

FOSS BARRAGE FIRE FOOLS HUN RAIDERS

Attempted Attack on Lines Broken Up by Rain of Shells

SAMMEES ARE KEPT BUSY

AMERICAN FIELD HEADQUARTERS, FRANCE, Nov. 15

American artillerymen planted a roaring barrage of shells over the front of trenches held by American infantrymen early Thursday and defeated the Hun plans for a raid.

On Tuesday and Wednesday nights American patrol parties, scouting over No Man's Land, encountered German reconnaissance units.

Meanwhile the enemy artillery fire had been increasing steadily since Wednesday night it reached a crescendo.

Word hurriedly went back from the American commanders of the menaced trench section for a barrage.

Then the Boches gave it up and scurried back to the safety of the trenches and dug-outs.

The American soldiers killed and wounded in the recent German bombardment were in a shack near American support lines when a single Boche shell struck their position.

A Pennsylvania boy, wounded in the arm, body and head by pieces of this missile, today told of his experience as he lay on a portable table in a base hospital.

"Our platoon had been in a shack near the support line," he explained.

"Close by the Pennsylvania boy was another portable table and on it lay an American soldier from Eckman, W. Va.

In his haste a surgeon, who didn't want his patients interviewed, he hurried me out of the room before I caught a glimpse of the Eckman boy being wheeled into the operating room and caught a whiff of the ether.

Patrol encounters are now becoming a regular every-night occurrence.

Lively gunfire, increasing and diminishing by turns, occupies the daylight hours.

EUROPE WILL SEE NO JAPANESE TROOPS

Finance Minister Shoda Declares Dispatch of Army to War Front "Impossible"

TOKYO, Nov. 15. Sending of troops to Europe by Japan is "impossible," Minister of Finance Shoda declared today in an address before the National Economic Association's meeting at Osaka.

"The reason is too obvious to explain," the minister asserted.

"There is no danger in the Russian situation. The extremists will never succeed there."

"Despite the American trade embargo, Japan has on hand today enough steel construction material to build 300,000 tons of shipping by next March or April.

"The government is planning to increase the naval armament so far as finances will permit."

Minister Shoda's speech was regarded here as expressing official sentiments on the matter of sending troops to Europe.

WOUNDED IN SOMME FIGHT

Young Philadelphian With Canadian Forces Badly Hurt, Report Says

William C. Marchant, 133 Mayland street, a sergeant in the Canadian forces in France, was wounded in the big Canadian drive against the German lines on the Somme, according to a telegram received by his mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Marchant.

The message, from Montreal, read: "I regret to inform you that Sergeant William C. Marchant was admitted to One South African General Hospital, Abbeville, November 2. Gunshot wounds multiple."

NORWAY DROPS FOOD PLEA

Envoys Lose Hope of Breaking Blockade and Will Go Home

WASHINGTON, Nov. 15. — Falling to modify the food blockade, the Norwegian commission closed shop tomorrow and delegates Meisinger, Borgen, Vogt and Utna leave for Norway.

While the food administration has not flatly refused them food in the future, the majority of the commission felt they were wasting their time.

\$4500 Fire at Stroudsburg

STROUDSBURG, Pa., Nov. 15. — Fire was discovered this morning in the garage and barn of Samuel Hood & Sons in the rear of Main Temple. A large quantity of hay, wheat and corn was destroyed.

DEATH THROES OF A TORPEDOED STEAMSHIP



Remarkable photograph showing the funnel of a vessel sinking beneath the waves after an encounter with a German submarine. A rescuing ship is seen speeding to the aid of the crew.

ALSATIANS DESERTING FROM GERMAN RANKS

Fully 30,000 Have Gone Over to French Since War Began

TRUTH SEEPING THROUGH

Allied Literature Circulated Among Teutons Despite Desperate Efforts to Prevent It

WASHINGTON, Nov. 15. The American Government is matching Teuton propaganda with efforts to influence public opinion in the Central Powers.

Beside hundreds of German soldiers who have used the password "Republic," similar French efforts since the opening of the war have cost Germany 30,000 Alsatiens, deserters from the Teuton ranks.

