

ITALIAN ARMY WINS GREAT VICTORY

Italians Frustrate All Austrian Efforts

VIENNA POLICE CHARGE RIOTERS Austrians Trapped in Thousands on West Bank of Piave River Today

After supplies and ammunition are brought up the enemy is expected to strike another major blow from the north. Despite the fact that the Austrians are reported to have used their entire effective force captured Austrians say they will still have considerable reserves.

Italian cavalry used in open fighting has continually made spectacular charges, slaughtering great numbers of enemy troops and taking 70 prisoners, three cannons and three machine guns in one charge.

Five enemy divisions (50,000 men) are now on the west side of the river. Most of these are north of San Dona di Piave where temporary bridges have been swept away by the flooded river. The Austrians have succeeded in throwing three new bridges across the river where the current is less swift. Enemy divisions farther north are still in great danger of capture or annihilation through inability to obtain reinforcements or replenish their ammunition or supplies.

Retumption of the Austrian drive southward from the mountains is expected hourly. This move which was expected to compel retirement of the whole Piave line is believed to have been advised by Hindenburg. It has been anticipated by the Italian command and it was here the Austrians sustained the severe losses Sunday. Many divisions have been forced to retire. The Austrians have been forced to relieve every division used in the mountains in the first day of the drive.

HINDENBURG COLLOSSAL DRIVE BALKED By WILLIAM PHILIP SIMMS [UNITED PRESS CABLEGRAM] WITH THE BRITISH ARMIES IN FRANCE, June 21.—Today, three months from the beginning of Hindenburg's colossal offensives his speedy victory is not achieved. If the allies fight in the next three months as they have in the past beginning of the end is near.

This does not mean immediate peace—but a straight road to allied victory. The west front indicates the Germans are weaker numerically and morally than at the beginning of the offensive. It is known that more than thirty divisions have been withdrawn from the active front.

HAMMOND LAWYER ENLISTS IN NAVY



The Hammond bar now has ten stars in its service flag and the latest is in honor of Attorney Phil Greenwald, who has enlisted in the United States Navy and leaves for training July 5. A graduate of the Chicago Law School, Greenwald made good in the legal department of Chicago railroads before coming to Hammond five years ago and starting in private practice. The young attorney was very successful in building up a large and profitable clientele by reason of his ability. "I enlisted because I felt it my patriotic duty," said Attorney Greenwald today. "I am going to do my best for my country in the cause of democracy."

CONGRESS DEMANDS STATEMENT

WASHINGTON, June 21.—Congress is about to demand a new statement of policy from the administration with regard to Russia. Backed by a sentiment to save Russia even against her will from German penetration, members favoring American-Japanese cooperation in Siberia will attempt to hurry up an explanation of this country's stand. The questions congress wants answered are: 1. Is the United States keeping Japan out of Siberia? 2. What do France, Italy and England think of the Japanese intervention? 3. Has this government any good reason for further "watchful waiting" on the Russian situation? 4. The Russian, Jugo-Slav and Turkey questions are engrossing congress. A canvass showed that if congress were acting now on its own information it would at once declare war on Turkey and Bulgaria.

HE MADE HIMSELF VERY MUCH AT HOME

Jack Doucens of Hammond, looked upon that which is like a wisp and stinger like an adder and while walking down Condit street yesterday afternoon saw a rooster on the porch of Joe Weis and feeling tired proceeded to take a nap after making a nuisance of himself in general. He was arrested by Officer Bell and fined \$2 in the Hammond city court this morning by Judge Kloiz. "Don't know how I got there," was all he could say. Generally fair tonight and Saturday, preceded by thunder showers in extreme south portions this afternoon or tonight.

TWO MILES SOUTH WEST HAMMOND

Acme Steel Good Co. Buys 130 Acre Tract For a Big Plant.

Adding to the manufacturing wealth of the Calumet region and the desirability of Hammond as a residential center, a big deal in Calumet manufacturing property, involving the construction of a steel plant to cost in the neighborhood of \$1,000,000, has been closed by the purchase by James E. McMurray, president of the Acme Steel Goods company, from the Asbestos Shingle company of the plant at the junction of the Panhandle and Illinois Central roads near Riverdale, about two miles southwest of Hammond.

