

PURSUIT OF ROUTED AUSTRILIANS FAIRED

French Military Expert Says "Take a Chance" and Chase Foe Are Best Policies.

TWO THEORIES SET FORTH

General Mitraball Points Out That General Diaz, of Italian Army, Is Following Defense Method So as to Avoid Rear Attack.

BY M. F. MURPHY. Special cable to Chicago Tribune. PARIS, June 29.—General Mitraball, who contributes to the Tribune's Army edition the comment on the situation in the Italian campaign below, is an eminent French military expert. In the first year of the war he commanded the 47th Infantry Division and is now in reserve service.

"Since June 23 the Austrians, hard pressed by the Italians, have recrossed the Piave in disorder. The Italians have not pursued them, contenting themselves with occupying their old positions and strengthening them where it was necessary.

Pursuit Danger Seen. "In this connection an eager discussion has arisen in military circles over the advantages and drawbacks attending such a pursuit. There is no doubt that, as in all war operations, pursuit in this instance carried with it a certain hazard and exposed the Italians to certain risks. In the crossing to the left bank of the Piave they would leave behind them the armies of General von Hostendorf, which occupy the Asiago Plateau and the mountain zone between the Brenta and Piave, and if these armies, more fortunate than on June 15, should succeed in reaching the Venetian Plain they would cut off or at least endanger the Italian retreat.

"Nor is this all; if the rainy spell continued bringing a new flood of the Piave, our allies would have found themselves on the left bank of the river in the same critical position as were the armies of General Boroevic, the Austrian, on the right bank, a few days before.

Some Favor Pursuit. "Finally, notwithstanding their forced retreat and their losses, Austrian armies have not been completely disorganized. They have fallen back on their old positions, where they could put up an energetic resistance to the attack of the Italian forces. It is, perhaps, with the aid of fresh reinforcements, might even launch a successful offensive.

"These are the arguments advanced by those who approve of the decision of General Diaz not to take a chance. The partisans of the pursuit plan, on the contrary, lay stress on these arguments: "That pursuit alone would permit the Italians to clinch the success they obtained in throwing the foe to the left bank of the Piave.

"That, in all wars, no great results have been obtained except by starting the pursuit immediately after a successful battle and giving the enemy no time to reform or to reorganize by demoralizing him with successive attacks, by increasing his disorder, and by turning his retreat into a rout.

Defensive Is Opposed. "Finally, they argue that, of all possible choices, a defensive attitude is the worst because it is an avowal of a lack of power, leaves to the foe the initiative, and, sooner or later, takes away the freedom of action.

"I share this opinion completely, and I am a strong partisan of the principle of pursuit and movement ahead, always and under any circumstances. This disconcerts the foe and takes from him his liberty of action and assures success.

"To sum up: It is that which we call the 'will to strike.' We observe with satisfaction that, in all the battles in which they have taken part, and very recently, at the Belleu wood, our American allies possess to a high degree this spirit of the offensive, which is indeed a part of their nature.

ROAD TO REMAIN BLOCKED. New Slide Near Viento Blocks Scenic Columbia Highway. HOOD RIVER, Or., June 29.—(Special.)—The Columbia River Highway between here and Cascade Locks will remain blocked on July 4. Crews operating a steam shovel on the Ruyton hill cut were instructed today to barricade this end of the highway, in order to prevent inconvenience to travelers. The road will be blocked for several days as the result of a slide near Viento.

The steam shovel operators will cease work Wednesday noon, resuming on the following Monday. GOVERNOR VISITS FRIENDS AT COVE. COVE, Or., June 29.—(Special.)—Governor James Withycombe and Mrs. Withycombe motored over from Union to Cove Wednesday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Withycombe and Master Robert, and were the guests of Mrs. and Mrs. Hugh McCall. The Governor is very much improved in health and said he would be ready to return to Salem in a few days. The visit to Cove was in no sense a political call, as Cove is the war-Governor's town.

Power Lines to Be Extended. CENTRALIA, Wash., June 29.—(Special.)—Construction will begin in a few days and will be completed within 60 days of a power line connecting the North Coast Power Company's line at Henkell with the Pe Ell plant of the Central Light & Manufacturing Company. A franchise for the line was recently granted by the Lewis County Commissioners. The new line will go through Dryad and Doty, furnishing lights to residents of those towns.

