Argued

"NO EVIDENCE," IS PLEA

A move to quash the "Bloody Fifth" Ward murder conspiracy charges against Mayor Smith and Select Councilman Fin ey was made today before Judge J. Willis

Attacking the hearing before Judge Charles L. Brown, of the Municipal Court which time she left a note for her husband as unconstitutional, and the evidence subn which she said; "Good-by, Arthur. I am mitted as not substantiating the charges, former Judge Abraham M. Beitler, of counsel for the defense, warmly defended Mayor Smith and absolved him of all blame in the murder and thuggery,

Argument on habeas corpus proceedings for the Mayor's seven other political co-defendants was postponed until Friday morning, because of absence of their coun-sel. Hearing of the cases of the Mayor and Mr. Finley was segun after more than an hour's delay, after the defense made an effort to have all nine cases continued.

Admitting that the police were asked to Admitting that the police were asked to work for Isaac Deutsch in the Fifth Ward fight with James A. Carey, Mr. Beitler denied that Police Libutenant Bennett, Director of Public Safety Wilson or Mayor Smith could be connected with the request. He denounced Carey's letter of protest to the Mayor as a "dishonest letter" and a "mmart piece of political trickery to coerce the Mayor." asserting that Carey refused to co-operate in an houest effort by the Mayor's personal investigators to probe Fifth Ward conditions.

In defending Director Wilson, Mr. Beitler pointed out that there are 4500 men in the police service and that they are "not all

QUICK NEWS

SOCCER SCORES

GERMANT'N HIGH .. 1 3-4 W. PHILA, HIGH .. 3 0-3 NORTHEAST HIGH .. 11 9-20 S. PHILA RIGH ... 0

WISCONSIN BARS DAN MORGAN'S BOXERS

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Oct, 29 .- Dan Morgan and his entire stable of boxers, including Jack Britton, were suspended for six months today by the Wisconsin boxing commission.

ABSOLVES MAYOR FROM POLICE RESPONSIBILITY

There is nothing in the Bullitt bill which places the Mayor in charge of the Department of Public Safety, according to James Scarlet, counsel for Mayor Smith. He made this statement this afternoon in Court of Common Pleas No. 5 during the proceedings to quash the murder conspiracy charges against the Mayor and others.

EVANS AND MAXWELL BEAT PROS ON 38TH HOLE

WHITEMARSH COUNTRY CLUB, Oct. 29. Charles (Caick) Evans and Norman Maxwell, amateur, defeated Jim Barnes and Eddie Loos, professionals, in an extra-hole match in the benefit foursome for the soldiers' tobacco fun here this afternoon. The match went to the thirty-eighth hole or two extra holes. At the end of the morning round the winners were six down to Loos and Barnes.

SEVEN MORE ALIENS SENT TO ELLIS ISLAND

NEW YORK, Oct. 29 .- Because they did not "keep their mouths enut," as Attorney General Gregory lately advised enemy aliens to do. Ellis Island has seven additional residents, it was learned here today. Six were charged with spreading rumors of American transports sun . and suicides among American soldiers. The seventh voiced his be-Hef, "Germany could not be beaten in a hundred years."

SOLDIER HURT IN JUMP FROM WINDOW

George Piesciski, nineteen years old, a private of Company L. Forty-seventh New York Regiment, who was under arrest for a minor offense, jumped from a second story window of the State Armory. Thirty-third street aand Lancaster avenue, early today. He struck the ground with such force that he was knocked unconscious. Two guardsmen found him and sent him to the Naval Hospital.

GOLF CHAMPIONS IN "SMOKE" TOURNAMENT AT WHITEMARSH



The illustration show the competitors in today's thirty-six-hole best-ball match for the Soldiers' Tobacco Fund over the Whitemarsh Valley Country Club course at the eighteenth hole. Left to right, the players are: Evans, Maxwell, Loos and Barnes.

EVANS-MAXWELL EVEN AT 18TH

Amateurs Overcome Lead of Six and Tie Pros on Last Hole at Whitemarsh

PLAY FOR TOBACCO FUND

WHITEMARSH COUNTRY CLUB, Oct. 20. Jim Barnes and Eddie Loos, pros, and Chick Evans and Norman Maxwell, amateurs, in the best-ball foursome match over a thirty-six-hole course here today were all even at the finish of play, and an extra of the country's 22,000,000 households with hole was started. Evans and Maxwell a personal invitation to each housewife evened the score on the eighteenth.

The match was for the benefit of the soldiers' tobacco fund.

