

LE ALTURE DEL CARSO SI POSSONO CHIAMARE COLLINE DELLA MORTE

Nessun Altro Teatro della Guerra Offre Un Più Tragico e Macabro Fronte di Battaglia

ESCHIMESI SULLE ALPI

ROMA, 26 Aprile.
Il Ministero della Guerra, pubblicava ieri sera il seguente breve comunicato ufficiale del generale Cadorna:

L'azione dell'artiglieria s'è stata specialmente intensa negli ultimi giorni, e soprattutto dal Monte San Michele. Non vi è altro avvenimento importante da rapportare.

Il corrispondente della London Daily Mail, che si trova al Quartiere Generale Italiano, ha inviato al suo giornale una viva descrizione della lotta che va svolgendosi senza posa sull'altopiano del Carso. Egli dice:

"Le alture del Carso potrebbero ben chiamarsi le colline della morte. In nessun altro teatro della guerra si può trovare un così massiccio e crudo fronte di battaglia, sui Cara. La caratteristica principale di questo esercito italiano, il cui lavoro è stato a torto considerato troppo lento o troppo circospetto, è che non ha mai ceduto un pollice del terreno conquistato lungo una fronte di più di 600 chilometri."

"Ogni granata che esplose fa saltare la roccia in migliaia di frammenti che sono sparuti in tutte le direzioni, lo sono le pallottole. Questa è una delle ragioni perché le perdite italiane sono così gravi. Molti reparti hanno vissuto così per mesi in condizioni terribili. Ho visto parecchi soldati dormire appoggiati ai parapetti delle trincee, esauriti dalle fatiche, con spesso i bandelli di arti orribilmente mutilati a due passi di distanza."

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Un telegramma da Parigi dice che un numero di eschimesi pure sanguine che hanno già combattuto sulla fronte francese saranno tra breve trasferiti alla fronte italiana in seguito ad un accordo intervenuto tra Francia ed Italia. Questi eschimesi accompagnano dapprima un reparto di truppe austriache contro cani. Poi serviranno nelle montagne dei Vosgi dove reser eccellenti servizi come esploratori d'avanguardia e come staffette su ski. Quando la neve alta rendeva impossibile il lavoro di altri mezzi di trasporto, gli eschimesi portavano i feriti dalla linea di battaglia su slitte speciali. Trasferiti a Grenoble, parecchi eschimesi morirono per le loro tristezze. Ora essi saranno trasferiti al Col di Lana, circa 3600 metri di altezza, e faranno servizio con le truppe alpine italiane.

LE BOMBE ITALIANE SOPRA TRIESTE SONO UNA FAVOLA

L'Ambasciata Italiana Smentisce le Affermazioni Ufficiali Austriache

WASHINGTON, D. C., 26 Aprile.
Ieri sera l'Ambasciata italiana dava ai giornali il seguente comunicato: circa il raid aereo che gli aviatori italiani hanno fatto nelle vicinanze di Trieste:

Un recente rapporto ufficiale austriaco dice che il 21 corrente sette aeroplani italiani lasciarono cadere 25 bombe sulla città di Trieste, uccidendo nove cittadini, di cui cinque erano ragazzi, ed aggiunge che con questo attacco l'Italia ha perduto ogni diritto ad avere le sue città risparmiate.

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CARSO HEIGHTS MAY BE CALLED DEATH'S HILLS

British Correspondent With Italian Forces Says Nowhere War Is So Tragic

LONDON, April 26. The Morning Post's correspondent on the Italian front writes:

"The hills of Carso might well be called hills of death. In no theatre of the war has there been seen such a Macabre and tragic battle front as the Carso. The main characteristic of this army, so noted for its tenacity, is extremely considered slow or too careful, in that it has never given up an inch of ground conquered on a front of more than 600 kilometers."

"Each shell as it bursts scatters the rocks in a thousand splinters, deadly as bullets. This is one reason why the Italian losses are so heavy. Many corps have been living for months under these terrible conditions. It gave me the shudder to see the men, exhausted by fatigue, asleep leaning against a trench parapet, with mangled remains unspeakably horrible sticking out in many places."

"The Carso is the centre of a furious struggle between the two armies, each endeavoring to wear the other down. The Austrians have concentrated about a million men in front of the sector of Gorizia, and on the 21st instant they will be there to witness what will be one of the greatest battles of the war. The territorial advantage gained in such a battle will seem small at least to those not knowing the ground, never-

theless the day of final struggle will determine victory or defeat. The Italians are waiting impatiently, sure of victory."

ROME, April 26.—The official statement issued by the Italian War Office last night follows:

"Artillery actions were especially intense in the upper Cordevole and the Monte San Michele zone. There is no other important event to report."

ITALIAN EMBASSY DENIES AEROS ATTACKED TRIESTE

States That Only Enemy's Aviation Base Near City Was Bombed

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 26. The Italian Embassy last night issued this statement on the recent Austrian raid concerning Italian air attacks on a Trieste monastery:

A recent official Austro-Hungarian war report states that on the 21st instant seven Italian aeroplanes dropped 25 bombs on the city of Trieste, killing nine civilians, of which five were children, and adds that "in this attack Italy has forfeited every right to have her towns spared."

Reports forthcoming to the Italian War Office have established that the Italian aviators carefully avoided the city proper, which is inhabited mostly by Italians, and that 40 instead of 25 bombs were dropped on the outskirts of the Austrian Lloyd, which are situated to the south of Trieste and where there is a base for hydroplanes. If civilians and children happened to be in the vicinity of those shipyards and were consequently injured, the Italian aviators can hardly

be held responsible for such an unfortunate occurrence.

As to the assertion that by this raid the Austrians have lost their right to have their towns spared, it is only too well known that ever since the war began Austro-Hungarian aeroplanes have raided undefended Italian towns, while they have never made attempts against military or fortified positions which they have always been exposed to the fire from Italian artillery."

The Italian people have witnessed the raids of the enemy with sorrow and dignified calm; they are satisfied to know that in the fortnight from March 27 to April 12 twelve enemy aeroplanes were brought down by the Italian army, as against the three brought down by the Austrians in 11 months.

EMPLOYES TO BE PAID AS MUCH AS THEY EARN

Lansdale Manufacturer Will Pay Himself Interest and Let Workers Have All Profits

LANSDALE, Pa., April 26.—Addressing a meeting of employees of the Hashner & Sons Manufacturing Company here, William D. Heebner, sole owner of the mills, declared his intention of dividing the entire profits of the mills with the workmen, deducting but 5 per cent. of the capital invested.

Mr. Heebner is county controller and supervisor for national defense at the Republican primaries. He told the men he had no desire to pile up millions. Last year the employees were given a 15 per cent. bonus.

During his short address he said: "Instead of giving you a share of my profits, I will give you all the profits, and charge 5 per cent. of the capital invested instead of 6 per cent. as charged off last year."

Man of 62 Tried to Commit Suicide LANCASTER, Pa., April 26.—Cyrus Wiltmer, 62 years old, of Mountville, this morning attempted to commit suicide on the roof of the Mountville powerhouse by sending a bullet into his head. Small hopes of his recovery are entertained. The act was due to melancholia.



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