

ITALIANS PUSH ENEMY BACK ON ASIAGO

AUSTRO-HUNGARIANS ADVANCE ON 2-MILE LINE

Crossing Railway South of Nervesa On Piave Front—Italy's Defending Troops Capture Costelunga On Asiago Plateau, Driving Back the Foe.

(International News Service)

London, June 22.—The Italians have captured Costelunga on the Asiago plateau, driving back the Austrians, it was learned this afternoon from an authoritative source.

The Austro-Hungarians on the Piave front are reported to have crossed the railway south of Nervesa on a two-mile front.

(The railway line in question runs southwestward from Vittorio through Treviso to Venice.)

FIERCE ACTIONS ALONG MIDDLE PIAVE RIVER

Washington, June 22.—The sixth day of the battle on the Italian front was characterized by fierce actions along the middle Piave, where Gen. Wurms is striving to gain some advantage near the Fossalta canal, says an official dispatch from Rome this afternoon.

GERMAN TROOPS MEET REPULSE

In Attempting Raiding Operations in Vicinity of Belloy, South of Montdidier.

BRITISH IN LOCAL GAINS

East of Amiens and in Villers-Bretonneux and Strazeele Sectors.

The statement reads: "The French have repulsed German raids in the region of Belloy, southeast of Montdidier, and in upper Alsace. On their part the French penetrated enemy posts southeast of Maur (southeast of Belloy) and made prisoners."

LENINE, BOLSHEVIK, PREMIER, HAS RESIGNED

Man Responsible for Separate Peace Between Russia and Germany Steps Down.

AUSTRIANS BRINGING UP NEW REINFORCEMENTS

Paris, June 22.—(Italian front).—Fresh struggles on the Italian front are foreshadowed by the bringing up of fresh reinforcements by the Austro-Hungarians, telegraphs the Central News Agency.

NORTH CAROLINA CALLED ON FOR 5,000 MORE MEN

Raleigh, N. C., June 22.—North Carolina was called upon today for 5,000 more drafted men, Adjutant-General Young announced.

NINE STRIKERS KILLED IN CLASH IN AMSTERDAM

Amsterdam, June 22.—(Austria-Hungary).—Nine strikers were killed and thirty-six others wounded in a clash today with the police at the government railway shops in Budapest, according to a telegram received here from the Hungarian capital.

EYES OF WORLD FIXED ON AUSTRIA; REAL PROBLEM ON GERMANY'S HANDS NOW

"Majority of Revolutions Start From Hunger."

Washington, June 22.—The eyes of the world are on Austria today. Every chancellery in Europe and the United States administration are closely watching the developments behind the curtain of censorship in the dual empire.

A crushing defeat of the Austrians by the Italians—and the military experts here say that it is sure to come—would enormously increase the general depression of the Austrian people.

WHALES AND SHARKS MISTAKEN FOR U-BOATS

Activities of Germans Off the American Coast Apparently Have Ceased.

Washington, June 22.—The activities of the U-boats off the American coast apparently have ceased. Their sudden appearance off the Jersey coast was startling, but their operations as a military asset have proved an utter failure.

TRUCKMEN PLANNED TO STEAL ARMY BEEF

New York, June 22.—Four more truckmen were arrested today in connection with the alleged conspiracy to steal large quantities of army beef from a branch station of the Lehigh Valley railroad here.

MOSCOW NO LONGER SAFE FOR EMPEROR

Berne, Switzerland, June 22.—Ex-Emperor Nicholas has been transferred to Moscow from Yekaterinburg, which was no longer safe, owing to the movement among the exchech-slavaks, according to the Zeitung Am Mittag, of Berlin.

DENTISTS' CONVENTION CITY ASHEVILLE SELECTED AS

Wilmington, N. C., June 22.—Asheville was selected as the convention city of the North Carolina dental society at its final session today at Wrightsville, Bech, J. N. Johnson, of Goldsboro, was elected president.

DOGS OF WAR CHARGE MACHINE GUNS



The dogs being trained by the British army to act as dispatch-bearers at the front are utterly without fear. They will charge directly into a line of soldiers firing volleys from rifles and machine guns. Gas attacks, grenades and bombs do not feaze them. This photograph shows British dogs in training charging a line of firing soldiers.

BELIEVE ENGINEER WAS DEAD OR ASLEEP AT POST

Fireman Dashed Into Woods Like Maniac—Horror Ruled at Scene of Wreck.

(International News Service.) Gary, Ind., June 22.—Sixty persons are dead, twenty-five are believed to be dying and more than eighty are injured as the result of a wreck west of here, in which an empty Michigan Central train traveling sixty miles an hour, crashed into and ripped through the second section of a Hagenbeck-Wallace circus special.

ATTEMPT MADE ON LIFE EMPEROR

Reports Rife on Amsterdam Exchange as to Danger for Hapsburg Ruler.

