

NO OUTWARD INDICATIONS OF NEXT GERMAN STROKE

Only Raids and Artillery Action on Western Front and Italian Activity on Italian Front. Where Next Attack Will Fall Remains Unsolved by Allies

By the Associated Press.

There are yet no outward indications as to where the German command will launch its next stroke against the allied lines.

The fighting lull on the western front continues, with only raids and local attacks, while on the Italian front the Austrians, reeling from the shock of the repulse on the Piave, seemingly are content to allow the Italians to have the initiative.

It is two weeks since the German crown prince ceased his ineffectual efforts to reach Compiègne and the breathing space which has been longer than that between the offensive on the Aisne and that of Montdidier has enabled the Germans to prepare for this contest.

Allied capitals look for another blow very soon. Military observers believe it will come on the front between Montdidier and Ypres.

For the past few days the German artillery fire has been violent on several sectors, each of which might be selected for an attack. These sectors are south of Arras, the northern and southern legs of the Lys salient, and south of the Aisne. The Germans may attempt to surprise the allies by striking where they hope they will not.

GERMAN JUNKERS TO HOLD CONFERENCE

By the Associated Press.

Copenhagen, June 28.—Count von Hertling, the German imperial chancellor, will pay a visit today to German army headquarters to attend an important conference, according to a Berlin newspaper.

SEND COMMISSION TO HELP RUSSIANS

By the Associated Press.

Washington, June 28.—Plans for sending a commission to Russia to assist that country economically and industrially have advanced so far as to permit speculation as to the personnel.

BRITISH LABOR PARTY URGES IRISH CAUSE

By the Associated Press.

London, June 28.—The British labor conference at its concluding session here today passed a resolution calling on the unionist statesmen sitting in the conference in London to "insist on the British government settling the Irish question by granting to Ireland a large measure of home rule."

BRITISH CARRY OUT RAIDS ON GERMANS

By the Associated Press.

London, June 28.—Considerable artillery activity developed last night in the region southeast of Compiègne, southwest of Arras, the war office announced today. British patrols inflicted casualties upon the enemy.

British troops carried out a successful raid yesterday near Mericourt, northeast of Amiens. An attempted raid by the Germans near Moyenville, south of Arras, was driven off with losses.

ARMS AND SUPPLIES DESIRED BY KERENSKY

By the Associated Press.

London, June 28.—Kerensky comes with the strongest credentials, first as the former leader of Russian Socialism, who has learned by bitter experience the rocks and shoals that beset his course, and second, as the authorized spokesman of the Socialist and non-Socialist party of Russia, says the Times former Petrograd correspondent, who is now in London, in an article today.

He says Kerensky's mission is intended as an appeal to the allies to send aid in the only form it can be accepted—arms and supplies to enable his countrymen to drive out the Germans.

AMERICAN REGIMENT FOR ITALIAN FRONT

Washington, June 28.—A regiment of troops in General Pershing's expeditionary force has been ordered to Italy, probably as an advance guard of additional forces to be sent later, to complete the unity on that front of Italian, British, French and American troops.

Secretary Baker announced yesterday that General Pershing had been instructed to select a regiment now in training in France for immediate movement to Italy. It will be replaced by a regiment to be sent from the United States to fill up the division from which it was drawn.

The original plan was to use a part of the mobile reserves of the American expeditionary force for the Italian expedition, but later it appeared likely that the movement would be made direct from the United States.

While there is good reason to believe that the American forces in Italy will be augmented considerably later, yesterday's announcement appears to make it certain that no direct movement from the United States is planned. It is known, however, that the suggestion has been considered that the Italian expedition be made entirely independent of General Pershing's forces although equally under the direct direction of General Foch as supreme commander.

The nature of the discussion with General Pershing as to Italian venture has not been disclosed.

