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AUSTRIANS SUFFER HEAVILY IN ATTACKS

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ALLIES' COUNTER-ATTACKS INFLECT BLOODY DEFEATS UPON AUSTRO-HUNGARIANS

ALLIED AIRMEN DO GREAT EXECUTION AMONG MASSED RANKS OF ENEMY--BOMBS DROPPED UPON MASSES OF ADVANCING TROOPS

(Special to The Daily News.)

Rome, June 19.—Checking the onslaughts of the Austrians at all points, and counter-attacking furiously, the Italian, French and British troops are inflicting a series of bloody defeats upon the enemy, says an official communique issued from the Italian war office last night.

Another Failure.

Blocked at all points, the Austrians have shifted their heaviest attacks on the Piave river line to the eastern portion of a hundred mile battle line. News from the various official sources this morning insist that the Austrians have suffered severe defeats and that the heralded offensive bids fair to develop into an ignominious failure. Where the British are holding their front line the enemy infantry are being severely attacked by machine guns from the allied aviators, who yesterday fired some 25,000 rounds into the massed troops and cast three hundred bombs into their ranks. Heavy losses were thus inflicted upon the enemy, the statement reads, and at the same time the British casualties were light.

Aviators Active.

London, June 19.—"Uncertain weather interfered with our operations since Sunday," says an official statement on the work of the airmen. Enemy aircraft were active at times on the northern portion of the British front, and in the French zone. Eleven hostile machines were destroyed in the air fighting, nine being disabled. One German balloon was shot down in flames, in addition to one hostile machine shot down and another driven down out of control by the anti-aircraft gun-fire.

Claims Many Prisoners.

London, June 19.—The Austrian war office says that the number of prisoners has now increased to 30,000 and 120 guns, in addition to mine throwers, machine guns, and war material. The prisoners taken at one point on Monday night by the Italians aggregated 1550, which would bring their total and those of the allies well into the neighborhood of five thousand.

The Enemy Held.

Rome, June 19.—The Italian war office announced that the enemy everywhere is being held along the Piave. On the crucial sector of the Montello plateau, which bars the way from the northeast to the Venetian plains, the Italians have strengthened their positions on the northern edge of the plateau, and repulsed two enemy attacks to advance on the northern border.

Lacking Success.

London, June 19.—The Austrian pincers are not closing up with the precision of last October when they forced back the Italian armies of General Cadorna from

the Julian Alps to the Piave river, and from the northern mountain region to the plains of Venetia.

Concedes No Gains.

London, June 19.—Vienna does not concede to the Allies any gains of ground in the mountain region. Concerning the fighting along the Piave, it asserts that the Austrians have gained some ground at numerous points, and that the battle is following its intended course.

Playing Bridge.

London, June 19.—Unofficial advices are to the effect that the Austrians have thrown fourteen bridges across the Piave along a front of about fourteen miles, between the Zenson loop and the Coneghe railway bridge. The Italians are severely engaging the enemy at all points, and have the pontoons under gun fire.

"BARNEY" JOHNSON IS ON THE COAST FOR LEAVE

Lieutenant-Commander Johnson was master-in the B. C. coastwise service after he had done his deepsea time and he brought the trawler Roman, now sunk, to this coast. For some time he was commander of the G. T. P. liner Prince Rupert and then he was appointed a Vancouver pilot.

When war broke out in August, 1914, Lieut.-Commander Johnson was on duty at the pilot station at Point Atkinson. As soon as he could reach Vancouver he reported at the drill hall and joined up with the Royal Naval Canadian Volunteer Reserve. At Esquimalt he soon attached himself to the submarine service and held command of one of the two divers which scoured off the German Pacific squadron from entering the Straits. Then he was sent east and he next "bobbed up" at an English port, having taken a submarine right across the Atlantic.

He served with this submarine for some time and had a thrilling experience off the German coast when his craft struck a mine while submerged at sixty feet. He got her to the surface and home to a British port. After some months the press bureau released a story on this particular submarine. Then he was given command of a bigger and newer diver and last November was awarded the D. S. O. The particular deed for which he received this distinction has not been learned.

"All you can say about me, my lad," he told the Vancouver press, "is that I am home on three weeks leave, that my rank is lieutenant-commander, and that I was awarded the D. S. O. last November."

APPEAL DISMISSED

In the appeal case in which the city appealed from the decision of Magistrate Caras, the appeal was dismissed with costs. The case had to do with a certain quantity of liquor found behind a stump and in which Pearl or Myrtle Woods was charged with having liquor contrary to the prohibition law. In his decision his honor made reference to the fact that the evidence came from a Chinaman and there seemed to be a reasonable doubt as to the desirability of the law enforcement and hence there seemed a lack of evidence that the accused was guilty, and so judgment was accordingly rendered.

