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TALIANS BRAVELY SUSTAIN TERRIFIC AUSTRIAN ATTACK

AUSTRIAN BATTLE ROARING WITH GREATEST VIOLENCE ALL ALONG ITALIAN FRONT DOWN TO SEA

Holding Bravely.

NEMY MADE SOME GAINS

aims 10,000 Prisoners and En tered Line, But Was Later Driven Back.

RENCH FRONT

fermans Attack Americans And Are Repulsed.

Italian and allied armies are avely sustaining the weight of the strian forces, which are attacking ng the front of the Italian theatre m the northwest of the Asiago plaa eastward to the Piave river and ence along that stream to where it ins the headwaters of the Adriatic a front of nearly 100 miles.

he Austrians having made extenm preparations for the drive by nging up strong reinforcements in guns, many of them comin om the former battle line in Rumanand Galicia as a result of the dele in the east, are using them thout stint in the effort to debouch m the mountain passes and cross Plave river and gain the Venetian

Fighting Extremely Bloody. Everywhere the fighting is of an exemely sanguinary character, espeally east of the Asiago plateau, in appa. In the initial struggle the emy succeeded in capturing several ont line positions in the mountain egion from the British and also in wever, have restored all the posions in the mountains, including terthey to a depth of 1,000 yards along 1500 yard front captured from the At last acounts the allied

everywhere were strongly ding the army and King Victor mmanuel's men were riving to throw back the invaders toss the Piave. The Italians have aken more than 3,000 Austrian prismers among them 89 officers. Vienna Claims Many Prisoners.

ven only brief mention to the batsaying that the Austrian armies ad invaded the Sette Communi platau, lying at an altitude of 2,400 feet on Sunday more than 10,000 Italians, inglish and French soldiers and a insiderable number of guns had been

Spected Austrian offensive the fightin France has simmered down al to subnormal, except southwest Soissons where the F rench have violent attacks gainst the Germans holding territory aptured last week. Where the enmy a week ago was throwing thousands upon thousands of men against allied lines between Montdidier and Noyon Sunday saw him worn ut with his useless efforts and his rces sadly depleted through men illed and wounded.

Huns Attack Americans. the famous St. Mihiel sector, here the Americans took over their ermans have delivered a stroke and ere rewarded by being able to gain village. Soon afterward, however, ey were expelled and the positions gained. Prisoners were taken from who, in their broughout Sunday, "strafed" villages the rear with their artillery. Probably having in mind President

be ended until wrongs of Alsaceorraine are righted, forces of Ameriin troops now are occupying secors in the picturesque territory of ay 21 and possibly sensing the imortance of the move, both from the rategic and moral standpoint, the rmans already have delivered an

Activity Growns in Balkans. n Macedonia daily the operations greater part of the front there ave been heavy reciprocal bombardents and Bulgarian troops several mes have endeavored to penetrate met with ill success.

off the Virginia coast last Frilay. T he crew was saved.

TALIANS REPORTED 3,000 AND VIENNA 10,000 PRISONERS London, June 16 .- Italian headquaron the Italian front. The Austrians officially claim the

capture of 10,000 prisoners. MALIAN CHAMBER DEPUTIES

REJOICES OVER WAR NEWS Breat enthusiasm in the chamber of daytime and nine by night, the most important targets being the railroad far. Gen. Zupelli, announced the suc- stations at Estaires and Armentieres, (Continued on Page Two).

Fighting Extremely Sanguinary, Initial Austrian Gains Are Quickly Overcome by Allies

QUIET London, Paris and Perlin Report Nothing More Than Gunfire and Raids.

BRITONS TAKE

Enemy at Xivray, Where He Was Driven Out-Allied Airmen Dropped 19 Tons Bombs.

London, June 16.—The official communication from Field Marshal Haig tonight says there is nothing of special interest to report on the British front.

Paris, June 16.—The war office an-

took prisoners, including an officer. Eastern theatre, June 15 .- There was artillery activity on the greater part of the front. Several Bulgarian reconnoitering detachments attempt-

ed to reach the allied lines, but were repulsed with heavy losses. A Two enemy airplanes were brought down. BERLIN REPORTS NOTHING OF INTEREST FROM THE FRONT Berlin, Via London, June 16 .- The

headquarters on the military situation "There is nothing new

evening communication from general

battle fronts." The official report from headquarters today reads: 'Southwest of Merris and north of Bethume, British local attacks, during which the enemy penetrated our foremost lines west of Locon, were repulsed in hand-to-hand fighting. "On the remainder of the front the

infantry activity was restricted to reconnoitering engagements. "The artillery duel revived in th evening north of the Lys, north of

the Scarps and on both sides of the Somme. There have been small engagements on the battlefield southwest of Noyon. "South of the Aisne increasing fight

ing activity continued. Strong French attack at Dommienes were frustrated west of Dommieres similar attack directed against our lines west of Dommieres a similar attack against our line at Villers Cotterets wood, was repulsed with heavy enemy

GERMAN TROOPS HALTED AT

MATZ CROSSING BY FRENCH. Paris. June 16 .- German troops attempted during thenight to cross the Matz river near the Oise, but were halted by the fire of the French, says today's war office statement. In local sections northest of the woods of Genlis, south of Dummard and the rehierrry) the French took 70 prisoners and a number of machine guns.