The purpose of sending troops to Italy, Mr. Baker explained, is more for political than military reasons. It is desired to demonstrate again that the allied nations and the United States are one in their purposes on all fronts. For this reason, there has been no suggestion that an American army be sent to Italy, although all troops sent will see actual service at the front, associated with Italian or more probably French and British forces.

PHILATHEA OFFICERS

The Philathea class of the First Baptist church held their regular monthly meeting on Friday evening last, with Miss Alva Boatright as hostess.

This was the time for the semi-annual election of officers. The meeting was called to order by Mrs. W. B. Southerland and the following officers were elected for the ensuing six months:

President, Mrs. E. H. Lawrence; vice-president, Miss Alva Boatright; secretary, Miss Lucy Sledge; assistant secretary, Mrs. W. H. Wood; treasurer, Miss Grace Patrick; assistant treasurer, Miss Rosa Bolic; teacher, Mr. L. L. Hatfield; assistant teacher, Mrs. A. J. Essex.

The remaining portion of the evening was spent in social intercourse. The hostess served delicious cream or cake, making a very pleasant final for the evening's work. The July meeting will be held with Mrs. F. A. Henderson.

CLASS REPORTER.

AT PASTIME SATURDAY

The special attraction at the Pastime Saturday June 29th will be "The Other Woman," a Pathe play featuring Peggy Hyland. The fascinating glimpses of Bohemian life furnished by this entertaining story, with charming Peggy Hyland in the role of a young art student, are most interesting, and most realistically portrayed. Eleanor Gates and young Harrington believed that they had found a great love. But when Eleanor realized that she was "the other woman" and Harrington's wife changed her views on married life, things began to assume a different aspect. How it all turned out makes a story that will hold your attention through the five reels of excellent acting.

COLORED FOLKS BUY MANY WAR STAMPS

Dr. P. M. Smith and his hard working and efficient assistants—W. W. Evans, W. H. Barber, W. L. Smith, Norwood Patterson and F. R. Shuford—are securing results that are going to be a great surprise to the large majority of the people of Hickory. In fact, Dr. Smith has informed one or more of the county War Savings Committee, that a mistake was made in not asking the colored citizens of Hickory township to raise more than five dollars for each colored man, woman and child in each township. W. W. Evans has been Dr. Smith's most successful lieutenant, but the other assistants are not far behind him and any one of them may close the campaign in the lead.

A card received today by parents of Corp. L. Guthrie Surratt stating his safe arrival overseas.

SAILORS LANDED AFTER EIGHT HARD DAYS

By the Associated Press. Halifax, N. S., June 28.—A boatload of sailors of an American vessel sunk by a submarine off the North Atlantic coast was landed this morning by a fishing vessel at Shelburne, N. S., says a message from that port today.

The men were picked up 60 miles south of Seal Island in the drift of St. Lawrence. They had been drifting for eight days, surviving on a small quantity of bread and water.

The sailors numbering 24 were Zeitung of Berlin. The dispatch from the steamship Dvinsk, a later message said. Previous reports of the destruction of the Dvinsk, a British vessel under American charter, said she was sunk June 18, 700 miles east of the Delaware capes.

New York, June 28.—The landing of 24 survivors from the steamship Dvinsk at Shelburne, N. S., definitely accounts for all but two boatloads of the crew.

TO CRUSH POLAND

By the Associated Press. London, June 28.—Germany and Russian bolshevik government in a secret convention regarding the future of Poland have virtually agreed in crushing Polish national aspirations.

ONE NORTH CAROLINIAN IN CASUALTY LIST

By the Associated Press. Washington, June 28.—A marine corps casualty list today carried 50 names, divided as follows:

Killed in action, 17; died of wounds, 7; severely wounded, 26.

Private William A. Benton of Mayodan, N. C., was killed in action.

ARMY LIST

By the Associated Press. Washington, June 28.—The army casualty list today carried 50 names, divided as follows:

Killed in action, 24; died of wounds, 4; died of disease, 3; wounded severely, 22; wounded degree undetermined, 2; prisoner, 1.

