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AUSTRIANS RUSH FULL FLIGHT

British Repulse German Attack and Use Tanks for the First Time in a Midnight Raid-- Germans Gain Footing in Allied Trenches Near Bligny, But Are Promptly Ousted.

AUSTRIANS IN RETREAT FROM MONTELO TO SEA

Italians Drive Them in Disorder Across Piave River and Closely Pursue Them--Sorely Harasses Enemy at Other Points.

Rome, June 23.—On the Piave River front, from the Montello to the Adriatic, the defeated Austro-Hungarians are recrossing the river in disorder, says the Italian official statement issued today.

The enemy is being closely pursued by the Italian troops. Yesterday was carried out successful small raids and patrol actions.

To the west of Fagare the enemy attempted some counter-offensive which immediately were crushed.

A British party in an energetic surprise action broke into the adversary's lines to the south of Asiago, and after a lively struggle killed 100 of the enemy, and brought back 21 prisoners and one machine gun.

Our own and the allied armies have continued the struggle with undiminished vigor. They also carried out yesterday big and effective bombardments on the enemy's immediate lines of communication.

Ten enemy machines were brought down. The enemy's aerial losses since June 15 amounted to 95 airplanes and six captive balloons.

LOCAL ATTACK REPULSED. Assaults Effectively Countered and Successive Advances Crushed.

Rome, June 23.—"The enemy's offensive pressure, broken heroically or withheld along the whole front of battle by the firm resistance and counter-offensive spirit of our troops, has not been renewed since the evening of June 20," says an official report from headquarters today.

The enemy on Friday launched another strong local attack in the direction of Losson, southwest of Fossalta, but was sanguinarily repulsed.

"We carried out violent concentrations of fire on Montello and in the Grappa region, which were effectively countered, and successive advances attempted by infantry detachments were repelled.

At Cavuscherina strongly supported by the batteries of the Italian Royal Navy, our brave sailors and Bersaglieri, during another brilliant action, enlarged the bridgehead and captured 150 prisoners and a large quantity of arms and material.

On the remainder of the front small adjustment actions allowed us to rectify the line in our favor, and brought us some prisoners and war booty.

On the Asiago Plateau some of our small detachments daringly penetrated in full daylight into an enemy advanced post, and after a lively struggle captured the garrison.

Ten enemy airplanes and three captive balloons were brought down.

POURED HEAVY ARTILLERY FIRE UPON TROOP CONCENTRATIONS

Losses of Austro-Hungarians Are Estimated at Hundred and Eighty Thousand Sustained in Latest Offensive.

Italian Army Headquarters, June 23.—A large part of the Austro-Hungarian casualties, estimated by Italian military officials at 180,000 and probably more, sustained in the latest offensive of the enemy on the northeastern Italian front, were due to the fact that in the early hours preceding the assault a week ago the Italians anticipated the Austrian fire by pouring artillery fire upon troop concentrations which were being made preparatory to attacks upon the Italian lines.

The Austrian losses on the Montello and at San Dona di Piave were particularly heavy after the first two days of the offensive owing to the fierceness of the attacks at these two points.

TORNADO OF FIRE DROVE BACK GERMANS

Attempt to Capture British Position on High Ground Met Complete Reverse.

A RAID WITH TANKS First Time Machines Have Been Used at Night, But Proved Thoroughly Successful.

With the British Army in France, June 23.—An enemy attempt to capture some British positions on the high ground east of Strazele this morning met with a complete reverse.

The attack was a local one and was preceded by a heavy bombardment that began about six o'clock and was maintained with great intensity for a considerable time.

At the conclusion of the artillery preparation, the German infantry along a narrow sector surged forward on the machine gun and rifle fire that, after struggling ahead a little, they were forced to retire.

During the night the British conducted a raid near Bucquoy with tanks, which never had been used for raiding purposes before. The big engines went over the top shortly before midnight followed by infantry. The riflemen met with strong opposition and were held up by a heavy machine gun fire, but the tanks proceeded on their business and for two hours trundled about the enemy territory, leaving the mark of their guns wherever they went.

What casualties were inflicted on the enemy are not certain but the tanks did good execution and prisoners were brought back.

Two successful raids also were made into German positions near Montello during the night, although this is not uncommon for the Austrians, who are in this sector, are always baiting the Boche.

On the Belgian sector King Albert's troops carried out a raid northwest of St. Julien that resulted in a hot fight at a strong concrete blockhouse. The Belgians stormed this position and cleared it out, capturing eight Germans who appeared to be all the men left alive in the fort.

The usual harassing fire was continued by the enemy in Flanders yesterday.

WINNIPEG WOMEN CRITICIZE FOOD BOARD

Winnipeg, June 23.—Several women's societies in Winnipeg have prepared a resolution, which they propose to introduce at a mass meeting called for next Wednesday night in Winnipeg, criticizing the Canada Food Board.

