

L'ATTACCO AUSTRIACO ARRESTATO SU TUTTA LA FRONTE ITALIANA

Le Mitragliatrici ed i Cannoni Italiani Infiggono Perdite Gravissime alle Masse Nemiche Attaccate

TRINCEE RICONQUISTATE

ROMA, 19 Maggio. — Sebbene gli austriaci abbiano annunziato approssimativamente 400,000 uomini e centinaia di grossi cannoni sulla fronte italiana per ricacciare gli italiani nel loro territorio, i vittori militari romani sono unanimi nel ritenere che l'offensiva austriaca e' stata arrestata.

In questi circoli militari si dice che sufficienti tedeschi hanno aiutato gli austriaci a preparare l'offensiva che fu decisa da un recente consiglio di guerra tenuto a Vienna.

Dopo un violento bombardamento delle linee italiane, gli austriaci, adoperando la formazione di massa dei tedeschi, attaccarono le posizioni italiane nella valle di Ledro, nella valle Lagarina, nell'alta valle dell'Adige, nella valle del Cordevele ed in una zona di Montefalco. Dappertutto, ad eccezione di pochi punti dove gli italiani si ritirarono per ragioni strategiche, gli attacchi furono respinti, e gli austriaci soffersero perdite gravissime dovute al fuoco medio delle mitragliatrici ed alla cortina di fuoco che le artiglierie italiane stendevano tra le loro linee e le masse del nemico.

Si crede che sia intenzione dello Stato Maggiore italiano di lasciare che gli austriaci si logorino in questi attacchi, e gli austriaci segni di stanchezza nelle loro operazioni.

Nonostante il vigore delle artiglierie di grosso calibro austriache, le perdite subite dagli italiani sono insignificanti. E' stato il resto del rapporto del generale Cadorna pubblicato ieri sera dal Ministero della Guerra.

Nella zona dell'Ademolo non abbiamo preso al nemico un ricco bottino di armi, munizioni ed altro materiale da guerra che gli austriaci avevano abbandonato sui passi di Topete e di Fargard. Durante il giorno del 17 Maggio, il nemico ha attaccato all'alba di questa mattina, 18 Maggio, le nostre posizioni sulle pendici del Monte Pari, a nord-ovest di Riva, ma e' stato respinto con gravi perdite.

Nella Valle Lagarina il nemico rinnovò ieri il violento bombardamento delle nostre posizioni della Zugna Torta con numerose potenti batterie, e subito dopo pronunciò una carica di portatori a fucile ben cinque attacchi con un forte fuoco di fanteria. Questi attacchi furono respinti ed il nemico soffersero gravi perdite.

Nella zona compresa tra la valle del Terragnolo e l'alta valle dell'Adige l'artiglieria nemica continua senza interruzione il suo violento fuoco contro le nostre posizioni principali di difesa.

Le nostre truppe sono riuscite, a respingere i soliti attacchi di diversione nella valle del San Pellegrino, nella zona della Marmolada, al Passo Fedasina, nella valle dell'Avistio e nell'alta valle del Cordevele.

Lungo la fronte dell'Isonez si ebbe una moderata attivita' delle artiglierie. Le nostre truppe, che sono in una brillante contrattacco, le nostre truppe riconquistarono quella sezione di trincea che il nemico era riuscito ad occupare nella giornata del 15 Maggio.

PARIGI, 19 Maggio. — Le notizie che giungono qui da fronte italiana e svizzera mostrano che gli austriaci con i loro attacchi in massa contro le posizioni italiane del Trentino, hanno finalmente inflitto la loro grande offensiva. Gli attacchi principali sono operati su di fronte di 35 miglia, ma questi critici militari ritengono che questi non siano che i preliminari della grande offensiva che s'ara' diretta dall'altopiano di Lavarone verso i piani vicentini. Poco prima, l'attivita' si era manifestata nella fortissima zona del Lavarone.

Il fatto che grossi rinforzi sono stati in movimento dietro la copertura formata dalla linea di forti che si stende tra la Folgaria ed il Lavarone lascia credere che appunto contro Vicenza si sferira' l'offensiva principale.

Non in queste sferre militari non si da alcuna importanza al fatto che gli italiani sono stati costretti ad arretrare dalle loro linee piu' avanzate. Cio' e' considerato come una mossa ovvia e naturalissima, non essendo queste linee avanzate sufficientemente forti per resistere ad un attacco serio.

