

AVAILABLE DISPATCHES TELL OF WAR INNOVATIONS INTRODUCED BY AMERICANS ABROAD

TANKS BIG FACTOR IN FRENCH ATTACK

Creeping Barrage Counter-Stroke Which Stopped Germans Broke Speed Record Many Deeds of Heroism Performed by Crews in Last Tuesday's Battle

By WALTER DURANTY

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With the French Army, June 18.

If the big French counter-attack of Tuesday contributed very greatly to the bloody check of Hindenburg's scheme of operation between Noyon and Montdidier, it may equally be said that the work of the French tanks was not the least vital factor in the success of the counter-attack itself.

And that despite the conditions of exceptional difficulty and danger, the tanks were known to have massed large forces against our line, running almost due south from Méry, with the intention of a violent assault which would round out his gain in the center.

The French counter-attack was commanded with the swiftness of decision that is one of the greatest military qualities. The result was that the tanks only received their instructions just in time for them to reach the scene of action. Fortunately they knew the ground well.

By a forced march they reached the plateau above the Montdidier-Estrees Railroad in the early hours of the morning of the 17th. The railroads run along the valley from which the French attack was to start shortly before noon.

The tanks were used in a most effective manner. The French tanks were used in a most effective manner. The French tanks were used in a most effective manner.

Creeping Barrage of Tanks. We then formed the equivalent of a creeping barrage in front of the advance. The charge seemed to demoralize the boche and the trench line was broken up.

Young officers with whom I talked recounted wonderful deeds of heroism as if they were simple, every-day occurrences. There was the case of an aspirant who went forward with a machine gun.

PRUSSIAN MILITARISM NOW KAISER'S BOAST Leads the Most Capable People on This Earth, He Asserts

Amsterdam, June 18.

Replying to a telegram of congratulations on the thirtieth anniversary of his accession to the throne, Emperor William says Prussian militarism will bring victory to Germany.

He expressed cordial thanks and kind wishes to your excellency and the staff of the Ministry on the day on which, thirty years ago, I ascended the throne.

As our arms, under strong leadership, have proved themselves invincible, we will have the home land, exerting its strength, bear with strong will the burden of the war.

ALL PARIS GOES FISHING

Opening of Season Brings Great Turnout Despite German Bombs

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Paris, June 18.—The lawful fishing season began Sunday in France. It may not be war news, but the outpouring of crowds to the rivers and lakes was significant of the healthy frame of the public mind under trying circumstances.

Paris forgot bombs and Bertha and went fishing. In the city itself both banks of the Seine were fringed by countless French soldiers from the hospitals, every man with a rod and line in an evening from all the railroad stations, which were filled so many weeks with refugees and their families.

AMERICANS QUICKLY LEARNING TO FIGHT

Officer Declares They Are Being Rapidly Seasoned by Veterans of Allies

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Rome, June 18.—"American soldiers, strong, brave, scrappy lads, who never learned to wage war," says an American officer, interviewed by the Giornale Italia, adding:

"If they had been left to themselves to fight the Germans they would at the beginning have had to instruct themselves in the art of war at the cost of their skins, which is highly instructive, but unhealthy."

Instead of which, fighting side by side with veterans as the English and French, they soon learn how to resist and to win. In fact, the Entente is a sort of nurse, in whose arms they visibly grow. Therefore we are sure to win the war, as we are sure that they will winter the numerical superiority of the Germans will have disappeared.

AMERICAN OFFICERS IN ITALY VISIT COL. GARIBALDI

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AMERICANS USE INDIAN TACTICS

IN GETTING NEWS OF ENEMY

Stalk German Sentries and Bring Them Back to Identify Opponents—Lieutenant Sewickley's Feat—Revenge for Boche Trick

By EDWIN L. JAMES

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With the American Army on the Marne, June 18.

Tacked on the wall of every army headquarters is a map showing the location of enemy divisions. These locations are constantly changing and tab is kept on German units from day to day. This is done by capture of prisoners or by bringing in bodies.

The English method of making identifications is by laying down a heavy barrage, cutting off the Germans and then going over and taking them. The French method is generally by a heavy raiding party going into the enemy positions and fighting its way back with prisoners. The Americans have a method all their own, which obviates the use of barrage and does away with costly fights.

MASS HUGE GUNS AGAINST ITALIANS

More Than a Thousand Assembled in Trentino Sector Alone

By AUSTIN WEST

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Italian Zone of War, June 18.

Italy's hour has come. The long-expected Austrian attack, which in extent, as in intensity, surpasses anything experienced hitherto on this front, is now in full progress from the Asiago plateau away down to the Venetian gulf.

Two Survive Death Battle Beneath Sea

German Submarine Hits Mine and Many of Crew Commit Suicide

London, June 18.

A dispatch received here tells of the destruction of one of the largest and more recently constructed German submarines, which was one of the last to leave Zebrugg before the entrance to the harbor was blocked by British forces on April 24.

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POPE RECEIVES AMERICANS

Consul's Wife and Singer Obtain Audience With Pontiff

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Rome, June 18.—Notwithstanding numerous careers and preoccupations owing to these turbulent days, the Pope still finds time to grant audiences, especially to Americans, who generally apply through Mr. Carretti, who has become a kind of informal American representative at the Vatican.

The Pontiff received Mrs. Norman Romano Shank, wife of the American Consul at Palermo, yesterday, together with Pearl Bartl, of Chicago, who made a great success this season in Palermo, singing in "Maman Lescant" at Massimo Theatre. She sang five years ago at the Globe Theatre in New York in "The Rosemaid."

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