(International News Service.) London, June 22.—An attempt has been made to assassinate Emperor Charles of Austria, according to reports circulated on the Amsterdam Bourse, said a Central News dispatch from that city today.

ARMORED CARS CARRYING GUNS AIDING INFANTRY

And Artillery in Pushing Back Austrians on Italian Front.

Italian Army Headquarters in Northern Italy, Friday, June 21.—Cavalrymen, artillerymen and airmen are giving effective aid to the Italian infantry in driving back the Austrians toward the Piave.

SHIPMENT OF GRAIN TO GERMAN HELD UP

London, June 22.—Because of disturbances in Ukraine, all shipments of grain to Germany have been held up, a Central News dispatch from Copenhagen stated this afternoon.

SORTER COOLISH, SAYS BILLY P.

I haven't invented a submarine pill, nor a Finnish pig gas for the Hun. My unsinkable ships are all sinkable still, and if I saw the Kaiser I'd run (at him). But I have a suggestion to offer today, which may serve or may not, as may be: Cross carrier pigeons with parrots and they can come back and tell what they see.

BIRMINGHAM MAN SAYS HE MURDERED GIRL-WIFE

In Stateroom of Sleeping Car and Threw Body Out of Window.

(Associated Press.) Kansas City, June 22.—The police today were holding J. R. Jackson, cashier of a motion picture concern here, who late last night gave them a written statement in which he is said to have said he was responsible for the death of his 24-year-old wife, whose semi-nude body was found near the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy railroad tracks near Shelbina, Mo., last Monday.

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Nothing has been heard of Emperor Charles since the Austrian bread rations were reduced. His movements are not announced in the Austrian papers any more.

STREET RIOTS SERIOUS

London, June 22.—According to the Vienna Neue Freie Presse, during serious street riots in Vienna, the police and military were called out and took strict measures and issued warning to parents making them responsible for the actions of their children, says an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Copenhagen.

PROVOKES SHARP REPLY

Basel, Switzerland, June 22.—(Havas agency).—Dr. Alexander Kokerle, of the Austrian-Hungarian chamber of deputies yesterday, made a statement concerning the industrial strikes in factories and on railways, and the extension of the strikes to several points.

50,000 QUIT WORK

A number of telegrams received in Paris today by way of Switzerland describe conditions in the interior of Austria-Hungary as becoming critical. Fifty thousand workers at the arsenal in the Vulcan factories and in the Worschlag airplane works have gone on strike.

STANDARD OIL MANAGER MURDERED IN CHINA

(Associated Press.) London, June 22.—J. W. Laidlaw, manager of the branch of the Standard Oil company of York, at Wuhu, province of Anhwei, China, has been murdered by brigands, says a Reuter dispatch from Shanghai. Details of the crime are lacking.

FIFTY CIRCUS PEOPLE KILLED

Gaudy Coaches of Hagenbeck-Wallace Shows in Flames Following Collision

Sleeping Clowns and Ballet Girls Meet Death in Accident on Michigan Central.

(Associated Press.) Chicago, June 22.—The personnel of the Hagenbeck-Wallace shows is believed to have been practically wiped out in a disastrous railroad collision between Michigan City and Hammond, Ind., today. According to meagre details received at Michigan Central offices, 50 or 100 persons were killed or injured.

The show was traveling in two sections of Michigan Central train, coming from Michigan City to Hammond. At East Vanhook a hot box caused the second section to stop. A train of empty Pullmans, coming to Chicago, crashed into it, the locomotive plowing its way through the way car and four sleeping coaches. The injured were taken to hospitals at Hammond and Gary.

A telephone message from Gary said the heavy steel Pullmans crashed through the lighter circus coaches like so much paper. The wreck was complete. Here and there in the wreckage legs and arms protruded and groans testified to the suffering of the circus people. Trainmaster Whipple, of the Michigan Central, was on the train and was reported among the missing.

Fourteen injured persons from the wrecked circus train were taken to St. Margaret's hospital at Hammond, and it was said that fifty others had been taken to the hospital at Gary.

Ignored Danger Signals. L. W. Landman, general passenger agent of the Michigan Central, said that his only explanation of the wreck was that the engineer of the train of empty cars must have been dead at the throttle.

"In no other way can I account for the fact that he ignored all of the usual danger signals placed by the circus train," said Mr. Landman. "He ran past two block signals, two red light signals, and the usual fuses planted between the rails and throwing off a brilliant red light, visible for a long distance."

Engineer Missing. "This engineer is missing. My information is that with the exception of the engineer, whose fate is a mystery, no one else was on the train. It will be some time before an accurate list of the dead can be compiled. It is the worst wreck in the history of the road, I believe."

The large number of persons in the casualty list is said to be due to the practice of show trains of sleeping two persons to a berth. The coaches were Pullmans of an obsolete type, converted into gaudily painted show cars.

Bareback Riders Perish. Among those missing are the Rooney family of bareback riders, the Meyer family of animal trainers, the Cottrill family, equestrians; Harry La Pearl, Ed Devere, Mark Adams and Joe Coyle, clowns. Heavy loss in dead and injured is said to have occurred among the ballet of 100 girls.

