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AUSTRIANS DRIVEN BACK FROM GAINS ON BANKS OF PIA

Are Checked by Allied Forces About Monte Grappa

SHOCK OF BATTLE MET ALONG 100 MILE FRONT

Italian, French, and British Forces are United in Pushing Back First Wave of Austrian Advance Foe Progress Has Been Halted, and He is Now Held in Check

By Courier Leased Wire.

Italian, French and British troops have met the shock of the Austrian offensive along a 100-mile front in Northern Italy, and the enemy is being pushed back where he is now being held in check. Violent battles continue in the mountains from Lake Garda to the Piave, and southward along the Piave, but at no place has the enemy broken through the Allied defence. The full force of the Austrian blow in the mountain region drove the defenders of the Venetian Plains back to their third line, but there the Italians held, and by successive counter-attacks have reoccupied important positions on the Asiago plateau, and have recaptured mountain heights along the Brenta. Around Montello Heights, where the battle line turns towards the Adriatic, the British have completely re-established the British line and maintain it against various enemy blows.

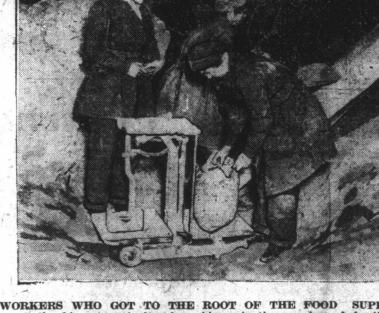
Between the Brenta and the Piave the Austrians apparently have gained a strong foothold on the western slopes of Monte Grappa, one of the key positions protecting the plains around Bassano. East and west of Monte Grappa, however, the Italians and Allied troops hold the enemy in check.

Although they were able to cross the Piave at two points just south of Montello and northeast of Venice, the enemy has been checked in strong efforts to enlarge his gains, and the Italians have begun to drive him back toward the river. West and northwest of Lake Garda, there has been only local activity, with Vienna claiming some local successes near Riva, at the head of the lake.

In two days of fighting Vienna claims the capture of 10,000 prisoners on the Piave and 6,000 in the mountain region. Fifty guns were taken along the river front. In their counter-attacks begun Saturday night, the Italians already have captured 3,000 of the enemy.

The Austrian plan apparently was to strike heavily on the north and on the east at the same moment in the hope that on one of the fronts large forces could be thrown on the Venetian plains between Bassano and

Although carried out in great force and with heavy bombard-ments, the Austrian effort seemingly has fallen short of its pur-



WORKERS WHO GOT TO THE ROOT OF THE FOOD SUPPLY, One of the biggest agricultural problems is the supply of fer lizers.

An army of women under the direction of the Ministry of Munitions are now busily engaged in solving it. Photo shows mixing and weighing the great potato stimulant.

PUBLIC SECURITY IN GERMANY DECLINING

Thefts in Post Office And on Railways Are of Daily Occurrence—Lawlessne ss Rampant, And is Seldom Punished

London, June 17.—"Public security in Germany is declining from one month to another and thefts in the post office and on the railways have become of daily occurrence," says The

The growth in burglarics, the newspaper adds, can be esti-mated by the amount that one insurance company (The Frank-fort General Insurance Company) has had to pay out in settlement of burglary claims. In 1914 the amount was 87,405 marks. By 1917 the amount had reached the extraordinary figure of 2,126,809 marks, while in the first three months of 1918 the claims already have amounted to more than a million marks.

Less than five per cent. of the thieves have been traced. In the week ending June 5, a large number of horses were stolen in Berlin, several of them in broad daylight while standing in the streets.

POLITICAL STRIKE. Amsterdam, June 17 .- A political strike has been arranged

for to-day at Nuremburg as a protest against the reduced bread rations and the postponement and hampering of Prussian suffrage reform, according to reports received here. The Berliner Tageblatt says that the Social Democratic party and the United Trade Unions of Nuremagainst a strike.

DENY ILL TREATMENT. Amsterdam, June 17.-American war prisoners are not being ill-treated in Germany, says a despatch telegraphed to Amsterdam by the semi-official Wolff Bureau of Berlin.

The prisoners, it is declared, are used as show objects to the German public and are not subjected to insults and the throwing of stones which is "foreign to the calm tempered German mind, which does not excite anyhow over a few Americans in the midst of so many thousands of war prisoners of all nations alities."

Adequate food "on a scale corresponding to the present conditions in Germany" is not lacking in the camp where these prisoners are quartered.

City of Treviso Was Objective of Foe Forces Which Were Halted by hte Counter-Attacks of Italian Defenders -Situation is Reassuring

By Courier Leased Wire.

Italian Headquarters, Northern Italy, June 16 .- By the Associated Press.-In their attempt to cross the Piave in great force Saturday, the Austrians had the City of Treviso as their objective. In getting across the Piave, the Austrians paid a tremendous sacrifice before the machine gun fire of the Italian defenders of the western bank.

