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## AUSTRIANS RECROSS THE PIAVE PELL MELL

### ITALIANS IN PURSUIT KEEP THEM GOING -- STRIKERS IN VIENNA MAKE TROUBLE

#### AUSTRIAN RETREAT TURNED INTO A COMPLETE ROUT WITH TREMENDOUS LOSSES

**BIG BOOTY FALLS INTO ITALIANS' HANDS OWING TO RAPIDITY OF AUSTRIAN FLIGHT--FORTY THOUSAND TROOPS CAPTURED, AND APPALLING NUMBERS KILLED--CAVALRY PURSUE**

(Special to The Daily News.)  
Rome, June 25.—The retreat of the Austrian armies along the Piave river, which began under cover of darkness on Saturday night, has developed into a complete rout along the forty mile front of the river extending from Montello to the sea. So rapid is the backward movement of the enemy that they left huge quantities of guns and equipment behind them. They are being relentlessly pursued by the Italians, who have themselves crossed the Piave to its eastern bank. The annihilation of nine Austrian divisions (108,000 men) and the capture of 45,000 prisoners and enormous stores is reported today. Entire enemy regiments have been destroyed and fifteen divisions have been worn out in the San Dona de Piave region. The total Austrian losses are now placed at more than 200,000, according to a semi-official statement. The Italian losses in killed and wounded and captured will not exceed forty thousand.

**Cavalry in Action.**  
Washington, June 25.—Along the course of the Piave river, the Italians have thrust back the invaders of their territory, until only small units remain on the western bank and across the stream. The Italians are keeping well upon the heels of the retreating enemy who are fleeing in disorder. Again the cavalry have been thrown into the fighting and are sorely pressing the enemy. Italian troops have crossed the Piave river and are keeping up the pursuit of the fleeing Austrians, preventing them from having any chance to reform their broken ranks. This precipitous retreat of such a large body of troops has thrown the whole Austrian rear into confusion, and their reserves have not waited to make a stand, or to cover the retreat of their comrades in the front lines.

A report from General Diaz, the commander, is to the effect that the Austrian losses in the retreat across the Piave include an appalling number of troops killed, more than forty thousand more captured, and an enormous amount of war booty.

**Vienna's Announcement.**  
Vienna, June 25.—The War Office today announces the evacuation of Montello and the right bank of the Piave river by the Austrian troops.

#### TENDERS WANTED

Tenders are invited for the excavation of earth from lots 9 and 10, block 33, Section 1, according to plans to be seen at our office. McCaffery, Gibbons & Doyle, Ltd., Real Estate and Insurance, 532 Third Avenue. 148

#### GERMANY PREPARES PEACE DRIVE AT RUSSIA'S EXPENSE

(Special to The Daily News.)  
Washington, June 25.—Germany is preparing for a vigorous peace move at the expense of Russia, the Government authorities here are convinced. To meet this anticipated move, a tremendous effort is being made to bring about unity of purpose between the United States, Great Britain and France. The need for some agreed policy is admitted. Germany, by launching her peace offensive, by offering to give up

Belgium, northern France and to make satisfactory settlements with Italy, provided she were allowed to expand in Russia, would confront the British and French governments with a very serious problem.

The time is now come, the allied diplomats say, when President Wilson, if he will not sanction Japanese intervention in Russia, must come forward with some alternative if Russia is to be saved.

#### SETTLERS POURING INTO LAKE DISTRICT IN OMINECA COUNTRY

Reports received here today from the Francois and Burns Lake districts in the Omineca country are to the effect that every train from the prairie provinces are bringing in many settlers looking for land. The last train brought in eighteen different parties, and some twenty more were expected to arrive by the next train. This lake district of Northern British Columbia, out of which flows the Bulkley river westwards, and the Nechaco river eastwards contains some of the finest land in the province, and splendid results have already been attained by the settlers already established.

At Burns Lake, there has been such a demand for information that it has been made necessary to open a Bureau of Information which will afford to all the prospective settlers what they desire in the way of knowledge of the surrounding country. These newcomers into this comparatively new country are ready to purchase land when they see what suits them. They have the cash, and being practical farmers, their settling in this interior country should prove to be of the utmost benefit, not only to the province as a whole, but to the Omineca country and to the city of Prince Rupert. An ever-extending and developing hinterland will react upon the welfare of Prince Rupert just as the further progress of this city will help the interior country.

in the city in which this party does not have some interest, and being a resident in Austria, has not been able to pay his taxes. The question as to whether the city can sell this property at the forthcoming tax sale had been put up to the government through its custodian of alien properties, but no definite information had been got. The city clerk, therefore, wanted authority for agents in Ottawa to interview the responsible minister personally on the matter and to get a decision, one way or the other. This being all the business, the council adjourned after a session of half an hour.

After hearing read the items in the warrant book for the month of May, showing the total expense to be \$16,786.56, the letter from the Minister of Lands, the Hon. T. D. Pattullo, enclosing the agreement come to between the Provincial Government and the G. T. P. regarding Cow Bay was again brought to the attention of the council. This had lain over for a week to give the aldermen an opportunity of examining it at their leisure. No further comment was made upon it, so it was ordered to be filed, to have it on record when any necessity should arise.

His worship informed the council that Mr. Anderson, the city's consulting engineer, was expected to arrive in the city on Friday to make the test of the new relief valve at Shawatlans, as by the time he got here, everything would be ready for him.

The matter of certain property held by alien enemy subjects in the city was brought up by the city clerk. The particular instance given referred to the Thorsch holdings. There is hardly a block

#### STRIKERS IN VIENNA CONFLICT WITH POLICE

(Special to The Daily News.)  
Zurich, Switzerland, June 25.—One hundred and fifty thousand strikers in Vienna had another conflict with the police on Saturday night, according to a dispatch received here from Munich today. Shouting "down with Germany" large crowds again attempted to reach the German embassy, but were dispersed.