The text of the statement follows: "In local actions northeast of the son's p romise that the war should and in the region of Vinley the French took 70 prisoners and captured a number of machine guns. An enemy attempt to cross the Matz river near the Oise was checked by French fire. On sace. They have been there since the rest of the front the night was calm.

BRITISH CAPTURE PRISONERS:

HUN ATTILLERY VERY ACTIVE London, June 16 .- The Germans late laturday night carried out heavy bombardments against British positions north of Bethune and between Locre and the Ypres-Comes canal, says the British official communication issued today. The artillery was particularly active early Sunday morning in the neighborhood of Dickenbusch lake. The text of the communication says: "Yesterday afternoon one of our in the north Atlantic waters ad- raiding parties entered a German post nt to the American coasts is shown southwest of Merris and brought back night south of the Somme and in the

neighborhood of Hebuturne. They resulted in the capture of 17 prisoners and three machine guns. "The hostile artillery considerable activity during the night according to the official report north of Bethune and between Locre Received here, claims the capture of and the Ypres Commes canal being on prisoners in the battle now going especially active early this morning in the neighborhood of Dickenbusche

lake." BRITISH AIRMEN DROPED 19 TONS OF BOMBS SATURDAY. London, June 16 .- "On Saturday ten ome, June 16.—There were scenes tons of bombs were dropped in the

Counter-Attacks at Weakened Points Restore Original Positions of the Italians.

3.000 AUSTRIANS

British Lines Penetrated in the First Hours of Rush Completely Re-occupied.

Invaluable Aid Rendered By Air Forces.

Rome, June 16 .- A battle of great violence, in which large masses of infantry are being used by the Austrians

detely re-occupied their original post- Further details concerning the Brittions on Mt. Asolone and Monte Solar- ish operations in the Hinges section ola, and are closely pressing the enemy Friday night are available. The atwho passed the Plave. The text of the Italian official state-

ment reads: "A great battle has been in progress on our front since yesterday. "After artillery preparation, which

was exceptionally intense on account of the violence of the fire and the number of guns employed, the enemy has begun his expected offensive by launching large masses of infantry to attack out positions in the eastern sector of Asiago plateau at the end of the Brenta valley, and on Monte Grappe, by attempting at several points to force the Piave, and by carrying out heavy local demonstrations against the remainder of the front.

"Our infantry and that of the allied contingents fearlessly bore the tempest of destructive fire and, supported by a barrage of their own artillery, which had already prudently anticipatimely and deadly counter-preparation bombardment, bravely sustained the enemy's onslaught in the advanced de-

fensive area. "On the 150-kilometre front more intensely attacked, the powerful storming columns of the enemy occupied in their initial rush forward a few front line positions in the Monte di val Bella region in the Asalona area and at the head of the Monte Solorola salient. "Some troops succeeded in passing

to the right bank of th ePiave river n the Nervesa area and in the Fagare-Musile region. "During the day our troops initiated

along all the front attacked, energetic counter-attacks which succeeded in holding back the powerful pressure of tion of the positions temporarily yield- British many casualties. But it was ted detachments had with great valor the barrage of bullets sweeping waistcontinued to remain at all costs.

tinuing fiercely. But our troops are fighting occurred at most of these firmly holding the front along the nests. Asiago plateau; have completely reoccupied their original positions on nerie where the Germans were espe-Asalone and at Monte Solarola salient cially strong was exceedingly flerce. and are very closely pressing the enemy infantry, which has passed to the throughout most of the night. With right of the Plave.

"The number of prisoners so far counted is more than 3,000, including the enemy to fall back.

brought down."

ENEMY TROOPS IN BRITISH

LINES ARE THROWN OUT London, June 16.-The Austrian the British on the Italian front have cause their troops had not got ahead been driven back and the British line faster in their offensives. has been completely re-established. the fact that another vessel, the 11 prisoners. Further sucessful raids This announcement is made tonight prisoner said, were getting worse and orwegian bark Samoa, was sunk 90 were carried out by us during the in the official statement issued by the worse and the situation was especially when 14 Germans were celebrtaing in

The statement says: the night and the early hours this pected. morning and we are again established on our original front line."

