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TELEGRAMS.

ST. CROIX STATION.

Rome, Sept. 9th.—The Epoca estimates that the dead in the earthquake exceeds 500 and the homeless more than 30,000.

London, Sept. 9th.—The United States armoured cruiser Pittsburg, Rear Admiral Huse in command, is hard aground on the rocks off Libau in the Baltic Sea, according to an intercepted wireless message. The cruiser is reported to be in a dangerous position.

New York, Sept. 9th.—The new \$100,000,000 twenty-five year eight per cent French Govt. loan, was oversubscribed and subscription books were closed in an hour, Messrs. J. P. Morgan and Co., syndicate managers, announced. The books were formally opened at 10 o'clock and closed at 11 o'clock.

Belfast, Sept. 9th.—Raids for arms by Sinn Feiners have supplanted burnings in various parts of the country. Last night raiders entered the home of Sir Lamber Ormsby, former President of the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland and held up his daughters at the point of revolvers and secured two guns.

Londonderry, Ireland, Sept. 9th.—The Irish constabulary soon will be equipped with up to date service rifles and revolvers quantities of which have arrived here in Belfast and Dublin.

London, Sept. 10th.—Prince George, the King's youngest son, was on Monday night a prisoner of Sinn Feiners for several hours, it has become known. Balmoral Castle where the Royal Family is now in residence was in an uproar. The kidnapping is still a mystery as to details. Three masked men captured the

Prince and a manservant returning from fishing about 9.30 o'clock and hurried them to an empty cottage on the outskirts of Balmoral woods where they were locked up. Several hours later when the castle realized the Prince was missing the King and Queen organized a search party. Castle servants aroused the Royal Guards and London detectives and the entire neighbourhood was thoroughly searched, the two prisoners being finally discovered in darkness in the cottage. "This is but the beginning of the end if MacSweeney dies was scrawled on a paper left by the kidnappers who had disappeared without attempting to harm the Prince. The Royal Family is much disturbed fearing kidnapping work by Irish sympathizers among the servants at the Castle and that they might be able to keep the threat if Mac Sweeney should die.

London, Sept. 10th.—Mr. MacSweeney passed a bad night suffering great pains in his arms legs and back and complains of a feeling of dizziness and numbness but is still conscious.

Rome, Sept. 10th.—Much importance is placed in the meeting of Premiers Giolitti and Millerand at Aix Les Bains France, and newspapers here declare that it will perhaps be more important than that at Lucerne where Signor Giolitti met Mr. Lloyd George. Italian and French public opinion in the press of both countries has shown susceptibility lately relative to the attitude of the respective countries and it is declared that it is highly desirable that that sentiment should be dissipated.

Warsaw, Sept. 10th.—The Polish armies on the North eastern front delivered a series of successful attacks on the Russians yesterday and took 3,300 prisoners 4 guns and some armoured trains.

London, Sept. 10th.—Admission was made this morning by the "Herald" that it has 7,500 pounds Bolshevik gold. The paper said that the money is being held pending decision by the shareholders as to whether it should be used. The opinion of readers as to the acceptance of the money is asked by the newspaper which published its admission on its first page under glaring headlines. Last month charges that the Russian Soviet Govt. was subsidizing newspapers in other countries for the purposes of carrying on propaganda was published here and the "Herald" was named as one. The newspaper refers to the Soviet funds as a "magnificent demonstration of real working class soli-

darity and of what Russians mean by internationalism". To accept it will be to complete a notable episode in international socialism. The increased cost of production and the political shyness of advertisers make it necessary for us to double the price of this paper at once if the money is not accepted.

Rome, Sept. 10th.—A volcanic crater has suddenly opened at the top of Pizzo Dulcello, a mountain 5,745 feet high about nine miles north of Spezia. It is located on what appears to be the north-west corner of the district shaken by Tuesday's earthquake. A telegram from Spezia states the crater is emitting smoke and sulphuric fumes and scientists there attribute the outbreak to the earthquake, the shock which devastated scores of little towns and villages north of Florence seems to have followed the lines of the mountains.

Shoreham, Sussex, Sept. 10th.—The weird looking tower ships designed in 1918 as surprises for the Germans costing 1,250,000 pounds each will be launched shortly. They are concrete hulls sixty foot steel towers equipped with searchlight and other mysterious apparatus. The hulls are to rest on the sea bed while the towers are above. The ships were to be for coast defence.

Warsaw, Sept. 10th.—The Polish troops have advanced their lines, occupying Kuznica, just to the south of Grodno, and five other towns. A Bolshevik counter-attack was repulsed, and the Poles again advanced, dispersing seven Soviet infantry regiments. The communique from Polish headquarters in which these operations were reported, says there was no change in the situation in the Suwalki sector. A note has been received by the Polish Foreign Office from Lithuania, refusing to withdraw the Lithuanian forces to the Foch line, but asking that a conference be held in Mariampol, situated on the demarkation line. At the close of Thursday night conference of the Council of Ministers the secretary of Foreign Minister Sapieha announced that the Poles had replied demanding the withdrawal of the Lithuanians without further discussion. Providing the withdrawal should be effected, the Secretary said a conference would be held with the Lithuanians concerning boundaries, but not otherwise. The Lithuanians, he added, must also guarantee not to be friendly with Germany and Soviet Russia at the expense of Poland. The Council of Ministers also considered the Ukrainian question on Thursday, but no decision was reached.