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AUSTRIA CONVERGE OF STARVATION

Revolution Threatens, in Wake of Reduced Food Ration

Hundred Thousand Workmen On Strike in Vienna, and Martial Law is Likely to be Enforced -- Demand Voiced That Former Bread Ration be Restored

Riots are reported in suburbs of Vienna, and one hundred-thousand workmen, in important war manufactory are on strike. The situation apparently is growing beyond control of the civil authorities, and martial law in the Austrian capital is not unlikely. The workmen continue to demand more bread, and the agitation is spreading. Advice received in neutral countries are to the effect that the present trouble is the most serious the Austrian government has faced, and is causing grave apprehension throughout the country. Germany appears unable to help because it is faced with a serious food situation itself.

REPORTS CONFIRMED
LONDON, June 21.—Further information confirming reports of intense excitement and resentment in Austria over the reduction of the bread ration is quoted from Austrian newspapers by the correspondent of The Times at The Hague.

Among the subsidiary causes of the anger is the fact that notification of the reduction was not made until noon Monday, although it had been enforced from early that morning when loud and excited protests were raised.

Premier von Zeydler is accused by the Socialist Arbeiter Zeitung, of Vienna, of producing a disastrous

situation by favoring the agrarians and traders. It says the situation could certainly have been prevented. The paper rails against Germany and Hungary, and tells the authorities they must immediately draw the attention of those countries to the fact that the food conditions in Austria are intolerable, and demand necessary assistance. It adds: "The Austrian population cannot starve while Germany and Hungary have tolerably adequate rations. The Austrian Government must be placed under tutelage even in matters relating to the food supply. It has deserved to be subjected to guardianship, but the population must not be punished with starvation for the future of the government."

The weekly food ration in Austria, The Daily Mail's correspondent at the Hague, quotes The Arbeiter Zeitung of Vienna as reporting is as follows: "Twenty two ounces of bread, one pound of potatoes of which half cannot be eaten; one ounce of black bran mash, one ounce of another mill product, an ounce and a half of fat, six and one half ounces of sugar, one egg seven ounces of meat and a little jam and coffee substitutes.

The Vienna newspaper says that the meat allowance is obtained "if the applicant waits all night for it."

WORKMEN'S DEMANDS

LONDON, June 21.—The Workmen's Council of Vienna in an all night session, ending Thursday morning, adopted a resolution demanding that the bread ration be raised immediately and until it reached normal size, greater quantities of other victuals be given the population, according to reports reaching Copenhagen and transmitted by the Exchange Telegraph Company.

The council protested the adoption of a policy of not summing parliament and demanded that wages be raised and night work in the factories limited, as the men and women are unable to do hard work owing to the lack of food. Finally, the council requested the working people to prevent riots in the streets.

WEATHER BULLETIN

Toronto, Ont., June 21.—The barometer is now high over the Maritime Provinces and Western Provinces and a well marked low area is moving eastward across the Great Lakes. The weather is showery in Ontario and fine in all other parts of the Dominion.

BY THE CORRESPONDENT OF THE TIMES AT THE HAGUE.

The Dutchman had just returned from working in the Krupp plant at Essen, which he left because he could not stand the food conditions. The German people, he added, feared to grumble openly lest they be sent to the front.

ATTACK KAISER

Several German newspapers openly attacked the speech made by Emperor William at German great headquarters, on the occasion of his anniversary.

EXCHANGE DROPS

Amsterdam, June 21.—Austrian exchange, which has been falling fractionally daily on the Amsterdam Bourse, dropped another full point Thursday. All Austrian bonds are lower. It is pointed out here that the reports last week of difficulties between Austria and Germany are now confirmed, despite the denial made by Austria consuls on June 17.

Southerly shifting at night to northwest winds, unsettled with local showers and thunderstorms. Saturday—Fresh northwest winds, fair and cool.

WOMEN AEROPLANE BUILDERS ON PARADE IN AN ENGLISH CITY.



AUSTRIAN OFFENSIVE HAS NOW DEVELOPED INTO DEFENSIVE MOVE

Foe Fighting on Defensive Both in Mountains and Along Piave—Austrian Government Harassed at Home By Food Shortage and Grave Unrest Among Populace

By Courier Leased Wire
Austria's offensive against Italy apparently has resolved itself into a defensive movement both in the mountains and along the Piave. While facing Allied counter attacks on the fighting front, the Austrian government is being harassed in Vienna and elsewhere by popular outbreaks caused by food conditions.

Spurred by their successful resistance, Italian troops are making repeated attacks against the enemy positions west of the Piave, and have gained some ground in the mountains around Asiago. Franco-Italian troops have re-occupied important positions. Wednesday, the bag of Austrian prisoners aggregated nearly 2,000, bringing the total captures to 11,000.

Vienna, in its official statement, admits that its troops are on the defensive, and is content to report that all Italian attacks especially along the Piave, have been repulsed. The fighting is now in its seventh day, and the Austrians west of the Piave probably are in a more precarious position than at any time since last Saturday.

Around Montello, on the northern end of the Piave line, the Austrians have been driven back slightly. Their efforts to advance near Zenson, near the centre of the line, have been checked with severe losses. At San Dona di Piave and on the Fossalta canal, the Italians have

driven the enemy from ground gained earlier in the week. Heavy rains have fallen in the mountains, and these may add to the torrent in the Piave, which has already washed many bridges away. With the flooded river rebelled the enemy, the Italian counter attacks are gaining in strength in an effort to wipe out or capture the troops which have crossed the Piave and have been unable to advance into the Venetian plain.

