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## ALLIES TURN VIGOROUSLY AND DRIVE ENEMY BACK; GERMANS PROCLAIM U. S. EAST COAST DANGER ZONE

### WARNING FOLLOWS SEA RAID

Notice Regarded as Bit of Grim Humor, as Blow Already Has Fallen on Neutral Shipping.

London, June 13.—The German admiralty intends to declare the eastern coast of the United States from Mexico to Canadian waters a danger zone and will warn neutral shipping, says a dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph from Amsterdam, quoting reports received from Berlin.

Washington, June 13.—In view of what has been happening during the past few weeks, officials here tonight were inclined to regard as a bit of grim humor the report from Berlin, via Holland, that the German government is about to declare the eastern American coast a danger zone and to warn neutral shipping of its purpose.

Warning Now Superfluous.

Raiding submarines have already served warning of the danger in more forceful terms than Berlin could formulate in a diplomatic communication. Several of the 18 vessels sunk by the raiders were neutrals, carrying no war supplies. Neutral governments are not likely to have overlooked that fact, warning or no warning.

It is recognized, however, that the forthcoming "warning" may prove to be a formal announcement of a zone in American waters where ruthless sinking of all ships is to be the order of the day, forecasting a continuing menace off the Atlantic ports through regular submarine patrols.

Could Maintain Patrols.

Officials here have been fully awake to the fact that such patrols could be maintained if the German authorities thought the results obtainable justified diverting a large number of boats from operations off the French and British coasts. It has been figured out that by starting a new raider or flotilla of raiders every five days, one link in the endless chain of U-boats always would be on duty in American waters.

Such operations would mean that for every boat actively engaged on this side, there would be several on the way back to Germany, none of which would have any substantial value while enroute in either direction. On this account, navy officials have discounted the patrol idea, believing that much better results from the German viewpoint would be obtainable by using the same number of boats where they are now used, in the North sea or adjacent waters.

No U-Boat Near Boston.

Boston, June 13.—Rear Admiral Spencer S. Wood, commandant of the first naval district, said in a statement today that "not one single report of the presence of any enemy submarine in these waters had been confirmed."

### FORTY ARRESTED AS VIOLATORS OF TRAFFIC RULES

More than 40 persons were arrested in two hours Thursday afternoon for violating traffic rules and for operating without licenses. The arrests followed strict orders from Police Commissioner Ringer that "all violators of the road be arrested."

For a while the corridors of the police station were as crowded with automobile drivers as the city hall after election. As many persons, driving commercial trucks, were brought to the station and booked as were drivers of pleasure cars.

Some had pieces of cardboard with supposed license numbers embossed on them. Nevertheless, on account of the specific design of number plates, ordered by state law, several drivers having numbers printed on card-board fell victims to the police commissioner's order. All who were arrested were released on bonds of \$100 each.

Harsh Peace Terms Put Forth  
In German Militarist Press

London, June 13.—(British Admiralty, Per Wireless Press.)—On the strength of their military situation in France, the German militarist journals apparently have been inspired to put forward new German peace terms of the most aggressive character.

There is not much talk now of peace without indemnities and annexations. On the contrary, there is to be the severest punishment for all Germany's opponents, according to these newspapers.

### Arrested for Sending Home Uncensored Photographs

With the American Army in France, June 13.—An American aviation cadet has been arrested and will be tried before a court-martial on the charge of attempting to send uncensored photographs to America by a civilian attaché of the expeditionary forces, who was returning. The civilian has been brought back from a base port under arrest.

## AMERICANS REPULSE ATTACKS; MAN KILLS GIRL, SHOOTS SELF

### OUTING AT PARK ENDS IN TRAGEDY

Ivan E. Hedlock Inflicts Fatal Wound Upon Himself After Slaying Elsie Wirtz in Street.

Elsie Wirtz, 1909 Douglas street, was shot and instantly killed shortly after 11 o'clock last night by Ivan E. Hedlock, 3224 Military avenue, at Fifty-second street and Military avenue. Hedlock then turned the gun on himself. Physicians attending him in the Methodist Episcopal hospital pronounced his wound fatal.

Jessie Shelly, room mate of the murdered girl, told the police that the couple had engaged in a heated argument shortly before the murder. The three young persons had been spending the evening in Krug park and were apparently the best of friends.

Appeared in Good Spirits.

Hedlock took the young women to the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John S. Hedlock, with whom he is living before going to the park. His farther could give no reason for the shooting and said that while in his home all appeared to be in the best of spirits.

Miss Shelly did not return to her room following the murder and police were unable to find her to learn the nature of the argument preceding the murder.

The pope complains of the sad period the war is going through and also of attacks from "the enemies of religion on the supremest authority, Jesus Christ." He adds that he is greatly afflicted "not only by the indescribable horrors of this war, which, without parallel in the history of the world threatens to drag poor Europe to the bottom of an abyss, but also by an insidious and skilful campaign of calumnies and hatred against the person of the pontiff and his work."

The pope, in a recapitulation of his action since the beginning of the war, says that his efforts to bring about peace have been misjudged and misinterpreted, even his silence about this or that crime being commonly interpreted as tacitly not admitting that "in the present uncertainty of this blaze of passions, it is impossible to inflict condemnation for each crime while all are included in a condemnation pronounced according to the general principle."

