

BIG GERMAN GUNS POUND BRITISH LINE

Ridge South of Broodseinde Heavily Shelled by Enemy's Artillery

HAIG'S MEN MAKE RAID

Hostile Armies Battle for Possession of Brewery at Poelcappelle

LONDON, Oct. 12.—All night long German artillery on the West Flanders front shelled positions on the ridge south of Broodseinde...

In a raid near Monchy les Fleux yesterday the British killed more than 200 Germans and captured thirty-five prisoners...

Weather conditions have improved and an early resumption of the British offensive against the town of Passchendaele is expected.

Desultory fighting continued today in the mud at this section of the line. The brewery in Poelcappelle is still the center of the thickest fighting.

PARIS, Oct. 12.—Artillery firing which approached great violence along the Aisne, at Allies, at Craonne and at Hill 244 on the right bank of the Meuse was reported in today's official statement.

The Dunkirk region was air-bombed by the Germans, with numerous civilian victims.

L'ARTIGLIERIA ITALIANA SBANDA RIPARTI NEMICI

Un Deposito di Munizioni Austriaco Viene Incendiato dal Fuoco dei Cannoni Italiani

ROMA, 12 Ottobre.—In questi ultimi giorni, secondo le notizie pervenute dalla fronte di battaglia italiana, si sono verificate considerevoli azioni di artiglieria da Rombone sino al mare ed in alcuni punti le linee austriache sono state scovate.

Sull'altipiano del Carso le batterie italiane sono state abbastanza attive ed hanno fatto fuoco sopra numerosi distaccamenti nemici che marciavano ad est di Castagnavizza, disperdendoli e costringendoli alla fuga.

Un deposito di munizioni austriaco, nella regione di San Giovanni, fu incendiato dal fuoco dei cannoni italiani.

Nella regione di Costabella si sono verificate tentative di attacco da parte di reparti austriaci contro le posizioni occupate dagli italiani, ma furono prontamente repressi.

La ultima notizia pervenuta al Ministero della Guerra in Roma recava che frequentissimi di artiglieria si sono avuti dallo Stelvio a Rombone, e che sull'altipiano di Bainsizza, e sulla fronte meridionale del Carso il fuoco fu violento ed ambo le parti.

Tentativi di attacco da parte degli austriaci alle posizioni avanzate degli italiani a Vrbovec, sulla parte occidentale della valle di Chiapovano, furono immediatamente respinti.

Cio' puo' rilevarsi dal comunicato del Generale Cadorna, pubblicato ieri dal Ministero della Guerra. Ecco il testo:

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Un comunicato ufficiale annunzia, pure, che alcune torpediere italiane che incrociavano nel Mar Negro hanno distrutto undici imbarcazioni cariche e sono riuscite a fare venti prigionieri.

Il Vaticano spera ancora che l'iniziativa del Papa in favore della pace possa appropere a soddisfacenti risultati. Nei circoli pontefici si crede che la forza degli eventi dovra' obbligare gli imperi centrali a venire a patti.

Per questa ragione di sforzi dei diplomatici papali mirano a persuadere gli Alleati di dare una risposta alle proposte di pace in modo tale da lasciare al Papa adito a negoziati.

Il Vaticano auspica anche che il Presidente Wilson comprenda che il Pontefice sinceramente appoggia la principale parte del suo messaggio ed e' fiducioso che egli possa essere in grado di prendere un piu' favorevole atteggiamento verso le intenzioni di Sua Santita' e riconoscere che l'idea di ottenere un graduale disarmo, per mezzo dell'abolizione della coscrizione, sia piu' pratica di quella di una grande Lega delle Nazioni.

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SILVER SHELL CAPTAIN VISITS JENKINTOWN HOME

Commander of First United States Vessel to Sink U-Boat Will Be Feted

Captain John Frederick Charlton, commander of the Silver Shell, the tanker whose United States gun crew is credited with sinking the first U-boat since this country entered the war, was in Jenkintown for a short time last night.

GERMANY IN CHAOS ON ISSUE OF PEACE

Newspapers Divided Into Factions Clamoring for Acceptance of Pet Theories

CAPELLE COUP A BLUNDER

COPENHAGEN, Oct. 12.—Instead of executing a successful coup and strengthening its position by giving out news of a mutiny in the German navy, the Imperial Government at Berlin found it had only blundered again.

