

THIRTY THOUSAND GERMANS KILLED IN BAINSIZZA BATTLE WITH ITALIANS

LONG WAR IS SEEN AHEAD BY SIR ERIC

British Sea Lord Declares U-Boat Losses During War Can Have No Appreciable Effect.

London, Nov. 1.—Between 40 and 50 per cent of the German submarines operating in the North sea, the Arctic and the Atlantic since the beginning of the war have been sunk, said Sir Eric Geddes, first lord of the admiralty, in the House of Commons today.

"During the last quarter the Germans lost as many submarines as they lost in 1916," he said.

The output of merchant shipping in the first nine months of this year, he said, was 123 per cent higher than in the corresponding period last year. The admiralty had decided that four new national shipbuilding yards would be necessary.

"We must lay plans for a long war," said Sir Eric. "I see no signs of its being a short one."

Sir Eric said he regretted it had not been found possible to arrive at a basis for publication of British tonnage losses by submarine action without giving information to the enemy.

Increase in British Ships.

The losses of merchantmen in October, he said, were very slightly worse than in September. Enemy submarines were being sunk to an increasing extent, but the Germans are building them faster than they had done hitherto.

In September, Sir Eric continued, there was afloat on the high seas an increase of 20 per cent in numbers and 30 per cent in tonnage of British ships, as compared with April.

He announced the government's intention of appointing an additional civil lord of the admiralty and said the attention of the first sea lord would be devoted wholly to naval staff matters.

Standard ships aggregating 1,000,000 tons had been arranged for, he said, and more than half of them were under construction.

The total net reduction of British tonnage since the beginning of the war was given by Sir Eric as 2,500,000 tons.

Mines Limit Fleet's Actions.

Replying to the criticism that the fleet had been sent to assist Russia, he pointed out that such an operation would occupy considerable time and that there were extensive mine fields. Responsible naval opinion was unanimous that the step was not one which should be taken.

At the present time, Sir Eric informed the house, there are 235 dry-docks which can be devoted to repairs of merchant shipping, exclusive of those used for warships.

A reduction of 50 per cent in German merchant shipping, Sir Eric continued, had been caused by the sinking of ships or by their passing into the hands of Germany's enemies.

"All by their economy can help the royal navy and the navies of the allies to defeat the submarines," Sir Eric continued.

"In September," he added, "the royal navy air service carried out 64 raids behind the enemy lines in Flanders, dropping 2,736 bombs."

One Load of Coal a Week Is the Limit in Chicago

Chicago, Nov. 1.—Retail coal dealers, acting under instructions received from the fuel administration's Chicago committee today refused to deliver more than a wagon load of coal a week or ten days' supply of coal to any one customer. This rule is to be adhered to until the critical situation is over.

The Weather

For Nebraska—Fair.

Temperatures at Omaha Yesterday.	
Hour.	Deg.
6 a. m.	27
7 a. m.	27
8 a. m.	27
9 a. m.	27
10 a. m.	27
11 a. m.	27
12 m.	27
1 p. m.	27
2 p. m.	27
3 p. m.	27
4 p. m.	27
5 p. m.	27
6 p. m.	27
7 p. m.	27
8 p. m.	27

Comparative Local Record.			
1917	1916	1915	1914
Highest yesterday	41	83	75
Lowest yesterday	27	41	48
Mean temperature	34	54	54
Precipitation	.00	.00	.00

Temperature and precipitation departures from the normal at Omaha since March 1, and compared with the last two years:

Reports From Stations at F. M.	
Station and State	Temp. High. Rain. Wind.
Cheyanne, clear	48 68 .00
Davenport, cloudy	24 35 .00
Denver, clear	56 69 .00
Des Moines, cloudy	28 42 .00
Dodge City, clear	40 50 .00
Lander, clear	52 64 .00
North Platte, clear	46 60 .00
Omaha, clear	27 41 .00
Rapid City, clear	50 64 .00
Salt Lake City, cloudy	52 62 .00
Sioux Falls, clear	44 62 .00
Wichita, clear	54 66 .00
Chicago, clear	24 38 .00
Valentine, clear	50 64 .00

One of the little oddities of business life cropped out at the office of the Baker Ice Machine company this week.

