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ITALIANS STOP AUSTRIANS AND REGAIN LOST GROUND

Enemy Able to Cross on Railroad, but is Held by Allies

Enemy Operations on Other Fronts Reported in Bulletins. Little Other Action Today

By the Associated Press.
Stout Italian resistance has again stopped Austrians in their effort to expand their front on the Montell plateau, the keystone of the Italian defense of the Piave river.
A special announcement is made at Rome that the Austrians were defeated in a drive yesterday on the northeast section of the plateau and that only on the south were they able to make any progress whatever. The enemy was able to cross the Piave on the Montedelluna-Fuzanna railway at several points near Nervassa, but several of these points were promptly stopped.

HELP IS NEEDED IN ENFORCING WORK LAW

Chief of Police Lentz informally has begun to notify men between the ages of 18 and 45 years to find jobs and so far he has put about a dozen cards to be signed up and kept on file and those who receive these cards will be instructed how to report. He expects to enforce the ordinance.
All persons who know of loafers or men who are engaged in non-useful occupations will please communicate to the chief. If he makes the ordinance, he must have the hearty support of the public. One does not have to become a public prosecutor in order to help; all he needs to do is to give the officer names and addresses and he will do the rest.

RECRUITING OFFICER FOR ARMY IN CITY

Sergeant William Ball, who did some good recruiting work in Hickory a few weeks ago, has returned and will be here probably for several months. He is authorized to accept men for the United States guards and the national army.
Persons enlisting in the United States guards must be above the draft age and must have had experience in the regular army, navy or marine corps or a well organized militia, police or fire department.
Men may be accepted for the different branches of the regular army, coast artillery corps, infantry, cavalry and quartermaster corps, if they are between the ages of 18 and 21 and 31 and 41 years.
Those desiring detailed information may see Sergeant Ball in room 205 at the postoffice building.

SWEET POTATOES GALORE NEXT SPRING

Another refreshing shower, coming just after thousands upon thousands of potato slips had been put into the ground, filled the hearts of farmers with joy today. Farmers who have had slips to sell have had many calls and far in order to supply the demand.
A number of farmers have informed the Record that they have set out more slips than usual and if this is a good season, Catawba sweet potatoes will do more than ever towards supplying the demand on northern markets. Last year's crop was about half of an average, maybe a little better, and the prices were good. The sweet potato has come into its own.
As a result of the rain, a good stand is assured, and this counts a great deal, as the plants, once started to growing, can thrive despite dry weather.
The week has been unfavorable for farmers with wheat shocked in the fields. In many instances the grain was so dry that it could be hauled directly from the fields to the barns, and while there is no exact information on this subject, it is the belief that most of the wheat is under shelter. A few fair days will dry the wheat again, however, if it is still in the field.

Yankees Hold 38 Miles Now

By the Associated Press.
Washington, June 21.—American soldiers are now holding the fighting line for a distance of 38 miles on the western front, according to information

MORALS SCORED BY LUTHERAN REVIEW

By the Associated Press.
Amsterdam, June 21.—The German quarterly Church Review, published by the Protestant Truth Zeitung of Berlin, is likely to make unpleasant reading for Emperor William, in view of his frequent utterances in praise of the quality and high morality of the German people. The paper says:
"The highest law seems to be profiting and amusement."
Lamenting the laxity of present day German morals, the Review condemns the proposal emanating from Cologne to legalize bigamy, which proposition the government takes quite seriously. This attitude is interesting, because it is recalled that the proposal at the time it was made by eminent Germans was a mere freak.

AMERICAN AVIATOR IS BUSY IN ITALY

By the Associated Press.
Italian Headquarters, Thursday, June 20.—The first American aviator to fly on the Italian front went today on a bombing expedition and succeeded in blowing two holes in a new bridge across the Piave river.

PLANNING TO CONSERVE THE GASOLINE SUPPLY

Washington, June 21.—Plans for conserving the country's gasoline supply are being considered by the oil division of the fuel administration in co-operation with the automobile industry and the national petroleum war service committee.
Mark L. Requa, oil director for the administration, said that in the light of a preliminary survey it is not believed it will be necessary to restrict the normal consumption for freight vehicles and that with reasonable conservation it may not be necessary to decrease the supply to passenger cars.

BASEBALL PLAYERS EVIDENTLY INCLUDED

By the Associated Press.
Washington, June 21.—New regulations issued today by Provost Marshal General Crowder in regard to the work or fight order do not rule specifically on professional baseball players, but emphasize the section of the order placing games and sports among the occupations classed as non-useful.