Wreck Caught Fire. (Associated Press.) Gary, Ind., June 22.—Estimates of the dead in the Michigan Central wreck near Ivanhoe station vary from 100 to 150. The wreck caught fire, destroying many bodies and killing the injured, pinned under the debris.

"For God's Sake, Kill Me." (International News Service.) Gary, Ind., June 22.—A broken axle was discovered at Ivanhoe, and trainmen with warning flares were sent back along the tracks, according to circus men.

At sixty miles an hour, the empty troop train came on, and failed, it is declared, to stop in answer to the signals displayed.

It crashed through the four coaches, and the engineer was buried in the wreck, from which arose the screams of the injured. Then flames began to rise from the demolished cars. The fireman, who had miraculously escaped from his cab, could not stand the strain of the tragedy before him—he ran into the nearby woods and has not been heard of since.

"For God's sake, kill me," screamed a woman, pinned under a heavy car beam, as the approaching flames began to send out their warnings of heat. "Kill me, kill me—don't let me burn to death."

Among those known missing are: Fred Ledgett, chief of the wardrobe; James Connors, boss hostler; Z. Cartledge, chief electrician.

Nine charred bodies have been taken from the wreck, three of them women. Fire Chief Wilfred Grant, of Gary, Ind., estimated that fifty have been killed or burned to death. Four coaches filled with the injured arrived in the

U.S. FIVE MONTHS AHEAD PROGRAM

For Placing an Army in France, Announces Gen. March.

100,000 OVER IN WEEK

Figures on Troop Shipments Significant—War Situation Favorable.

(Associated Press.) Washington, June 22.—Nine hundred thousand men have been shipped across the seas, Gen. March told newspaper correspondents at the weekly conference today. These include the troops shipped from all ports of embarkation.

The United States is today five months ahead of its program for placing an army in France, Gen. March said.

The figures on American troop shipments are significant, since Gen. March, at his first conference last week fixed the number shipped at more than 800,000, the addition of 100,000 during the week showing the rate of progress that is being made.

While the general battle situation looks good today, Gen. March said, the present lull on the western front means only that the German divisions are being reformed for another drive. Viewing the whole situation, including the Italian front, the chief-of-staff said that the central powers were again held on all fronts.

Work Under Battle Strain. At Cantigny, Gen. March said, infantry and artillery operated in close co-operation to achieve the victory, showing the successful work of the staff officers upon whom that co-operation depended. The night clearly showed, he said, that the training of the American general staff officers had reached the point where the system would work under battle strain.

One of the most striking things on the western front, the chief of staff declared, was the supreme importance of a unified command. This was first advocated by Gen. Foch. Gen. March regarded that as one of the greatest single military achievements of the allies, which was already showing its effect in the fighting.

Enough to Cause Concern. During the last week, Gen. March said the fighting in France has been of a minor character. Interest for the allies has centered on the Italian front, where the Austrians penetrated deeply enough to cause concern. That offensive has now been checked, he added, and the swollen waters of the Piave aided in repelling the attack. The entire Austrian bridge system on the lower Piave was washed away.

Austrian engineers had constructed seven bridges over which their advance forces could be withdrawn if they were compelled to give up their footing on the south bank of the river. At the point, however, in the Montello sector, the Austrians had been unable to replace the bridges up to last night and their advance forces are in grave danger of capture or annihilation.

Little Said of Aid in Italy. Gen. March deprecated discussion of the participation of American combat forces on the Italian front for the present.

Some American ambulance sections are in Italy, but the chief of staff thought it unwise to disclose any other movements in prospect for that front at this time.

The fighting about Chateau Thierry where American marines distinguished themselves was confined originally to a small force of machine gun units, Gen. March said under command of a major whose name had not been reported. The 12,000 marines, comprising the marine brigade from which the units were taken is commanded, he said, by Brig.-Gen. James G. Harbord, who went to France as Gen. Pershing's chief of staff.

Standard Oil Manager Murdered in China. (Associated Press.) London, June 22.—J. W. Laidlaw, manager of the branch of the Standard Oil company of York, at Wuhu, province of Anhwei, China, has been murdered by brigands, says a Reuter dispatch from Shanghai. Details of the crime are lacking.

(Associated Press.) New York, June 22.—J. W. Laidlaw, reported to have been murdered in China, was a mechanic employed as superintendent of installation by the Standard Oil company of New York at its Wuhu branch, officers of the company here stated today. He was a British subject, they say.

steel city and by some of these it was reported most of those caught in the wreckage were burned to death.

Manager and Wife Escape. Charles Colimar, manager of the circus, and his wife escaped. Edward Ballard, of French Lick, Ind., owner of the circus, was ahead of the show and is in Hammond, assisting in caring for the injured performers.

The only live stock in the train were a few circus horses whose terror added to the turmoil of the scene.