Through pamphlets dropped from airplanes, distributed by German republicans operating from Switzerland and in ways the censorship forbids telling, the truth of the American and Allied side is slowly seeping through the enemy countries.

American watchfulness against Teuton propaganda is growing. Austrian agents trying to discourage enlistments of Rumanians, Serbs, Croats and other Balkan tribesmen in the United States army have been discovered.

NEW MOVE TO CURB OUTRAGES BY ALIENS

Recent Munition Fires and Explosions Spur Washington to Drastic Action

WASHINGTON, Nov. 15. Drastic steps against aliens to prevent German agents destroying war property are planned under a proclamation that today awaits President Wilson's signature.

Justice Department officials would not discuss details in advance of the issuance of the proclamation. It was made plain, however, that recent fires and explosions in munition plants and docks made stricter control over aliens imperative.

NEW YORK, Nov. 15.—All enemy alien permits are soon to be revoked by the government and persons who have been at liberty and able to enter restricted areas will be barred to the police, according to United States Marshal McCarty, who returned today from Washington.

McCarty declared all enemy aliens will be treated as in this country just as they are in England.

SHOOTS HIMSELF WHILE SITTING IN AUTOMOBILE

Produce Dealer Leaves Note, Telling That Financial Difficulties Led to Act

Abram Nicholas Risser, fifty years old, a member of the firm of Risser & Co., produce, butter and egg dealers, 215 Callowhill street, committed suicide last night by shooting himself while in an automobile in a section of the Haverford road near Haverford, according to the police.

A revolver was found beside the body, together with a note for one of his partners, explaining that grief over financial reverses had led him to take his life.

Clings to Car; Is Dashed Against Auto

Frank Norman, fifteen years old, 1913 Dauphin street, is recovering today in the Women's Homeopathic Hospital from injuries received when he was dashed against an automobile as he clung to the side of a Susquehanna avenue trolley car.

THE WEATHER

Official Forecast WASHINGTON, Nov. 15. For eastern Pennsylvania and New Jersey: Cloudy tonight; Saturday probably fair; moderate northwest and west winds.

I TEUTONI SBARAGLIATI DALLE TRUPPE ITALIANE

Le Forze Tedesche del Generale von Below Tentano Invano Varcare la Piave

DUELLI DI ARTIGLIERIA

Il Parlamento Italiano si Riapre con una Seduta Commovente per Patriottico Entusiasmo

ROMA, 15 Novembre. Dalle notizie pervenute dalla fronte si apprende che la grande battaglia che si sta svolgendo lungo le linee del fiume Piave ha trovato le valorose truppe italiane salde sulle posizioni da esse occupate e decise a resistere a qualunque costo.

Tra la valle del Brenta e la Piave le truppe tedesche in unione di contingenti austro-ungarici hanno compiuto sforzi inauditi per tentare di effettuare il piano di poter prendere gli italiani di fianco, sulla loro ala sinistra, nella estremità punta della pianura veneta e sulla frontiera del Trentino.

I tedeschi hanno ricevuto nuovi rinforzi sulla fronte italiana, allo scopo di poter fronteggiare quelli che gli italiani hanno ricevuto dai loro alleati ed infatti gli aviatori italiani hanno segnalato grandi movimenti di truppe che dalla confluenza del Clamon col Brenta marciavano verso le linee di battaglia.

I contingenti austro-tedeschi si sono avvicinati alle posizioni italiane sull'orizzonte orientale dell'altipiano di Asiago e sono stati arrestati dal fuoco delle artiglierie italiane che hanno loro inflitto rilevanti perdite.

Per circa quaranta miglia lungo la valle della Piave sono in progresso violenti duelli di artiglieria. In numerosi punti il generale von Below, comandante delle truppe tedesche alla fronte italiana, ha tentato di far attraversare il fiume dalle sue truppe, ma i tentativi sono andati falliti, benché fossero protetti da forti canoni.

Verso la foce della Piave, presso l'Adriatico, i tedeschi hanno tentato di avanzare sopra Venezia, ma sono stati arrestati.

