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Peace Riots Shaking German Cities; Viennese Storm Palace

STAD LONDON BUSINESSMEN UNBEND FOR FESTIVITIES OF ROTARIANS' PICNIC



Advertiser Illustrations.

The annual picnic of the Rotary Club, held Monday at the farm of John White, London Township, will go down in the club's history as one of the greatest on record. The Advertiser camera man was there to record just some of the doings, and the above "snaps" tell their own story. Across the top may be seen the winning contestants of the Tintea Trophy—Rotarians Frank Ashplant and James Gray, being presented with their prizes by A. E. Silverwood. The Langford leap-frog sprinters are to be seen in the centre, while to the right may be glimpsed the race of the "greater production" rotarians for the ton of coal presented by W. A. Martin. The kiddies who kicked in the "balloon kick" contest are at the left of the lower pictures; the girl sprinters are in the

FOE DRIVEN FROM CAPO SILE; THOUSANDS OF PRISONERS AND MUCH MATERIAL TAKEN BY ALLIES IN PIAVE BATTLE

Well-Directed Counter-Attacks and Desperate Resistance Taking Steam Out of the Austrian Offensive, Emperor Charles' Legion Being Unable to Make Decisive Headway—Heavy Defeat Seems Certain For the Teutons.

London, June 20.—News reached London this afternoon that the Italians have regained Capo Sile, the town on the lagoon to the west of the Piave River, near its mouth, which was captured by the Austro-Hungarians.

The River Piave, overflowing its banks, has destroyed several pontoon bridges constructed by the Austrians at Intestadura and also at San Ponna di Piave. This has increased the difficulty of the Austrians in their rear communications, affecting the transportation of artillery, ammunition, food and fresh troops.

It is stated that the Austrians fighting south of the Piave River continue to implore help and also that two of their divisions have been greatly reduced by losses.

Paris, June 20.—The splendid resistance of the Italians and their Franco-British allies leads the French press to conclude that the Austrians cannot avoid defeat, especially as well-directed counter-attacks have resulted in the capture of thousands of prisoners and much war material.

A Havas dispatch from Rome says that Italy has achieved a great double victory, referring to the recent naval exploit in the Adriatic, and the present checking of the Austrians.

Late in March, says the Echo de Paris, Field Marshal von Hindenburg demanded that Austrian divisions be sent to the French front. Field Marshal Conrad von Hotzendorf, supported by Emperor Charles, assured the German leader that an Austrian offensive against Italy would have a great chance of success, and would be received joyfully by the Dual monarchy. This point of view was finally accepted by the German supreme command.

ITALIAN SPIRIT HIGH.

Italian Army Headquarters, June 19.—By the Associated Press.—Realization that the Austrian offensive has failed is spurring the Italian troops to a desperate resistance along the Piave. Heavy fighting continued today around the Montello Plateau on the north, and near San Dona-di-Piave on the south.

On Montello, which is hilly and wooded, the opposing forces frequently stumbled upon each other unexpectedly. Such meetings always result in sharp encounters. The spirit of the Italian troops is at high pitch despite wounds, loss of sleep and constant movements made necessary by the conditions of the terrain at several points.

ITALIANS CONTROL AIR.

Italian Army Headquarters, Wednesday, June 19.—By the Associated Press.—The Italians have won complete control of the air along the Piave line, where the most determined fighting of the present Austrian offensive is in progress. This afternoon not a single Austrian machine was aloft on this front.

In general the situation of the Austrians along the Piave appears far from satisfactory to them. Prisoners taken by the Italians all declare the Austrian army has little food. Some of the prisoners have not eaten for 48 hours.

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ENEMY'S LINES WERE ENTERED BY THE POILUS

French Make Successful Raid Between Montdidier and River Oise.

Paris, June 20.—French troops entered the German lines between Montdidier and the Oise River last night and captured twenty prisoners, says the official statement issued today. There was nothing of importance on the rest of the front.

All Stockyards of States Are Placed Under Fed. License

Washington, June 20.—All stockyards in the United States today were ordered by President Wilson to be put under federal license. A presidential proclamation was issued which requires that licenses must be obtained from the food administration on or before July 25. The order also is required of commission men, order buyers, traders, speculators and scalpers handling or dealing in live cattle, sheep, swine or goats, "in or in connection with such stockyards" except those exempted by the food and fuel law.

STAGNI WAS RECALLED BECAUSE OF HEALTH

Rome, June 20.—(Via Reuters's Ottawa Agency.)—Mr. Stagni, apostolic delegate to Canada, was recalled at his own request for reasons of health. In his place the pope has appointed Peter Di Maria, whom he has also created the titular archbishop of Iconium.

