

ITALIAN REVERSES SERIOUS PROBLEM

British Government Is Called Upon to Give Decision What Move Shall Be Made.

AID TO ALLY IMPERATIVE

Three Alternatives Discussed, With One Certainty Before War Cabinet That Roumania's Fate Must Be Avoided.

LONDON, Oct. 28.—(Special.)—The German advance upon Italy through the Julian Alps has forced upon the British government the necessity of a decision upon points which for some time have been a matter of highly serious controversy.

The contingency of a heavy onslaught upon Italy, with the expectation of political as well as military results of the highest importance, had been reckoned upon by the British War Cabinet, with the result that a considerable force of artillery was dispatched to Adornia. Lloyd George, during his visit to Italy, did not definitely commit himself, but, as the Sunday Times says, he left the impression with his Italian allies that they might count on the fullest support from Great Britain should the need arise.

Three Alternatives Offered.

The Manchester Guardian yesterday asked: "What is the right answer to the present invasion of Italy? The best would be the answer given to the Austrian offensive against Italy in 1915, namely, a Russian offensive in Galicia, but this is too much to hope for, with Russia in her present state of disorganization."

"A second alternative would be a successful continuance of the British and French offensive in the West. No results will be decisive to relieve the pressure on Italy short of a German debacle in Flanders, followed by the evacuation of the coast of Flanders."

"A third alternative is direct assistance to Italy."

Italy Must Not Be Abandoned. "The heads of a discussion that must be settled one way or the other unless we are to risk having an Autumn like that of 1915 are these:

"First—Can we afford to take the risk of Italy's suffering like Serbia and Roumania? The answer clearly is 'no.'"

"Second—Can General Haig guarantee on the west coast victories as will save Italy from this menace?"

"Third—If nothing else but intervention in Italy will help, how soon can it be made effective?"

The Sunday Times says today: "What action the war cabinet will now take it would be indiscreet to discuss, but it is obvious that we cannot allow Italy to share the fate of Roumania."

3 SENATORS ARE DEFEATED

Chairman of Fisheries Committee Scorned by Senate Members.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Oct. 27.—To be chairman of the Senate committee on fisheries is to invite disaster. Within the year three Democrats have presided over the destinies of that committee; one went down to defeat in the election last fall; two successors are dead. Senator Johnson, of Maine, was chairman of the fisheries committee in the last Congress; he did not survive the election in September of last year, and retired on March 1 last.

Senator Lane, of Oregon, was made chairman of the committee by the retirement of Senator Johnson, but his term of service was cut short, and now Senator Husting, of Wisconsin, who succeeded Senator Lane as chairman, has been killed by gunshot wound. With such a record as this attaching to the chairmanship of this relatively unimportant committee, Senators will be loathe to preside over its deliberations, if they are inclined to be superstitious. It so happens that the chairmanship will of necessity fall to Senator Wolcott, of Delaware, the youngest member of the Senate, for he is the only remaining Democratic member who is not already chairman of a bigger committee.

Statue of Cupid Found.

PARIS, Oct. 28.—A statue of Cupid, which has been described as a perfect masterpiece, has just been unearthed at Cyrene, in Libya, according to the Rome correspondent of Le Temps. Other important archaeological discoveries made in the same region during Italian occupation include statues of Jupiter, Venus, Mars, Minerva and Apollo. The statue of Cupid will be sent to Rome.

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Both man and horse now wear gas masks at the front. The troopers in the front trenches long ago found the masks a necessary protection against the poisonous fumes blown over from the German trenches, but it is only recently that protection of the same sort has been devised for the horses. At the front though they are as susceptible as their masters to poison gases. This photograph shows the latest type of British cavalryman and his mount at the military efficiency competitions held at Aldershot, England.

FOOD TO BE SAVED

Loyal Men and Women Offer Zealous Service.

6000 TEACHERS WILL HELP

Advance Reports From All Sections of State Indicate Desire on Part of Practically Every Resident to Co-operate.

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ment of workers in each school district has been vigorously pushed by these county leaders. County School Superintendent, without exception, have been devoting considerable time to preparation for the canvass of all rural districts. As lesser but extremely important cogs in the great machinery of the drive are to be found 6000 school teachers of the state.

"We shall be definitely disappointed," said Chairman Churchill yesterday, "if we fail to pledge 95 per cent of the families of Oregon to definite food-saving effort as a result of the campaign."

It so happens that county organizations have before them as they launch into their canvassing crusade this week some high standards of success, set by workers in Josephine and Jackson counties last week. In these two counties teachers' institutes are arranged for this week. For this reason workers there were permitted to conduct the pledge card campaign a week early. Reports received at the state headquarters, fourth floor Northwestern National Bank building, show that remarkable records were established in many communities of these two counties.