The resolution practically accuses the food board of "agitating shortages" to boost prices, and calls on the Dominion Government to reorganize the board.

OFFERS RESIGNATION OF AUSTRIAN CABINET

Paris, June 23.—After a meeting with Emperor Charles of Austria on Friday, says a despatch from Zurich, Switzerland, Premier von Seydler presented the resignation of the entire Austrian cabinet. The emperor said he would decide later whether to accept the resignation.

BRITISH AVIATORS ACTIVE AT NIGHT

London, June 23.—The official report on aerial operations tonight says: "The weather hindered air work Saturday. There was no air fighting but at night conditions improved and night flying machines were more active. During the 24 hours 15 tons of bombs were dropped, the Bapaume dump, railway stations at Armentieres, Stenwerck and Bac St. Maur and the Bruges docks being heavily attacked by our machines.

"In spite of adverse weather conditions on the 21st instant, some artillery co-operation, photographic reconnaissance and patrol were carried out by our airplanes. One hostile machine was destroyed. Two of our machines are missing."

POLICE MAKE RAID AND SEIZE LIQUOR

They Allege Illicit Trade Has Been Done by Supposed "Ring."

ALCOHOL IN CANS.

Bottling House is Said to Have Been on Gerrard Street.

The wholesale importation of whiskey and pure alcohol into Toronto has been traced to the location of a "moonshine" bottling house on Gerrard street close to light on Saturday night, when plainclothesmen Scott and Ward of West Dundas street station arrested six men and one woman, the members of an alleged "ring" on a charge of a breach of the Ontario "Temperance" law.

The officers had been working on the case for some time, and on Saturday night paid a visit to all the addresses above mentioned.

In the case of Cecile and Howard Scrimshaw they found 12 bottles of whiskey, on Ann street 7 gallons, on Sherbourne street 14 bottles, on East Dundy street, Samuel Trafonsky, 98 Baldwin street, Thomas Morrow, 109 Sherbourne street. The one woman in custody is Mary DeVine, 113 Ann street.

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FAVORS TO CATHOLIC ORDERS DENOUNCED BY GUELPH PASTORS

SCOTS RUSH FOE TRENCHES KILL ALL IN DUGOUTS

Penetrate to a Depth of Four Hundred Yards on a Front of Seven Hundred and Make Clean Out

With the British Armies in France, Saturday, June 22.—Another week has passed with the Germans continuing to make threats to attack the British front, but without an offensive materializing. Both sides have been closely watching each other, each has carried out a large number of raids for the purpose of identifying opposing troops and inflicting damage.

The biggest and most successful raid was made by Scottish troops yesterday southwest of Gavrelle, where enemy trenches were rushed along a front of 700 yards and penetrated to a depth of 400 yards. Every enemy dugout in this area was destroyed and its occupants killed.

GAINED A FOOTING BUT QUICKLY OUSTED

German Forces Unsuccessfully Attacked the Allied Positions at Bligny.

Paris, June 23.—German forces last night attacked the Entente allied positions at Bligny, about eight miles southwest of Rheims, and succeeded temporarily in gaining a footing along allied trenches. A vigorous counter-attack instituted by Italian troops, however, quickly ejected the enemy and re-established the line in its entirety.

French troops last night executed a number of raids between Montdidier and the Oise, returning with a number of prisoners.

Between the Marne and Rheims the Germans attacked Mount Bligny where they succeeded in obtaining a footing for a moment. Italian troops by a vigorous counter-attack ejected the enemy and secured a number of prisoners. Our line was completely re-established.

The night was calm on the rest of the front.

The war office announcement tonight says: "The day was calm along the whole front.

Eastern theatre, June 23.—Violent storms have prevented activity along the Serbian front. In the region of Saplunice, in the upper Devol valley, we repulsed enemy detachments who left some prisoners in our hands.

Eastern theatre, June 21.—Two enemy raids on positions recently taken by us west of the Vardar and southwest of Lake Ochrida, were repulsed.

JOHN S. ROBERTSON DIES AT ELMDALE

Was Son of Late John Ross Robertson and Died on Day of Masonic Memorial Service.

John Sinclair Robertson, son of the late John Ross Robertson, founder of The Toronto Telegram, died at Elmdale early Sunday morning.

He had been in very poor health for the last year or more, he had of late apparently regained some of his former strength and vigor, and the news of his sudden death, so soon after that of his father, came as a real shock to his many friends in this city.

John Sinclair Robertson was born in London, England, 45 years ago, and came to this country when still only a young boy. After completing his education here in Toronto, he entered the employ of The Telegram, which had only shortly before been founded by his father, and also he did not really take any very active part in the editing of his particular page, the sporting news, for several years past, he never completely severed his connection with The Telegram.

He was of a cheery disposition, and possessed of some of the most striking democratic ideas and characteristics of his father. While he really conducted the sporting section of The Telegram, he always insisted upon being treated as any of the smaller and less important members of the staff.