TO DELIVER MEMORIAL FOR LATE DR. MURPHY

Rev. W. W. Rowe expects to leave tomorrow for Bethany church, Davidson county, where he will deliver a memorial address on the late Dr. J. L. Murphy, a native of Davidson and regarded by the people of that community as one of their very own. Dr. Murphy grew to manhood in this neighborhood, attending Bethany church as a boy, and for many years had been invited to attend a reunion there. He regarded it as one of his greatest joys to be with old friends. Mr. Rowe will give Dr. Murphy's old friends a scholarly and sympathetic sketch of the beloved pastor.

DAVIDSON GOES OVER TOP FOR WAR SAVING STAMPS

Charlotte, June 28.—The town of Davidson was the first to go over the top in Mecklenburg for war savings stamps. Huntersville is the first township in the county to subscribe its full quota. Charlotte closed the day yesterday with \$350,000 sold, one third of the allotment.

JONES ABERNETHY DOING FINE WORK

Mr. Jones Abernethy is making the best record of any of the district chairmen, according to available figures, and his six school houses will turn in about \$9,000 in War Savings Stamps, an average of \$1,500 for each of the following districts—Minnerva, Abernethy, Mountain Grove, Bakers Mountain, Link, and Union Grove.

Mr. Abernethy is a patriot from head to toes, and he is injecting his fine spirit into the good people of his community. Who can beat him?

PRESIDENT CABLES ARCTIC EXPLORER

By the Associated Press. Christiania, June 28.—Roald Amundsen's ship Maude, in which the former explorer, will attempt to reach the north pole left Christiania today for the north.

Amundsen will board the vessel later. Before he left Amundsen received a cable from President Wilson through Secretary Lansing extending best wishes.

DIRECTORS PLAN BIGGER FAIR IN FALL

The directors of the Catawba County Fair Association met at the Chamber of Commerce rooms last night to complete the plans for the coming fair, October 8, 9, 10 and 11.

President Clark outlined the preliminary work that had been done under his personal direction, and stated it was now necessary to select a secretary to complete the premium list and look after the correspondence.

Upon motion, President Clark was directed to secure the services of a competent secretary, and Farm Demonstrator Mask said he would meet with the secretary as soon as one could be secured and complete the premium list ready for the printer.

The directors hoped to have a new building added to their equipment to house a local industrial display, but scarcity of material and labor may make this impossible this year. If possible a tent will be secured to use for poultry display, in which event the poultry building could be used for the industrial room.

The affairs of the association was judged to be in such good condition, financially that it was resolved to sell \$1,000 additional stock, and any person wishing to get any of this stock can call on Mr. Clark at any time.

The president was also authorized to appoint two committees, one to look after the amusement and entertainment of the fair patrons, and the other to take up the matter of securing first class speakers of national fame.

The buildings, fences and grounds were all reported in good condition, and ready to receive the fine displays that this season promises so bountifully.

County fairs rank with Liberty bonds, War Savings Stamps, Red Cross work, etc., as a necessary war measure, as anything that will stimulate the production of food crops is now considered a vital necessity. For this reason, if for no other, Hickory's fair is bound to be a record breaker both in displays and attendance.

WOMAN SUFFRAGE VOTE IS POSTPONED

By the Associated Press. Washington, June 28.—Indefinite postponement of a vote in the senate on the woman's suffrage resolution, blocked yesterday, was virtually decided today by supporters. For this reason, if for no other, Hickory's fair is bound to be a record breaker both in displays and attendance.

Washington, June 28.—Ukraine newspaper reports, quoted in German wireless, says the former czar was killed in a quarrel by Russian red guards.

FAYETTEVILLE MAN CRUSHED BY PILE

By the Associated Press. Wilmington, N. C., June 28.—Byron C. Tillman of Fayetteville was crushed to death today beneath a falling piling at the shipyard, where he was employed. The piling fell when the hammer released the chain on the pile driver.