The tract comprises 130.45 acres, with one-story buildings of little value, and, while a consideration of \$1 is given in the transfer, which was filed for record yesterday, the \$131 worth of revenue stamps on the deed indicates that the property sold at the rate of \$1000 an acre. Mr. McMurray gave back a trust deed to the Chicago Title and Trust company securing a part purchase money mortgage of \$100,000 for three years at 5 per cent. The Acme company, which manufactures steel specialties, is now located at 2834 Archer avenue, Chicago, and while the details of the proposed new plant have not been fully worked out at yet, it is understood that the plant probably approximate \$1,000,000. The Asbestos Shingle company, which acquired the property in 1913, will continue to occupy the present buildings on the property for the duration of the war, the Acme company locating its plant on other parts of the property.

GOSH! HOW THEY DO DREAD IT

Circus Is Coming to Town, and Elk Lodge Is Torn With Dissension; May Have Free-For-All Fight.

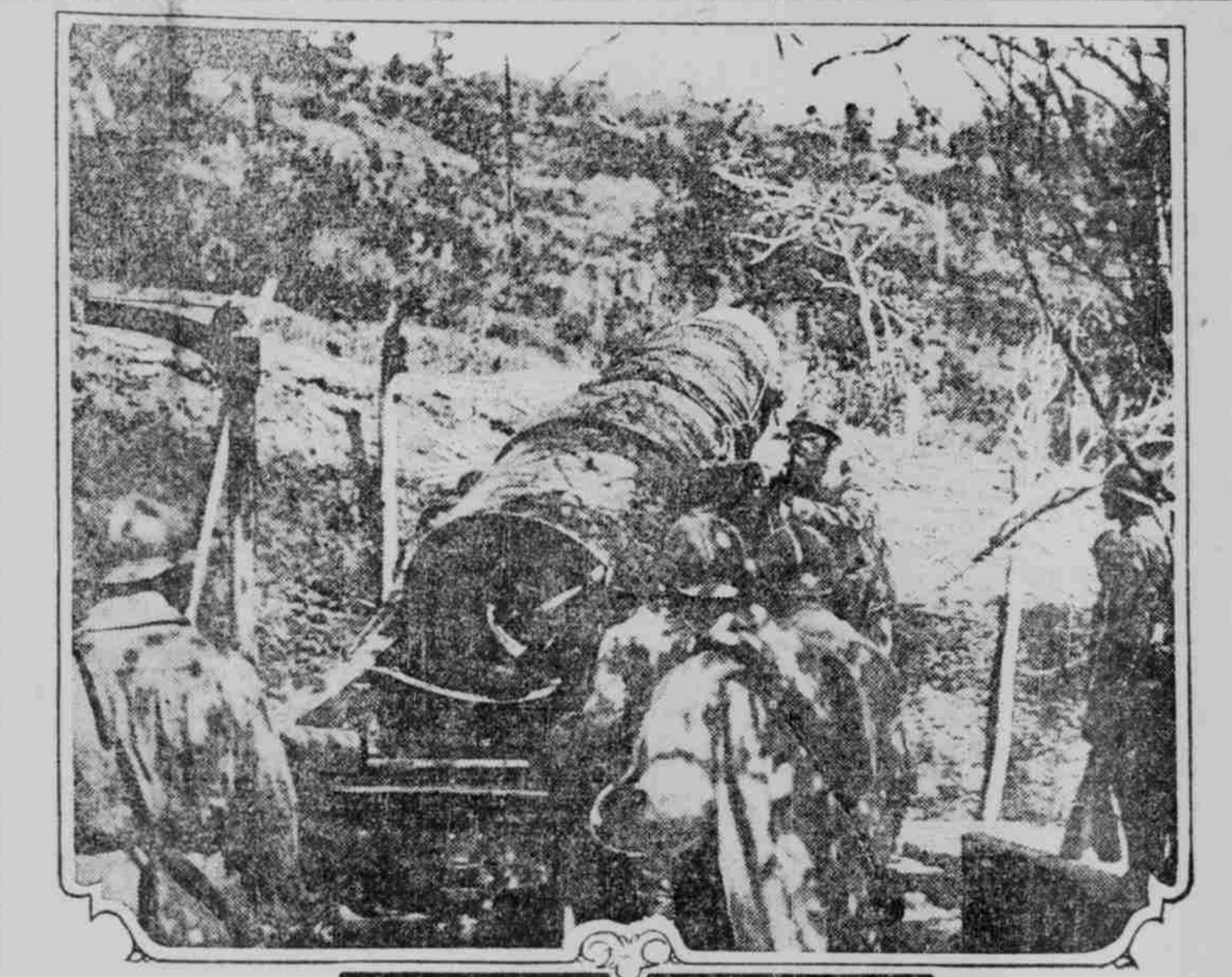
The Hammond lodge of Elks has been torn from stem to stern by one of its biggest resolutions in its history. Friends of long standing have severed diplomatic relations and it looked like a free-for-all fight—all at one time. The fight occurred when it became necessary to appoint a committee of four members to take the junior Elks to the circus tomorrow night. Speeches were made by nearly all the members in which they said that while it would be a sacrifice of time they felt it their duty to serve on the committee. None of them personally cared for the circus, of course, but they all felt a great responsibility resting on their individual shoulders.