A letter from Santiago de Cuba came through the mail, a fat letter, that looked as if it might contain something interesting. When opened, two packets of Cuban postal orders dropped out. These proved to be 25 in number, each for 100 pesos.

The letter, from a Santiago business man, merely made inquiry as to the output of the Baker plant, asking for catalogues and description of the several styles of machines built, terms, and other details of business.

Mr. Baker hastened to dispatch the information, feeling that a customer who would back up his preliminary inquiry with \$2,500 in real money as a guarantee of good faith is too good to let get away.

Incidentally, the Baker company has recently installed plants in India, South Africa and Australia, and is on track of considerable business in South America.

Confiscated Booze is Sent to the Soldiers

Twenty-five gallons of whisky, alcohol and other contraband were taken from the office of the United States attorney and delivered to Fort Crook. The liquor has been accumulating as it was confiscated from men arrested for bringing it into the state. It will be dispensed by the medical staff at the fort.

POLICE SEEK TO PROVE GUILT OF DEAN OF CON MEN

Acting Chief Dempsey Sends Photograph of Arrested Suspect to Swindled Ansley Banker.

Omaha police are extending their dragnet in an effort to capture members of the gang of confidence men who fleeced wealthy Nebraskans out of thousands of dollars.

Acting Chief of Police Dempsey sent to J. B. Tierney, vice president of



WILLIAM F. MYERS Alleged Dean of Con Men.

the First National bank at Ansley, Neb., a photograph of William F. Myers, alleged "dean of con men," being held at Kansas City on a charge of being implicated in the swindle.

Tierney, it is said, lost \$40,000 through misplaced confidence in Myers, this confidence having been cultivated at Excelsior Springs. The Nebraska banker accompanied his "friends" to Omaha and handed over \$15,000 in cash at the Corn Exchange National bank and \$25,000 at a South Side bank, according to information of the chief of police.

Asa Dixon, a rich real estate man of Blair, Neb., met Myers and companions at Excelsior Springs, but was too alert for the wiles of these confidence men. It was through Dixon that Myers was arrested at Kansas City. The police have a line on F. Leroy Webster, who posed as a prominent financier and speculator, and who was to have met Myers and Dixon in Kawville, but the police say that Webster got a line on Dixon's activities and changed his address between two days.

Four Men in Deals.

"To the best of our information there were four men in the deals which involved Tierney of Ansley and Schroeder of Dewitt. Myers is one of the men, and we feel confident that the others will be rounded up before long. The Chicago police have arrested some of the gang who swindled bankers of Fort Wayne, Ind., and Bloomington, Ill., and it is believed that those men and the Excelsior Springs con men are of the same combination," stated Acting Chief of Police Dempsey.

The chief has information that Tierney is ill at his home at Ansley and Mr. Schroeder is indisposed at his home at Dewitt. Mr. Tierney was expected here on Wednesday but he filed a complaint, but he advised he

Roop Made Supt. of Motive Power for Milwaukee Lines

Chicago, Nov. 1.—T. Roop, superintendent of motive power of the Burlington lines west of the Missouri river, has been named general superintendent of motive power for the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad, filling the place made vacant by the death of A. E. Manchester. Another appointment made today by President H. E. Bryan before starting on a trip of inspection over the road, was Charles Dietrick as freight claim agent of the road.

Sends \$2,500 As Evidence of Good Faith When He Asks for Catalogue

OMAHA EAGER TO FEAST SOLDIERS ON TURKEY DAY

Universal Enthusiasm Greeted The Bee's Suggestion That Each Family Invite Soldier to Dinner.