GERMAN ATTACK EXPECTED ON BRITISH

By the Associated Press.
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 a preliminary step of a new German attack.

WEAVER HALL FUND \$15,000.

Rutherford College, June 21.—The subscription fund for Weaver Hall at Rutherford college has been brought to \$15,000 on the \$25,000 sought. In his address at the Rutherford college commencement Governor Bickett exhorted the friends of the college to buy and give Liberty Bonds and War Stamps to Weaver Hall. During War Stamp week, let the friends of the institution buy as many War Stamps as possible and give some of them to Weaver Hall. In laying the cornerstone of Weaver Hall, Governor Bickett declared that while we are fighting to make the world safe for democracy, Weaver Hall will help make democracy safe for the world.

SENATE COMMITTEE POSTPONES ACTION

By the Associated Press.
Washington, June 21.—After a three-hour session, the senate agriculture committee today decided to postpone action on the Jones rider to the agricultural bill in order to investigate further statements made by Bainbridge Colby of the shipping board that to take beer away from shipyards would reduce ship production 25 per cent.

BRITISH LOOSE CALL IS ISSUED DURING WEEK FOR 4,247 IN CAROLINA

By the Associated Press.
Raleigh, June 21.—A call upon North Carolina for 4,247 men has been issued by the war department, Adjutant General Young announced today.

CHARLOTTE LAD OF MARINES WOUNDED

By the Associated Press.
Washington, June 27.—The army casualty list today contained 38 names, divided as follows:
Killed in action, 6; died of wounds, 1; died of disease, 3; wounded severely, 27; wounded degree undetermined, 1.

LARGE MARINE LIST.

By the Associated Press.
Washington, June 21.—The marine corps casualty list issued today contained 127 names, divided as follows:
Killed in action, 10; died of wounds, 19; wounded severely, 98.
Included in the list are Private Joseph L. Orr of Matthews, N. C., who died of wounds.
Gunnery Sergeant Oscar H. Jordan of Ore Hill, N. C., and Corporal Eugene McLeod of Charlotte, N. C., both of whom were severely wounded.

W. S. S. MEETINGS TOMORROW NIGHT

Bandy school—Speakers: W. C. Feimster, Rev. W. R. Bradshaw, J. L. Elliott.
Startown school—Speakers: Yates Killian, Rev. Geo. E. Long, Colin Yoder.
Catawba school—Speakers: B. B. Blackwelder, Rev. W. W. Rowe.
Terral school—Speakers: Judge W. B. Council, Rev. S. B. Stroup, Tom Pruitt.
Rockett school—Speakers: Dr. F. C. Longaker, S. L. Whitener, John Isenhour.
Sandy Ridge school—M. H. Young, Dr. W. A. Deaton.
Killian school—A. A. Whitener, D. L. Russell.
Windy City—P. A. Stezer, Rev. Mr. Peery, Rev. J. G. Garth.
Minerva—W. H. Barkley, G. H. Geitner.
Link—C. W. Bagby, Chas. H. Geitner, Prof. K. B. Patterson.

NEW YORK COTTON

By the Associated Press.
New York, June 21.—Yesterday's advance was followed by rather active selling in the cotton market today owing to the favorable weather map, bearish private acreage figures and reports that the first bale of the new crop had arrived at Galveston. First prices were barely steady at a decline of 14 to 26 points and active months sold several points net lower. The decline was checked at this level and there was trade buying which caused rallies before the end of the first hour.
The close was steady.

	Open	Close
July	26.60	26.53
October	24.60	24.57
December	24.15	24.10
January	23.95	24.01
March	23.86	23.99

WEATHER FORECAST

Forecast for North Carolina: Probably showers tonight and Saturday; warmer in the west portion tonight, moderate east to southeast winds.

AUSTRIANS DISGRUNTLED OVER SHORTAGE OF FOOD

Intense Resentment Reported in Vienna as Result of Bad Conditions There—Further Reports Tend to Emphasize Hard Life of Poor in Badly Governed Austria

By the Associated Press.
London, June 21.—Food conditions in Germany are becoming worse and there is great discontent there owing to the reduction of the bread ration, according to a Dutchman interviewed by the correspondent of The Times at the Hague. The Dutchman has just left a munitions plant in Germany and said food conditions were bad.
The German people, he added, fear to grumble openly lest they be sent to the front.

