

FRANCO-BRITISH REINFORCEMENTS REACH ITALIAN FRONT

CATALANO PLEADS GUILTY AND GETS 4 YEAR SENTENCE

Made Speech in Court in Italian Expressing His Regrets

VICTIM'S WIDOW IN COURT

Judge Haymond Points Out the Danger of Carrying Pistols.

Tears trickled this morning when justice tempered with mercy was meted out to Giacchino Catalano, who pleaded guilty to voluntary manslaughter in Circuit court before Judge Haymond. Catalano made a statement to the court in his native tongue, which was interpreted as he finished his sentences. He told of his old mother who reared his earnings. On the other hand occupied a seat in the first row of seats with a child on her arms. Tears trickled down her cheeks as the pathetic portions of the case were focused before the court. It was the same little girl that had accompanied her father to the little store to buy an ice cream cone when he fell a victim to a bullet intended for an Italian, whom Catalano in a moment of hot anger fired at. He was sentenced to the penitentiary for four years, getting credit for the time he served in the county jail.

The case was set for trial this morning, but by agreement Congressman Neely, who had defended Catalano, made arrangements with Prosecuting Attorney W. R. Haggerty, to enter a plea of guilty to voluntary manslaughter. Congressman Neely related the story how on Sunday, August 6, Catalano went to the home of Yacinto Marino, to collect a bill for the "Dollettino Della Sera," a daily Italian newspaper, of New York. Not finding Marino at home he was informed that he had gone to the store of Dominick Mario on Jackson street. Catalano endeavored to collect a six months' subscription from Marino, but he contended that he did not know who Catalano was. Then Catalano, it is claimed, endeavored to show him by the presentation of his credentials that he was an authorized agent and collector (Continued on Page Four.)

Normal Lecture Course.

Grand Opera House. Next number Crawford Adams Company, Monday, November 26th, 8 P. M. Season tickets for seven remaining numbers \$2.00. Single admission fifty cents. A few reserved seats ten cents. Seats on sale at A. G. Martin's Book Store, and the box office the evening of the performance.

Hon Wm. Jennings Bryan

First Presbyterian church Saturday evening, December 1. Tickets \$1.00 on sale at Shurtliff and Welton's.

Laborers Wanted

In Shipping Department. Apply OWENS BOTTLE MACHINE CO.

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Only three collection days until discount period ends. Pay now. Avoid rush. Office open evenings 7 to 9 p. m. Discount 2 1/2 per cent. J. C. ROBINSON, City Treas.

Carpenters Raise Wages

This is to notify contractors and the public in general that Carpenters Local Union No. 428 at regular meeting adopted a resolution, making the scale of wages seventy cents (70c) per hour, and an eight hour day. To take effect January 1, 1918.

Local No 428 Carpenters and Joiners

GENERAL DIAZ.



General Diaz, new Commander-in-Chief of the Italian armies who is recklessly counter attacking, throwing his troops against the strongly entrenched Austro-Germans, so that the danger to the Northern armies will be forestalled.

PAYS \$15 FOR THIRD CASE OF SPEEDING

Mayor Sustains Policeman in Two Traffic Cases Today.

Harry Heintzelman was before Mayor Bowen this morning charged with reckless driving and for speeding at the corner of Main and Monroe streets. He appeared at court this morning and denied both charges.

Traffic Officer Ward who made the arrest, testified in the case, stating that Heintzelman was making not less than 18 miles per hour up the main thoroughfare. Taking the evidence in the case, as presented by Traffic Officer Ward, the only witness, Mayor Bowen imposed a fine of \$15, it being Heintzelman's third offense.

Paul Billingslea was charged with speeding and for reckless driving on Cleveland avenue. When he appeared before Mayor Bowen this morning, he denied the charges. Traffic Officer Ward, who made the arrest and who was the only witness, testified, after which Mayor Bowen set the fine at \$5, it being Billingslea's first offense.

Bryan Will Touch On War Conditions

Recently the Hon. William Jennings Bryan had the following to say about abusing the right of free speech while this country is in a state of war:

"Before our nation enters a war it is perfectly proper to discuss the wisdom of going to war, but the discussion is closed when congress acts. After that, no one should be permitted to cloak attacks upon his government or aid the enemy under the claim that he is exercising freedom of speech. No sympathy, therefore, will be wasted upon those who have been arrested for unpatriotic utterances. They abuse free speech. And this applies to attacks upon the Allies as well as to attacks upon our own country. We can no more allow our Allies to be crushed than we can afford to be crushed ourselves. The defeat of our Allies would throw the whole burden of the war upon us. We must stand together and fight it through. There are only two sides to a war—every American must be on the side of the United States."

