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GERMANS FIGHTING ON ITALIAN TERRITORY

ITALIANS UNABLE TO WITHSTAND MACKENZEN'S CONCENTRATED ATTACKS

AUSTRO-GERMANS BURST THRO' THE PASSES INTO ITALY

GORIZIA IS RECAPTURED, CIVIDALE TAKEN AND MACKENZEN NOW ATTACKING UDINE—ITALIAN WHOLE LINE IN RETREAT BUT FIERCELY CONTESTING EVERY STEP OF THE WAY

(Special to The Daily News.)

London, Oct. 30.—The Austro-German forces under General Mackenzen have succeeded in bursting through the mountain passes leading from Austria into Italy and are making rapid progress over the plains of Venetia. The city of Cividale has been captured and Mackenzen has pressed forward towards Udine, which heretofore have been the Grand Headquarters of the Italian army. Mackenzen's successes have instilled new heart into the previously dispirited Austrian troops and stiffened by innumerable German divisions, the forces of the Central Empires have swept the Italians out of the mountains on to the plains. The enemy has operated very swiftly and with a huge concentration of troops and artillery, has compelled the Italian army from the Gorizia to the sea to retreat.

Strong Lines.

Italy has strong defensive lines already prepared in which General Cadorna has every confidence and where he will be able to stop the forward sweep of the advancing Germans. The retreat of the Italians is being carried out systematically, and the troops are obeying orders. All the orders issued by the General Staff are being carried out.

Help From Allies.

Britain and France have reinforcements already on the way to help General Cadorna stem the rush of the Goths and Vandals, who would again threaten Italy. Artillery has been dispatched and troops have been pouring in since last week. General Cadorna states that he is checking the enemy's advance. "Stand firm. Help will come," is the message sent to Italy from Great Britain.

Berlin's Claims.

Berlin, Oct. 30.—The Austro-German troops have forced their way through the mountains in the

teeth of stiff opposition and are now in the plains of Northern Italy. The town of Cividale in Italy has been captured. Gorizia, on the Isonzo, has also been taken. The number of prisoners on our hands is now estimated at eighty thousand, together with seven hundred guns.

The Carso Menaced.

London, October 30.—The fall of Gorizia is a serious menace to the Italian troops holding the Carso line running southward to the head of the Adriatic. It is expected that General Cadorna will be able to offer a strong resistance on the line running through Tolmezzo, Gemona, Udine, Buverio and Gradisca. In the event of the capture of the latter place, the retreat of the troops on the Carso will become inevitable, and it will be also a rather difficult operation. The line of the Tagliamento River, eighteen miles from Udine is the natural position for the Italians to make a stand, and hold the Germans from overrunning the whole of Northern Italy.

German Losses.

Berlin, October 30.—The losses of the Austro-German forces in their drive against the Italians so far number over twenty thousand.

UNITED STATES IS NOW EXPORTING DYESTUFFS

Philadelphia, October 27.—The American dye industry has not only grown big enough to supply practically all domestic needs, but is now exporting important quantities to other nations. In July nearly \$500,000 worth of aniline dyes was shipped abroad, according to figures published by the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce of the Department of Commerce. This is the first time that separate statistics for aniline exports have ever been issued, innovation resulting from the recent striking growth of the trade.

EPIDEMIC OF HUNGER TYPHUS IN GERMANY

Amsterdam, October 29.—It is learned that the schools of Cologne are closed owing to the increase in what is called "hunger typhus," a type of dysentery caused by the bad quality of food, especially the bread produced in recent months. There are tens of thousands of cases throughout Germany. Vienna also reports an increased number of cases of this malady in Austria-Hungary.

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HUNDREDS OF POLES STARVING TO DEATH

Old Men and Young Children Die in the Streets From Starvation—Ase Relief.

