

ITALIANS FOIL ENEMY'S PLANS TO TURN FLANK

TEUTONS FLUNG BACK IN NORTH, ROME ASSERTS

Repulse of Invaders Reported, but Berlin Claims Capture of Cisono

ROME, Nov. 15.—Teutonic attempts to circle the northern flank of Italy's Piave River line are being vigorously repulsed. Today's official statement asserted: "On the mountainous front from the Asiago plateau to the Piave all positions remained ours despite heavy enemy attacks at various points."

News that Italian troops had stood their ground firmly and repelled all efforts of the Austrians on the north created great jubilation here and increased optimism that the Piave line would prove an unbreakable defense to the German invaders.

Dispatches today reported that the civil execution of Venice had virtually been completed. A few families have insisted on remaining.

Confidence that Venice would be saved by the despoiling hand of the invader was based on the natural obstacles in the way of an advance close to the sea coast. From Treviso, around which recent dispatches placed the Austro-German troops, to Venice is about sixteen miles on a direct line, but intervening are numerous lagoons, bays and rivers, with marsh lands scattered in between.

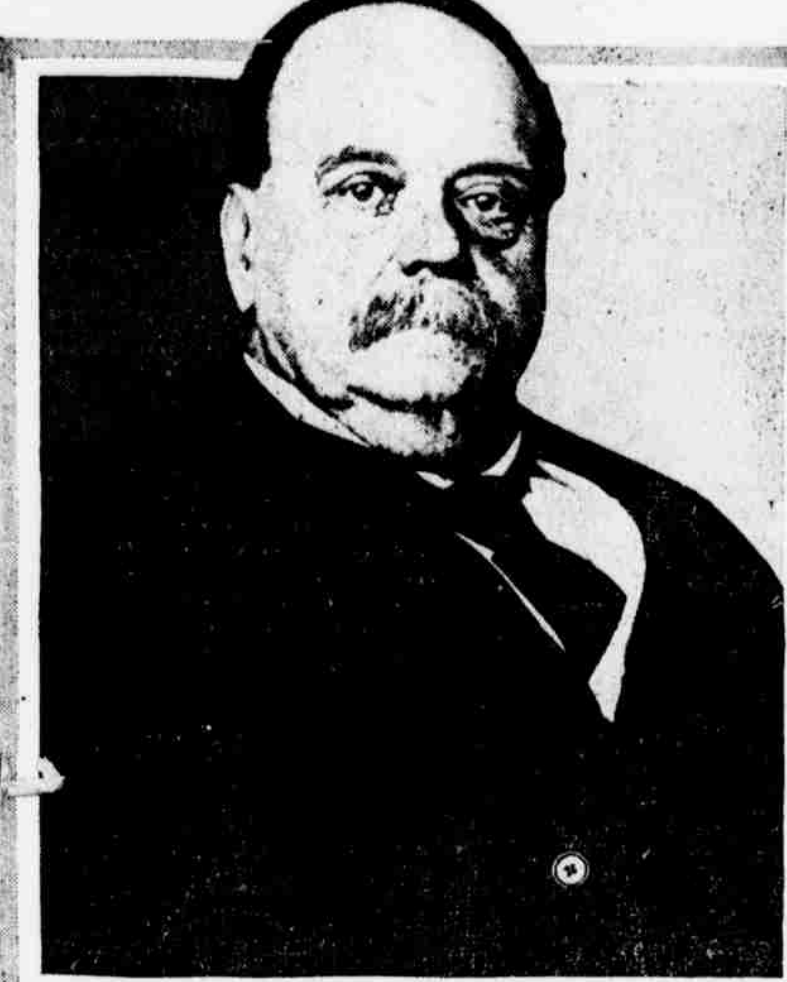
Recent rains have clogged the waterways to their flood stages, and this was regarded as extremely favorable to the Italian defenders.

In addition army engineers have opened passages to hamper the advance of the enemy still further.

The Vatican today issued instructions to all representatives in Vienna and Munich to appeal, if necessary, to the Emperor and Kaiser for orders to German and Austro-Hungarian troops in Italy to respect the rights of civilians. Emphasis was laid on the necessity that women, children, members of the clergy and hospital and church be spared from attack.

BERLIN, Nov. 15.—Important new successes for the Austro-German armies in Italy were claimed by the German war office today. As announced, the German army that occupied Primolano has advanced down the Cimon Valley and captured the town of Cimon.

BRITISH STATESMAN VISITS CITY



Sir George H. Reid, former Premier and High Commissioner of Australia, who represents Sir George's, Hanover Square, in the British House of Commons. Sir George arrived in Philadelphia today from Canada.