Mr. Bryan will touch this phase of the greatest war of the world in his great lecture on Fundamentals—dealing with man's relation to government, society and God—to be given in the First Presbyterian church of this city on December 1, 1917, at 8:30 o'clock p. m.

BYNG NOW MASTER OF THE SITUATION BEFORE CAMBRAI

Field Marshal Haig Congratulates Third Army on Its Success.

FRENCH MAKING GAINS

Repulse An Attack and Take the Offensive at Verdun.

British troops have captured the high ground in the Bourlon wood and now dominate the region about Cambrai. Thus success came after two days of the most violent fighting and its importance is indicated partly by the fact that German traffic southeast from Cambrai has been heavy, the probability being that the population of the town has been removed.

General Byng's latest triumph was one of hard and heroic endeavor. In paying tribute to the third army Field Marshal Haig declared that the capture of the Bourlon positions "represents a most successful operation and opens the way to further exploitations of the advantages already gained."

Apparently the British commander will push his advantage still further and besiege Cambrai which is three miles to the east. Bourlon village changed hands three times in the desperate battling for the possession of it and the adjoining fort. Severe fighting continues there and the Germans massing their best troops in an effort to retrieve the positions which means the security of Cambrai, pressed back the British from part of the village Sunday. General Byng's men withstood the attacks on the wood and hold the high ground intact.

There also has been heavy fighting west of Mouvres, southeast of Quent. In six days General Byng and the third army had broken the Hindenburg line, taken a score of villages secured the dominating position west of Cambrai, and overrun the territory equal in area to that gained in the first three months of the drive on the Ypres salient.

Nearly 10,000 prisoners, 100 guns and much material has been captured. More important still is the "further exploitation" to which Field Marshal Haig refers in his congratulatory message.

Around the pivot point of the German line in France there has been fighting in which the French have been victorious. After repulsing a strong German attack on the right bank of the Meuse near Hill 344, the French attacked the enemy on the front of more than two miles in the same region. They occupied the first and second German lines and captured more than 800 prisoners.

From Lake Garda to the Adriatic the Austro-Germans in check. Finding it impossible to break through the lines directly west of the Piave river, the enemy has been making very strong attacks on the Asiago plateau where he was defeated last week in an attempt to encircle the important Monte Meletta positions. The fighting has been most severe, the Italians meeting attack with counter attack East of the plateau between the Brenta and the Piave, only artillery has been active. Along the Piave the Germans are showing signs of activity but their efforts have not been fruitful. Attempts to cross the river on pontoons were crushed by the Italian artillery fire.

Kight in Fairmont On Way Back to Camp

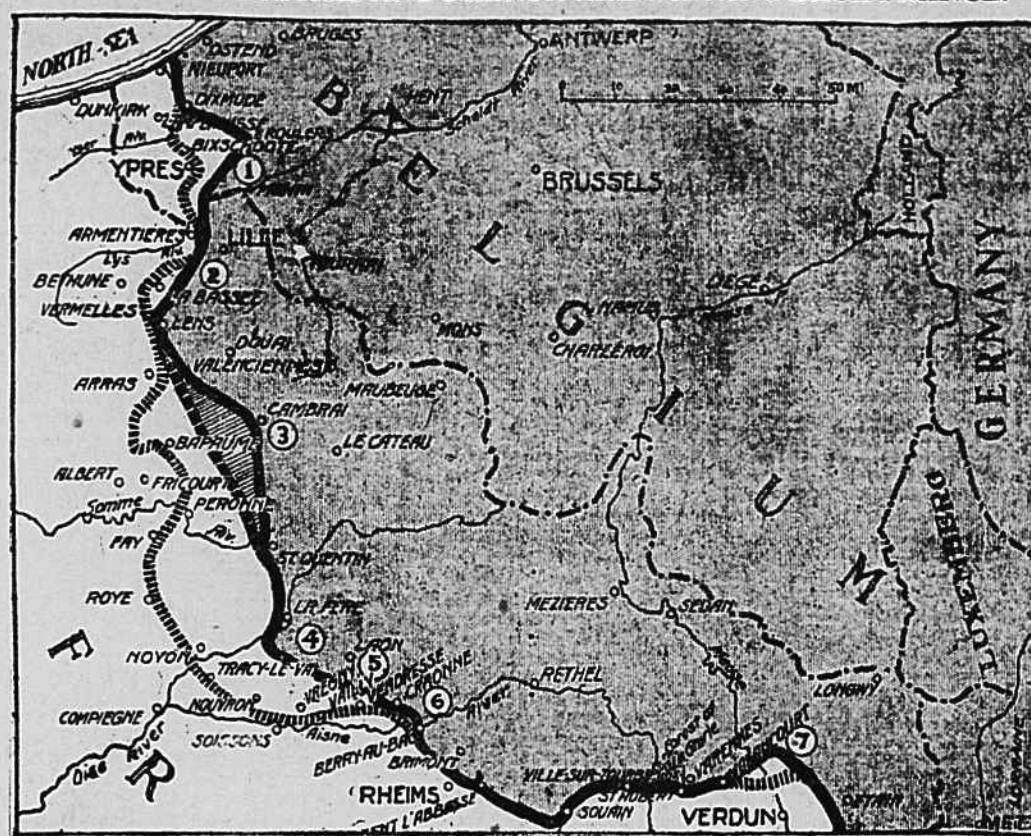
Secretary J. W. Kight, of the local Y. M. C. A., has been in town since Saturday. He has just returned from Martinsburg where he had his headquarters during the War Work campaign, which has just closed. Mr. Kight was chairman of the campaign for several counties in that section of the state. He reports that the campaign was a great success in the counties under his charge and that they easily "went over the top."

