

WAR STAMP DRIVE STARTS AT LIBERTY HALL TONIGHT

Austria Completely Routed by Italians

THE VICTORY GROWING IN IMPORTANCE Thousands of New Prisoners Taken. Piave Is Literally Choked With Corpses

[BULLETIN.] WASHINGTON, June 25.—Italian forces are preparing for a great drive against the Austrians in the Trentino and expect to repeat the disaster inflicted on the enemy along the Piave. Some cables declared today.

[BULLETIN.] LONDON, June 25.—The Austrians have been swept across the Piave on the whole front except for a three mile sector between Nuvilla and Capolite, where a covering force is still holding out.

[UNITED PRESS CABLEGRAM.] WITH ITALIAN ARMIES, June 24 (Night).—The Austrian retreat continues. The importance and scope of the Italian success grows hourly.

IS AN AUSTRIAN LIE. The attempt of the Austrian war office to report the retreat as voluntary is false. In only a few scattered places could the river be forded and these were under constant pounding by the Italian artillery and allied airmen.

MURTAGH BRINGS RECOVERY ACTION CHICAGO, June 25.—John E. Murtagh, credit manager of the Fair, has filed suit for \$50,000 against Frank R. Beitz Company of Hammond, Ind., manufacturer of hospital and dental X-ray tubes.

A LOWELL RUNAWAY. [SPECIAL TO THE TIMES.] LOWELL, Ind., June 25.—A man by the name of Smith, living between Lowell and Shelby came near having a fatal accident here yesterday.

Schererville Sailor Boy Has Thrilling Experience

[SPECIAL TO THE TIMES.] SCHERERVILLE, IND., June 25.—A very interesting letter from Raymond Miller to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. August Miller, after his fourth trip back from France.

SCOUTING COUNCIL IN SESSION

EXPRESSES THANKS. Hammond, Ind., June 25, 1918. To THE TIMES: I desire to express the high appreciation and gratitude of the Hammond council of the Boy Scouts of America.

Boy Scout work in Hammond is to become one of the most important and progressive civic movements ever held in Hammond as the result of the first formal meeting of the Boy Scout council held at scout headquarters last night.

There had been some talk of having a scout director for part of the time, but in view of the fact that many people contributed to the campaign with the understanding that a director was to be chosen who would devote his entire time to the movement.

RUN OVER BY BIG AUTOMOBILE

Schererville Man Escapes With Life While on Way to See Circus Wreck. [SPECIAL TO THE TIMES.] SCHERERVILLE, IND., June 25.—Albie Thiel, an E. J. & E. Bar repairer, was badly hurt at the pump station a mile north of Schererville when he with some friends started for the M. C. wreck at Ivanhoe.

SARGENT REFUSES TO TALK

HIGH LIGHT DEVELOPMENTS IN WRECK PROBE. Engineer Alonzo Sargent of the troop train arrested for manslaughter upon his arrival in Lake county today.

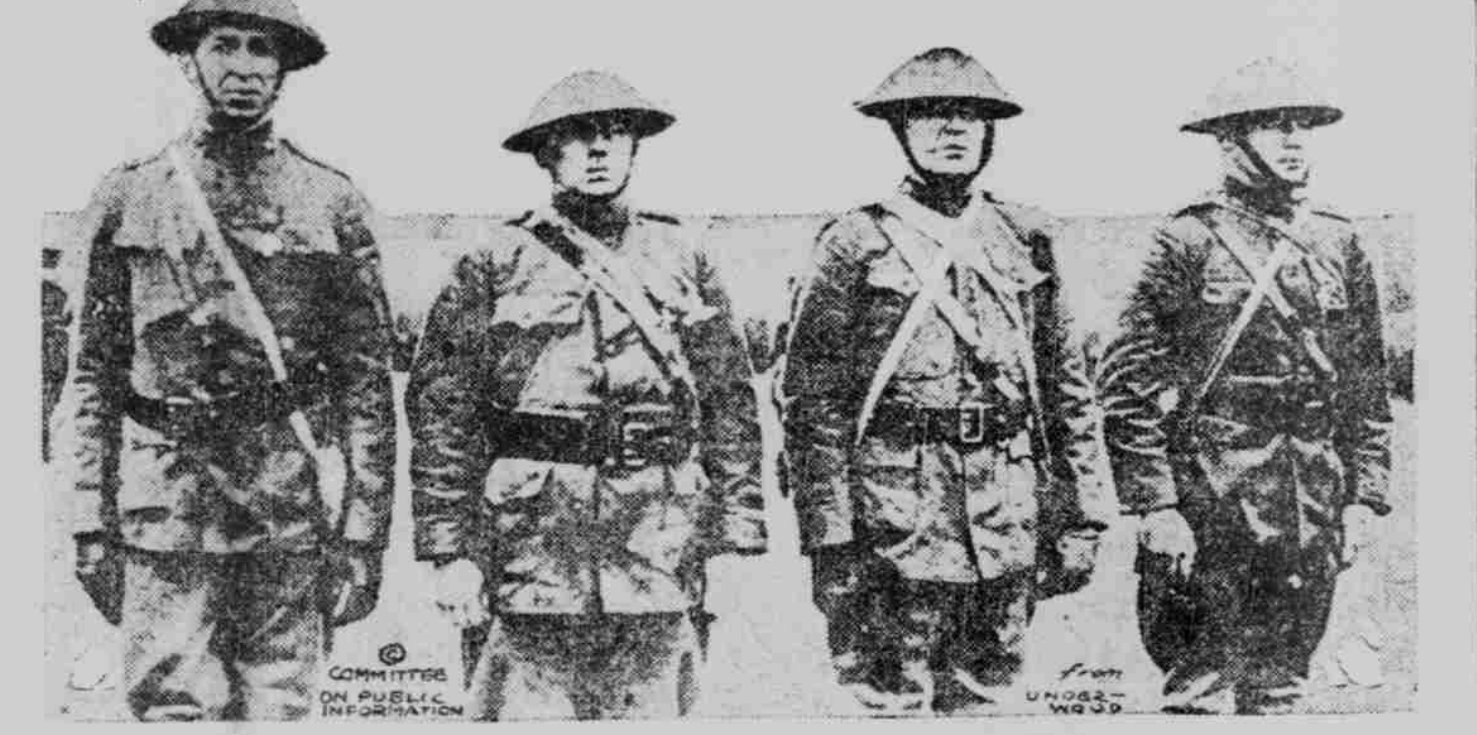
Organization of industries in northwestern Indiana for the survey as to their value to the government.