The political situation, revolving around the question of peace terms, has now resolved itself into absolute chaos. The newspapers are divided into factional groups, each clamoring for its pet theories as to how to win the war or to bring about an early peace.

The Kaiser is expected to return to Berlin next Sunday, and a dispatch from that city today, when he may take a hand in trying to end the disorganization which has been growing since the majority bloc jammed its peace resolution through the Reichstag on July 19.

The members of the majority bloc are standing pat, ready to renew their fight for a definite declaration of peace terms when the Reichstag reconvenes on December 5.

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Vegetables on the Monday market come from points nearby, according to the daily report of J. Russell Smith, chairman of the Food Commission of the Philadelphia Home Defense Committee.

Sweet potatoes from New Jersey sell at from 75 to 80 cents a five-eighth bushel basket, while white potatoes are bringing from 85 cents to \$1 for the same sized basket. Apples are still scarce.

White perch, the report says, are now on the market and are caught off the coast of Virginia and northward. They are excellent for frying. The small ones sell at 10 to 12 cents a pound, while large ones sell at 20 to 22 cents a pound.

ABUNDANT—Bunch, carrots, corn, beans, peas, pumpkins, radishes, spinach, string beans, sweet potatoes, cucumbers, turnips.

SCARCE—Grapes, pears, apples, bananas, cranberries, pineapples, celery, tomatoes, lima beans, string beans, peas.

Wholesale fish prices: Dressed weakfish (medium) 10c to 11c, Dressed weakfish (large) 12c to 13c, Round trout 10c to 12c, Croakers (medium) 10c to 12c, Croakers (large) 12c to 14c, Forgive 10c to 12c, Sea bass 10c to 12c, Butterfish (medium) 8c to 10c, Butterfish (large) 10c to 12c, Halibut 10c to 12c, Haddock 10c to 12c, Pike 10c to 12c, Round mackerel 10c to 12c, Salt (large) 10c to 12c, Salt (medium) 8c to 10c, Herring 10c to 12c, Dressed salmon 10c to 12c, Dressed catfish (white) 10c to 12c, Dressed catfish (red) 10c to 12c, Haddock (small) 10c to 12c, Bonito mackerel (large) 10c to 12c, Bonito mackerel (small) 8c to 10c, Round sole 10c to 12c, White perch (small) 10c to 12c.

Baker to Address Ohio Club. Secretary of War Newton D. Baker will be the guest of the Ohio Society of Philadelphia in the near future.

WILLS PROBATED BY REGISTER. Several Estates Disposed of in Private Bequests.

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TEUTONS' LATEST THRUST

The German fleet, numbering ninety vessels, has invaded Russia by way of the Gulf of Riga, landing troops on Osel Island and capturing the greater part of that fortified station.

Arrensburg, the capital, and the town of Serel are in flames. Russia concedes German mastery of the Finnish Gulf, but declares attacks upon Dago Island crushed.

88 EYEGLASSES PROTECT DOG'S OPTICS FROM WIND

U. S. District Attorney Gives New Evidence of Causes for High Living Cost

CHICAGO, Oct. 12.—One of the newest features of the high cost of living investigation by Federal agents has just been revealed by United States District Attorney Cline here.

"I dropped into an oculist's a couple of days ago, with a friend who had broken his glasses. We found that gentleman, immaculately clad, carefully fitting a pair of glasses on the pug nose of a bulldog with undershot jaw and handy legs.

"Well, we had to wait. A lady, in handsome furs, held the bulldog by the chain. When the job was done she led it away. I asked the oculist:

"How do you test the vision of a dog's eyes?" He replied: "I don't test it for vision. You see, it was like this—the lady had her dog out motoring, they were riding rather fast and the air was cold.

"She noticed that a little drop of moisture gathered in the dog's eye. It trickled down his cheek. The lady decided that something must be done. So she brought him to me—the glasses are to protect his eyes when he goes motoring."

"How much did she pay for those glasses?" I asked.

"Eight dollars," my friend replied.

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Our Boys in France

OUR boys in France may need money. It's a long time between pay days and a Franc doesn't go as far as it used to.

We are able to send money to those at the front at a nominal cost.

For \$100 and 50 cents we will pay \$100 in American money or its equivalent in French Gold to anyone in France.