Counter-attacks by Italian infantry and heavy Italian fire have forced the enemy to retire from most of his gains along the Piave.

An order found in the pockets of prisoners was to the effect that the Austrians were to be at Preganziol, south of Treviso, on Saturday night.

SITUATION REASSURING

ROME, June 16.—Bulletin.—The situation on the Italian front in its entirety seem very reassuring, says a semi-official note issued tonight. It is added that the great battle which broke out Saturday has but begun. Although having a strength of sixty divisions, the enemy attacking forces have not succeeded in passing the Italian advanced

area at any point.

Austrian pressure continues very strong along the entire front. The enemy is concentrating most powerful and fierce attacks astride the Brenta and across the Piave, and it is still possible for the fighting line to flow backwards

The Italian army was prepared for the Austrian attack, and there is confidence that it will be able to break the force of the blow.

ITALY GRAVE BUT PROUD

eral attack is a repetition of the enemy's manoeuvre of last October, Washington June 1

Throughout the country there is a feeling of tense expectancy. The grave, solemn faces of the people are expressive of the seriousness of the hour, but also of the pride which is felt for the army for its splendid stand all along the difficult battle front. The churches were more crowded than usual to-day, throngs of women praying for victory and for the safety of those at the ront. Many women brought jewels as offerings.

When he took the offensive from standing the intention of disguising his main plan of breaking through the Alps and forcing the Italians to retire in the Bains and Carso regions. Now the enemy's feint apparently is intended to conceal the development of a plan long cherished by Field Marshal Conrad von Hoetzendam, Many women brought jewels as offerings.

Washington, June 17-An official dispatch from Rome dated 10.55 o'clock last night, says the battle on the Italian front still assumes gigantic proportions, the Austrians attempting to break down the Italian de-fense by a great pincer move-ment. It adds that the battle will last several days before a decision is reached.

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London, June 17.—(via Reuter's Ottawa Agency)—Reuter's correspondent with the British army in Italy had an interview with a high British official last night, who expressed himself in every way satisfied with the result of the Austrian attack against the British. The enemy has practically lost five to our one, and we captured four guns. Our airmen on the Piave broke up at least seven bridges and fired 25.000 rounds at a low altitude

ed. The Echo de Paris says the Austrian may get a repulse which might be turned into a defeat.

The Matin declares the present battle is an unquestionable success for the tialians because the Austrians appear to have failed. Almost all the newspapers insist that serious political consequences in Austria-Hungary will follow a check to the Austrian offensive.

RECORD FLIGHTS.

Geneva, June 17.—Alled aviators at the end of last week performed two long distance flying feats on which they averaged 350 miles in an average of four hours elapsed time, according to a telegram from Milan to The Chronique Italienne of Geneva. From a base south of Idnice, Italy, a party of aviators went over Austria.

Geneva. From a base south of Idnice, Italy, a party of aviators went over Austrian Adriatic ports far as Zara in Dalmatia, and returned. The second party went over the Tyrolese Alps to Innsbruck and then to Friedrichshafen, where photographs were taken, showing that new airplane factories are being constructed there. The aviators did not drop any bombs.

NURSES STOLE FOOD FROM THE WOUNDED

Threaten to Close Austrian Military Hospital Unless Better Fed

London, June 17.—Red Cross nurses attached to the hospital at Kerchindorf have informed to reports printed in Austrian, newspapers and forwarded from Amsterdam by the Exchange Telegraph Company. The nurses, it is added, have been obliged to steal the rations intended for their patients in order to live. Some of them were caught and imprisoned for these thefts. The military authorities have promised relief.

French Troops Improved Their Positions Between Oisne and the Aisne

TOOK SOME CAPTIVES **British Troops Also Carried** Out Successful Raid

CLEMENCEAU SMILES

Near Arras

By Courier Leased Wire Paris, June 17.—The troops improved their positions norta and northeast of Haute Brays, br-tween the Oise and the Aisne, in a local operation early to-day. One hundred prisoners and some machine guns were captured, says the official

German attacks were repulsed in the Cavieres Wood, and in the Vosges. The statement reads:

"Between the Oise and the Aisnes the French succeeded in carrying out early to-day a local operation, which resulted in the improvement of the French north and northwest of Haute-Braye. The French took 100 soners and captured several prisoners and chine guns.

"In the Cavieres Wood and in army along the Plave to retire in the Vosges, our troops repulsed ene-order to avoid being caught by an my surprise attacks. There is nothing to report from the rest of the Successful British Raid

Liondon, June 17.—A successful raid was carried out last night east of Arras by the British, who took a few prisoners, it is announced officially. The statement follows:

"We carried out a successful raid last night east of Arras and captured a few prisoners. A raid attempted by the enemy yesterday morning it the neighborhood of Givenchy was repulsed.

"For a short period during the night the enemy's artillery heavily bombarded positions northwest of Albert. Elsewhere only normal activity was reported."