(Four Austrian divisions attacked the British on Saturday and on the left penetrated the front to a depth of a housand yards along an extent of 2,500 yards. The enemy was held. The official statement continues:

"More than 350 prisoners have been counted and we have in addition captured two mountain guns and a considerable number of machine guns.
"In the early hours of yesterday,
(Continued on Page Two).

Tohirskaya-Stanitza has gone over to ed by the Berlin Loka Anzeiger. The desire.

In the early hours of yesterday, krassnoff, whose troops are approaching Zaryzin.

Details of Friday Night's Raid in Hinges Section Tell Of Struggle.

DROVE

Objectives Series of Shell-Crater Machine-Gun Posts-They Got Them.

With the British Army in France June 16 .- (By the Associated Press) -Intense bombardments have carried out by the Germans during the fire. Those who penetrated Xivray past 24 hours in various sectors along FIGHTING GOES RIGHT ON the British front. These have been especially heavy in Flanders about Hinges, where the British advanced their line considerably Friday night and in the region of Dickebusche and Scherpenberg.

The initiative so far as infantry activity was concerned, rested mainly with the British, who carried out a number of highly successful raids. Prediction in these days of sudden in an attempt to break through the upheavals is unsafe, but it may be ern sector of the Asiago plateau, in ed themselves in a state of preparedthe Brenta valley, and on Monte Grappe ness to attack along the British front is described in the official report from notwithstanding the exertions of the Italian headquarters today. The en- crown prince in his drive for Paris. emy's attacks were met in the advanc- Whether Von Hindenburg will launch another drive against the British in The Italian forces are firmly holding the near future there is no doubt that his troops and artillery are ready for any attempt that he may deem advisable to make

tack was made along a front of 3 500 yards just east of Hinges. It had nerie. The Germans were holding a strong line of shell crater positions close to the British on the eastern bank of the La Bassee canal.

A limited objective of 500 yards in depth was set for the enterprise. An unusual feature of the attack was that it was conducted entirely in the dark. It began shortly before midnight. There was no moon to guide the asentire proceedings depended upon each man keeping his right direction as he pushed forward in the blackness. Holding this sector for the Germans

which committed such horrifying deeds Termonde and Louvan which brought down upon it the execrations sea) 1,172; Died of wounds, 364; Died of hundreds of helpless Belgian

The attack was preceded by an eight minute bombardment of the German front line positions. At the same out effective counter battery shooting and the heavy artillery was pounding the enemy back areas hard. As the bombardment ceased British nfantry started forward to the shell hole craters which the enemy heldmachine gun posts that represented

the main defenses here. The 18th division is composed of hard men morally and they are also hard fighters. opened a heavy fire from every machine gun nest along the line. The Germans were shooting more or less the enemy and in regaining a good por- blindly in the dark which saved the trying work to push ahead through high across No Man's Land. The at-"The struggle did not diminish in tacking infantry finally reached the violence during the night and is con- enemy's posts and bitter hand-to-hand

The battle in the region of La Pan-Here the contending troops struggled the dawn, however, the British had secured all their objectives and forced

Upwards of 200 prisoners remained "Our own and the allied airmen are in the British hands. Large numbers taking a strong part in the battle by of German dead against gun positions bombing the crossing points on the told of the desperate fighting that had Plave and by attacking the enemy's been waged. The morale of the prismassed troops with machine gun fire, oners as a whole seemed very fair. Many of them were convinced that the Germans were winning the war and confident that they would break through the allied lines to the coast. One highly educated captive, however, was not so optimistic. He said the roops who penetrated the line held by German people were disappointed be-

Food conditions in Germany, this rived here today on a steamship from went into effect. He added that the of the Carolina by a U-boat, police "The pocket in the British front men- people also were disappointed because and military authorities had difficulty Former Governor of Virginia Joins ley. They were questioned for an tioned in the communique of last night, the Ukraine had not produced the in preventing a mob from lynching has been cleared of the enemy during grain for Germany that had been ex- the Teutons. One German was handl-

REACTION AGAINST SUPINE

from Kiev, dated June 12, says it is Kaiser next." reported that the Cossack rising in the Don region against the Bolsheviki is extending. The dispatch adds that the greater part of the district os Nizni-

AMERICANS REPULSE RAID BY 600 HUN SHOCK TROOPS AT XIVRAY ON TOUL LINE

Following Extremely Heavy Bombardment Early Sunday Morning Germans Launched Swift Attack by Picked Troops and En-

tered Village With Object Of Taking Americans Prisoner. Severe Fighting With Bayonets and Clubbed Rifles.