Well, things warmed up and things got pretty lively. Finally, to prevent busting up the lodge, it was decided that they would all go to the circus with the junior Elks. It looks as if the junior Elks will be cheered. The question is which is the more anxious to go, the grown-ups or the kids. Of course there is an official committee which consists of Sam Abelman, John Galt, Henry Volmer and Patrick Bradley.

CONTINUED ITALIAN SUCCESSES

WASHINGTON, June 21.—Continued Italian successes on all parts of the battle front were detailed in an official report received from Italian headquarters today. "Repeated enemy attempts to take Mount Correns were broken up," the statement said. "We succeeded in eliminating the western San Dona salient. Several enemy divisions attacked Zenson but were checked."

Italians Drag Guns Through Woods To Hurl Shrapnel Into the Austrians



Italian artillery and infantrymen are overcoming enormous handicaps in their fight to halt the advance of the Austrian forces. Big guns used to hurl shrapnel into the Austrians forces are snaked through the woods at the end of a long rope, the gunners and other soldiers pulling the cannon. This picture shows one of the guns made ready for action on the Piave. The rope used to haul it can be seen wound around the cannon.

CAPITAL NOW GETS THE NEWS

WASHINGTON, June 21.—General Pershing today reported thirty-eight casualties among his forces. Killed in action, 61 dead of wounds, 1; dead of disease, 3; wounded severely, 27; wounded slightly, 1. At Diefer, Sullivan, dead of disease.

PURDUE DETACHMENT GETS 3-HOUR ORDER

50 Lake County Boys Pack Kits and Are Ready for Final Word.

LAFAYETTE IND., June 21 (2 p. m.)—The 500 men belonging to the Purdue training detachment have left Lafayette for "Somewhere."

LAFAYETTE IND., June 21.—Well, like all their bunkies, Lake county's contingent at the Purdue detachment barracks stand at attention and ready to go wherever Uncle Sam wills and whenever he says the word. The 500 men are under orders to entrain in three hours. That is when the war department wires the boys are ready to go within three hours. It may be tonight tomorrow or next week. All kits were packed last night and strict orders were issued not to reveal the time of leaving.

PEDDLERS TAKEN.

Abe Barman and Julius Kahn, both of Chicago, were arrested on Hoffman street by Officer Warner yesterday for peddling without a license.

Latest Bulletins

WASHINGTON, June 21.—Marine casualties announced today totalled 127 as follows: Killed in action, 10; dead of wounds, 19; severely wounded, 98.

WASHINGTON, June 21.—German patrols suffered considerable losses from American machine gun fire in the region of Chateau-Thierry yesterday. Patrolling has again been especially active north west of Chateau-Thierry and in the Woerthe hostile patrols suffered considerable losses in patrol encounters and from our machine guns. Artillery fighting continues in these regions and in Lorraine.

WASHINGTON, June 21.—There was unusually heavy artillery fighting north of Toul last night, the Germans throwing over 4,000 shells. Boche artillery was also busy in other Lorraine sectors, using large quantities of gas.

The German official report of a successful attack on Selcheper is a lie. There was no raid. The only one the Huns even attempted died a-borning.

WASHINGTON, June 21.—Provost Marshal General Crowder today issued a call for 8,000 draft registrants qualified for military service and who have received at least a grade school education. They will be sent to a technical school for special training and then be placed in special branches of the service.

