

ITALIANS' RETIREMENT TO SHORTER DEFENSE

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THE PIAVE NEXT STOPPING PLACE

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Both official and unofficial dispatches from Italy today reflected a tone of increasing confidence although the situation is still admittedly grave.

General Cadorna's withdrawal from the Tagliamento line and from the mountainous districts in north Venetia is proceeding in an orderly way, Rome asserts. Dispatches from the field seem to bear this out.

General Cadorna in his report mentions the present withdrawal a being conducted in the direction of the Livorno river.

Incidentally a semi official statement from Rome, declares the Austro-German invasion has failed of the political effect and assumedly the breaking of the Italian will to resist.

On the Flanders front the British spent the night consolidating gains made by them yesterday, which included notable the village of Passchendaele growing ridge, where clear fields stretched away to British lines.

A retirement by the Italians to a shorter defense line is underway along a front of 160 miles. Not only from the Carnic Alps to the Adriatic along the Tagliamento are General Cadorna's men retreating but also in the Dolomite and Carnic Alps.

The river Piave appears to be the next stopping place of the Italians, but there are indications that even the northern reaches of the river have been abandoned by the enemy.

It is probable that the Italian commander would retreat to the line of the Brenta along its entire length as this would leave Venetia in the hands of the invaders. Basing the new defensive positions on the upper Brenta and the lower Piave, Gen. Cadorna would have the line about a 100 miles shorter than that of the Tagliamento and upon it he apparently will give battle to the Austro-Germans for the possession of Venetia.

The retreat from the Tagliamento apparently is not so rapid as has been reported to be falling back steadily, and their rear guard in constant touch with the advancing Austro-German scouts.

Roulers, an important railway center northwest of Ypres is now dominated by British guns. The Canadian troops yesterday completed the capture of an important part of the Passchendaele-Ghebrvelde ridge by taking Passchendaele, Goebert, and Mosselmak.

Each successful effort by the British brings nearer the inevitable German retreat from the position directly affected by the severe winter Ypres action.

Lutheran Church Have Gala Day in Salisbury.

Salisbury, Nov. 5.—Sunday St. John's Lutheran church celebrated the 150th anniversary of the establishment of the congregation. The beginning of the congregation which grew into the full organized church runs back to a date as early as 1747.

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To Guard Soldier's Morals.

To Issue a 13-cent Stamp.

Will Not Resort to Armed Force.

FIRST DEPENDENT TO RECEIVE COMPENSATION.

Widow of Soldier Killed in France Will Get \$45 a Month.

Washington, Nov. 7.—The first dependent of an American soldier killed in the trench warfare to receive compensation under the government system will be Mrs. Alice Dodd, of Evansville, Ind., widow of private James R. Gresham, one of the victims of a German raid on the American trenches in France, on November 3.

THE AMERICAN PATROL BOAT ALCEDO IS SUNK

Torpedoed by U-Boat in War Zone; One Officer and 29 Men Missing.

Washington, Nov. 6.—The American patrol boat Alcedo was torpedoed and sunk by a German submarine in the war zone early Monday morning, and one officer and 29 enlisted men are missing.

OTTOON WAREHOUSES PLACED IN THREE GROUPS.

Regulations Soon to Be Issued by the Secretary of Agriculture.

Washington, Nov. 7.—The classification of the cotton warehouses in three groups under the Federal Warehouse law, instead of four as indicated in the proposed rules and regulations upon which a hearing has been held in the south and at Washington, has been determined.

CONFISCATION OF COAL DENOUNCED.

In Some Places Railroad Tracks Have Been Torn Up to Prevent Coal Being Hauled Away.

Washington, Nov. 7.—The wholesale confiscation of coal by Ohio mayors and city officials was denounced today by the Fuel Administration which is considering immediate action unless this act is discontinued.

ANDREW D. WHITE IS 55.

Itaca, N. Y., Nov. 7.—Many messages of greeting were received today at the home of Dr. Andrew D. White to remind the eminent scholar and diplomatist of his 55th birthday anniversary.

AT THE THEATRES.

Pegey Hyland with Marc McDermott in "The Sixteenth Wife," at the New Pastime today. This is a Blue Ribbon feature and a delightful story.

NORTH CAROLINA D. A. R.

Winston-Salem, N. C., Nov. 7.—Winston-Salem is entertaining for two days a large gathering of distinguished women whose proudest boast it is that their forefathers fought in the struggle for American independence.

TEACHERS SHOW PATRIOTISM.

Omaha, Neb., Nov. 7.—With "Patriotism" as its theme and "Loyalty" as its password, the annual convention of the Nebraska State Teachers' Association was opened in Omaha today with a large attendance of visiting pedagogues.

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Washington, Nov. 7.—The Post Office Department is planning to issue a 13-cent postage stamp for registered and special delivery letters.

WILL NOT RESORT TO ARMED FORCE.

Petrograd, Nov. 7.—The government has decided not to resort to armed force for the present against the military committee of the Soldiers' and Workmen's delegates, but has ordered the ministry of justice to prosecute members of the committee.

KNITTING FOR RED CROSS

All Appeal From the Red Cross Knitting Committee of Concord.

All of us sometimes wonder just what the Red Cross is doing these days as a result of the generosity of our people in both money and services.

VOE OF 1915 IS REVERSED

Incomplete Vote in New York City Shows 289,724 For Suffrage, and 209,127 Against.

By The Associated Press New York, Nov. 7.—Women citizens of New York State were given unlimited suffrage in yesterday's election by a majority which is expected to reach 100,000 when all the election districts have completed tabulations.

