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AUSTRIANS IN COMPLETE ROUT

LAURELS FOR DEAD OFFICER

Lieutenant Cather of Bladen, Neb., Since Killed in Action, Mentioned for Bravery in Battle.

Lt. G. P. Cather, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Cather of Bladen, Neb., who was reported in a recent United States list as killed in action in France May 28, has been cited by the general commanding the troops for courage and coolness displayed in action, previous to the engagement when he met his death.

Exposed to seven German machine guns, he directed a strutting flanking fire from two automatic rifle teams. He was 28 years old and is survived by two brothers and two sisters.

Others Are Cited. With the American Army in France, June 24.—The following named United States soldiers who took part in the capture of and the subsequent defense of Cantigny have been cited for bravery and conspicuous gallantry.

Lieut. G. P. Cather Bladen, Neb., (since killed in action). With splendid courage and coolness he mounted the parapet of a trench and directed a destructive flanking fire from two automatic rifle teams exposed to seven German machine guns.

Rejoined Company, but Died. "Sergeant Edward Nester Owicz; Knocked unconscious by a shell and left behind, he staggered on and rejoined his company after which, mortally wounded, he died.

"Sergeant William L. Kouns: Seriously wounded, he helped to repel a counter attack, assisted the wounded and refused to quit.

"Sergeant Frank Kelly, machine gunner: He fought two wounded and did valiant service with the accuracy of his machine gun.

"Private Shelton Armes: Wounded in two places by a shell, he regained consciousness and joined his platoon.

Private William L. Proup, machine gunner: Carried a wounded officer to safety through terrific shell fire.

Private Walter Stewart, machine gunner: (Continued on Page Two, Column Two.)

The Weather

For Nebraska and Iowa—Generally fair Tuesday and Wednesday; not much change in temperature.

Table with 2 columns: Time (6 a.m., 7 a.m., 8 a.m., 9 a.m., 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 12 m., 1 p.m., 2 p.m., 3 p.m., 4 p.m., 5 p.m., 6 p.m., 7 p.m., 8 p.m.) and Temperature (72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90).

Table with 2 columns: Location (Cheyenne, Denver, Des Moines, Dodge City, Gardner, Lincoln, Omaha, St. Paul, St. Louis, Wichita) and Temperature (81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90).

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Table with 2 columns: Location (Cheyenne, Denver, Des Moines, Dodge City, Gardner, Lincoln, Omaha, St. Paul, St. Louis, Wichita) and Wind (S, S, S, S, S, S, S, S, S, S, S, S, S, S, S, S, S, S, S, S).

Table with 2 columns: Location (Cheyenne, Denver, Des Moines, Dodge City, Gardner, Lincoln, Omaha, St. Paul, St. Louis, Wichita) and Humidity (60, 65, 70, 75, 80, 85, 90, 95, 100).

Table with 2 columns: Location (Cheyenne, Denver, Des Moines, Dodge City, Gardner, Lincoln, Omaha, St. Paul, St. Louis, Wichita) and Visibility (10, 10, 10, 10, 10, 10, 10, 10, 10, 10, 10, 10, 10, 10, 10, 10, 10, 10, 10, 10).

HUN ARMY UTTERLY CRUSHED; INVADERS MEET BLOODY FATE

ALLIES WORK OUT FUTURE FOR RUSSIA

Progress Being Made to Rehabilitate Nation and Take It Out of Control of Kaiser and His Minions.

Washington, June 24.—The entente allies are now seeking a solution of the Russian problem, one which will assist President Wilson in the execution of his pledge to "stand behind Russia." Latest reports from Europe indicate that progress is being made.

Difficulties which presented themselves at the outset of the negotiations laid divergence of the aims of the separate entente governments as well as between their ideals and the declarations of the American chief executive.

These differences are understood to have touched the future of Russia, supposing success attended the combined efforts of the allies to rehabilitate the nation as an independent state, absolutely free of German control.

Removing Differences. The frank exchanges which have been going on in Europe are removing most of the misunderstandings and differences which have existed on these points.

Headway Being Made. It is understood that headway is being made toward a final agreement and that this is likely to be based upon the American ideas which seek no profit from a renovated Russia.

Alexander Konowloff, member of the Kerensky cabinet, was introduced to Secretary Lansing today by Boris Bakmeteff, the Russian ambassador.

The general situation in Russia was discussed, it was said, and an appointment may be made for Mr. Konowloff to see the president.

M. Konowloff was made prisoner by the bolsheviks after the fall of the Kerensky regime, but escaped and made his way to this country by way of Siberia and Japan.

Flood Conditions Cause Opening of Dam Gates

Cheyenne, Wyo., June 24.—Extraordinary high-water conditions, caused in part by heavy rains and in part by the rapid melting of snow in the mountains, where creeks and rivers head, have caused damage to property in Wyoming estimated at well above \$1,000,000, and there have been 10 deaths, five from drowning and five from lightning.