June 16 .- (By The Associated Press). -About 600 German , shock troops raided the American first line positions at the vilage of Xivray, in the Toul sector early this morning. Some of the enemy got into Xivray but were soon driven out. At other points the Germans were badly beaten.

The attack began at 3 o'clock in the morning after an extremely violent bombardment of the front line, American batteries and villages far in the ear. The Germans advanced swiftly to the attack but were met by a heavy

tered War of 8,055, With

Over 800,000 in France.

Washington, June 16 .- Seven hund-

while 4.547 men have been wounded in

action and 346 are missing in action,

including all men held prisoners in

The summary, which includes to

Killed in action (including 291

of disease, 1,234; Died of accident and

other causes 422: Wounded in action,

4.547: Missing in action (including

prisoners) 346; Total casualties repor-

With more than 800,000 soldiers

sent overseas. officials pointed to the

small number 291, lost through oper-

ations of German submarines as show-

ing the effectiveness of the convoy

The men lost were on the torpedoed

British steamer Tuscania and Mold-

avia. The former was taking troops

men dying from wounds is pointed to

bulance and hispital systems while

the face that only 1,234 men have died

Another satisfying consideration is

that of the wounded men, a very high

percentage return to duty at the front

CONTAINS NAMES OF 57 MEN.

Washington, June 16.-The army

Killed in action, 27; died of wounds,

13; died of accident, 1; wounded sever-

Lieut Whitney W. Stark, Brooklyn.

N. Y., who was severely wounded, was

Washington, June 16 .- The casual

CELEBRATED CAROLINA LOSS

ty list today includes Fred J. Polk

1102 Pegram street, Charlotte, N. C.

against Germany is so strong in Porto

Rice, acording to passengers who ar-

a Porto Rican port that recently,

restaurant in San Juan the sinking

ed so roughly that he was taken to

On the same night citizens of San

MAN, SEVERELY WOUNDED

the only officer named in the list.

as indicating the efficiency of the am-

The comparately small number

fine physical condition of the men.

LIST ANNOUNCED YESTERDAY

ter from England to France.

in less than six weeks.

divided as follows:

severely wounded.

a hospital.

Germany.

system.

day's list, follows:

ted to date, 8,085.

With the American Army in France, were forced speedily to withdraw and elsewhere the enemy was completely repulsed in hard fighting lasting more than two hours.

According to prisoners, the object of the enemy was to take American prisoners. This object failed, as no American is reported missing. The Germans, evidently angered by the failure of the attack, continued an intermittent shelling of the villages in the rear throughout Sunday. Some of the points were not less than eight

miles behind the line. The American troops engaged lose quarters the small German force that entered Xivray. There was severe fighting with bayonets and club (Continued On Page Two.)

Makes Total Since America En- First Consideration of Railroad Administration is to Help

Comparatively Slight Casualities Con-And Justice to Employes With Fair sidering Great Number in Army Injuries-Efficiency at the Lowest Cost Is Aim.

Washington, June 16 .- In a compreaims in order of importance are to win last Thursday evening. troops first landed in France nearly materials promptly; to give efficient service to the public; to promote symasualties issued today by the war pathy and understanding between the department shows that the total numrailroad management, employes and ber of deaths from all causes is 3.192. patrons, and to apply sound business

> policies to railway operation. ment would humanize the science of that "corporations have no soul." "The policy of the United States railroad administration," said the director general "has been formed and

in what I conceive to be the order of their importance: "First, the winning of which includes prompt movement of the men and material that the government requires. To this everything

else must be subordinated.

shaped by a desire to accomplish the

following purposes which are named

"Second, the service of the public railways were built and given the privileges accorded them. plies, the maintenance and improvement of the railroad properties so that adequate transportation facilities will be provided at the lowest cost, the object of the government being to furnish service rather than to make

"Third, the promotion of a spirit of sympthy and a better understanding as as between the administration of the railways and their two million employes, as well as their one hundred million patrons, which latter class includes every individual nation, since transportation has become a prior and universal necessity of civilized exiscasualty list today contained 57 names

"Fourth, the application of sound economics, including: "The payment of a fair and living wage for service rendered and a just and prompt compensation for injuries "The purchase of material and equipment at the lowest prices consistent

with a reasonable, but not an excessive profit to the producer; "The adoption of standardized equipment and the introduction of approved devices that will save life and "The routing of freight and passen ger traffic with due regard to the

fact that a straight line is the shortest distance between two points; equipment and a careful record and scientific study of the results obtained fact that they were scantily clad. . . . with a view to determining the comparative efficiency secured."

