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DREYFUS CASE HAS PARALLEL

Documents Distorted to Secure Conviction in Austria

VICTIM CZECH LEADER

Court-martial Convicted of Deliberate Use of Forgery

LONDON, Telegrams from Vienna to the German newspapers announce that the well known Czech leader in the Austrian Reichsrath, Dr. Kramarz, and three other prominent Czechs have been condemned by court-martial to be hanged. These facts have already been cabled, but the details are worthy of note.

Dr. Kramarz was arrested on a charge of high treason at Prague in April, 1915. The trial began on December 6, and has thus lasted six months. Its result was a foregone conclusion, because Dr. Kramarz had always been a resolute opponent of the Austro-German alliance and had constantly advocated close agreement between Austria-Hungary and Russia. In other words, he was one of the most powerful opponents of the gradual absorption of the Hapsburg monarchy by Germany.

The Vienna correspondent of the Hamburg Fremdenblatt, writing on May 3, before the announcement of the sentence, said that "but for the limitation of publicity necessitated by the war the Kramarz trial would have attracted as much attention as the Dreyfus affair."

The Paris correspondent of the Times drew attention to one of the methods employed by the Austrian military authorities to secure a condemnation. They found among Dr. Kramarz's papers a copy of a letter he had written before the war to Prince Thun, then Lord Lieutenant of Bohemia, on the policy of Austria towards the Slavs. In translating it for the use of the court-martial its text was falsified so that it might serve as proof of high treason. On the demand of Dr. Kramarz Prince Thun however, produced the original letter and convicted the court-martial of deliberate use of forgery.

It is interesting to recall the fact that the political career of Dr. Kramarz was due to the decision of the Young Czech party in 1879 to adopt a loyal and constitutional policy. In 1879 Emperor Francis Joseph had promised autonomy to Bohemia and had made known his intention of being crowned King of Bohemia at Prague. Bismarck, Beust (then Austrian Imperial Chancellor) and Andrássy (then Hungarian premier) joined hands to compel the Emperor to break his word.

The Old Czech party, led by Dr. Rieger, thereupon decided that in sign of protest the Czechs would no longer send representatives to the Imperial Parliament. But in 1879 the Emperor's friend Count Taaffe, then Austrian Premier, persuaded the Young Czechs to return to political life. Dr. Kramarz was one of their leaders. From 1880 until the outbreak of the war, he played a prominent part in Austro-Hungarian politics, and was at one time Vice-president of the Chamber.

Though a strong Slavophile, he remained patriotically Austrian and favored an internal policy that should give to the Austrian Slavs their due share of influence in home and foreign affairs. On one occasion he called for cheers for Emperor Francis Joseph at a Slavophile congress in Russia. His methods were always considered constitutional, never revolutionary.

A Remarkable Cure By Laughing

LONDON, July 8.—News comes from Neath of yet another instance of a soldier recovering his speech through laughter.

At Easter Private Harry Baxter, of the Yorkshire Regiment, was one of a batch of wounded soldiers brought to Neath for hospital treatment. He was speechless, through shock, and remained so until he attended a special performance for wounded soldiers at Neath Town Hall.

One of the turns so stirred his sense of humor that he burst into laughter, and then, to his astonishment, discovered he could talk.

Standing up, he shouted in great glee, "Hurrah! I can speak again."

Italians Call Up More Forces

NEW YORK, July 8.—A news agency despatch from Rome to-day says:

Fulfilling its promise for a more vigorous prosecution of the war, the new ministry to-day called to the colors the classes of 1882 to 1895 and the third categories of the classes of 1882 and 1883.

The call adds large forces to the army, though the exact number can not be made public.

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THE TERRIFIC BRITISH FIRE CONTINUED FOR SIX DAYS

Concentrated Bombardment Over the Ninety-mile Front in Northern France Proves That Allies have Completely Overcome their Initial Munitions Handicap—Fire is Increasing in Intensity—Troops Elated at New Development

(By W. A. Willison, Staff Correspondent of Toronto Daily News in Great Britain.)

LONDON, June 29.—For the first time since the commencement of the world war we find on the British front a persistent, concentrated artillery fire, directed not solely to certain salients and sectors, but distributed over ninety miles of front, lasting not one or two days, but maintained practically continuously for six days. Further, the artillery fire is increasing in intensity to such an extent that eye-witnesses at the front report a village, inhabited twenty-four hours ago has now been wiped completely out of existence. No more striking testimony of the victory which the British workshops are winning for the soldiers in the field can be provided than this deadly proof that on the Western front the Allies at last have completely overcome the munitions handicap which so long hampered them in decisive operations.