NEW YORK COTTON

By the Associated Press. New York, June 28.—The cotton was irregular at the opening today. July opened at an advance on covering, while later months were one point lower to six points higher. The favorable character of weather and crop advices led to increased selling after the call with July easing off about 17 points net lower.

Open Close
July.....28.10 27.92
October.....25.15 25.31
December.....24.66 24.80
January.....24.60 24.77
March.....24.50 24.50

HICKORY MARKETS.

Cotton.....26
Wheat.....\$2.40
Corn.....\$1.90

WEATHER FORECAST

SHOWER

FRENCH TAKE 122 PRISONERS IN RAID

By the Associated Press. Paris, June 28.—French troops last night carried out an operation on the front southeast of Amiens by which their lines were advanced in Zennecat wood on the Avere river, the war office announced today.

In this action and in other fighting between the Marne and the Ourcq prisoners to the number of 122 were taken.

ASHE FOLKS ARE LOYAL, SAYS LINNEY

It is not the people of Ashe county who are bringing that fine section into disrepute, but resistors who have gathered in the mountains from several counties lower down and from Tennessee and Virginia, in the opinion of Mr. Frank A. Linney of Boone, who was here yesterday afternoon en route to Salisbury on business.

The resistors have gathered in the neighborhood of Creston postoffice, a community noted for its fine, intelligent citizens, whose loyalty cannot be equaled in Wake or any other county, Mr. Linney said. As Creston is near the corner of Virginia and Tennessee, it is a convenient retreat for deserters, and there are any number of places where the men can hide out.

Governor Bickett's presence at Jefferson tomorrow will do good, of course, but the trouble will be in his inability to reach the right crowd. Ashe people are sound to the core, and they will hear him gladly, but he and they may have no influence over the men who have taken to the tall timbers.

Speaking of Watauga, Mr. Linney said only three men have had to be brought in by the officers, and that county has furnished many volunteers. It adjoins Ashe and its people are loyal and helpful. Unfortunately Ashe county people will have to hear many unkind things said of them, but it is to be hoped that the resistors can be brought to terms without trouble. Certainly the loyal people there will do all in their power to make this possible.

FORMER CZAR WAS MURDERED ON TRAIN

By the Associated Press. Amsterdam, June 28.—The Wolff bureau, the semi-official German news agency, says it has learned from Russian sources that the former Russian emperor was murdered on a train after his city had been captured by Czech-Slovak forces.

Wolff bureau also repeats the report that Alexis, the former Russian crown prince, died a fortnight ago after a long illness.

ANOTHER VERSION

By the Associated Press. Washington, June 28.—Ukraine newspaper reports, quoted in German wireless, says the former czar was killed in a quarrel by Russian red guards.

GREAT SHOW AT PASTIME TODAY

The program at the Pastime today will be "Pendleton's Round Up" 8th annual review, the greatest western feature ever put on the screen, this is a most unusual feature. "The Junk Man" featuring To-To, the famous New York Hippodrome comedian. This will be a great show boys. Don't miss it.

ITALIAN COMMISSIONER HERE

An Atlantic Port, June 28.—Giuseppe Bevione a member of the Italian chamber of deputies and recently appointed Italian commissioner of agriculture in the United States arrived here yesterday on a French ship.

He said that he would present to the military authorities at Washington details of what Italy most needs in aircraft production.

CITY MANAGER ILL

Mr. John W. Ballew, city manager, was taken ill at his office yesterday afternoon and was removed to his home. Mr. Ballew's condition is not serious and he expects to be able to return to his office in a few days.

OVER SIX THOUSAND SOLD ON THURSDAY

Thursday was one of the best days Catawba county has had in the actual sales of War Savings Stamps, the total sales for the day being \$6,490 maturity value. The sales reported were as follows:

Hickory, \$2,620.00; Newton, \$1,250.00; Long Island, 1,000; Catawba, \$570; Comover, \$560; Claremont, \$400. The sales on Wednesday totaled \$3,440.