Le forze nemiche che erano riuscite a portarsi sulla riva della Piave, vicino a Zenson, trovandosi impossibilitate a muoversi per la tenace pressione che in quel punto esercitano le truppe italiane.

Ragioni strategiche consigliarono agli italiani di ritirare alcuni posti avanzati sulla linea montagnosa nel settore nordico, ed i contingenti che li occupavano si portarono su posizioni che in precedenza erano state scelte.

Ecco il testo del comunicato del comando supremo italiano, pubblicato ieri dal Ministero della Guerra in Roma:

Sulla nostra fronte montagnosa tra la zona di Asiago e la valle della Piave il nemico ha intensificato la sua azione.

Durante la notte del 13 corrente l'avversario tentò di forzare le nostre posizioni nel settore Monte Sison-Meletra D'Avanti, ma trovò una energica resistenza. L'azione fu continuata vittoriosamente dalle nostre truppe nella giornata di ieri con l'obiettivo di ricacciare, mediante contrasti, i nuclei nemici che, essendo penetrati in alcuni elementi avanzati delle nostre posizioni, cercavano di stabilirvi.

Ieri mattina il nemico attaccò più a nord lungo la fronte Meletra D'Avanti-Monte Fiore-Monte Castelgomberto, ma anche qui l'energica resistenza, preparata, impedì il suo avanzamento.

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Forti nuclei nemici impegnarono la loro azione a nord del Clamon ed il Brenta. Sul Monte Roncone (a sud di Feltri) gli austro-tedeschi furono respinti sul Monte Tomasio, ad est del Roncone, i nostri posti avanzati dopo aver opposto una fiera resistenza, si ritirarono su posizioni precedentemente preparate.

In direzione del Passo di Quero un attacco nemico fu paralizzato all'istante.

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WELCOMES EDISON PLAN

Wizard's Suggestion to Convert Sailing Vessels Into Steam Craft Meets Approval

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"Germany sought to starve out England by this fall," Secretary Daniels said.

"This is no time to pat ourselves on the back," Chairman E. N. Hurley, of the Shipping Board, took this view today of the greatly decreased submarine losses last week.

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CAULIFLOWER ABUNDANT AND CHEAP, IS REPORT

Potatoes and Cabbage, Too, Are Plentiful in Market—Whiting and Ling Best Fish

CAULIFLOWER is abundant, superior in quality and very cheap, according to today's report of J. Russell Smith, chairman of the Home Defense Food Commission.

Recent statements have shown a regular decrease week by week, so that the public in England for the last few days has been jubilating more or less in the belief that the problem has been solved.

"This is the season of the year when whiting and ling are the only very plentiful fish. These fish are of excellent quality and the prices are very reasonable."

"The wholesale prices are: Whiting, two and a half to three cents a pound, according to the size; ling, two to three cents a pound."

"The other fish are about normal in supply and prices for this time of the year."

"ABUNDANT"—Potatoes, sweet potatoes, white turnips, beets, tomatoes, radishes, onions, cabbage, parsley, lettuce, carrots, pumpkins and cauliflower.

"YELLOW turnips, spinach, celery, grapes and pears.

"CABBAGE is very plentiful and low in price, running from three-quarters to one and a quarter cents a pound. It arrives in carload lots and is sold in bulk quantities by the ton. These are wholesale prices."



What He Wrote Home

Dear Dad: If you know of a dollar, or a hundred dollars, or a thousand dollars that isn't doing its bit, tell it that the best way it can pull its weight is by chipping in for the Y. M. C. A. — I can't tell you what this Y. M. C. A. work means to us fellows in camp; it's too big for you to guess or for me to tell. But it's just as necessary as boots and bullets — Do, Dad, get behind the Y. M. C. A.

A Word From General Pershing: "The Y. M. C. A. has won its place by unselfish devotion to the soldiers' warfare and deserves staunch support by our people at home."

America is asked to contribute 35 million dollars to this work—the share for Philadelphia and Delaware, Montgomery, Chester and Bucks Counties is \$1,300,000. This sum must be raised this week. Will you help us?

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