The pontiff regrets that such a campaign has been conducted also against the clergy and Catholics, thus spreading the seeds of discord among various classes. The autograph ends with a protest denouncing the campaign not only to the faithful but all honest people, wherever they happen to be, and a reaffirmation that it is the pope's duty to defend the sanctity and honor of the church.

Policeman Witnesses Tragedy.

Policeman Franks, who was an eye witness of the tragedy, took charge of the bodies and rushed Hedlock to the hospital. More than a score of pleasure seekers at the park were witness.

Police are of the opinion that Hedlock had been drinking during the evening as a pint bottle of whisky nearly empty was found in his pocket.

They gave as their opinion that the murderer was premeditated as in addition to the shells in the gun Hedlock carried five more shells in his pocket.

The remaining two shells in the gun were dented by the hammer but failed to discharge.

It was rumored at the park that Hedlock attempted to shoot his sweetheart on the roller coaster at the park but the report could not be verified. Miss Shelly told police that following the argument she got up and started to leave. Miss Wirtz started to follow but was killed within a few feet of the bench upon which they had been sitting.

Hedlock is said to have been employed as a clerk by the United States Rubber company. He is the only son of Mr. and Mrs. John S. Hedlock, a decorator. During the afternoon he assisted his father in decorating the house and spoke of spending the evening at the park. He is in Class A in the draft and expected to be called June 24.

Miss Wirtz and Miss Shelly were employed by the Affinity Spark Plug company, 2218 Leavenworth street.

Ford to Run for Senate  
As Democratic Candidate

Washington, June 13.—Henry Ford decided tonight to accept the democratic nomination for senator from Michigan after being urged to do so by President Wilson.

150,000 Acres Free Land

Washington, June 13.—The general land office announced today that plans for opening 150,000 acres of public lands in the vicinity of Portland, Ore., will not be abandoned.

"In consideration of these facts, I set apart June 14, 1918, as flag day."

A strictly Americanized Fourth of July celebration for Omaha, in which there will be no segregation of nationalities, no separate parades or demonstrations by groups of alien subjects, but in which the spirit of America may be manifested in patriotic union with the entire population, was the spirit of a motion proposed by Mayor Smith and adopted by vote of the people at a mass meeting in the council chamber of the city hall Thursday night.

F. A. Brogau, chairman of the Americanization committee of the Omaha Chamber of Commerce, presided as chairman of the meeting.

Representative citizens expressed views as to the manner in which the celebration should be carried out. A motion by the mayor that the Americanization committee of the Chamber of Commerce act as a central commit-

### Dundee Carnival Draws Merry Company Who One-Step Gayly on Pavement; Eat "Hot Dogs" to Aid Soldiers.

### POPE COMPLAINS OF ATTACKS ON CATHOLIC CHURCH

Declares Campaign of Calumny and Hatred Is Being Waged Against Pontiff and Clergy.

(By Associated Press.)

Rome, June 13.—The Observatore Romano, the vatican organ, publishes a papal autograph sent in answer to an address received by the pontiff from the episcopacy of Lombardy.

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Features Galore Entertain Laughing Throng That Gathers to Hold Novel Patriotic Celebration.

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Realignment of Armies Defending Compiegne Creates Favorable Impression in Military Circles.

Washington, June 13.—Realignment of the French armies defending Compiegne from the northeast, east and southeast has relieved a situation which offered unpleasant possibilities, in the opinion of officers here. Enemy advances in the valley of the Oise and to the north and northwest of Compiegne had threatened to cut off the troops in the evacuated sector. Announcement that they had been withdrawn without loss was therefore regarded with satisfaction.

French Lines Flattened, But Strengthened.

Washington, June 13.—Complete repulse of enemy attacks northwest of Chateau Thierry by United States marines, with heavy losses for the Germans, was reported tonight in General Pershing's communiqué. The American lines, advanced yesterday by taking the last of the German positions in Belleau wood, remained intact.

The communiqué follows:

"Yesterday afternoon our troops northwest of Chateau Thierry captured the last of the German positions in the Belleau wood, taking 50 prisoners and a number of machine guns and trench mortars, in addition to those taken on the preceding day.

Attacks Break Down.

"Early this morning the enemy launched heavy attacks on a front of more than one and one-half miles on the line of Belœil-Bouresches. The attacks, which were preceded by intense artillery preparation and accompanied by a heavy barrage, broke down completely, leaving our positions intact. The losses of the enemy were very severe.

"Last night our aviators bombed with good effect the station of Dommary-Baroncourt, northwest of Metz. All our machines have returned."

With the American Army in France, June 13.—The artillery activity in the Toul sector diminished today. At 4 o'clock this afternoon a German plane dropped bombs behind the American lines.

OPTIMISM OVER  
WAR SITUATION  
GROWS IN BRITAIN

London, June 13.—There is a growing tone of optimism in the English newspapers today as it becomes more apparent that the Germans have been checked. The Teutons certainly compelled the French to withdraw at the northern end of the salient on the right bank of the Oise, including Carlepont wood, but the French retain the long belt of territory north of the river Aisne and it is to threaten this from the rear that the Germans launched the new attack south of the Aisne on a very wide front.