TAMMANY HALL AGAIN RETURNED TO POWER

Judge Hyland Elected by Largest Plurality Ever Given a New York Mayorality Candidate.

New York, Nov. 7.—Tammany Hall returned to power as a result of yesterday's morality election. Not only was Judge John F. Hyland swept into office by a large plurality but ever given to a mayorality candidate in New York City, but there was elected with him the entire Democratic ticket.

MAJ. GEO. L. PETERSON PUT UNDER HEAVY BOND.

Late Property and Disbursing Officer Charged With Embezzlement of \$7,600 Arrested Yesterday.

Raleigh, Nov. 6.—Maj. George L. Peterson, charged with the embezzlement of \$7,600 while assistant adjutant general and property and disbursing officer, is held under \$10,000 bond.

PREFERRED DEATH TO GOING BACK TO ARMY

John Cox, Sergeant, Commits Suicide in His Room in High Point After Runaway.

High Point, Nov. 6.—Preferring death to a return to Camp Sevier and his company, John Cox committed suicide this afternoon. He blew the front of his head with a shot-gun, the load striking his chin and destroying his face.

AWAITING COMPLETE REPORT.

Of the Torpedoing of the American Patrol Vessel Alcedo.

Washington, Nov. 7.—The Navy Department today was awaiting from vice admiral Sims a complete report of the torpedoing of the American patrol vessel Alcedo, which went down in the war zone early Monday morning.

FUSION TICKET ELECTED IN CHICAGO.

Chicago, Nov. 7.—Democrats and Republicans in Chicago and Cook County today expressed gratification at the results of judicial election yesterday, in which a fusion ticket carrying seven candidates from each of these parties was swept into office over the socialists and independent tickets by a plurality of approximately 75,000 out of a total vote of 244,913.

THE OLD PRICES AND THE NEW.

Two men recently went to a Monroe JOURNAL.

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FOR THE RELIEF OF COLORED SOLDIERS.

Washington, Nov. 7.—The Colored Soldiers Comfort Committee, a national organization for the relief of negro soldiers and their dependents, has just been organized here and will seek to raise \$2,000,000 for the proposed work.

INDICATIONS OF THE FARMERS' PROSPERITY.

Texas Farmers Received Enough from This Year's Crop to Pay Off Indebtedness.

Washington, Nov. 7.—One of the most striking indications of the farmers' prosperity under war prices reaching the Federal Farm loan board was reported today from a Houston TEXAS, where it was learned that many farmers had abandoned plans to take loans because they realized enough from this year's crop to pay off the indebtedness.

WOMEN IN NEW YORK GIVEN SUFFRAGE

The Majority for Woman's Suffrage in New York is Expected Now to Reach More Than 100,000.

ACCIDENTAL DEATH FROM GUNSHOT WOUND

Mr. Jack Linker, 16 Years Old, of No. 2 Township, Met Death Last Night.

Mr. Jackson Linker, son of Mr. Daniel Linker, who lives on Mr. D. B. Coltrane's farm in No. 2 township, was accidentally killed last night about 8 o'clock, while hunting with his brother and a friend, near his home.

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DID NOT TAKE VOUCHER RECEIPTS

Was Arrested in Raleigh Last Night on Warrant Charging Him With Embezzlement of \$7,000.

(By The Associated Press) Raleigh, Nov. 7.—I admit that there is an apparent shortage in my account, as paymaster general of the North Carolina National Guard, but it is due to disbursements properly made, for which no vouchers were issued by the adjutant general," declared Major George L. Peterson, quartermaster on the staff of the 30th division, Camp Sevier, Greenville, S. C., in a signed statement given to The Associated Press here today.

Major Peterson was arrested here last night on a warrant charging the embezzlement of \$7,000 of the State funds during the four years he held the office of paymaster general of the North Carolina Guards. He was released on \$10,000 bond, and expects to leave for Greenville this afternoon.

Major Peterson explained that while the National Guard was in camp, and he was on official duty, he found time to time would draw out of the general fund several hundred dollars to meet the current expenses without obtaining receipts for which the money was expended. In this way, during the progress of an encampment, he says, he would draw out a considerable sum for expenses as they arose, without taking receipts or vouchers.

The major declares that in no way will he admit that any funds were used for his personal benefit, and says the apparent shortage is due entirely to his failure to require at the time of expenditure a proper receipt and voucher. He exonerates every one connected with his former office of any blame, and state "if it should turn out that I am unable to recall and locate persons to whom the money was paid and secure receipts from them, I will reimburse the State for any shortage apparent in my account."

Major Peterson when arrested last night, waived a preliminary hearing and was bound over to the next term of the Wake County Court, beginning November 26.

THE COTTON MARKET

Nervous and Irregular Today.—Active Months 11 to 15 Points Lower.

(By The Associated Press) New York, Nov. 7.—The cotton market showed renewed nervousness and irregularity at the opening today. Easy tone of the market and the news from Italy contributed to the unsettled feeling of sentiment, while the buying for Wall street and western accounts which has been largely responsible for the rally of Monday was not evident. The first prices were two points higher on December, but generally unchanged to nine points lower, and active months sold about 11 to 15 points under Monday's closing figures during the first few minutes.

The cotton futures opened steady, December 27.55, January 26.65, March 26.30, May 25.20, July 25.85.

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The Livorno is the next river line behind the Tagliamento. Its mouth is twelve miles below that of the Tagliamento. Its course is tortuous, and it has been generally assumed that Gen. Cadorna would undertake nothing more than delaying action there, making a stand along a more favorable line, such as that of the Piave river.

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