TO EQUALIZE CONTRACTS. The factory census is part of the government's plan to gather for the use of the war industries commission at Washington the manufacturing possibilities of each region.

FAKE RENT AGENT THE LATEST GRAFTER

Real Estate Agency Reports Victim of Unknown Faker. That a fake rent collector is making his rounds and collecting money from their tenants is the statement made by representatives of the real estate department of the Lake County Savings and Trust company today.

MORE AMERICAN SOLDIERS ARE DECORATED AT FRONT, RECEIVING CROIX DE GUERRE FOR THEIR GALLANTRY



Left to right: Chaplain J. B. de Valles, Captain Connolly, Captain Roberts and Lieut. Barnett. American soldiers are being decorated frequently by the French for gallantry in action.

ORGANIZE FACTORIES FOR WAR

DISTRICT WAR INDUSTRIES HEAD. Chairman—A. M. Turner, Hammond. Sub-district committees: Gary—W. P. Gleason and Charles Martin.

ROOM ENTERED

Chas. Hacker, of 150 Sibley street, reported to the police that some one entered his room last night while he was sleeping and stole between \$20 and \$25 in money from him.

UNDERTAKER E. J. BURN'S EXPLANATION

Capt. Strong's story, who accused Undertaker E. J. Burns of hurrying off with corpses from the caboose of the relief train and leaving behind wounded and dying people is denied by both Coroner Green and Undertaker Burns in an investigation today.

\$500,000 ALLOTMENT INADEQUATE

Calumet Housing Problem Is Helped But Little by Pittance Given by U. S. Housing Committee Meets in Gary. "Chicago housing even with the necessary increase in transportation facilities will not touch our Calumet housing problem."

Latest Bulletins

[BY UNITED PRESS.] WASHINGTON, June 25.—Marine corps casualties reported to day are nineteen in number, divided as follows: Killed 8, Died of wounds 10, Wounded in action 1.

[BY UNITED PRESS.] WASHINGTON, June 25.—General Pershing reported today 97 casualties: Killed 54, Died of wounds 7, Died of disease 5, Died from airplane 2, Severely wounded 28, Wounded slightly 2.

[BY UNITED PRESS.] WASHINGTON, June 25.—The state department has asked that Germany agree to hurry the prisoners of war consignment at Bern, August 5.

[BY UNITED PRESS.] WASHINGTON, June 25.—Further advances of American war contracts were reported by Pershing today. "Local operations continued in the Chateau Thierry region where we made further advance," the statement said.

EAST CHICAGO TEACHER WEDDED

Cards have been received in the city announcing the marriage of Mabel Janet Barron, of Chicago, to Charles Frederick Fischer, of Columbus, Ohio.

IMPORTANT CAMPAIGN STARTING

Big Meeting for War Thrift Savings Drive Starts Tonight at Liberty Hall; Campaign Is to Last One Week.

FACTS ABOUT WAR SAVINGS STAMP SALE

- 1. Hammond's quota is \$50,000. 2. Campaign in charge of Glenn C. Peters. 3. Big meeting at Liberty Hall tonight addressed by Maj. J. C. Briggs. 4. Campaign to run for one week, beginning Monday. 5. Sales organization covers entire city. 6. Importance of campaign equal to Liberty Loan.

If you are held up by a sweet voiced lady bandit and at the point of a formidable looking weapon are forced to subscribe to Uncle Sam's War Savings Stamps you may know that all of the schemes for inducing people to part with their money in return for the best investments in the world have not been tried.

It has been some time since the memorable meetings when Liberty Hall was packed with patriotic and enthusiastic auditors night after night in the midst of the third Liberty Loan campaign.

DRAFT LOTTERY THURSDAY

[SPECIAL TO THE TIMES.] WASHINGTON, June 25.—The draft lottery for the newly registered 21 year old men will be conducted at 8:00 a. m. next Thursday in the senate chamber. Secretary Baker announced today.

GARY EMBEZZLER IS SENTENCED

Former Employee of First National Bank of Gary Sent up for 5 Years. [SPECIAL TO THE TIMES.] TIMES BUREAU AT INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., June 25.—Roy H. Smith, alias Harris, formerly teller of the First National Bank of Gary, was arraigned in the federal court here yesterday and pleaded guilty to the embezzlement of \$3,555. When indicted he was serving with the marine corps at Paris Island, South Carolina. He was sentenced to five years in the federal prison at Atlanta.