Clemenceau Smiles Paris, June 17.—Premier Clemenceau spent Sunday at the front, The Petit Journal says, and the premier refused to talk, but that he smiled when he declined to discuss the situation.

PERSHING'S COMMUNIQUE. PARIS CONFIDENT.

Paris, June 17. — The reports from the Italian fighting front are incouraging and the newspapers believe that the enemy will be checkd. The Echo de Paris says the sustrian may get a repulse which is the confidence of the confide

Loudon, June 17.—A German airplane crossed the Kent coast of England soon after noon to-day. It was chased out to sea by the British anti-aircraft guns. An official statement announc-

GOVERNMENT HAS THE IRISH SITUATION WELL IN HAND

Lull Follows Recent Unrest, And Volunteer Recruiting Campaign is Proceeding Apace—No Attempt to Apply Draft Likely Befor e October—Joseph Devlin Denounces Sinn Feinn Policy

Dublin, June 17 .- At present there is somewhat of a lull in the political situation in Ireland. Agitation against conscription has relaxed in the face of the Government proclamation call-ing for volunteer recruits and no

Government proclamation calling for volunteer recruits and no attempt to apply the draft is expected before October and then only in the event of conspicuous failure to obtain the necessary number by enlistment.

The visit of protest contemplated by the Lord Mayor of Dublin to President Wilson has been indefinitely postponed He is "holding himself in readiness to go to Washington when the occasion arises, but he has no expectation at present that the occasion ever will arise."

It is not intended at present to bring to trial the Sinn Feiners arrested at Whitsuntide. Their imprisonment is made regular under the regulations of the Defence of the Realm Act and none of them thus far has taken advantage of the provision which enables him to appeal against imprisonment.

The immediate purpose of the Government is to make a success of the recruiting campaign. They are handing it over entirely to civilians drawn from all the political parties.

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and despair."

The Daily Mail says:

"It can hardly escape the Austrian peoples that they are being driven to slaughter to the profit of Germany."

Indicate the village of Virginia, Cavan county, in support of the candidacy of O'Hanlon, the Nationalist candidate for parliament for East Cavan been combed out?—London opinion.

was one of the principal factors in the contest could have been avoided it would have been.

He said the Irish party was not go"When it was declared by the "When it was declared by the He said the Irish party was not going to throw away the weapon.

"The Sinn Fein is not a new doctrine or new policy," he said. "It has been before the country for 20 years, but the Irish people have paid no attention to it because it is too grotesque, and during this period of twenty years it has not raised a laberer's cottage or helped te brighten or beautify a single woman's home. The Irish party did not enter into this contest light-heartedly, and if and generation."

"When it was declared by the Sinn Feiners that there is no room for men like John Dillon in Irish politics, then the supporters of the constitutional movement accepted the challenge. There are now two policies before the people in this success and the other in certain failure. The promise of an Irish republic in fifty years or in fifty centures is no compensation to the men and women living in this day this contest light-heartedly, and if



of the salient, where the British recently carried out a consider-able local advance. pose of shattering the Italian **LONDON IS CONFIDENT**

By Courier Leased Wire of the Austrian offensive is viewed hopefully, even confidently by the newspapers here. This view is based on the staunch resistance of the Al-lied defensive and the failure of the enemy to make anything like a big success in his initial advance. success in his initial advance.

It is admitted that some days must "There is strong ground for be pass before the results of fighting on such a great scale can correctly be judged, but the conviction is firmly

SIGNS, ZIMMIE? ALWAYS PAY a shallow area of ATTENTION TOTAL low pressure has SORT, LIZZIE. passed eastward across the Great Lakes and a high area is now coming in from The weather is fine and moder-

ately warm throughout the "Zimmie" Dominion. Moderate to fresh northerly winds, fine to-day and on Tuesday, not much change in temperature.

plan, has hitherto been fatal, as in London, June 17.—The outcome the case of Vimy Ridge and in the

front and rolling it back toward

On the front in France the

fighting activity has been limit-

ed to local German attacks at isolated points. Against the French along the Matz River the enemy failed. Between the Oise and the Aisne the French

improved their positions early

to-day, capturing 100 prisoners and some machine guns. The Lys salient in Flanders is being

subjected to a heavy German artillery fire. The enemy is paying special attention to the front southwest of Ypres, east of Dickebussh Lake, and to the

western part of the southern leg

the Adige.

hardly be doubted." The newspaper cites the opinion

expressed in several quarters that it will end in failure for the enemy eral papers that there is a direct "Failure," says the Daily News, connection between the initiation of "on the first day of these attacks as conducted on the modern German in Austria-Hungary. The Daily Ex-WEATHER BULLETIN

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institutions of the Austro-Hungarian state." The Daily Mail predicts that an Austrian failure to gain a decision will have serious internat effects. Germany's hand generally is seen behind the move. The Daily News believes that it is an offensive "imposed by Germany on an ally which long ceased to have any part in the struggle and which is sinking to a condition of internal disintegration Nationalist party, addressing a meet-

and despair."