After spending a few days in this city in the interests of the Fairmont "Y," Secretary Kight will return to Camp Sheridan at Montgomery, Ala., and resume his Army Y. M. C. A. duties.

Word to the Wise.

A little girl was just recovering from an attack of scarlet fever and the first day she was able to sit up she said: "Mamma, I guess I'll ask papa to buy me a baby carriage for my dollies." Her brother, aged five, overhearing the remark, exclaimed: "Well, you'd better strike him for it right away, for if you wait till you get well you may not get it."

WHERE THE BRITISH AND FRENCH ARE WINNING BACK FRANCE.



The dotted line shows the situation at the beginning of the campaign this year; the dash line shows the gains that had been made prior to General Byng's drive last week and the black line indicates the present fighting front.

Until last week the principal gains were in the Ypres section (1). A little to the South Lens (2) has been practically invested by the Canadian troops.

This week's drive for Cambrai (3), is in the adjoining sector to the south and the ground given up by the Germans in their famous retreat to the "Hindenburg line" last March, is between Cambrai and the point of the salient (4). When Cambrai and Roulers fall, the Hindenburg line will be valueless and the entire German line to the North Sea would have to be moved back, with the loss of Ostend and Seaburg.

The greatest French victory of the year was the recent drive on the Chemin des Dames. The French offensive this week between Craonne and Berry-au-Bac (6) seems to be closely linked with the Chemin des Dames operation. In the Verdun sector also important gains were made (7) by the French earlier in the year. Tinted area shows the territory held by Germany.

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Moundville Girls Land in City Jail

Charged with disorderly conduct, Joe E. Freeburn, of Morgantown, and Ethel Conrad, of Moundville, were before Mayor Bowen this morning. They were arrested yesterday evening by Night Chief Seamon and Policeman Kern.

The girls have been here for some time and have been ordered to leave town, but did not heed this advice. Yesterday evening they were more disorderly than ever and were brought to the city jail. This morning when they were before Mayor Bowen both denied the charge.

After hearing the evidence in the case Mayor Bowen decided to put them back in jail and to take the case under advisement.

Effective Holder for Pens.

A good-looking old-fashioned desk with rose-colored appointments was lacking a holder for pens, pencils, etc. An ingenious person substituted a rose pottery flower holder which came with a flower bowl. With a goodly assortment of pens, including a good looking quill, this holder was very effective. A blue flower holder can be used in a room where blue predominates.

PICKING FLAWS IN STEIN INDICTMENT

Judge Haymond Orders Attorneys in the Case to File Briefs.

Digging up every possible defect in the indictment charging George O. Stein with defrauding A. J. Hays, Major M. M. Neely counsel for the defendant found that the note in question is not due for more than sixteen thousand years in Circuit court this morning before Judge Haymond. The unusual find developed in proceedings to quash the indictment against Stein. The Major also found a "4" left out of the word note but did not find an "n" or two that had not been dotted. Mr. Neely also found what he claimed was a defect in the phraseology "nor would have been made use of instead of "nor did."

Attorney W. M. Hess of Mannington who represented Hays said that the note number was substituted for the date of the year the typewriter having misplaced it. He argued that the indictment was valid and that Stein made fraudulent representation when he claimed certain colts outright. He contended that Stein made false statements.