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450 SHIPS DRAFTED FOR WAR SERVICE

U. S. Requisitions All Vessels of 2500 Tons or Over

TO TAKE SMALLER CRAFT

Further Orders Will Increase 1,500,000 Tonnage Now Under Shipping Board's Control

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12.—America's merchant marine today was conscripted for war duty. The order of the Shipping Board requisitioning all privately owned American vessels of 2500 tons or over went into effect this morning.

According to the estimates of the Shipping Board some 450 ships, aggregating a tonnage of approximately 1,600,000 tons, passed into the control of the United States Government.

These ships will be directly under the control of Edward F. Carry, director of operations, and the chartering board. A series of conferences will begin immediately to determine what shall be done with the vessels.

For the most part individual ships will be turned back to their owners to be operated under the direction of the chartering board at rates to be set by that board.

This step is taken to give the Shipping Board power over ocean-going rates, and to equalize freight rates from American ports. It is hoped that this will put an end to speculation in ship bottoms, which has caused keen competition among the various Allies for shipping space.

Under the new arrangement excess shipping space will be divided proportionately among the Allies by the Shipping Board.

The conscription of American vessels is a preliminary step. Within a few weeks there will be another call, when all vessels of 2500 tons or over will be requisitioned. There will then follow a third order, which will take ships of 1500 tons or over. If the Shipping Board finally determines that it must have absolute con-

SIGNAL CORPS NEEDS 100 RECRUITS AT ONCE

75 Stenographers and 25 Accountants Will Receive Special Ranking

Urgent call for about seventy-five stenographers and twenty-five accountants was sent out today by the Signal Corps Recruiting Station at Fifth and Sanson streets, in the Drexel Building. Orders had just been received from the headquarters of the Eastern Department in New York to get these men for service in France and in the United States within ten days.

All enlisted will receive the rank of first-class private at least, and those exceptionally qualified will be made corporals at once. They will be sent into active service in a very short time, with very good opportunity for advancement, according to the department.

The recruiting office also is looking for wireless and telegraph operators and telephone men experienced in the upkeep of lines and switchboards. The office has already sent about 750 men to the various military posts in the East, some of whom are in training schools in New York.

U. S. TAKES OVER TWENTY STEAMSHIPS IN THIS PORT

Twenty steamships, with an aggregate tonnage of 60,000 tons and valued at nearly \$5,000,000, are being taken over by the United States Government in the port of Philadelphia today. The order became effective at midnight of the hour on the vessels were subject to the orders of the United States Shipping Board.

The Merchants and Miners' Company operate four steamships out of Philadelphia which will come under Government control. They are the Creston, 2550 tons gross; Orcaian, 2827 tons; Peradon, 2674 tons, and the Quantico, 2676 tons.

The Clyde Steamship Company has the George W. Clyde, 1848 tons; Mohican, 2253 tons; New York, 2589 tons, and the Pawnee, about 1800 tons. The Southern Steamship Company, which operates between Philadelphia, Tampa, Texas City and Galveston has the Algiers, 2294 tons; Osnabaw, 2667 tons; Ocmulgee, 2667 tons, and William P. Palmer, 2293 tons.

Among the vessels to be taken will be quite a fleet of tankers. The Sun Company has the Atlantic Sun, 1797 tons; Paragony, 1593 tons; Santa Rita, 3822 tons; Sun, 3310 tons, and Toledo, 2891 tons. The Atlantic Refining Company has the H. C. Folger, of 1186 tons, and the I. W. Van Dyke, of 719 tons. The last mentioned company also has a number of new tankers and some on the ways which are almost ready for delivery.

FIND ANTHRAX GERMS IN RED CROSS BANDAGES

Congressman Pou Makes Startling Charge Regarding Work in North Carolina Home

GREENSBORO, N. C., Oct. 12.—Secret service men today were investigating persons connected with Red Cross activities in eastern North Carolina following a statement by Congressman James H. Pou here in an address last night, that anthrax germs had been found incorporated in bandages made in private homes by Red Cross workers.

Germs were said to have been discovered in "plenteous number." One home employing a "governess" was said to be under particular scrutiny.

Two Years Old And Growing Fast!

ARGADIA Cafe celebrates its birth-day Thursday night.

Be sure you enjoy the fun—all your friends will be there. Telephone table reservations received now. Call Walnut 4790.

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WIDENER BUILDING

Victor Records advertisement featuring a hand holding a record, the slogan 'His Master's Voice', and the product name 'Victor Tungs-tone Stylus'. The ad includes promotional text about playing 100 to 300 records without changing packages, and a large 'Victrola' logo at the bottom.