At the same time it is pointed out by military critics, the Germans were balked in their efforts to reach Compiegne frontally and they hoped to attain their object by this outflanking attack. Compiegne still is 18 miles west of the new operations, with the forest of Compiegne intervening.

Hold Natural Defenses.

It appeared possible to officers here that the line would be established finally with the forest of Laigue, just northeast of Compiegne, buttressing (Continued on Page Two, Column Two.)

Austrian Premier Tenders Resignation to Emperor

London, June 13.—A dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph from Amsterdam reports that Dr. von Seydel, the Austrian premier, tendered his resignation to Emperor Charles Wednesday. The dispatch adds that the emperor has not yet accepted it.

British Boarding Vessel Sunk by Teuton Submarine

London, June 13.—A British boarding vessel was sunk by a Teuton submarine June 5, according to an official statement issued tonight by the admiralty. Seven British sailors are missing.

Numerous Features.

Mogy Bernstein, who was stage manager, publicity agent and scene shifter for "Mogy's Vaudeville," was a busy man. Lovely girls, gowned in dainty evening dresses, tiny tots in red, white and blue costumes, patriotic singers in white, with caps of the national colors, made up the bill and with Mogy outside as "barker," none could pass by.

"The Dundee Calabooze" was an interesting feature, for here were incarcerated numbers of the town's leading citizens. A trial was conducted.—Ed. Bradley in powdered wig and black robe as judge and John Kuhn in tall silk hat and frock coat as lawyer. The fines of all were the same, 25c, which the prisoners paid without protest.

"The Red Dog Bar" was well patronized where "near beer" or "beer near" as the sign read, was dispensed with the famous "hot dog" sandwich, without which no carnival could be complete.

Colonel Hersey at Dance.

The military were well represented at the affair, Colonel Hersey being special honor guest. The colonel and Mrs. A. S. Williams, president of the Omaha Yacht club, opened the dancing by treading a stately waltz together. The Hindoo fortune teller read the colonel's palm, but what he prophesied for the future will remain a dark secret as the colonel laughingly refused to tell.

A number of beautiful things were sold at the carnival in a popular way. One unique booth was the village store with everything from clothespins to dried prunes on exhibition.

Numbers of pretty girls dressed in white, laden with large baskets of roses and carnations sold the flowers on the grounds, while others carried handfuls of blue and red balloons.

The carnival, which is the first of its kind ever given in Omaha, will be held Friday evening, also, and 20 women who compose the club have planned special features for the closing night.

Maj. John G. Maher, head of Q. M. Corps, Recommended for Promotion

Maj. John G. Maher has been appointed commanding officer of the Omaha quartermasters' corps and has been recommended for a commission as lieutenant-colonel in the United States army.

Major Maher was reared in Platte county, near Columbus. In 1887 he opened the United States land office in Chadron. Later he served for four years as county clerk and registrar of deeds in Dawes county. During the Indian wars he represented the New York Herald. For four years he was official reporter for Congressman Kincaid.

At the outbreak of the Spanish war he volunteered and mustered Company H of the Second Nebraska volunteer infantry. He was elected captain, but declined to serve because of his lack of experience and went as a private. After the war he went into business for himself at Lincoln.

The day that the United States declared a state of war against Germany "Soldier Maher" offered his services to the government. He reported in Omaha, June 10, 1917, and since that time has not missed a day from his work. He has had experience in all branches of the depot.

Military men declare that Major Maher is well suited for the important work of commanding officer.

"Splendidly qualified in every way," is the hearty endorsement of Maj. Walter Stern, property officer, who has been acting commandant of the corps since Col. F. A. Grant, former

commanding officer, was transferred to Montreal, Canada.

It is reported that Major Stern is to be transferred to Camp Bowie, Tex., near Fort Worth, where 25,000 men are in training, to be head of the quartermaster's department.

This will affect the Fort Omaha balloon troops.

Explorer's Body Found.

Peking, June 13.—A body resembling that of Frank N. Meyer, an employee of the American Department of Agriculture, who disappeared from a steamer on the Yangtze Kiang river between Nanking and Wuhan, has been found near the latter city.

There was no indication as to the cause of death.

## HUNS CUT UP BY BIG GUNS' FIRE

Many Dead and Wounded Left on Field After Unsuccessful Attack on French Near Montdidier.

(By Associated Press.)

The offensive movement of the Germans between Montdidier and Noyon, and from south of the Oise river to the eastern fringe of the forest of Villers Cotterets, apparently are on the wane. In the former region the fierce resistance of the French and the allied forces, for the time being at least, have checked the enemy at all points and on some sectors the allies have even turned vigorously upon the foe and forced him to cede ground he had gained.

One attempt apparently was made by the enemy Thursday to better his positions near Montdidier. Here he launched a violent counter attack from Courcelles to the north of Merly—a front of about a mile and a half—but was badly cut up by the fire of the allied guns and forced to retreat, leaving numerous dead and wounded on the field.

German Gains Small.