In questi circoli militari, dove si conosce bene la situazione sulla fronte italiana, si ritiene che gli austriaci sono fatalmente destinati a fallire in questo tentativo, qualunque sia lo sforzo che sono preparati a fare. Si sa che gli italiani si sono completamente preparati e gia' da qualche tempo, precisamente per un'offensiva come quella che gli austriaci tentano ora, e che le di loro posizioni sono in una situazione di stato scaveate ed erette sull'altopiano di Asiago (Sette Comuni) e sulle montagne a sud-ovest di Arzerio. E' appunto su questa linea che gli italiani, nel caso che dovessero cedere ancora all'urto della forza austriaca, faranno la loro resistenza principale.

Il fatto che le perdite sofferte dagli austriaci nei loro attacchi contro le posizioni italiane sono gravissime, e d'altronde si crede a Roma ed anche qui che gli italiani non rimarranno a lungo alla difensiva, ma che il generale Cadorna si prepara invece per una vigorosa controffensiva non appena si credera' il momento.

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Oldest Woman in Lancaster Dies LANCASTER, Pa., May 19.—Mrs. Martha Holman, widow of John Holman, died last night. She was the oldest person in Lancaster and was the last of a family of 11 children. John W. Holman, Wilmington, Del., is one of five surviving children.

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ARMY OF ONLY 105,000 IN YEAR UP TO JUNE, 1917 NEW HOUSE BILL PLAN

Smaller Appropriation for Next 12 Months Because of Lack of Recruits—211,000 Men in Five Years

BILL A S K S \$145,000,000

WASHINGTON, May 19.—Although the Senate and House conferees agreed upon an authorization for a regular army of 211,000 men, it became known today that the House Military Affairs Committee will introduce in the House next week, will make provision for only 105,000 men for the year ending June 30, 1917. The army will not be brought up to 211,000 men for five years. The men will be added in annual increments. Members of the House Military Affairs Committee said today that the appropriation this year would be for only a limited number of 20,000 men but failed to signify, only about 6000 men having been secured so far. The House Military Affairs Committee also has decided to cut down on the reserve supplies authorized in the bill, on which an agreement has just been reached between the two houses of Congress. Articles that can be purchased in the open market at any time at a fixed price will be eliminated from the bill. The bill will total a little more than \$145,000,000. The appropriation last year was \$140,000,000. While there are several appropriation bills to be taken up ahead of the one for the army, Chairman Hay has been assured by the House leaders that the measure will be disposed of before the end of the present fiscal year, June 30. The present program is to take it up immediately after the naval appropriation bill, which will be reported a day or two ahead of the army appropriation measure.

PER PORTARE L'ITALIA A DOMANDARE LA PACE

Scopo dell'Offensiva Austriaca E' di Staccare Re Vittorio dagli Alleati

Un telegramma da Parigi dice che un diplomatico che risiede in Svizzera, ha dichiarato ad un giornalista che l'imperatore Francesco Giuseppe sta lanciando tutta le sue forze contro gli italiani nella speranza di costingere re Vittorio a una separata pace. Disparci da Roma dicono però che alla fronte del Trentino sono stati avviati rinforzi e che l'offensiva austriaca e' stata arrestata. Si deve attendere la controffensiva italiana. Si dice che questa offensiva sia stata preparata a Vienna tra lo Stato Maggiore austriaco ed emissari del Kaiser, e al essa doveva seguire una violenta agitazione di socialisti italiani in favore della pace. Un comunicato ufficiale austriaco intanto annuncia che gli austriaci hanno avuto nuovi successi nella valle del Terragnolo e che hanno conquistato il costone del Monte Maggio, che e' al confine italiano ed hanno ricuperato il villaggio di Piana, che essi avevano perduto nell'ottobre scorso.

PAYNS HIS WIFE FOR \$34; LIVELY FIGHT TO REDEEM HER

Court Settles Dispute and Husband Pays \$41

NEW ORLEANS, May 19.—In January, Spurgeon Gates, given jobless, gave up times and an unpaid bond bill for himself and wife at C. E. Brown's, 1802 Bienville street.