THE WEATHER

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.
Following were the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 75; lowest, 43.
The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 65; lowest, 41.

TOMORROW—SHOWERY; WARMER.

Toronto, June 20.—8 a.m. Forecast.
Today.—Moderate to fresh easterly winds and cool.
Friday.—Showery and a little warmer.

THE FOLLOWING WERE THE HIGHEST AND LOWEST TEMPERATURES FOR THE 24 HOURS PREVIOUS TO 8 A.M. TODAY:

City	Highest	Lowest	Cloud
Victoria	74	44	Clear
Calgary	86	48	Clear
Winnipeg	72	50	Cloudy
Port Arthur	72	50	Cloudy
Perry Sound	64	48	Clear
Port Stanley	64	44	Clear
Toronto	67	44	Fair
Kingston	67	42	Clear
Ottawa	66	36	Clear
Montreal	54	46	Clear
Quebec	58	38	Cloudy
Father Point	44	42	Cloudy

Weather Notes.

The area of high pressure, which for some days past has covered the Great Lakes, is now moving eastward, and a low area is advancing from the westward. Moderate showers have occurred in Manitoba and parts of Saskatchewan, but the weather over most of Canada has been quite fine.

CANADA MUST FEED ENGLAND AND THE ARMY

Ottawa, June 20.—A bulletin from the Canada Food Board says: "Great Britain in peace times depended upon imports for four-fifths of her food supply. One out of every seven of Scotland's total population is in the army; in England one out of every seventeen.

Britain, despite army demands for men has increased her farm acreage by help of women, boys and labor diverted from towns and cities. She has also increased her production of munitions and ships, and her manufactured exports, such as cotton, by which she finances herself.

But most of her usual sources of food supplies have been cut off by the war and scarcity of ships. Canada produces the largest available food surplus in the British Empire. The responsibility for feeding the armies and the Mother Country falls directly upon Canada. The harvest of 1918 must be saved or millions will starve.

Let Canadians realize the truth before writing "yes" or "no" on the registration cards to the question "Are you willing to do farm work?"

OTTAWA CIVIC WORKERS GET HALF-HOLIDAY PER WEEK AND WITH WAGES

Ottawa, June 20.—The board of control at a meeting yesterday afternoon decided to recommend to the city council that all permanent civic employees be given one half-holiday per week with pay. This is to be in addition to the one day off in seven, which council approved at its Monday meeting.

FATAL BOILER EXPLOSION.

Montreal, June 20.—Joseph Charron, 35 years of age, was killed and several others had a narrow escape from serious injuries yesterday at Mount Laurier, when a boiler in the Mont Laurier saw-mill exploded and destroyed the engine-room. Charron was carried and is survived by a widow and five children. The damage to the mill is estimated at over \$2,000.

CLEMENCEAU REPORTS STEADY STREAM OF AMERICAN SOLDIERS

Talk On War Situation Greatly Cheers Army Commission.

Paris, June 20.—Talking to the parliamentary army commission today on the military situation, Premier Clemenceau alluded to the American military effort, which he said was being constantly sustained, and which was resulting in the steady and safe arrival in France of large numbers of American reinforcements. He spoke also of new decisions made by the British Government regarding measures to be taken during the next enemy offensive, and upon the situation as regards the defence of Paris.

Leon Abrial of the war department gave details of the military strength of the Entente and his revelations, together with the statements made by the premier, had a most reassuring effect upon the commissioners.

The members of the commission, says l'Homme Libre, were particularly impressed by the figures given of the number of American troops, which, it predicts, will shortly bring about numerical equality with the enemy.

RAIN BADLY NEEDED FOR CROPS OF SASK.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Winnipeg, June 19.—Superintendent of Interior Elevator Company H. Bartwell wires to a local paper tonight from Regina, Sask., as follows: "Having driven by auto practically all through Saskatchewan, I would say that the crops outside of the Arcola, Soo and Assiniboia branches of the C. P. R. are damaged fully 25 per cent. Rain is required badly, but if it does come at night, the heads of grain will be in proportion. Some fields that were blown away are practically dried out. Speaking in general, the oats and barley crops have not had sufficient moisture to get any growth in many places is bare."

OTTAWA WILL EXPLAIN ENTRANCE OF POLICE AT JESUIT NOVITIATE

Guelph, June 20.—The next step of the Guelph Ministerial Association in connection with the visit of more police to the Jesuit novitiate here is problematical. A meeting is being held this afternoon of the committee appointed to deal with the question at which it will be decided whether to go on to deal with the meeting of protest early next week.

Much depends upon a statement which it is stated the Dominion Government is issuing today, explaining the whole affair. The heads of novitiate here have had received a communication from the militia minister, saying that a report will be given of the visit to the college, but the letter from the minister is satisfactory only so far as it goes.