Reavis Leaving for France Has Big Task on His Hands

Washington, June 24.—(Special Telegram.)—Congressman Reavis, who will leave for New York tomorrow on his way to France, said today he had been swamped with telegrams from those who had sons in the Expeditionary forces now in France, asking him to call on these boys and report to the parents on his return.

"These telegrams," said the representative from the first district, "are the most human documents I have ever seen."

ITALIANS' SUPERIOR STRATEGY BLOCKS FOE'S RESERVE CORPS

Pursuers Wreak Terrible Vengeance Upon Crack Troops of Emperor Charles Who Flounder Back Through Mud With Big Guns Pouring High Explosives Into Ranks; Italian Navy Plays Big Part in Harassing Foe Ranks.

London, June 24.—The view in military circles tonight is that the defeat of the Austrians is so crushing that it will be impossible for the enemy to repeat his offensive on a serious scale for several weeks.

So strongly is the Piave line now held by the Italians, say military critics, that it will be impossible for the disorganized enemy armies to retake it and there is not the slightest fear that they again will try to cross the river.

AUSTRIA ADMITS DEFEAT. Admission is made by the Austrian war office that troops of Emperor Charles have been forced to evacuate the Montello plateau, over which they had hoped to press their way and gain the Venetian plains.

Bad weather and the rising of the Piave under heavy rainfalls are assigned as the reasons for the withdrawal of the Austrians. But the Rome war office asserts that it was the impetuous attacks of the Italians that brought about the failure of an operation which was started with the intention of crushing the armies of General Diaz and forcing the Italians to accept a "Teutonic allied peace."

AMERICAN AIRMEN HELP. All along the river the Italians have pressed back the invaders of their territory until only small units remain on the western bank and across the stream King Victor Emanuel's men are keeping well on the heels of the retreating enemy, who is fleeing in disorder.

The losses to the enemy are described as enormous, both in men killed, wounded or made prisoner. An official statement from Rome to the Italian embassy in Washington asserts that the Austrians have lost 45,000 men in prisoners alone.

The German official communication asserts that trenches near Badonviller, occupied by French and American troops, have been invaded by the Germans who inflicted heavy losses on the defenders.

Senators Predicting Adoption of Suffrage Amendment Thursday. Washington, June 24.—After a conference with President Wilson at the White House today, a delegation of senators supporting the house resolution for submission to the states of a federal suffrage constitutional amendment, predicted that the resolution would be adopted by the senate next Thursday.

Pass Two-Billion Dollar Bill. Washington, June 24.—In an hour and 20 minutes, the sundry civil appropriation bill, carrying about \$2,500,000,000 was passed today by the senate. It now goes to conference.

SUBMARINE GETS RETURNING TROOP SHIP IN ATLANTIC

Transport Sunk East of Delaware Capes and Sixty-seven Members of Crew Reported Missing. By Associated Press. Washington, June 24.—German submarines operating on this side of the Atlantic ocean have sunk their first troop ship. The Navy department announced today that a British transport, chartered by the American government and bound to this country, had been destroyed June 18, some 700 miles east of the Delaware capes and that 67 members of the crew are missing.

No Speculation in Wheat or Flour Is to Be Permitted This Year

Washington, June 24.—The 1918 wheat crop, the food administration announced today, will be handled on a differential basis, effective July 1. One dollar and ten cents maximum differential a barrel between the price of wheat and the finished product will be allowed the millers.

Austrians Leave Their Food Supplies Behind in Flight

Italian Army Headquarters, June 24.—Rain which had been falling for eight days broke forth more violently about daylight Sunday at a time when Italian artillery and machine guns began to open up on the retreating Austrians who were struggling knee deep in the mire.

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Secretary Baker showed the significance attached here to the defeat of the Austrians, when he dispatched a telegram today to the American ambassador at Rome for transmission to the Italian minister of war.

Army Men Agree With Baker. Army officers agreed with the view expressed by Mr. Baker that defeat could not help but influence greatly the course of events in France.

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Engineer Asleep at Throttle When Crash Came, Says Attorney. Hammond, Ind., June 24.—The accusation that Alonzo Sargent, engineer of the empty troop train which crashed into the Hagenback-Wallace circus sleepers near Gary, Ind., was asleep at his throttle, was made today by J. C. McFadden, attorney for the Michigan Central railroad.

Large Wooden Vessels To Be Turned Out in Big Quantities by U. S. Washington, June 24.—The largest wooden ship ever built is soon to be turned out in quantity by the shipping board. It will be a new model \$5,000-standard type, adapted from the 4,700-ton boat, now being built, which was originated at Orange, Tex.

Great Western Fined for Working Employes Overtime. Fort Dodge, Ia., June 24.—(Special Telegram.)—The Great Western Railroad company was fined the minimum, \$100 on each of 26 counts for violating the law limiting hours of employes service.

Last Chance to Pay Over Income Tax to Uncle Sam. Washington, June 24.—Last-minute payments of income and excess profits taxes, due tomorrow night at the latest, will amount to about \$500,000,000, internal revenue official today estimated.

Several thousand tentative assessments have been made for concerns whose returns are under examination by treasury reviewers, and additional collections are expected to trickle in for six months or more.

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