USE AIRPLANES IN LEAVING GERMANY

By the Associated Press.
Copenhagen, June 21.—Four residents of Berlin attempted to escape from Germany Thursday in two airplanes. One succeeded in landing in Denmark, but the other was brought down in the Black sea by a guard-ship.
The machine which landed in Denmark had two occupants, one of whom, a reserve officer, is a professor at the University of Berlin. They say that they fled from Berlin because of conditions there.

AMERICANS AND THE BRITISH

American troops are now with the British armies in France. Their camps are dotted over many miles of country. The troops have been arriving steadily for some time. Careful selection has resulted in a very high physical standard. Weaklings and incompetents have been mercilessly weeded out. I have not seen a single soldier among them who is not fit and hard after the severe training undergone in America.
"What impresses me even more is their wonderful keenness," said a British officer who has been associated with the American troops since their arrival. "They are so eager to learn. Tell them how to do a certain thing and they go at it until it is mastered. They are out to know everything there is to be known about this business. It is a real pleasure to work with them and to watch their rapid progress. One could not ask for better material for an army.
I have heard comments of this kind on all sides. The men as well as the officers have resolutely put aside all suggestions that "they know it all." They work hard from early morning until late at night. The men seem to think only of their training.
The American soldiers are living on British rations. That is, they are fed exactly the same as their allies, and not on supplies imported direct from America. They get the same issues of beef, mutton, potatoes and jam. It is a somewhat different bill of fare from the one to which they have been accustomed, since distinctive American items are lacking, but they have settled down quite comfortably to the new routine. They are no "grousers."
When the troops arrived in the British zone they were distributed over an area allotted to British units which had just come out of battle. The men of the two armies fraternized in the most cordial way. I imagine the Americans felt at first that they might be patronized by their elder brethren in arms. Perhaps there might be manifestations of a "superior" air by the newcomers.
Each had rather mistaken ideas about the personality of the other. The Americans found that the British soldier was rather disinclined to talk about his experiences; the British discovered that their new allies were full of eagerness to "know the mysteries of the front. Gradually they became acquainted. You could see them sitting together in a field discussing the relative merits of British and American kits. The British instructors found that they had apt and willing pupils. They found, too, that the latter were imbued with one idea—to kill Germans.
"They will be good troops," said a British general to me, as a battalion marched into a railway station to entrain for another place. He eyed them critically as one company swung round at the sharp word of command, and filed the cartridges.
"I've seen a lot of them recently," he continued, "and they have made wonderful, very rapid progress."

TO SEND FLYERS OVER WATER TO FRONT

By the Associated Press.
Washington, June 21.—Big American air and seaplanes should be flying across the Atlantic to reach the front by next summer, Major General Blankor of the British air ministry said today in a formal statement to the press. He is in Washington to cooperate with American officials and believes that an agreement will be reached.
General Blankor disclosed the fact that the British air council had definitely decided upon the Atlantic flight to find a route for the American air craft to the front. It is hoped the U. S. government will cooperate.
It is expected the initial flight will be made this autumn in a machine of British make, probably a seaboat, starting from Newfoundland, touching at the Azores and Portugal on the way to the front.

CHAIRMEN NAMED TO CANVASS CITY

Miss Julia Wheeler, who was chairman of the Woman's Third Liberty Loan committee for Hickory, met with her workers at the Chamber of Commerce rooms yesterday afternoon to plan for the War Savings campaign in Hickory. A house-to-house canvass will be made by Miss Wheeler's committees between now and the 28th of this month, by which time they expect to be able to report that Hickory has gone over the top by purchasing its allotment of War Savings Stamps—\$81,792. The War captains are as follows:
First ward—Mrs. H. D. Abernethy.
Second ward—Mrs. W. H. Little.
Third ward—Mr. W. N. Sherrill.
Fourth ward—Mrs. C. L. Mostellar.

Austrians Fail in Italy Again

The close was steady.
Rome, June 20.—The efforts of the Austrians to widen the salient on the Montello, the keystone of the Piave front towards the west, have failed, Premier Orlando informed parliament tonight.
Towards the south the premier stated the enemy again succeeded in crossing the Montelluna-Fusegana railway at several points near Minerva station, but was promptly stopped. On the lower Piave the Italians gained further ground.
The enemy losses during the day were enormous, the premier added. The Italians took several hundred prisoners.