Prosecuting Attorney Haggerty argued that the indictment was not defective and claimed that the date of the year was not essential as it specified that 30 days after date that the note was due and he contended that was sufficient.

Hon. W. S. Meredith who represented the prosecution said that there was sufficient allegations the whole way through in the indictment to hold the accused. He contended that it was not necessary for the indictment to specify that Stein got the money. He contended that Stein made false pretenses.

Judge Haymond directed the attorneys to file briefs and he would pass on the case at a later date.

The note was drawn up on April 25, 1914, and was payable at the Bank of Mannington, thirty days after date. The mistake in the date was not in the note proper, but in a statement, which followed, used as memoranda for the banking institution.

Beer Barrel Filled With Whiskey

Secreted in a trunk was a beer barrel filled with whiskey according to county officers who found it at the B. & O. station at Fairmont. Today it was confiscated and placed in the "boozie room" in the court house basement. There are four gallons of whiskey in it.

About two weeks ago a man went to the agent at that place and presented a check for the trunk. The agent added "I think there is whiskey in it." The fellow then said somebody was putting up a job on him and left never returning.

GRACE LUTHERANS ELECT A PASTOR

Rev. H. O. Reynolds of Cambria Co., Penn., Will Come Here.

a congregational meeting at Grace Lutheran church yesterday morning after the regular service, Rev. H. O. Reynolds of Sidman, Cambria county, Pa., was chosen as pastor of the church. He is expected to report here within a month. Rev. Mr. Reynolds spoke in Grace Lutheran church on Sunday of last week.

William Gantz, president of the church council, was in the chair. Rev. John S. Robinson addressed the members and stated that due to the various rules of the two churches he could not be considered for the pastorate. Rev. Mr. Robinson had served the congregation very faithfully for about six months. He will continue these duties until the new pastor arrives.

DEBUT POSTPONED BECAUSE OF WAR!



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ARRIVE EAGER FOR FIGHT AFTER MARCH OF 8 DAYS

When Seen Sunday by A. P. Correspondent They Looked Fine.

HAVE LOTS OF ARTILLERY

Roads For Miles Were Filled With Them and Equipment.

(By Associated Press)

ITALIAN ARMY HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH ITALY, Sunday, Nov. 25.—Solid ranks of Franco-British infantry with artillery and supply trains were seen by the correspondent today within the sound of the battle on the Italian northern line. They had been on an eight-day march.

The French reinforcements were first seen in force. They were splendid looking young men. One of their officers with whom the correspondent talked and who had stripes earned by gallantry on his sleeve said they had just arrived after a hard forced march with others to follow.

Soon the others came in view and for two miles the party passed through endless lines of French. There were squadrons of cavalry in the road and in the nearby field and long lines of troops with artillery trains and supplies. Field kitchens had been set up at one point and the midday meal was being served.

The men looked in the best condition and did not show a trace of fatigue from their long march.

Just beyond here the colors turned from blue to khaki as long lines of British came into sight. In the cycle and then came engineer trains. Following were long ranks of infantry, cavalry and artillery. At one point headquarters had been temporarily established along the road and guards went at the gates and the officers went and came. Further on the British general and his staff all finely mounted were cantering forward.

The artillery forces were especially noted for their neat well fed condition and observers noted how all the brass work on guns and equipment glinted with gold as it had had. The men looked hard as nails despite steady marches. Bob officers and men were eager to hear how the fight was going and anxious to get forward.

Playlet to Feature Missionary Meeting

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the First M. E. church will meet on Tuesday evening at 7:30 p. m. in the church parlors. Mrs. Clyde Edmund Neill of Morgantown, conference secretary and Miss Mary Scott of Moundsville, branch superintendent of young peoples work will be in attendance and will address the meeting. A social hour will follow the program which is as follows:

Prayer—Mrs. Jennie Engle.
Vocal Duet, Misses Naomi Heffner and Ruth Wilson.
Address—"Not Our Bit But Our Best" Mrs. Clyde Edmund Neill.
Solo—"Our New Recruits," Miss Mary I. Scott.

Playlet—Thanksgiving Ann. Characters—Thanksgiving Ann, an old colored Mammy, Miss Pearl Hodges; Mrs. Allyn. Thanksgiving Mistress; Mrs. Claude E. Goodwin; Mrs. Harry Wyckoff; Silas, colored boy of all work; Ernest Stewart; children, Lucile Hall, Jean Hall, Hugh Wyckoff.
Piano Solo—Friedman's Glorious Song, Doris Virginia Hall.

3 more days to buy a Christmas Present for BABY