Here is a terse summary of results achieved at Grants Pass, as telegraphed by Sam H. Baker, county chairman: "City schools of Grants Pass completed signing pledge cards today. From 95 to 100 per cent of the population represented in city schools signed pledge cards; also secured a large percentage of families not represented. Wolf Creek school district reports 21 cards signed out of 23 families."

Jacksonville Maintains Record. The town of Jacksonville, Jackson County, which achieved note as one of the first places in Oregon to over-subscribe its liberty loan bond quota, now bounds forward to set a pace in the pledge card campaign which many other towns and districts of the state will find it hard to follow. News of Jacksonville's latest patriotic achievement came in a telegram received from G. W. Agert, County Superintendent of Schools, of Medford, where W. A. Folger is chairman.

Mr. Agert's report reads: "Indications show 94 per cent of all families for Jackson County. Jacksonville leads towns with 98 per cent. Some rural districts go 100 per cent. Shortage of window and pledge cards prevents better returns."

Six rural districts out of 18 in Wasco County have reported that all of the families have returned signed cards pledging them to Mr. Hoover's conservation plans. Clyde T. Bonney, County Superintendent of Schools, who forwarded this report, said his supply of window cards had been exhausted.

Union Expects 100 Per cent. "We are going right ahead with our campaign in this county, signing up the Hoover cards; we believe that in the time we will be able to turn in 100 per cent of the population of the county," is the assurance received from T. J. Scroggin, of La Grande, chairman for Union County.

"I expect that we will secure the pledge of practically every family in the county to the food conservation campaign," writes F. E. Faagan, County Superintendent of Schools, to Chairman Churchill from Moro, Sherman County.

The fact that scores of prominent men and women of the state, instead of pleading that efforts put forth last week on behalf of the liberty loan bond sale so exhausted their energies that they must rest this week, are jumping into the pledge card drive with just as much enthusiasm as they displayed for bond sales, is highly gratifying to Chairman Churchill. He said as much as he handed out this telegram from Bernard Daily, Lakeview, drive chairman for Lake County: "Have arranged

for meetings to be held in every schoolhouse in Lake County. Am sure that 95 per cent of households of Lake will not only sign pledge, but will actively co-operate with food administration."

Women to Canvass Corvallis. From W. H. Savage, chairman of Benton County, comes the statement that 50 women have volunteered to canvass the city of Corvallis.

O. M. Plummer, member of the state executive committee, has been touring Eastern Oregon during the past week. He sends in repeated assurances that the county sections are keenly alive to the importance of the food-saving propaganda. From La Grande he has sent this word: "Splendid enthusiasm in schools here. One building reports 100 per cent return of cards by pupils. After visiting Baker and speaking there, Mr. Plummer reported to headquarters: 'Baker alive to food-saving.'"

No Fees Required. It should be plainly understood that no dues or fees are ever to be required of persons signing the food pledge card. The leaders announce that they wish more particularly to have as signers all who actually handle food in the home.

The canvassers will carry with them handsome window cards, which will proclaim to the passerby that the home is pledged to the Hoover conservation plans. What is known as a "home card," explaining the necessity for food saving and giving on one side a mass of valuable pointers for the housewife, will also be left with each pledge signer.

Portland is thoroughly organized for the pledge card drive now on throughout the city. Everett Ames, Executive chairman and immediately under him are five district managers. These six men constitute the city executive committee for the drive.

Leaders Are Named. H. N. Burpee is manager of District No. 1 and has as captains under him George P. Dekum, R. L. Gilman, L. H. Hoffman and J. B. Schaefer. District No. 2 is being managed by A. G. Rushlight, with these captains: T. M. Hurlburt, A. A. Bailey, Arthur L. Moulton and Richard E. Reed. In District No. 3 Edward Newbegin is manager and George R. Funk, L. B. Wolting, Charles C. Hall and Wm. K. Royal the captains. O. W. Davidson manages District No. 4 with these captains on his staff: C. H. Beard, W. C. Alderson, C. McKenna and A. A. Muck.

Each of the 10 captains has at his command 10 lieutenants. Under each lieutenant five teams of two members each will be at work. This makes a total of 2000 canvassers aligned for the crusade, most of whom are women. It is expected that each team will visit about 50 homes, the distorting having been done with this number of visits in mind.

No Reports Returned. In many sections of the city teams began making their rounds with the pledge cards yesterday. Neither General Manager Ames nor the district managers had received last evening any but fragmentary reports which had filtered in through the lieutenants and captains.

"Monday you will begin to notice the appearance of the window cards in many residences, these proclaiming the passersby that the home is pledged to food conservation," Manager Ames said last night. "Our workers are enthusiastic and I am confident they will meet with fine success," he added.