**Strike in Bessarabia.**  
Information has also reached here to the effect that the railway men in Bessarabia have gone on strike, paralyzing that whole region. The Roumanians have also blown up many munition depots throughout the district.

#### THE CIVIL SITTINGS OF THE SUPREME COURT

This morning, before his honor Justice Morrison, the sittings of the Supreme Court were resumed in the court house. Decree absolute was granted in the action for divorce taken by Edward John Webber against Emily Sophia Webber, the petitioner, to have custody of the child.

In the action raised by W. B. George against the Portland Canal Mining Co., at the request of the counsel for the defendants an adjournment was made until 2:30 p. m.

Tomorrow divorce action of Warbeck vs. Warbeck will be heard, as well as the military appeals.

#### SESSUE HAYAKAWA AT THE WESTHOLME

Tonight the talented Japanese actor, Sessue Hayakawa will be the star in the fine photoplay, "The Secret Game" to be screened at the Westholme Theatre. He is no stranger to this part of the province, and wherever he appears he is welcomed. Tonight's play is a fine one, and finely acted, and all who witness it will agree. There will also be a splendid gazette.

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#### LOCAL OPERATIONS ONLY ON THE WESTERN FRONT

#### GERMAN SUB GETS FIRST TROOPSHIP

(Special to The Daily News.)  
Washington, June 25.—The German submarines' operations on this side of the Atlantic ocean have sunk their first troopship, according to an announcement made by the Navy Department here today. The British transport, under charter by the American government and bound to this country was destroyed on June 18 some seven hundred miles east of the Delaware coast, and sixty-seven of her crew are missing. There were no troops on board.

#### MINERS USE THE TIDES TO WASH PLACER GOLD

If you don't believe it, then take a trip out to Shuttle Island, just south of Moresby Island, in the Queen Charlotte group, and you will see for yourself how the incoming tide washes away the sand and leaves exposed the nuggets of gold, which the stakers of the claims there spend their spare time in picking up. Shuttle Island is only a small one, barely a mile across at any point. There is some good timber there, however, and at present a lumber camp is situated upon it, and between them, the men employed at this camp have the whole island staked out.

The camp cook and the cookee are the two who started in to find gold. They picked up nuggets on the beach. They panned some of the seashore sand and found some more, and they kept on panning. Logging spruce, however, being an essential industry, they cannot leave their jobs to go mining, so have only their spare time to pick up nuggets. However, to a certain extent they have solved the labor problem. At low tide they go down to the beach and dig a trench out as near to low water mark as they can get. The tide rises, washes away the sand and leaves the nuggets sticking out, where they are easily picked up.

There is a fine beach all around the island, and gold can be picked up at nearly any point. It is thought that this gold must have been washed down from some quartz ledge in the hill which rises to some elevation in the centre of the island. Some of the men in the lumber camp, when tired of picking up nuggets on the beach, are paying attention to the hill, where who knows what may be found?

#### BRITAIN AND STATES TREATY EXTENDED

(Special to The Daily News.)  
Washington, June 25.—The Senate today ratified a treaty extending for five years the general arbitration agreement between the United States and Great Britain.

#### NOTICE

The business hitherto carried on by me, known as the Pony Express, has been sold to Mr. Frank W. Hart, who will continue to carry on as heretofore. I have great pleasure in thanking the public for the support they have accorded me in the past and would ask for that same support for Mr. Hart, my successor, who will endeavor to give satisfactory service.

R. W. ROGERS.

(Special to The Daily News.)  
With the United States Troops on the Marne, June 25.—American troops on the Marne front last night captured the north-western part of Belleau Wood. The American troops took this strategic point in the face of all the Germans. They captured some prisoners and took some five-inch guns.

**French Front.**  
Paris, June 25.—A local operation enabled us to improve our position on the plateau north of La port, says the official War Office announcement tonight. We took one hundred and seventy prisoners. An enemy counter attack delivered immediately afterwards was repulsed.

**Berlin's Report.**  
Berlin, June 25.—The German troops, in an attack on the trenches in Baldenuller region, occupied by the French and United States soldiers, inflicted heavy losses, according to an official communication from headquarters today. The German forces brought back prisoners.

#### TUG LORNE MAKES THE RECORD TOWING BOOMS

Vancouver, June 24.—The G. T. P. tug Lorne arrived in Howe Sound on Friday with what is said to be the biggest boom of logs ever handled in British Columbia. The booms consist of 1,600,000 feet of logs and is consigned to Mill Creek, where the timber will be ground into pulp.

The logs are in two rafts, one from the Queen Charlotte Islands and the other from Swanson Bay and they are constructed on what is known as the Davis system. This means that logs are piled up one on another and securely lashed until a big proportion of the boom is under water. In this case one raft is drawing forty feet of water and the other thirty feet. In addition to being a record tow for size, there is also a claim for long-distance towing, as very few booms of this size, if any, have been brought all the way from the Queen Charlotte Islands.

#### THE CRADLE

Born to Mr. and Mrs. William West, of Terrace, at the Prince Rupert General Hospital on June 24th, a daughter. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Smart Levin Apartments, on June 25th, a son.

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#### NOTICE

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#### Final Moss Drive

In addition to the quantity of Sphagnum moss collected on Sunday, 700 sacks more are required to complete the shipment. The citizens must realize the urgent need and rally once more in a determined final effort. No tools are needed; the best results being got by picking with the bare hands.

Display your practical patriotism Wednesday at one o'clock and be at the end of the Park Avenue roadway at the Cemetery.