New York, Oct. 27.—A cablegram reaching here today from the American Legation at Copenhagen, through the State Department, says hundreds of persons are literally starving to death in the streets of Warsaw and other cities of Poland and Lithuania. The Provisional Executive Committee for General Zionist Affairs, which received the message, announced that it would place the situation before President Wilson.

The cablegram reads in part: "The Warsaw Commission reports that the position in Poland and Lithuania is desperate. Mortality from diseases and epidemics progressing horribly. There are frequent instances of old men and women and young children dying on the streets from starvation. Even the families of soldiers fighting in the ranks of the Entente armies suffer great misery. The only thing that can save the population is the creation of a relief action similar to that taken in behalf of Belgium. The Commission hopes to secure from the Entente the necessary guarantees which will enable the American people to send relief, and states it has prospects of securing the necessary tonnage to bring salvation to them."

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FISH ARRIVALS

The New England has arrived with 110,000 lbs. halibut; Tom and Al, 80,000; Lincoln, 7,000; Hilda, 6,000; Kubenn, 1,500; Margalice, 7,000 lbs. Up till noon, bidding had not started. Several of the bigger boats are fishing up north and are expected to arrive later in the week.

THE POLICE COURT

Before Magistrate Carss this morning in the police court, Ed. Swanson was fined \$50 for being in possession of intoxicating liquor, in breach of the Prohibition Act. It was admitted in court that the liquor had been brought in from Ketchikan in a fishing boat.

Wedding Bells.

Last evening at the Baptist Church by the Rev. W. W. Wright, Mr. Albert Allet and Miss Mary Hanson were united in matrimony. The many friends of Mr. Allet will congratulate him upon his translation to another state, as well as the bride. Mr. Allet is a returned soldier, and has been engaged at the Government wharf, where the newly married couple will take up house.

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The Enemy of Civilization.

Kaiser Wilhelm, the man who set the world aflame with the war, as he looks today. He is thinner than he was before the war broke out and the lines in his face show that he has suffered some of the pangs that he caused humanity. His figure has lost some of the military carriage of his former bearing, and in this photo, unlike those of the past, he is making no effort to conceal the short left hand, which is hidden in most of his other portraits.

MAY BE REASON FOR THE GERMAN RETREAT

Petrograd, Oct. 27.—German prisoners on the Dvina front speak of a mutinous movement in their army in connection with the distribution of munitions for the winter. The soldiers expressed great discontent at the prospect of another winter campaign, and there were several cases of insubordination which were severely dealt with.

In one regiment a League of Peace was formed, professing the principles of the Russian revolution. The movement was crushed so far as concerned its outward manifestations, but the unrest continues. At the same time the "patriotic party" is carrying on a propaganda with great apparent success.

The prisoners report that the winter supplies in the army service stores are greatly inferior to those of last year.

AVIATION CORPS

The Commission appointed to recommend candidates for the Aviation Corps will meet at 5 p. m. Tuesdays and Fridays in the Mayor's Office, City Hall, until further notice. This Commission has jurisdiction over those applying for flying only. Applicants who apply as mechanics can do so by letter to the Royal Flying Corps of Canada, Vancouver, B. C. In making application please state your technical knowledge. M. P. McCaffery, Chairman.

NOTES FROM THE COUNCIL CHAMBER

The regular meeting of the Prince Rupert city council took place last evening at 8 o'clock. The attendance of interested citizens in the civic doings was up to the average.

The proceedings were opened by the city clerk reading a letter from the Great War Veterans' Association, conveying their thanks to the council for the gift of free water, light and telephone to their rooms on Third Avenue. This was followed by an application by the same association for the grant of two burial plots in the city cemetery, which request was remitted to the cemetery committee.

A recommendation from the finance committee for the purchase of a new relief valve (whatever that is) for the power plant, was adopted. The valve will cost the ratepayers \$900.