Everything of value the couple possessed had found its way into the pawnshops, but still \$34 was due Brown, who was growing irate. Gates figured that he had one more possession that he could pawn. It was his wife. Would Brown take Mrs. Gates and hold her as security for the uncollected account? Sure! In fact, he beamed upon Gates' proposal. The pawn ticket was duly made out, the wife delivered to the landlord and Gates set out with high resolves. The husband had enough money yesterday to get his wife out of pawn. Brown asked for the return of the pawn ticket before delivering his security. Gates couldn't find it. Thereupon an argument ensued over the question of principal and interest, and the two men fought while the woman sat on her trunk, not knowing whether she was liberated or still a hostage. Judge D. Chamberlain settled the argument. He allowed Brown \$41 and Gates to receive back his pledge. Then the Judge fined the man \$15 each and an equal share of the court costs for disturbing the peace.

MISSIONS AMONG JAPANESE

Work on Pacific Coast Described at Woman's Society Meeting READING, Pa., May 19.—Missionary work among the Japanese on the Pacific coast, their means of livelihood and statistics on the growth of missions in San Francisco, were told at length by Miss Carrie Kershner, missionary among Japanese in San Francisco, at today's session of the 21st annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of Reading Classis, in Faith Reformed Church, here. Mrs. Ida M. Klipp was re-elected president for her seventh term. The other officers chosen were: Vice-presidents—Mrs. L. B. Seibert, Mrs. J. P. Heister, Mrs. P. H. Leinbach. Treasurer—Mrs. J. F. Moyer. Corresponding secretary—Mrs. Elmer Moser. Recording secretary—Miss Jeanette E. Althouse.



THE REV. WILLIAM H. GAILEY

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Reformed Presbyterian Pastor Gains Wish—Had Held Only One Charge

The Rev. William H. Gailey, for 49 years pastor of the Fifth Reformed Presbyterian Church, Front street above York, died yesterday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. J. A. Blair, 4133 North 5th street. He was 68 years old. The Fifth Church was the only pastorate he ever held, and he was its pastor since its organization. He came to the church January 8, 1876, soon after the congregation was organized, and on the same day he was ordained. Last January the Rev. Mr. Gailey and his congregation celebrated the double anniversary. On that occasion and several times before and since he expressed to his congregation the hope that he would "die in harness" as he expressed it. A few weeks ago he became ill after preaching a Sunday morning sermon. Later he was stricken with paralysis and became bedfast, gradually declining until his death yesterday.

Two Glue Workmen Hurt Break in Machinery at Perkins Works Inflicts Injuries Two workmen employed at the plant of the Perkins Glue Company were injured this afternoon by the breaking of a centrifugal machine. The injured men are Harry Ramsey, of Lansdale, and Charles Haines, of Hatfield. Ramsey was thrown several feet and struck a brick wall. He received injuries about the body and a fractured skull. He was taken to the Jewish Hospital. Haines was badly cut and bruised. He was attended at the Grandview Hospital, at Sellersville.

CAMDEN'S PALACE OF INDUSTRY DRAWS ADMIRING THRONGS

Big Building Crowded All Day by Visitors and Many Interesting Exhibits on View

MANUAL TRAINING WORK

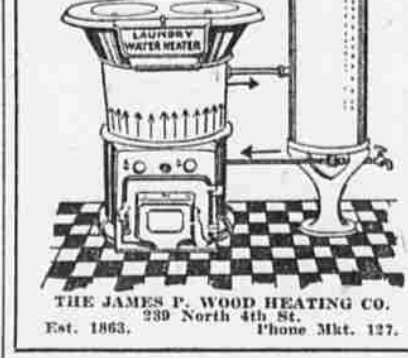
The second day of Camden's Civic Celebration and Exposition of Industries saw the Palace of Industries held in the Third Regiment Armory, Haddon avenue and Mickle street, the centre of attraction. Crowds filled the big building all day long and jammed the booths which tell of Camden's recent growth. The armory has been artistically decorated in the city's colors—blue and white. Big streamers run from the centre of the ceiling to the corners. The booths are arranged in avenues, with a large handstand in the centre, where Bosse's famous Third Regiment Band holds forth. One of the most important exhibits is the display of the Camden schools. Under the auspices of John Brown, the oldest manual training teacher in the city, a complete and interesting display of work done in the manual training departments has been arranged. Wood carvings, wood models, stationary engines are all to be seen. The other grades from the beginning to the last year in high school are also represented by work. The Esterbrook Steel Pen Company has a booth showing how 90 per cent of the world's pens are made by a machine showing the operation of mounting the pens is not shown, as that is a secret guarded carefully by the company. George M. Beringer, Camden's manufacturing pharmacist, has an exhibit showing how compressed tablets are made. The Public Service Railway's exhibit shows a miniature of the Camden-to-New York trolley, showing the small car, the signal system, lights and other features of the line. The Public Service Gas Company