GEN. WILLIAMS FREED

Edmonton, June 20.—News has been received in Edmonton that Gen. Victor Williams, who was a prisoner of war in Germany for more than two years, since his capture at T'p' in 1915 is now in England and will return to Canada soon. For about six months he has been in Switzerland, his release being allowed recently.

HUNGRY MOBS STORM BAKERIES OF KARL'S CAPITAL; RIOTING AT HAMBURG, BERLIN, COLOGNE

SMASH U-BOATS, URGES GOMPERTS

Minneapolis, Minn., June 20.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, addressing a mass meeting here last night, made an appeal to the American people to resist the ravages of German submarines, which "are bringing the war to the threshold of this country."

Other speakers at the meeting, which was held under the auspices of the American Alliance for Labor and Democracy, included James Wilson and Miss Agnes Nestor, members of the European labor mission, and James Lord, member of the Mexican labor mission.

The hope of Europe rests upon the United States, according to Mr. Wilson.

NUMEROUS CLASHES REPORTED BY HAIG

British Raiders Active at Many Points With Success.

London, June 20.—British raiding parties were active in several sectors along the front last night, taking prisoners and inflicting losses upon the Germans in numerous places, the war office announced today.

The text of the statement says: "A number of raids were carried out by us last night in the neighborhood of Ecoust, (between Arras and Valenciennes), and in the Strazelle and Ypres sectors (in Flanders). Certain of these enterprises led to sharp fighting in which the enemy suffered many casualties. We captured 18 prisoners and 3 machine-guns."

DOMINION'S MINISTERS MAY STAY IN LONDON FOR DURATION OF WAR

London, June 20.—Via Reuters's Ottawa Agency—The Morning Post says it is proposed that the resident ministers of the dominions in London be appointed at least for the duration of the war in addition to the high commissioners. They would deal with all war matters concerning the dominions. It remains to be decided whether they will all be members of the war cabinet like General Smuts of South Africa, and Hon. William Hughes, premier of Australia.

\$30,000 FROM FILMS.
Montreal, June 20.—In collecting the tax of 15 cents for every moving picture film or reel exhibited in Montreal, the inland revenue department office here expects to collect more than \$30,000.

Peace Demonstrations In German Cities Are Followed By Clashes Between Police and Workers—Disorder At Vienna Over the Reduction of Bread Rations, May Place City Under Martial Law.

London, June 20.—Serious rioting broke out in Vienna yesterday, says an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Amsterdam. The mob broke into a number of bakeries, stoned the residence of the premier and also one of the wings of the Hofburg Palace, the message adds.

Cavalry is being rushed to the capital to restore order. It is probable, it is stated, that martial law will be proclaimed. The rioting was in protest against the reduction of the bread ration.

RIOTING IN GERMAN CITIES.

London, June 20.—Heavily censored private messages received in Stockholm indicate that peace demonstrations were held in Berlin, Hamburg and Cologne and that several workmen were killed and many persons arrested, says a dispatch to the Morning Post from Stockholm. The police and military dispersed crowds of demonstrators.

WHOLE NATION EXCITED.

Amsterdam, June 20.—Vienna dispatches to German newspapers say that the reduction of the bread ration in Austria-Hungary caused immense excitement throughout the Dual Monarchy. All Austrian newspapers, without distinction of party, protest against the measure, demanding its removal and asking immediate help from Germany and Hungary.

GRAIN SUPPLIES EXHAUSTED.

London, June 20.—There have been reports from various sources of trouble in Austria, notably in the capital, because of the bread ration reduction forced by virtual exhaustion of the Austrian grain supplies.

The bread allotment to each individual in the city of Vienna is now less than 1½ pounds weekly. It was stated in a dispatch from Copenhagen on Tuesday.

VEHEMENT PROTEST.

Protests against this rationing have been vehement from various quarters. The Vienna city council on Tuesday passed a resolution of protest, and the labor council in that city emphasized its similar protest by the passage of a resolution renewing its demand for a speedy general peace.

Strikes in Vienna and elsewhere have been one outgrowth of the situation, according to reports from Switzerland, and fears have been expressed in Austrian quarters that what would virtually amount to a general strike was imminent. In one recent labor demonstration in Vienna the police had to be called upon to disperse the rioters, it was said.

GERMANY CANNOT HELP.

Austria, it appears, is entering the new harvest year without any reserved stocks whatever, and is dependent upon Germany for such scanty supplies as she is receiving. Germany herself, however, is reported so short of stocks herself that she is able to extend little help. Seemingly there are still supplies in Hungary from which Austria might derive some small assistance, but appeals to the Hungarian authorities do not appear to have brought results.