Omaha is enthusiastic over The Bee's suggestion that everyone take a soldier home for Thanksgiving dinner. There are between 800 and 900 soldiers at Fort Crook at this time, and by Thanksgiving there probably will be between 1,000 to 1,200 at Fort Omaha. This will make a total of nearly 2,000—enough so that practically every family seeking such an arrangement may get a trooper or two to entertain on the day of national thanks.

Compliments The Bee.

Joseph Hayden, president of Hayden Brothers: "I want to compliment The Bee on this plan to invite the soldiers to Omaha homes for Thanksgiving dinner. It is an excellent idea. I had just been thinking that some-

Sends First Invitation

Invitations for soldiers at the two forts adjacent to Omaha are beginning to come to The Bee office.

The first to arrive was from Mrs. C. C. Cope, 941 North Twenty-seventh avenue, who telephoned that she would be glad to entertain two soldiers.

thing of the kind ought to be done when The Bee came out with this plan."

R. C. Hoyt, clerk of the federal court: "It's a fine idea. It will give a home atmosphere that will be welcome to the boys away from home."

Women Like the Idea.

"The gigantic task which has been undertaken by The Bee to place every soldier in Omaha in some home to enjoy a Thanksgiving dinner is certainly a commendable one," declared Mrs. Z. T. Lindsey, assistant state director of the Nebraska Red Cross, which is now holding a convention at the Hotel Fontenelle.

Mrs. Lindsey was so pleased with the idea that she concluded her address Thursday before that body with an announcement of the fact and urged the 200 ladies present to make it their business to participate in the Thanksgiving day festivities.

"I am sure it will be a success, despite the magnitude of caring for the 2,200 or so boys we now have here," continued Mrs. Lindsey. "The Bee has undertaken big things before and I for one am positive that it will be successfully concluded."

Many prominent Red Cross workers at the convention were enthusiastic over the opportunity for Omaha folks to show their appreciation of the boys who are training for the battle line.

To Encourage Idea.

Mayor Dahlman: "It is a splendid idea and should be encouraged and supported by all. I am glad The Bee took hold of this matter."

Health Commissioner Connell: "You may say for me that our soldier boys who are here during Thanks-

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Philip Metz Gets Appointment as Naval Paymaster

Washington, Nov. 1.—(Special Telegram.)—Philip Metz of Omaha, a scion of the house of Metz, has been sworn in as an assistant paymaster in the navy with the rank of ensign. His commission, while not yet received, is understood, is on the way and a day or so will make Phil Metz a real simple pure navy master.

Mr. Metz was recently married to Miss Mack, a daughter of Norman E. Mack of the Buffalo Times. The honeymoon was spent in Japan and on their way back to the state call for a national army was issued. When Mr. Metz reached Omaha the resignation was in full swing with the result that he at once indicated his desire to join the colors. As an ensign he will automatically avoid the draft.

U. S. Army Chauffeur With Pershing's Staff Is Gassed

Hoboken, N. J., Nov. 1.—A cablegram stating that Eugene Maxson, with General Pershing's staff as a chauffeur, had been gassed by a chlorine bomb dropped by a German airplane, was received today by his father. The message stated that Maxson was recovering.

Good Idea—Push It Along

WE'LL HAVE PUNKIN' PIE AN' CRANBERRY SAUCE AN' — AN' CIDER —

THE OMAHA BEES PLAN FOR GETTING INVITATIONS TO THE SOLDIERS FOR THANKSGIVING DINNERS

U. S. TRANSPORT TORPEDOED IS SAFE IN PORT

Finland Makes Foreign Dock Under Own Steam After Being Hit; No Report of Casualties.

Washington, Nov. 1.—The transport Finland was recently torpedoeed while returning to the United States, but was able to return to a foreign port under its own steam.

The Navy department received a report of the attacks and Secretary Daniels authorized its publication. The navy report does not say whether there was any loss of life or injury to the Finland.

The official announcement was authorized as follows:

LAUDS KAISER, 'LYNCH HIM' CRY DEPOT TRUCKERS

Gus Stein, Union Pacific Trucker, Rescued From Possible Physical Violence From Angered Men.