The finance committee was evidently feeling generous this last week for they also recommended some more increases in salary to the collector's dept. Messrs. Birch, Brooksbank, Allistone and Vance are the fortunate recipients of raises. This made Ald. Casey wonder what was the matter with Mr. E. A. Woods that he was not in line with the others for a raise. Ald. Casey's ground was that if Mr. Woods was capable he was due a raise along with the rest. The inference was that if he did not get a raise he wasn't capable. This, however, was repelled by Ald. McRae, and also by Ald. Nelson with his redundancy of phraseology. Ald. Nelson can repeat himself oftener in different words than any other councillor.

No More Raises.

While he would look with disfavor upon any further applications for increases from this particular department, still Ald. Nelson thought that in those now recommended, the increases were necessary under the circumstances at the present time.

The finance committee also reported that the city tax sale had cost the sum of \$216.50. They also reported unfavorably upon the request from the Red Cross Society for a grant.

The assessment roll was the next matter to be discussed and a resolution was read to the effect that the 1917 roll be adopted for 1918. Ald. Montgomery did not like this. He thought that the next year's council ought to have something to do with next year's assessment. Ald. Nelson went even further, than that. He wanted next year's council to have all to do with it, so the resolution was laid on the table for another week.

Waterfront.

Ald. McRae gave notice of motion that he would move a resolution at the next meeting of the council that the offer from the Provincial Government of 465 ft. of waterfront at the mouth of Cow Bay be accepted. The string attached to this proposition is the filling in of Cow Bay. Ald. McRae explained that next Monday, any of the councillors who did not favor this proposition would have an opportunity of making an amendment should any of the citizens have any objections to offer.

Ald. Dybbavn then asked permission to introduce a new bylaw to reduce the number of Aldermen in the city of Prince Rupert. Leave being granted, the bylaw was read for the first and second times. There was some little discussion regarding the taking of a plebiscite before the election of the council, but the matter will be thrashed out in the committee of the whole later on.

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BELGIAN ARMY ACHIEVE MOST NOTABLE WIN

Attack Mercken Peninsula—Soldiers Row to Point of Assault—Ground Said to be Impregnable.

(Special to The Daily News.)

London, Oct. 30.—Ground regarded as impregnable has been again swept from the grasp of the Germans on the western front. The Belgian troops this time have achieved a most brilliant victory in the capture of the Mercken peninsula. This lies in the flooded area and is just east of the forest of Houthulst. The Belgian soldiers are here holding the line with the French and British and played a dashing part in yesterday's victory. The soldiers had to row over to the point of assault. This particular operation has won for the Allies a strip of territory seven thousand yards long, and varying in width from fifteen hundred to three thousand yards, including the communicating road. The position the Germans held they regarded as invulnerable, but the dash of the Allies in this action has again shown the enemy that he cannot withstand the Allied attacks, even with all his defences.

Attack at Verdun.

Paris, October 30.—An attack was made by the Germans last night on the Verdun front near Chaume Wood. The attack was repulsed. Heavy artillery fighting continues on the Aisne front and in Flanders.

At Riga.

Petrograd, Oct. 30.—The Germans have evacuated the Werder Peninsula in the Gulf of Riga. No fighting has taken place in the Gulf of Finland, but the German mine sweepers have been at work. They have been very active apparently in clearing the way for the German fleet.

Kerensky for Order.

Premier Kerensky has set his face against the numerous disturbances which have been agitating the capital. He will suppress the Maximalists with a strong hand if they persist in their riotous conduct.

Michaëlis Resigns.

Zurich, Oct. 30.—A Stuttgart newspaper declared today that the resignation of Dr. Michaëlis, the German Chancellor, has at last been accepted by the Kaiser.

Peace Offered Belgium.

Amsterdam, October 30.—The latest German attempt to separate the Allies has taken the form of an offer of peace made to the Belgians. But Belgium has spurned it. The attempt was frustrated by Foreign Minister Debroqueville. Under the terms of this offer, Germany was prepared to pay an indemnity for the war. The German emissary suggested a peace convocation under the presidency of King Albert.

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