AMERICANS ON SCENE

Italian Army Headquarters, June 20.—The first American aviators to fly on the Italian front, went to-day on a bombing expedition and succeeded in blowing two holes in a new Austrian bridge across the Piave river behind the enemy. The aviation forces on this front are displaying the most intense activity.

INDIANS WILL NOT REGISTER

Are Not Subjects of Government But Wards, and as Such, Not Liable

DECISION REACHED

The Six Nations Indians, at a meeting held at the council house yesterday, agreed to abstain from national registration, inasmuch as they are wards of the government and citizens in the understood sense of that word. The meeting was attended by all classes, and the following resolution was passed: "That the Indians are wards of the Indian Act, and are not subjects, and are not embraced in the order-in-Council requiring enumeration, besides which it is distinctly against the Treaty of Paris made by the Crown of Great Britain with the Indians, and consequently they have decided not to register under the said order-in-Council of the Government of the Dominion of Canada. Signed, HENRI LEVI GENERAL, Deputy Speaker, Six Nations Council.

NOVITATE MEMBERS TO SERVE IF ELIGIBLE

Militia Department Gives Assurance That Status of the Guelph Students Will be Considered—Hon. C. J. Doherty Replies to Charges

By Courier Leased Wire. OTTAWA, June 21.—If any of the young men who are members of St. Stanislaus' Novitate at Guelph, Ontario, should prove to be liable for military service under the Military Service Act, they will be required to undertake it according to a statement issued from the Department of Militia and Defense this afternoon. The question of the status under the Military Service Act of members of the community of St. Stanislaus Novitate is, it is expected, now under consideration by the military authorities. The department will issue a further statement as soon as it has been determined.

The following statement was issued tonight by the minister of justice, Hon. C. J. Doherty: "The military authorities will deal in an official statement with an extraordinary article which appeared in this evening's Journal in regard to the Jesuit novitate at Guelph. "I desire simply to say that so far as that article or anything contained in it states or implies that my son has been guilty of any violation or evasion of the Military Service Act it is absolutely false. At the time he entered he was by reason of his age subject to no regulation of that act. Moreover, it has been in the most authoritative manner possible, determined that he was physically unfit for military service." The Journal reprinted an article which appeared on the front page of this week's Orange Sentinel, which was a sermon by Rev. Dr. Palmer in the Presbyterian church at Preston last Sunday night.

McLuskey Apologizes. Ottawa, June 21.—Major-General McLuskey, Minister of Militia, replied by wire to Rev. Father Bourque, (Continued on page 4.)

NEW ATTACK COMING ON WEST FRONT

Great Events Impending—Intensity of German Fire a Preliminary

FRESH DRIVE COMING Present Lull in Activity Continues—Minor Operations Only

By Courier Leased Wire. PARIS, June 21.—Grave events are impending on the British front, according to military experts who see in the intensity of the German cannonade at various points, the preliminary steps of a German attack. It is pointed out that the fourth army group, under Crown Prince Rupprecht of Bavaria, has had leisure for re-organization during the three weeks since it was engaged in battle, and now is ready for a new effort along the front. It has been established that units of Crown Prince Rupprecht's army were engaged in the abortive attack on Rheims Tuesday night. This is considered proof by the L'Homme Libre that the German crown prince's army is tired and exhausted.

RAIDERS ACTIVE

LONDON, June 21.—Balletin.—Further extensive raiding and patrol operations were carried out by British troops last night in the Arras region, and on the front to the south, towards Albert. Attempts by the Germans to regain the ground won yesterday by the British near Merris, on the Flanders front, were repulsed today's war office announcement states. The text of the statement follows: "During the night we captured a few prisoners and machine guns and inflicted many casualties on the enemy in raids and patrol encounters in the vicinity of the neighborhood of Hebuterne and Boyelles, and on both banks of the Scarpe.

Several hostile attempts to recapture the ground gained by us yesterday, northwest of Merris, were repulsed with loss to the enemy.

BARON RHONDDA, FOOD MINISTER, VERY ILL

His Condition Serious—Even in Event of His Recovery, He Will Likely Be Unable to Resume His Duties

By Courier Leased Wire. LONDON, June 21.—Grave reports of the condition of Baron Rhondda, British food minister, come from his home in Wales, where he has been confined by a serious illness for several weeks. It is probable that he will be unable to resume his work at the food ministry if he recovers.

The anniversary of Baron Rhondda's tenure of the food control-ship last week was marked by unusual tributes in all the newspapers. The consensus of opinion was that he had been distinctly successful in an office which probably is the most difficult with which any war administrator has had to deal, since it touched the daily life of every inhabitant of the United Kingdom.

JAP AIRMAN KILLED

FRANCE OFFICIAL

Paris, June 21.—French troops last night carried out operations on the front southwest of Soissons, which resulted in the improvement of their positions in the neighborhood of Faveroles. A similar improvement was effected further south on this front, near Hauteveves. The war office made these announcements to-day.

TEUTONS CONFER

By Courier Leased Wire.—Dr. Rieck-Amsterdams, June 22.—Dr. Rieck-von Kuhlmann, accompanied by several high foreign officials, arrived at Hamburg yesterday, according to The Cologne Gazette. They attended a conference with representatives of societies from Hamburg, Bremen and Lubeck on the organization of the German foreign service to-day.