"Lynch him, lynch him," shouted workmen at the Union Pacific freight station, angered by alleged pro-German utterances of Gus Stein, trucker for the Union Pacific.

Stein was rescued from possible physical violence at the hands of 40 menaced workmen by J. D. Phillips.

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BRITISH CAPTURE BEERSHEBA; NOW NEAR JERUSALEM

London, Nov. 1.—The city of Beersheba, in Palestine, has been captured by the British, it is announced officially.

(By Associated Press.)

Indications from Palestine are that with the advent of favorable weather the British are resuming their active campaign up the Syrian coast. The capture by British troops of Beersheba, approximately 40 miles southwest of Jerusalem, is reported in an official statement today.

When the operations in Palestine halted last spring the British had pushed up the coast from the Sinai peninsula to the gates of Gaza, on the coast in southern Palestine, while in interior Palestine their columns had advanced on a virtually parallel front, to the vicinity of Beersheba.

There were reports that there had been a penetration as far northward as Hebron, which is less than 20 miles from Jerusalem, but apparently there was definite advance of the British main force to this point. Reports early last month stated that the British and revolting Arab forces from the southern interior had effected a junction in southern Palestine and that combined operations by these forces against the Turks might be expected shortly.

Germans Withdraw Troops.

Petrograd, Nov. 1.—Another withdrawal of German troops on the northern Russian front is in progress, the war office announces.

CADORNA TO STOP TEUTON RUSH, SAY ROME DISPATCHES

Optimistic View Now Held by Italians That German Assault Will Be Checked With Aid of Allied Powers.

Washington, Nov. 1.—Reassuring news came from Rome today in official dispatches. While serious, the situation on the Italian front is described as far from desperate.

General Cadorna's army is declared to be practically intact and complete confidence is expressed in his ability with aid coming from the allies to stop the Austro-German drive.

The cablegram summarizes the situation as follows:

"The military situation on the Italian front is serious, but it is far from being desperate. Having recovered from the first surprise, it may be stated that our allies are preparing to put up a furious resistance to the enemy. It is probable that if the retreat should continue for a few days longer, the Italian resistance will develop along the Tagliamento river, which descends from the Carnic Alps or perhaps if the Austro-Germans attack in Cerna it will be on the Pivise river which flows westward.

Italians Not Weakened.

Whatever the number of Italians taken prisoners, the strength of the army of General Cadorna has not been weakened. It must not be forgotten that Italy has under the colors more than 3,000,000 men. As for the guns that the Austro-Germans claim to have captured, they only represent the production of a few weeks of the munitions factories of our allies.

"The Italian army is practically intact. Besides the French and English, are coming to our rescue. It has already been announced that at the beginning of the council Sunday evening, the French ministers were busy determining the extent and nature of the co-operation of the allies on the Italian front. The British government has taken prompt measures to rush to the Italians, and all indications are that this French and British aid will come at the hour when the enemy invades the plain of Freaone.

"Meanwhile, awaiting developments, Italian public opinion realizes thoroughly the gravity of the hour and is bearing the shock with calmness and firmness."

Thirteen-Year-Old Boy Earns Coin With Which to Buy Liberty Bonds

James Doty, 13-year-old son of Mrs. William Doty, 3705 South Twenty-fifth street, has bought two Liberty bonds with his savings. James bought one \$50 bond of the first issue and recently subscribed for a \$100 bond.

"If he have a third loan, I want to buy another bond," said the young patriot.

The boy earned the money he paid for the bonds. When he was five he shined his father's shoes, and was paid five cents a shine. His father is dead now, and James is the only child, so he is son and companion to his widowed mother.

James has made money running errands, mowing lawns and as a newsboy carrying The Bee. He is in the Seventh B grade at the South Lincoln school.

Packing House Complaints Dismissed; Rates Upheld

Washington, Nov. 1.—Rates on packing house products from South Omaha, South St. Joseph and Kansas City, Mo., to California terminals were upheld today by the Interstate Commerce commission. Complaints of packing houses were dismissed.