The house-to-house canvassers will be readily recognized by the badge they wear. This is a white ribbon on which is printed in red the single word, "Hoover." The use of Mr. Hoover's name on the Portland badges is an idea original with the city's drive leaders.

The conservation of the more important foodstuffs in the larger field covered by the hotels, restaurants and manufacturing concerns has already received loyal attention throughout the state. "Meatless" and "wheatless" days are fast becoming the vogue in the eating places of nearly every city. The efforts of hotel men and restaurant keepers to observe these days are meeting with almost unanimous approval on the part of patrons in Portland. The present week will witness more specific observance of these food-saving days than heretofore. "Wheatless" day in this city is observed on Tuesday and "meatless" day on Wednesday.

Henry P. Elliott Is Dead. CHICAGO, Oct. 28.—Henry P. Elliott, for nearly 40 years chief executive of the freight claim department of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway, died here today, aged 65 years. He assisted in financing the railroad in the Iowa division of the C. M. & St. P. Railway and later became chief of the freight claim department.

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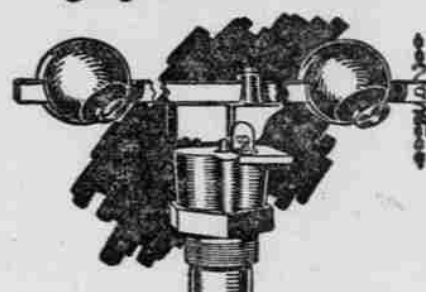
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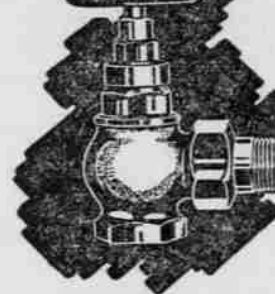
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Purchase Price to Govern in Case of Non-Perishable Food.

RULE IS EFFECTIVE NOV. 5

Reasonable Margin to Be Allowed and No Excessive Charges Are to Be Permitted on Any Necessities of Life.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 28.—Wholesale profits in war times, at least on non-perishable foods, should be governed by the prices they actually pay and not by prevailing market conditions, the food administration has decreed in special regulations, which will be put into effect November 5 with respect to several commodities.

The rule is one of many drawn for the guidance of food dealers, who will be placed under license. A statement was made last night by Food Administrator Hoover and the commodities affected include beef, pork and mutton, sirups and molasses, cleaned rice and rice flour, oleomargarine, lard and lard substitutes, oleo oil, cooking fats, condensed milk and various canned goods and dried fruits.

No dealer in these commodities, the rule says, shall sell "at more than a reasonable advance over the actual purchase price of the particular goods sold, without regard to the market or replacement value at the time of such sale."

Wholesale dealers in refined sugar are forbidden by a similar rule to sell "at an advance over the refiners' list price at which he purchased such sugar greater than the normal margin charged by wholesale dealers in refined sugar in the same locality or such margin as may hereafter be established by the food administration." A general rule covering all licensed food providers that they shall not be handled anywhere in the United States on an "unjust, exorbitant, unreasonable, discriminatory or unfair commission, profit or storage charge." Regular and special reports will be called for by the food administration from each licensed dealer.

Recruiting Officer Exonerated.

FARGO, N. D., Oct. 28.—The case of W. E. Aiden, of Minneapolis, naval recruiting officer, charged with setting fire to the Federal building here, was

dismissed Saturday. United States Commissioner Cuper said the Government failed to show that the fire was of incendiary origin.

PUPILS WIN MANY PRIZES

Ceres Day Fair Held Under Auspices of Washougal Grange.

WASHOUGAL, Wash., Oct. 28.—(Special.)—Ceres Day Fair was held here Saturday under the auspices of the local grange and terminated in a patriotic meeting of farmers, addressed by four-minute men from Vancouver.

Judge Munday, School Superintendent W. E. Dudley and Donald McInnes were the speakers. The school children took part in the programme. Most of the exhibits were entered by school pupils, and \$25 was donated by the grange in prizes for the best display of vegetables. Oral Portison won first prize for the best individual exhibit, while Otis Acher took a majority of the other awards. Mrs. William Strong supervised the fair, which was attended by a large crowd.

REV. W. E. MORSE LECTURES

Protestant Churches Plan Classes on Missionary Work.

As a herald for the mission study classes that will be organized next Sunday in a large percentage of the churches affiliated with the General Ministerial Association, Rev. Warren E.

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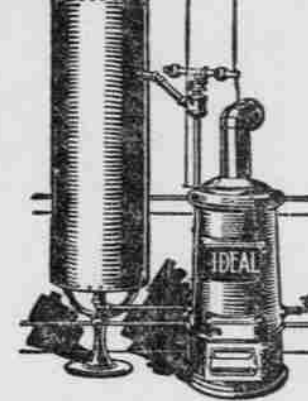
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