WASHINGTON, June 21.—Provost Marshal General Crowder today ruled that men of draft age engaged in games of all kinds, working as domestic servants, elevator, bellboys, waiters and like occupations shall seek other employment by July 1. It was stated that nothing whatever would be done in regard to professional baseball players until a specific case is presented.

LONDON, June 21.—Successful British raids on the Ploesti coast and repulse of German local attempts in Flanders were reported by Haig today. "During the night we captured prisoners and machine guns and inflicted casualties on the enemy. Several hostile attempts to recapture the ground gained by us yesterday morning were repulsed with loss to the enemy."

PARIS, June 21.—The French advanced slightly northwest of Chateau Thierry, the war office announced today. The French took 23 prisoners.

Appreciate the Article.

American Defense Society, Inc. National Bldg., 45 East 53rd St., New York, June 19, Hammond, Ind. Dear Sir: We note with deep appreciation your article dated May 29th, entitled "Warning", and we are glad indeed to have your support. The American Defense Society is co-operating with the government, both locally and nationally, in the prosecution of the war, giving aid to other patriotic organizations and doing what it can to urge a vigorous war against the imperial government by daily supplying confidential reports of an important nature to the various secret service agencies of the government. We ask your loyal support in our program; which is in brief "the exposure of German atrocities, the putting down of sedition in the United States, the suppression of German inspired peace propaganda, the stopping of all trade with the enemy, directly and through neutral sources, the enforcement of the death penalty against traitors and spies in America and the defeat of Germany."

FRANCES TILGHMAN, Secretary Press Committee.

BIG VICTORY AT NERVESA

LONDON, June 21.—The Italians have gained a big victory at Nervesa on the west bank of the Piave and are fighting to complete their success, it was learned this afternoon.

Nervesa, an important railroad crossing, guards the southeastern approach to Montello crest, the keystone connecting river and mountain lines. It was at this point that Premier Orlando admitted a considerable enemy gain to the Italian parliament last night, the Austrians having crossed one railway line at several points.

The Italians have held the Austrians back at this point, re-entering Nervesa. They are now battling to push on to the river splitting the enemy's forces again and beginning the first phase of a flanking movement, northward to cut off the Austrians on Montello. An Italian force already has divided the enemy forces a few miles to the southward.

EXTRA MAY SHOW GERMANY SOMETHING

WASHINGTON, June 21.—A flight across the Atlantic may be attempted before long. It became known today that urged by the allies the war department has been considering the task. American airplanes equipped with Rolls-Royce engines and piloted by aviators of the allied nations will cross the Atlantic within three months. Major General Branker of the Royal Air Force declared today.

The Right, General Branker stated, probably would be made from New Foundland to Portugal via the Azores. Once this enterprise is established America's output of big bombing machines can proceed to Europe by air and so save shipping that is very valuable for other purposes. You'd like to take a punch at the kaiser you say? Then buy a Thrift Stamp.

AUSTRIAN FORCES ARE CORNERED

Enemy Lost 120,000 Men Up to Wednesday Night, Says Italian Cable.

WASHINGTON, June 21.—The British war office reports refer to the Italian advance at Nervesa which was described in a London dispatch from an authoritative source as a "big victory." The London cable said the Italians were trying to flank the Austrians in the Montello region on the north.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 21, 5:00 p. m.—The Italian army has won a great victory. The largest part of the Austrian army is trapped. The surrender of huge numbers is expected momentarily.

AUSTRIAN ARMY IS CORNERED

WASHINGTON, June 21.—A large part of the Austrian army has been cornered between the flooded Piave and the advancing Italian troops in the Montello region, the British war office report stated.

The Italians have established their former lines at virtually all points from Montello. Destruction of bridges either by artillery or floods has blocked all chances of the Austrians to extricate themselves. It is believed here the surrender of large numbers is expected momentarily.

The Italians reported the recapture of a large number of guns abandoned early in the drive.

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MAY SHOW GERMANY SOMETHING

NEW MOVIE THEATRE FOR HAMMOND

It has been stated on good authority that Hammond will have a new \$50,000 moving picture show in the near future. It will be located across from the post office and will be modern in every way and only the very finest pictures will be shown. The plans have already been drawn up for it and it will be one of the finest picture houses in the state, the interior decorations being unusually beautiful.