show the weaving and manufacture of the everyday gas mantle. The Castle Kid Company shows the various stages in making gloves. The Victor Talking Machine Company, Campbell Soup and many other companies are represented. Three Philadelphia concerns are represented. They are Samuel H. French, paints and varnishes; Franklin Sugar Company, and the Crawford-Levick Company.

Best decorated floral car—First, W. Leonard Hurley; second, Howard J. Dudley; third, Rotary Club, Camden; fourth, Edward Haines; fifth, G. Dave Cogswell. Best decorated car with city colors, pale blue and white—First, Dr. P. N. Litchfield; second, Winfield W. Hall; third, William John; fourth, W. Penn Carson; fifth, Charles H. Greer. Most novel car—First, Thomas H. Wright, Woodstown. This car was decorated as a facsimile of a battleship, with the driver garbed as Uncle Sam, and carried a sign bearing the word "preparedness." Second, John Johnson; third, William L. Suter; fourth, Frank Hinesline; fifth, Charles J. Harper. Best decorated car filled with women and driven by a woman—Miss T. Bonor. Honorable mention—Edna Patton, Mrs. William Suter; Miss Esther Carey, of Merchantville; Mrs. William Walsh, of Collingswood. An extra prize of \$10 was given to W. Leonard Hurley for the best decorated car.

Mayor Approves Grading Contract Mayor Smith today approved a contract awarded to J. Joseph McHugh for \$20,000 for grading and improving Oxford avenue, from the southwest line of Borbeck street to the north line of Pine road.

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INVITATION TO ROOSEVELT LEFT TO UNION LEAGUE MEMBERS Will Decide Whether Colonel is to Address Organization or Not The question of whether Colonel Roosevelt will be invited to address the Union League, which has agitated the organization for several weeks, will be decided soon at a special meeting of the board of directors, to be held within a week or ten days. E. Spencer Miller, who has been active in a movement to have the Colonel appear, issued the above statement today. Mr. Miller refused to make any predictions as to the outcome of the meeting. He said that it was brought about by a petition asking that the Colonel be invited to speak, which was signed by a "great many" members. Mr. Miller was asked if a majority of the members signed the petition. "It would not be a proper matter for me to discuss now," he replied. Asked if Senator Root, Justice Hughes or any other reputed presidential candidate would be asked to address the club, Mr. Miller said: "I do not believe that any other matter of the nature is before the club."

Labor Opposes Preparedness Parade SEATTLE, May 19.—A resolution opposing the preparedness parade to be held here June 10, and urging all members of organized labor not to participate in the demonstration has been made public here by the Central Labor Council. The resolution was adopted without a dissenting vote. The council voted to participate in any anti-military parade.

Stranger Killed by Train at Fleetwood READING, Pa., May 19.—A middle-aged stranger was killed today by an express train on the Reading Railway at Fleetwood. It is believed he committed suicide.

READY TO PROSECUTE COAL MEN, SAYS ROTAN

District Attorney Will Attack Price Boost if Public Gives Evidence If it can be shown that there has been a conspiracy among Philadelphia coal dealers to raise the retail price of coal in this city District Attorney Rotan is ready to undertake an investigation and to institute prosecutions. The District Attorney, however, made it plain that the public must furnish the evidence upon which to base the investigation. Coincident with the statement from the District Attorney came an intimation that an effort would be made to force the railroad coal freight case through the Dauphin County courts. The Philadelphia and Reading Railway and the Pennsylvania Railroad were found guilty of charging exorbitant rates on hard coal hauled to this city from the Schuylkill, Lehigh and Wyoming districts. They were ordered to reduce their rates 40 cents a ton. The present prices of coal as announced by nearly all the companies follow: Egg, \$7.25; stove, \$7.50; chestnut, \$7.35, and pea, \$5.50. Ten cents a ton will be added to these prices each month for five months. The companies will allow 25 cents a ton discount from these prices for cash.

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