Barnes won outright five holes, Loos three, Evans two and amateur Maxwell one in the morning round. Barnes had the best core, getting a 75 for the first round. The driving from the tee was excep-tionally long in view of the heavy atmos-phere and the course. After Evans got started, having driven down from Bethle-

scattered among the country's "movie" houses and on street, corners to catch the housewife while she's shopping and tell her why the success of Food Pledge Week is important to the winning of the war. Food Pledge Week, postponed until now to avoid conflict with the Liberty Loan finale, will end Saturday night. started, having driven down from Bethle-hem in an open automobile, he held his own against Barnes, probably the longest driver in the country. On two or three holes the four tee shots could have been covered with a blanket. All four players averaged more than 200 yards on their drives and even on the holes against the wind their shots were close to that fours. shots were close to that figure.

Despite the threatening weather a large-sized crowd attended the match, and when "America," said Baron de Cartier, "has kept Belgium from starvation. Those in Europe who are extending every effort to crush Prussian autocracy forever need food. America must supply by far the greater proportion of this. It is a grand conception, worthy of ideals and traditions of the greatest republic, that this food shall be supplied by the voluntary effort of the individual citizens. Thus they will assure victory in the war."

"The lioys," said Northeliffe, "who are the afternoon round began the throwing was ansiderably larger.

The amateurs were handicapped by Evans's lack of knowledge of the course, as he saw it for the first time this morning. As a result, Barnes and Loos had a lead of five holes on the first eight and it was not until the ninth that Evans won the first hole for his side with a bird two. He and Maxwell further reduced the lead to two down on the thirteenth. On the next four Continued on Page Thirteen, Column Three

BLAZONRY BLAZES HOME AHEAD IN LAUREL OPENER

Robinson Rides Winner in Field of Nine Two-Year-Old Maidens Over Six-Furlong Race

LAUREL TRACK, Md., Oct. 29.-Robinon was up on Blazonry, winning by length in the first race here this afteron. It was a six-furlong event, and the victor's time was 1:16: Summaries

FIRST RACE, two-year-old maidens, pure Ton, 6 furlongs; Hazonry, 114 Hobinson...., 13.40 13.20 12.30 Hazonry, 114 Hobinson...., 4.20 2.50 Vhippoorwill, 114, J. McTaggart Time, 1:16. El Capitania, Arigona, Bandana Bathilde, Top Boots and Bill McCoy also ran. Golden Soldier, Princeps, Dalryman, Millract and Medusa acratched.

SECOND RACE, claiming, three-year-olds, t riongs:
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eprobate 108 J McTaggart 4.00 3.20
nckshot, 113, Blos. 5.40
Time, 1.14 4-5. Costumer, Milbrey, Scyllas, steldama, Fathom, Cuddle Up, Nother Machree, ing-a-ling, Milton Campbell, Swift Fox and oily J. also ran.
Medicka, Alyn G. and Comacho scratched.
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FIRST RACE, 6 furlongs: honeta, 112. Garner....\$7.60 24.00 43.50 |elilotus, 112. Keleny ... 6.40 4.60 |ageline, 112. Gentry ... 3.10

NEW ITALIAN CABINET BELIEVED COMPLETED ROME, Oct. 29 .- Minister of the Interior Orlando was believed to have completed

the new Italian Cabinet late this afternoon. Formal announcement was withheld.

NEW \$500,000 PLANT TO MAKE CHEMICALS CHICAGO, Oct. 29 .- A new chemical plant will be built by the National Carbide Company at Bramwell, W. Va. It will cost approximately \$500,000.

UNCLE SAM LENDS JOHN BULL \$25,000,000 MORE

WASHINGTON, Oct. 29.-The Treasury Department today advanced \$25,000,000 to Great Britain, bringing the total of loans to the Allies to \$2,851,400,000.

MAN ELECTROCUTED ON P. R. R. MAIN LINE CABLE The body of a man, who had been electrocuted, according to authorities of the

Presbyterian Hospital, was found early today lying across a high-power cuble on the main line of the Pennsylvania Railroad at Thirty-first and Market streets. In his pocket was a paper with the words "John Jacques, Company C, 115th Infantry,

LACK OF POSTAGE WILL NOT HOLD 3-CENT MAIL WASHINGTON, Oct. 29 .- When the three-cent postage law goes into effect No-

ember 3, letters with insufficient postage will not be held up, but will be sent through to their destinations, it was announced today by the Postoffice Department. When a letter reaches the postoffice address the carrier will affix postage due stamps for the amount lacking, cancel them and collect the insufficient postage when delivering the scy: Probably rain tonight and Tuesday. letter.

STRICTER ENFORCEMENT OF BARRED ZONE RULE WASHINGTON, Oct. 29 .- The Government has decided upon drastic measures to keep allen enemies out of restricted territory. Orders were issued from the Department of Justice today for more rigid enforcement of the President's proclamation

FARM HELP PROBLEM FOR NEXT YEAR SERIOUS

concerning barred zones. Aliens violating are to be prosecuted 's the limit.