ROMANS' THIRD ARMY FORMS NUCLEUS FOR BIG COUNTER ATTACK

Italy's Forces, Reorganized, Prepare to Launch Fierce Attack; German Report Claims Capture of 60,000 More Prisoners; Cavalry Plays First Big Part in Great War.

Washington, Nov. 1.—Thirty thousand German soldiers, including two generals of a division, were killed in the great battle on the Bainsizza plateau, according to cabled reports today.

General Cadorna is pushing reserves rapidly forward, with every prospect of checking the enemy's advance, and British and French support will be immediately forthcoming, it was stated.

(By Associated Press.)

Italian Headquarters, Nov. 1.—Bulletins issued by General Cadorna, the commander-in-chief, indicate that the Italian troops, perfectly reorganized, are holding back the enemy at a distance of seven miles west of Udine.

The Germans and Austrians did not succeed in their plan of pushing beyond the Isonzo into the Friuli valley and enveloping the Third Italian army, which occupied the region of Gorizia and the Carso.

Although the invaders broke the Italian line from Plezzo to Tolmino, resistance by picked Italian contingents, who offered themselves for the supreme sacrifice, so delayed the southwestern march of the enemy that the Third army had time to cross the middle and southern Isonzo in the early retreat.

The main body of Italian forces is intact ready to face the invaders in the counter offensive which is being prepared.

Italian cavalry has entered into action on a large scale for the first time in the war. The mounted troops have made brilliant charges, obstructing the advance of the enemy. This was not possible while the fighting was confined to the mountain regions.

CAPTURE 120,000 PRISONERS.

The invading forces are within four miles of the Tagliamento, northwest of Udine, after having captured 120,000 prisoners and more than 1,000 guns. This is the center of the advancing line and the southern wings probably are not as near the Tagliamento. Should General Cadorna have to retire from the Tagliamento because of the breaking of the Italian defenses in the Carnic Alps and before assistance arrives, he will have the Piave river, which runs south-west and north from Belluno, on which to stand.

Reinforcements are being hurried to northern Italy not only by France and Great Britain, but also by Italy. The German advance apparently is not as strong as at first and Berlin is less enthusiastic in its war bulletins.

No Internal Disorder.

If the Germans counted upon internal disorder in Italy helping to open the way to Lombardy, they have been disappointed, as all indications point to a strengthening of the Italian national feeling. The government and people of Italy, as well as the governments of France, Great Britain and the United States are bending every effort to give the Germans blow for blow on the Venetian plains, the fighting ground of the early campaigns of Napoleon against Austria.

The French in their successful offensive north of the Aisne in the direction of Laon last week captured 12,157 prisoners, including 237 officers. The guns taken numbered 180. There has been little infantry fighting in this region and the German crown prince has been unable to carry out counter attacks of any strength. The artillery duel continues violent.

Berlin Makes Claims.

Berlin, Nov. 1.—(Via London)—The Austro-German forces invading Italy have increased the number of prisoners taken to more than 180,000. They have captured 1,500 Italian guns. The foregoing information was officially announced today by the German war office.

The German statement says the Tenth Fourteenth army yesterday gained another great victory.

Portions of the Italian retreating forces made a stand at the Tagliamento river. The bridgehead positions at Dimenano and Codriop were captured by the Germans.

The Austro-Germans penetrated the rear guard positions of the Italians to the east of the lower Tagliamento.

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In October

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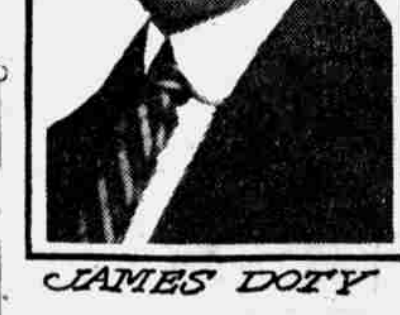
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World-Herald's Loss, In Inches 671

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