The Allies' resources, determination and organization are slowly triumphing over the enemy's forty years of preparation. Your correspondent's recent messages, emphasizing the optimism of the Allies' forces on the Western front, are echoed in The Times today, which says editorially: "We may truly say that the spirit of the Allies was never higher than at this moment. They have never grown faint-hearted or doubted for an instant the outcome of the war, but they were never before filled with such elation as today. We can still see determination in the ranks of the enemy, but after nearly two years' war the Allies are in far better spirits than the legions arrayed against them."

The definite purpose behind the tremendous British artillery activity naturally remains obscure, but Mr. Phillip Gibbs, The Daily Chronicle's correspondent at British Headquarters, defines the design of the artillery's work as the simple, terrible purpose to kill the Germans in large numbers and save our own manpower as much as possible. In carrying out that object, the work of our guns already has been terribly destructive, working havoc in the enemy trenches, destroying his batteries and breaking down his defensive works along the whole front.

The whole country thunders with the roar of the guns with the clatter of the horizon seemingly in eruption and the more or less continuous noise of hurling shells overhead at times almost deafening. The Germans reply to date is reported more or less ineffective, except for short intervals and at isolated places. Mr. Gibbs, describing the sight from an elevation not far from which he could see the country from Theval to LaBoiselle and away to Fricourt, says: "Shells were bursting continuously, with white clouds from shrapnel and black clouds from high explosives. The high explosives tore up the ground and raised columns of black smoke which stood stalwart like tall trees in full leaf, black against the sun. In less than half an hour I reckoned that 500 shells had fallen over Theval. But that was only one place. All along the German line our shells were bursting. Above Fricourt there was the continual flash of bursting shells through smoke which shrouded it."

From personal observation, supported by information received from various sources, he testifies to the unquestioned destructive effect of our guns and the success of the gunners in achieving their main objects, which, in addition to those enumerated above by your correspondent, include bringing down the enemy's observation balloons, reaching his men in and beyond communication trenches, billets, and rest camps, and destroying his lines of communication, and generally causing the greatest possible destruction to his offensive power over a wide area.

OBITUARY

(Editor Mail and Advocate)

Dear Sir,—Kindly allow me space in your highly esteemed paper, concerning Bro. John Bradley who passed to the great beyond on Friday night ten o'clock.

Bro. Bradley was a man that was appreciated by everyone, because during his four score years and ten his motto was right.

The funeral session took place on Sunday, July 2nd in the Methodist Church of Musgrave Hr., while Bro. Noah Whiteway presided.

Bro. Bradley leaves four sons to mourn for him, but I may say they need not mourn, because he has gone to join that grand Sphere in Heaven. Two of his sons live at Musgrave Hr. One at St. John's and one at Lewisporte.

Unveil thy bosom faithful tomb; Take this new creature to thy trust, And give these sacred relics room To slumber in the silent dust.

Thanking you for space Mr. Editor, I remain,

Sincerely Yours,
A BROTHER,
Musgrave Hr., July 7, 1916.

CARMANVILLE NOTES.

Fish scarce at present, only a few traps have done anything.

Mr. W. J. Whiteway, who has been Supervisor of the C. of E. Exams. the past two years left this morning in motor boat for Musgrave Hr. where he will be having his vacation for which we wish him a very enjoyable one. Mr. Whiteway is a fine stalwart young man.

All the schooners are left for the

Canadians Not In Big Drive

OTTAWA, July 4.—So far as is known at the Department of Militia the Canadian divisions have not as yet participated in the "big push" of the Allies. It is regarded as possible that they may take some part by way of a co-operative movement, but there is no news from that part of the British battlefield.

The Canadian divisions holding the famous Ypres salient are fifty miles from the region over which the British advance is taking place and official reports received here make no mention of unusual activity in the Ypres section.

Military officials here are following with the keenest interest the official communications dealing with the movements on the Somme-front. They point out that the immediate effect of such a successful offensive must be the lessening of the German pressure at Verdun, as the Hun generals will not be in a position to concentrate at Verdun at the expense of their other lines. Importance is attached to the unprecedented magnitude of British artillery action in view of the known fact that exceedingly strong German defences have been created and that to the extent to which these defences have been created and that to the extent to which these defences can be reduced but hell fire depends the cost to the infantry when the time comes for storming the German positions.

French Shore, where they will spend the summer.

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Arrested as German Spy

CHICAGO, July 3.—Gustave Osmann, who a week ago enlisted in Battery G, of this city, is under arrest in the guard house of the first Cavalry at Camp Lincoln, Springfield on suspicion of being a German spy. Osmann, whose actions aroused suspicion, was arrested while trying to make his escape from the camp. He is said to have been an officer in the German army, and to have made many notes in a book which he car-

ried. These entries are in cypher. Osmann today feigned insanity, but army surgeons declare he is perfectly sane. He will be turned over to the Federal authorities.

Villa Bandits Hanged

DEMING, N.M., July 8.—Four Villa bandits, who took part in the Columbus raid, were hanged in the county jail here to-day.

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