Y. M. C. A. WAR FUND HAS BIGGEST DAY

Subscriptions of \$257,597.15 Bring City's Total to \$1,194,806.54

MANY LIBERAL GIFTS

PENN CHARTER DOWNS EPISCOPAL TEAM, 31-7

Sitley, Sangree and Brown Tally Touchdowns for Quakers in Important Game

THE AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF A PENNSYLVANIAN

NEW RETREAT BY TEUTONS IN WEST COMING

German Newspapers Forecast Another "Strategic Retreat" by Germans

LONDON, Nov. 16.—Worcester regiments carried out a successful raid last night northeast of Fampoux. Field Marshal Haig reported today. North of Poelcapelle hostile reconnoitering parties endeavoring to approach the British lines were repulsed.

PARIS, Nov. 16.—Switching their pressure from the British to the French troops, the Germans on the west Flanders front delivered a strong assault against the French position north of Veldhoek, the War Office stated this afternoon. The attack broke down with heavy loss under the French fire. There were artillery combats throughout the night on the Verdun front.

By WILLIAM PHILIP SIMMS WITH THE BRITISH ARMIES IN FLANDERS, Nov. 16.

German newspapers found on recently captured prisoners show the Kaiser's Government is preparing the public for another "strategic retreat" on the west front.

Captured German officers admit the German high command entertains the fear that a retreat for a distance "of several miles" may be necessary by recent British advances.

FACTION POLITICS IN BUDGET HEARING

Trainer Stirs Finance Committee by Reviewing Tax Office Scandal

HINTS OF SHIELDED MEN

QUICK NEWS

Table with Football Scores: CHEST HILL, ST. LUKE'S, HILL SCHOOL, HOTCHKISS, W. PHILA. H., CENTRAL H. vs. TREDDYFFRIN, CHELTENHAM, EPISCOPAL, PENN. CHART., FRANKFORD, NORTHEAST.

Table with Soccer Scores: GERMAN T. H. vs. FRNDS SELECT.

REPORT TWO AMERICAN SHIPS TORPEDOED

N. Y. SUGAR SITUATION TEMPORARILY RELIEVED

U. S. COMMANDEERS DELAWARE RIVER BOAT

THREE MEN BADLY BURNED BY EXPLODING GAS

AGED WOMAN KILLED BY TROLLEY CAR

T. J. M'GINNIS DANGEROUSLY ILL IN HOSPITAL

FOUR GERMAN PLANES SHOT DOWN IN BELGIUM

UNIFORMS FOR NEW STATE RESERVE MILITIA

EXPRESS COMPANIES WANT RATE INCREASE

EARTHQUAKE SHOCKS RECORDED AT GEORGETOWN

RUSSIANS FAIL TO AGREE UPON PLAN OF TRUCE

Kerensky Refuses to Admit Bolsheviki to Proposed Coalition Government

MAY YET BE COMPROMISE

Reds' Hold on Petrograd Precarious—General Strike Declared in Finland

AMSTERDAM, Nov. 16.—German independent Socialists have asked the president of the Reichstag to convene an extraordinary session of that body for discussion of a peace offer received from Nicholas Lenine, the Russian Bolsheviki leader.

LONDON, Nov. 16.—With Petrograd still out of direct communication and indirect news furnishing the widest contradiction as to which faction was actually in control, London looked today for a compromise armistice and later possibly formation of a coalition government as likely to result from the Bolsheviki revolt.

One attempt to reach a compromise has evidently failed. A dispatch from Petrograd dated Tuesday says the Socialist leaders offered the Bolsheviki the following basis for an agreement.

First. The disarming of the Red Guard. Second. The transfer of the control of the Petrograd garrison to the municipality. Third. The cessation of military operations.

Fourth. Guarantee that Kerensky's army would be the only one entering Petrograd and would not fire a shot. Fifth. The army to abstain from domestic searches and arrests.

The negotiations for the armistice collapsed because, according to the dispatch, Kerensky, the Bolsheviki, has issued proclamations declaring his adherence to the revolution and guaranteeing the clearing out of the Bolsheviki, as well as to the transfer of power to democratic organizations, the Preliminary Parliament and the committee for safeguarding the country and the revolution.

THE WEATHER FORECAST For Philadelphia and vicinity: Cloudy and somewhat unsettled tonight; Saturday probably fair; not much change in temperature; moderate winds, mostly north-easterly.

Deckhand Drowned in Delaware

Recruit Special Unit Here for Pershing

SEEK BIRTHDAY GIFT FUND FOR CARDINAL MERCIER

COLLIERIES TO BE KEPT IN FULL OPERATION

CHURCH CLOSED TO PLAY FOR RED CROSS

BRODHEAD IN ALIEN PROPERTY DEPARTMENT

LENGTH OF DAY