STUART SERVES NATION FREE.

Ranks of "Dollar a Year" Men. Washington, June 16.—Henry C. reau consul William Klyver. The ut-Stuart, former governor of Virginia most secrecy was maintained as the and chairman of the national agricul- story told by the officers of the ship, tural advisory committee, has been and even when they were carried out TROTZKYISM IS SPREADING Juan paraded and burned an effigy of designated to represent agriculture in to a hotel for supper they were close-Admiral Von Tirpitz in a public square the war industries board. In making ly guarded, sailors sitting with them Amsterdam, June 16 .- A dispatch The crowd carried signs reading "The this announcement today the depart- at the table and secret service men ment of agriculture said Mr. Stuart guarding the deing room. No one Huns Have Influenza.

Amsterdam, June 16.—A serious outbreak of influenza in Berlin is reportbreak of influenza in Berlin is reportformation and advice those agencies

Would keep in touch with all government allowed to talk to them.

THREE-HOUR STERN CHASH

OF STEAMER OFF VI

newspaper says the publication of the Mr. Stuart will have his headquarnumber of cases under treatment has ters in Washington and will serve coast, a steamship from South Ambeen forbidden. (Continued on Page Two). without par

the Same Popular Hunting Ground Off Virginia.

Both Vessels Were Sent Down in

PURSUED

Steamer From South America Chased for Three Hours In the Same Waters.

Washington, June 16 .- Germany's sea wolves have sunk two more neural vessels in American waters.

The latest victims of the raiders, which first made their first appearance off the Atlantic coast some three weeks ago, are the sailing ship Kringsaa and the bark Samoa, both Norwegian. The crew of the former has been picked up by an American warship which is bringing them to an Atlantic port and that of the latter was landed tonight at Norfolk. Both vessels were sent down 90 miles off tha Virginia coast. The Samoa was sunk by shellfire at 8 o'clock Friday morning the navy department announced he Kringsjaa said:

"A United States men of war has picked up all of the survivors of the bark Kringsjaa which was sunk about 90 miles off the Virginia coast. They are being brought to an Atlantic port." Although the report to the department might indicate that some of the crew of the Kringsjae had been killed, officials believed that as they had done before the Germans permitted all aboard the sailing ship to take to the boats before sinking the vessel.

Since the Kringsjaa was sent down in the same general locality as the Samoa, it was believed tonight that the same submarine had accounted for the two ships. It also was regarded as certain that the same submerine unsuccessfully attacked the British steamer Keemun off the Virginia capes The Kringsjaa brings the total of

vessels sunk by the German U-boats off the American coast to 20, six of which were Norwegian, four steamers and two sailing craft. The Kringsjaa was of 1,598 net tons

and the Samoa of 1,051 net tons.

SAMOA SUNK NEAR WHERE BRITISH KEEMUN ATTACKED Washington, June 16 .- The Norwegian bark Samoa, from Buenos Aires, was sunk by shell fire from a Friday morning about 90 miles off the Virginia coast. The navy department announced today that 15 members of the crew were picked up by a schooner and transferred to another vessel.

which is bringing them to port. was sent down near where the British armed steamer Keemun was unsuccessfully attacked Thursday evening. The Norwegian vessel was the nineteenth craft known officially to have been sunk by the raiders since they began operations off the

The attack on the Samoa indicated that Germany's' sea wolves still are seeking easy victims, picking out sailing vessels or unarmed while avoiding convoyed boats are operating exclusively in the waters well off shore between the Delaware and Virginia capes while the approaches to New York are neglected, despite the known fact that the greatest war traffic goes out of that port, adds to the impression that the raiders are purposely avoiding dangerous opponents.

The attacks adopted by the submarine commanders lead officials to believe that Germany is counting on only for a heped-for effect on American morale and not u pon any military benefit to be derived from the damage

CREW OF SAMOA REACHED Norfolk, June 16 .- The crew of the Norwegian bark Samoa, sunk Friday night by a German U-boat off the Virginia capes, was landed here early

tonight by an incoming steamer. The Samoa, according to reports of statements of survivors, was sunk about 80 miles off the Virginia capes, slightly to the south, and the ship subjected to shell fire. That several of the men were forced to hurriedly leave the vessel was evidenced by the lost their personal belongings.

On arival heer on an inbound vessel the fifteen men were met at the dock by naval intelligence men hour or more by officers of the bu-

THREE-HOUR STERN CHASE OF STEAMER OFF VIRGINIA. An Atlantic Port, June 16 .- In a three-hour stern chase off the Virginia