

AUSTRIANS LOST 100,000 MEN IN DEFEAT ON PIAVE

Premier Admits Gravity of Disaster, but Claims 50,000 Italian Prisoners

Amsterdam, July 1.—Dr. Alexander Wekerle, the Hungarian Premier, caused a sensation in Parliament, Saturday, with a declaration regarding the Austro-Hungarian losses in the last Italian offensive,

according to a Budapest dispatch received here to-day. The Premier said that during the last few days exciting rumors were being circulated regarding the losses. These rumors, he declared, were much exaggerated. The Austro-Hungarian armies were withdrawn on the Piave front in order to spare lives, he declared, since they must have sustained very great losses had they held that line. "But, how great are our losses?" interrupted Deputy Zilinsky. "The number of prisoners taken was recently stated to be 18,000," the Premier replied. "I must, however correct that statement. The truth is that the Italians have taken 12,000, while 50,000 Italians fell in our hands. In the case of an offensive and a retreat this figure cannot be termed excessively high. Much sadder is the loss we suffered in dead, wounded and sick; most-

sick. In the tenth and eleventh Italian offensive we lost 80,000 to 100,000 men. Now, however our losses are similar—about 100,000 men." **Hungarians in a Rage** Great excitement in the chamber marked this declaration. The Premier continued: "I am obliged to report this regrettable circumstance. It is true that of three bridges thrown across the Piave the uppermost unfortunately collapsed and then both of the others were carried away with it. This figure includes the fallen the slightly wounded and those brought back as ineffectives." A great uproar interrupted the Premier, and there were cries of "they were all Hungarians." When quiet was restored Premier Wekerle continued: "I mention these figures in order to describe the situation with perfect

sincerity. Also, because our enemies will certainly portray these losses in an exaggerated fashion and perhaps also our public opinion. There are also rumors circulating that on this occasion Hungarian troops were called upon in excessively large numbers and that the losses fell upon them only. Therefore I must point out that 33 Hungarian and 37 Austrian regiments participated in the entire offensive and retreat, or 47 per centage Hungarian and 53 Austrian. "In the entire advance and retreat the Italian losses amounted to 150,000, far surpassing our losses in dead, wounded and sick. "A report also is being circulated that our losses were due to a lack of ammunition."

Lack of Food Taunt Lenied A Deputy here shouted: "Lack of food!" The Premier replied to this by declaring that "our army never was so well provided with ammunition as during the middle of June. "It is true," the Premier announced, "that of three bridges thrown across the Piave, the uppermost unfortunately collapsed and both of the others were carried away with it. Thus, unsurmountable difficulties arose in bringing such provisions during the sensational retreat, which was followed according to the regular plan, and only a few troops who remained behind who covered the retreat fell into Italian hands. The entire retreat was carried out in such an orderly and unobserved manner that the Italians continued their attacks on our former positions. "If, despite these regrettable events, I draw deductions from the whole it is not to be doubted that we inflicted important losses on the Italians and prevented them from

sending a considerable part of their troops to the western front, which in the interest of the common conduct of the war is undoubtedly the objective which it was our duty to attain. This aim, too, we attained." **SERVICE FOR SOLDIER** Columbia, Pa., July 1.—Memorial services were held in Grace United Evangelical Church on Sunday morning in honor of Paul Revere Leber, a member, who was killed in battle in France. The Rev. Frank G. Yost, pastor, delivered a suitable sermon. The second platoon of Company L, Reserve Militia, attended in a body.

MAN DIES IN PARLOR Columbia, Pa., July 1.—Robert S. Ward, a Pennsylvania Railroad flagman, was found dead by his wife in the parlor at his home on Sunday morning at 5 o'clock. He had expired suddenly from heart disease after retiring to the room to sleep. He was 44 years old and is survived by his wife and five children, one son, Calvin, being now in France with the American Expeditionary Forces. He was a member of the Railroad Trainmen, the Columbia Fire Company and St. John's Lutheran Church. The funeral will be held on Wednesday afternoon from his home in North Seventh street, with burial in Mount Bethel Cemetery.

SON OF EX-EMPEROR DIES London, July 1.—The former Crown Prince Alexis of Russia, according to German papers received in Copenhagen, is at present in Tobolsk. An Exchange Telegraph dispatch, quoting German newspapers, says the former Crown Prince is seriously ill and, hence, unable to undertake his journey to Yekaterinburg, where he had planned to join his parents. The former Crown Prince is under the care of his sister, Tatiana.

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