ANNIHILATION IS MUCH PREFERABLE TO DISHONORABLE PEACE

(Special to The Daily News.)

Rome, June 19.—That annihilation is preferable to a dishonorable peace, was the declaration of Premier Orlando in addressing the Italian Chamber of Deputies yesterday.

"The Government will neglect no opportunity of concluding a just and honorable peace, but not a single possibility of such a peace has yet shown itself," he said.

THE POLICE COURT

Quite a large number were up in the police court this morning, chiefly under the Idlers Act, and the magistrate had to give warning that the government expected that people should be employed in useful occupation in this time of stress.

Harry Laselle was in the court this morning to answer to the charge of having liquor in his possession. This was the case in which a quantity of fermented material was found in the basement of the Empress Theatre. The case was adjourned for one week.

Mr. J. Miller of the Empress Cigar store was in the court this morning charged with having liquor in his possession. There was found a quantity of cider which when analysed was found to contain about 7 per cent. He said he purchased it from a local wholesale house and did not know that it was intoxicating. The matter was left over for a week to listen to further evidence.

Dennis Benjamin was further remanded this morning by the court.

John Pellicano's case was left over for a week.

M. S. Trimble was given until Tuesday by the court to find a suitable form of employment.

Michel Roach is out of town temporarily and his lawyer appeared in his behalf. The case was left over for a week.

The police reported that James Trembray was out of the city.

JEW IN COMMAND OF AUSTRALIAN ARMY

London, June 18.—Major-General Sir John Monash has been promoted to the rank of Lieut.-General and given full command of the Australian army corps. This is the highest position in the British army a Jew has ever had.

EVERYONE MUST REGISTER

Registration is compulsory under the regulations of the Canada Registration Board, which is fixed for June 22nd. As many as possible should take advantage of the permission given to register before the date fixed. The Red Cross hut on Third Avenue has been placed at the disposal of the Registration Board and will be open from 2 until 6 in the afternoon and from 7:30 until 9:30 in the evenings to accommodate those who wish to register.

Deputy registrars who will take registrations at their offices and include, John Matheison, Cold Storage; R. M. Walker, Seal Cove mill; J. L. Christie, Stewart & Mobley; John Barnsley, Union Steamship office; N. Abercrombie, Rupert Marine Iron Works; John Dybbavn, and Fred Peters, City Hall.

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U.S. STEAMER SINKS GERMAN SUBMARINE

(Special to The Daily News.)

An Atlantic Port, June 19.—The members of the crew of a United States steamship arriving here today reported an engagement with a German submarine off the Virginia Capes yesterday. The naval gunners on board the ship made a clean hit, and either sunk the submarine or disabled her. The United States vessel was not damaged.

WESTHOLME THEATRE GETS NEW MACHINE

On exhibition in the store next to the theatre before being installed is to be seen the very latest model of a moving picture machine. This instrument is the very last word with regard to moving pictures and is the second of its kind to reach the Pacific coast. In order to give the public the best that can be got, the Westholme people, at considerable cost, have secured this new machine, which will be in use in a day or two. The flickering of the pictures, which sometimes happens, even in the best of reels, will be largely reduced by its means, and the best that modern science can do in the world of filmdom will be available for Prince Rupert audiences.

JULY 1ST SPORTS

The sports committee for the celebration on July first met last evening. There was a full attendance, when the programme for the occasion was drawn out. It is proposed to have the opening ceremony at the government buildings at 10 a. m., where the parade will be marshalled. This is expected to be the largest one ever. There are expected to be between forty and fifty automobiles and floats, suitably decorated, in line, and they will proceed to Market Place, where the children's sports will take place at 11 a. m. Later at the Acropolis grounds, Indian and open sports will be held at 1:30, where in the afternoon, ball games, baseball and football will be played. The committee is working energetically on their programme, and everything points to this occasion being one of the most successful.

WEDDING BELLS

This morning at 6:30 a popular couple were united in matrimony by Father McGrath at the Catholic Church. The bride was Miss Louise Astoria, formerly of the staff of H. S. Wallace & Co., and the groom Mr. Charles Balagno of the Westholme Theatre. The bride was becomingly gowned in white satin dress with veil and was attended by Misses Palmira Astoria and Mary Astoria, gowned in pink crepe de chene. The groom was supported by Mr. Richard Moore. After the ceremony the bridal party sat down to a dainty breakfast at the home of the bride on Fourth Ave. Many beautiful presents were received by the happy couple, testifying in no small measure to the high esteem in which they are held by a wide circle of acquaintances.