WOODBURY, N. J., Oct. 29.—One of the leading farmers in this section sava that the farm-help problem for next year is going to be far more serious than it has been this year, unless the war ends. A good farmband can get his own price as a rule now, because there is considerable work to do yet in handling late produce, much of which is still in the ground. This applies particularly to potatoes. This farmer further says that there is not one man in a hundred in South Jersey who has made arrangements for help next season. Not that he has not tried, but because the men will not hire out. Ninety per cent of the farm help in Gloucester County now is from the South. Much of it will be retained through the winter, if possible, in

TOWN MEETING PARTY IS LEGAL, COURT'S DECREE

Vares Defeated in Effort to Keep Names Off Ballot

BENCH GIVES HARD BLOW TO MACHINE

Ruling Assures Candidacy of Nicholson, Armstrong and Smith

STATE POLICE ASKED FOR

Warning to Citizens of Philadelphia

THE Town Meeting party today

issued this warning: It has been openly stated today It has been openly stated today that a circular letter will be issued and sent to every voter in Philadelphia, signed with the name of the Town Meeting party committee, requesting the voters to mark and vote the "Anti-Contractor" ticket instead of the Town Meeting to the total to the total total to the total total to the total t ing party ticket because the Town Meeting party fears and believes that ticket is illegal and cannot

This circular is fraudulent and a forgery, and the Town Meeting party repudiates it as such.

The Town Meeting party is cer-tain of the legality and status of its ticket and ballot. This said circular is being issued to deceive again the voters and deprive them of their ballot. It is a palpable fraud and in a remarkable way shows the trickery to which the other side is resorting in an effort to avert an honest election.

The Town Meeting party has no doubt that the citizens of Phila-delphia will fittingly resent this and similar insults at the polls on November 6 by voting the full Town Meeting party ticket.

The existence of the Town Meeting party is assured. Judge Davis, sitting in Com-mon Pleas Court No. 3 today, decided that the names of the new part a candidates might be placed upon the official ball of.

His decision was a blow to the Vara-Smith machine in its desperate efforts to smother the Town Meeting party before election day. The very court which the Vare-Smith faction appealed to declared the candidates of the people's party put for-ward in an illegal way has upheld the in-tegrity of the people of t tegrity of the new reform movement. Judge Davis's ruling makes it certain that

the names of the candidates for the row offices—William R. Nicholson, for City Treasurer; Thomas F. Armstrong, for Receiver of Taxes, and Walter George Smith, for Register of Wills—will be placed upon the general ballot at the election on Tuesday, November 6.

Judge Davis's decision was in line with his ruling last week, to the effect that the rights of the electors of the city would be protected by the court.

Judge Davis declared that he would permit of the Town Meeting nomination papers to be amended, but indicated that he would not permit some of them to be filed at all

"In view of the vast amount of testi-mony and the necessity of going over each and every nomination paper that was filed, it has been impossible to go over them thoroughly. I wish to make this announce-

ment:
"I shall allow amendments to be made where the affidavits, through inadvertence or other good cause, have not been properly sworn to; that is to say, I will allow the documents to be amended when properly sworn to by five qualified electors erly sworn to be amended when properly sworn to by five qualified electors appearing regularly before a notary. The amendments must be attached to the nomination papers to which the objections specifically have referred. I will hear arguments on any other question. Further, I will indicate which papers the court will allow to be amended. I will try to do allow to be amended. I will try to do
this by this afternoon or tomorrow. But
there should be no anxiety on the part of
any one as to the party name going on
the ballot."

COURT LIMITS DEBATE

Judge Davis, then limited debate to onehaif hour on each side. His decision limited the argument simply to the question of which petitions could be amended. Counsel for each side immediately filed briefs stating that they had gone over the petitions and the names as thoroughly as they could, and giving the court the summary of the result of their investigations.

William T. Connor, counsel for the Vare-Continued on Page Thirteen, Column Five

THE WEATHER

FORECAST

For Philadelphia and vicinity: Unsetiled late tonight, with probably rain in the early morning and on Tuesday; warmer tonight; colder Tuesday afternoon and night; fresh south shifting to west winds. For eastern Pennsylvania and New Jerwarmer tanight and colder Tuesday; fresh south shifting to west winds.

LENGTH OF DAY DELAWARE RIVER TIDE CHANGES figh water. 12:17 s.m. | High water. 12:36 p.m. TEMPERATURE AT EACH HOUR 8 9 10 11 12 U 2 3 41 5 48 51 55 59 59 59 61 61 63 62 61

> The 'Continuation of the Story RASPUTIN Devil or Saint?

by the Princess Catharine Radziwill is printed on Page 19

Centioned on Page Five, Column Faus Rainbow's End," a Thrilling Novel of Love, Hidden Treasure and Rebellion, by Rex Beach, Page 19 of Today's Issue