He was a prominent member of the Masonic order, and closely connected with many benevolent and fraternal organizations, and his friends looked upon it as a rather strange coincidence that he should have died at the very time his brother Masons were paying a last tribute to the memory of his father. Mr. Robertson leaves his widow, Mrs. Jane Hendrick Robertson, and one son. The funeral will take place from his late residence, 44 Castle Frank road, on Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

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Sermons Preached in All the Protestant Churches on the Recent Raid on Novitiate--Attack on Jesuits and Censorship.

Guelph, June 23.—"I want to tell you to take with mental reservation any statement made by a Jesuit priest, for any lie that he tells in defence of his church is to him a virtue of the highest truth."

This was the startling statement made by Rev. W. D. Spence, pastor of the Congregational Church, and president of the Guelph Ministerial Association, to his congregation on Sunday morning in dealing with the ministerial situation at the Jesuit Novitiate. He went on to declare that Protestant ministers in their theological studies at college studied the catholic as well as their own, and he knew what he was talking about.

This matter, which has caused an agitation all over the country, was referred to today in nearly all of the pulpits of the city, and as it was generally known that it would be dealt with large congregations were present. The greatest interest, however, centered in the services by Rev. Mr. Spence and Rev. K. H. Palmer, both of whom have taken a leading part in the controversy.

Mr. Spence, in his opening remarks, stated that the ministerial association in taking the matter up did so not only because they felt that they represented an Ontario city, but because they represent the whole body of Protestantism in this Canada. "Inasmuch as Protestantism accepts our attitude," he declared, "it represents the body of Protestantism. He declared that Christian ministers were not actuated in this matter by any sense of religious intolerance, but that their feelings were that the issue involved in this present war were issues of universal importance.

Must Share Alike in Fight. "If any blessings are to come to Canada when the war is over from those of every form of faith, they ought to share alike in the fight that is to make these blessings possible."

He declared that the charges of censoring the novitiate, which were not made by the ministerial association, but by the military authorities, and that the ministers had merely asked the government to investigate certain charges that were made to them as ministers. He also stated that the pastors of the Protestant churches in this community refused to be regarded as incompetent and incapable of being leaders in this action against the novitiate, but that certain charges had been made by the military authorities, and these should be cleaned up. He referred to press censorship in this matter, and declared that the time had come when liberty of speech and the liberty of the press should not be gagged. It took the ministers of Guelph to pry off the lid, and it would stay off until this thing had been cleaned up.

Guelph is With Law. "We have no quarrel with our fellow-religionists of any creed or faith," said Mr. Spence, "but we have the quarrel with the lawmakers of the land. We declare that the unfair clause in the Military Service Act must come out, and that Protestants and Catholics alike be treated on the same level by the government."

Rev. H. B. Christie, pastor of Dublin Street Methodist Church, was applauded to the echo at the morning service, when in dealing with the question he stated that the Protestant people demanded fair play in this matter, and that it was not right that the Protestant colleges should be depleted of their young men while the Catholic institutions of learning were filled to overflowing. They should all be treated alike.

Rev. Dr. Gordon of Woolwich Street Baptist Church preached a strong sermon on the subject and declared that the question of fair play against the novitiate, but that certain charges had been made by the military authorities and these should be cleaned up. He referred to press censorship in this matter, and declared that the time had come when liberty of speech and the liberty of the press should not be gagged. It took the ministers of Guelph to pry off the lid, and it would stay off until this thing had been cleaned up.

Restoring Hand at Ottawa. St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, of which Rev. K. H. Palmer is the pastor, was opened to the doors tonight in anticipation of fair play against the novitiate, but each time some restraining hand of Ottawa interfered and it was not until a new protest-march took charge at London that the raid was actually completed. Following the raid it was

WEATHER HOLDS BACK HAY AND ROOT CROPS

Warmth Needed After Rain to Bring on Another Record Year.

Two weeks ago the outlook for all the spring crops was of the brightest with the possible exception of old meadows, but reports from the country districts the last two or three days indicate that the prolonged cold spell is holding back the hay and root crops, especially the mangolds, which are said to be at a standstill. The rainfall of Friday, pretty general over southern Ontario, was just what was needed, and if warm weather comes along from this time on there is every likelihood of another record year.

In the whole of York County there is probably less than 100 acres of fall wheat, and the most of that is headlands left over when the rest of the field was plowed or cultivated up. Not in years has there been such a clean out of the fall wheat crop. What little there is out in head, and barley is starting to come, too, the fields bearing that uneven appearance which always accompanies the "shooting out of barley heads. Ex-Reeve Jonathan Nigh of Almira said last night that while Friday's rain was splendid, the cold weather was affecting the hay and which were not making any growth, but a warm spell would do wonders.

First Snow in Buenos Aires To Make Blanket of White

Buenos Aires, June 23.—Snow fell for an hour here this afternoon. This is said to be the first time in the history of the country that enough snow has fallen to make the ground white.

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