The groom's gift to the bride was a beautiful pearl necklace, and to the bridesmaids a cameo ring and a cameo necklace, and to the best man a cameo stickpin. The couple left on the G. T. P. for a short trip to southern points and upon their return will live for the summer in the apartments on Fifth Avenue formerly occupied by Mrs. Sweet.

Mr. John Vaughan and bride sailed for the south this morning.

AUSTRIAN MASSED ATTACK BROKEN BY FRENCH TROOPS

ALLIED LINE MAINTAINED INTACT AND SEVERE LOSSES INFLECTED UPON ENEMY--ASSAULT IS COMPLETELY BROKEN UP--PRISONERS AND WAR MATERIAL CAPTURED

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CHANGES IN G. T. P. STEAMER SAILINGS

Owing to alterations in the railroad and steamship services, which come into effect on Sunday, the 23rd inst., the G. T. P. steamer Prince Rupert will not sail to Alaska on Saturday first as usual. Arriving here Saturday morning, she will turn round here and sail again for Vancouver and Seattle at 9 p. m. on Sunday. This alteration is made necessary in order to fit in with the new schedule, and the Alaskan sailings will be kept up regularly thereafter during the summer months.

COMPENSATION BOARD COMMISSIONERS COMING

Mr. Parker Williams and Mr. Wynne, of the Workmen's Compensation Board, are paying a visit to Central British Columbia and are today at Hazelton. They came up via the Canadian Northern to Prince George, where they explained the workings of the Board, and also arranged for medical services. After holding meetings at Hazelton, they expect to arrive in Prince Rupert on Thursday night. Certain arrangements may be made in this city before these gentlemen proceed to other coast points.

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Mr. Tom Sherman was among the arrivals back in the city this morning.

The registration offices are busy since opened and there seems to be good ground for the belief that the people are assisting the officials in registering in as far as it is convenient before the day appointed.

Mr. J. E. Oppenheimer of Butte, Montana, arrived in the city this morning by the Prince George. Mr. Oppenheimer is interested in the Roche de Boule mine near Hazelton, and left by train this morning on a visit to the mine.

A Ford tractor has arrived in the city for Mr. J. C. K. Sealy, who has a ranch near Smithers. This is the first implement of this character to be used in this north country and should be a valuable addition to the splendid ranch of Mr. Sealy.

A very enjoyable dance was held last evening in the Seal Cove school under the auspices of the Red Cross. The music was furnished by Mrs. Wells, Mr. Balagno and Mr. Stilwell, for which the society is grateful. Mr. Dyer also kindly gave his services free. An account tomorrow of the total proceeds will be furnished.

Lieutenant Commander Barney Johnson, D. S. O., has arrived in Vancouver from overseas on furlough. For long one of the most popular of the G. T. P. skippers on the coast as Captain Barney Johnson, Lieutenant Commander Johnson, D. S. O., will be welcomed back again. It is likely that on his return east he will travel via the G. T. P., when his many friends here will have an opportunity of seeing him once more.

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Paris, June 19.—The great drive by the troops of the Central Empires upon the Italian front is continuing with unabated fury, although the situation is viewed confidently and hopefully by the Allies. The French line which is in the Mont Grappa region to the eastward of the Asiago plateau, has been the scene of the latest effort of the Austro-Hungarian troops in their attempt to break through. The French positions after being violently bombarded, were attacked by the Austro-Hungarian troops in their favorite massed formation. Wave after wave of the enemy poured over on to the trenches of the French soldiers, who mowed them down in wide swathes. The French gunfire, both machine gun and rifle, backed by their 75's, completely broke up the enemy assault.

Line Maintained.

Everywhere the French troops maintained their line, and tremendous destruction was wrought in the ranks of the Austrians, as well as many prisoners being taken captive. The French were successful in capturing large quantities of the war material belonging to the enemy. The casualties suffered by the enemy were so severe that in front of one French regiment alone more than six hundred Austria-Hungarian corpses were buried.

News for Home.

Vienna, June 19.—The number of prisoners taken by the Austro-Hungarian forces in the drive on the northern Italian front has been increased to thirty thousand. The number of guns captured number one hundred and thirty.

THE JUDGMENT HOUSE

In "The Judgment House," produced on a lavish scale by J. Stuart Blackton, the harmonious blending of the talents of writer and producer will be happily manifested. "The Judgment House" is one of those absorbing dramatic stories which lends itself exceptionally well not only to the printed page, but it also makes a powerful subject for cinema representation.

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