BOLSHEVIKI GOVERNMENT OVERTHROWN IN MOSCOW

Korniloff, Supported By German Troops, Said to Have Taken Ancient Capital of Russia.

Lenine and Troitzky Flee and Kerensky Hailed as "Man of Future"

WHOLESALEERS SHOULD GET SUGAR FORMS

Raleigh, June 28.—Desiring to prevent any interruption or any inconvenience to consumers of dealers using or handling sugar, Food Administrator Henry A. Page today issued a statement requesting all wholesalers and jobbers in North Carolina, who have less than a 30 days' supply of sugar on hand to apply immediately to his office for forms upon which to make statements upon which certificates may be issued immediately for sugar sufficient to give them a 30 days' supply.

There is an unusual demand for sugar for canning and preserving purposes at this period and it is important that there should be no interruption in the flow of the product through the usual channels of trade.

All dealers in and users of sugar, including retailers, hotels, restaurants, boarding houses, bakeries and institutions will be able to secure sugar only upon certificates after July 1 and no certificates will be issued to any of these who do not file their statements by July 15. Blank forms upon which statements may be made can be secured upon application to the sugar division of the food administration at Raleigh.

GEN. YOUNG RETURNS TO RALEIGH TO REPORT

Winston-Salem, June 28.—Adjutant General Young was here yesterday afternoon, returning to Raleigh from Ashe county, where he has been investigating conditions relating to the 40 or more deserters who, heavily armed, are hiding out, voicing threats and defying arrest. General Young returned from Ashe via Roanoke and while here between trains had a conference with Colonel Bessent of the home guard. Upon his arrival in Raleigh he expected to make a full report to governor Bickett and make an earnest appeal demanded by members of the Ashe exemption boards and leaders in that county, for federal troops to be sent into Ashe to round up the deserters.

General Young stated that two of the deserters came to Jefferson Wednesday and surrendered. These men were instructed to go back to the hiding places of the other men resisting the draft law and inform them that if they would come forward like men they would be dealt with leniently, otherwise they would be handled in accordance with the federal regulations.

If they refuse to head this admonition General Young favors sending armed troops from one of the regular encampments to Ashe county with authority to arrest every man defying the law.

HAVE YOU MONEY BURIED IN GROUND

It is reported that there is quite a bit of interest in \$17,000 which a well known citizen of this section has buried not so many miles from Hickory. News of the buried treasure has leaked out and quite a number of people are fearful that one of these mornings the possessor of the money will wake up to find it gone, if nothing worse befalls him. It is a bad time to pack money away in socks or bury it in the ground, because there are folks who are on the lookout for easy money. Bonds and War Savings Stamps can be registered and preserved so that neither moths, rust nor robbers can corrupt or steal them.

SCORE OF MEN PROBABLY LOST IN MINE DISASTER

Virginia, Minn., June 28.—Steam shovel crews last night began digging into the debris of what once was the Silver open pit iron mine near here in hope of finding the bodies of more than a score of miners, killed yesterday by the premature explosion of nine tons of dynamite.

No accurate estimate could be made of the number of dead. Four hundred and fifty men were working in the mine when the explosion occurred.

Revolution in Austria Now?

By the Associated Press. Paris, June 28.—(Havas)—There have been rebellious outbreaks among the garrison of the cities of Győr and Pecs, Hungary, as a result of which 2,000 of the military involved in the mutiny have been condemned to death, according to reports to the Martini.

Both Austria and Hungary are affected by the revolutionary movement which is said to be in progress on a large scale in Austria, the dispatch says.

The spirit of revolt is said to be strongly pervasive in the army. Violent demonstrations are reported to have occurred in Austria. Pecs is the Hungarian name for the city of Budapest, 105 miles southwest of Budapest. The city has a population of about 45,000. Győr, more commonly known as Rabb, is a city of some 28,000 population 67 miles northwest of Budapest.