Mrs. Patrick Griffin Dead. BAKER, Or., June 29.—(Special.)—Mrs. Patrick Griffin, aged 89, resident of Baker County since 1870, died at her home at Bridgeport today. She was a native of Ireland, but spent her girlhood in Boston, where she was married. Her husband was for many years engaged in placer mining and ranching in this county. She leaves three sons and four daughters, all living in Baker and vicinity.

OFFICIAL CASUALTY LIST

WASHINGTON, June 29.—The Army casualty list today contained 42 names, divided as follows: Killed in action, 5; died of wounds, 12; died of accident and other causes, 2; died of disease, 2; wounded severely, 14; missing in action, 7. The list includes Private Carroll C. Gates, Hillsboro, Or., died from wounds. KILLED IN ACTION—Privates Eugene M. Connor, Winchester, Mass.; Charles DuBoque, Nashua, N. H.; Charles Roy, Lowell, Mass.; Earl L. Severance, Topsheld, Me.; Fred Sherman, Calais, Me. DIED FROM WOUNDS—Sergeant Chester Monna, San Marino, Italy; John R. Tippet, Sossor, Ill.; Corporals Robert E. Goody, Kenna, Brookline, O.; Daw White, Tankersley, Ky.; Privates William Bell, Corland, N. Y.; Carroll C. Gates, Hillsboro, Or.; Louis C. Green, Middletown, N. Y.; Henry J. Hesse, Brookfield, Wis.; Adam V. Mixtacki, Pulaski, Wis.; William H. Osborn, Troy, N. Y.; Oakley G. Traylor, Pitts, Mich.; Michael T. Wilman, Ashland, Wis. DIED OF DISEASE—Corporal Harold Martin, Whittemore, Nev.; Harry A. Strand, Princeton, Ill. DIED FROM ACCIDENT AND OTHER CAUSES—Cook William J. Bushlaw, Cohoes, N. Y.; Private John Erey, Laurel, Pa. WOUNDED SEVERELY—Sergeants Henry L. Baribault, Springfield, Mass.; John J. Hogan, Syracuse, N. Y.; Corporals Emmons Boynton, Augusta, Me.; Harry A. Strand, Eastham, Conn.; Privates John W. Breaun, Mass.; Philip S. Jim, Harrison, Wisc.; Ham, Ga.; Owen McCommon, Springfield, Mo.; Clarence McCormick, Lowell, Cal.; Michael, Brownville, Me.; Henry A. Monard, Philadelphia, Pa.; Greco Nigro, Souderton, Pa.; Frank Huse, Erie, Pa.; A. Monford, Weyfork, Mattituck, N. Y. MISSING IN ACTION—Lieutenant Philip W. Davis, West Newton, Mass.; Corporal Leroy E. Congleton, Philadelphia; Privates Arthur K. Drake, Bay Shore, N. Y.; Ernest A. French, New Haven, Conn.; Lloyd B. Mack, Akron, O.; Charles B. Reese, Springs Hill, N. S.; Joseph Slack, Springfield, Ill. PREVIOUSLY REPORTED MISSING, NOW RETURNED TO DUTY—Private Archie K. Comeau, Haverhill, Mass.; Private Michael J. Powers, New Haven, Conn. The Marine Corps casualty list today contained 29 names, divided as follows: Killed in action, 24; died of wounds, 8; wounded severely, 7. The list includes Sergeant William J. McHolm, Portland, Or.; Corporal John

W. Bloomquist, Cheney, Wash., killed in action; Private Edwin C. Belles, Wallula, Wash., wounded in action severely. KILLED IN ACTION—Sergeants William J. McCollum, Portland, Or.; John C. Pagan, Canton, N. Y.; William J. Spire, Nashville, Tenn.; Corporals John W. Bloomquist, Cheney, Wash.; Michael Loftus, Cleveland, Harold R. Kerr, Bellefontaine, O.; Robert J. Pomeroy, Baltimore; Privates Claude A. Bab, Hampton, Ga.; Jack Bamforth, New York; Charles Belk, Pittsburg; Walter S. Bigley, Pittsburg; Leslie Biglow, New York; Frank J. Bokosky, Scranton, Pa.; Joseph B. Caylor, Mount Houston, Tex.; Frank M. Costello, St. Helena, Md.; Oscar Cottrell, Tuscaloosa, Ala.; James E. Deana, Middlesex, N. C.; James I. Dodd, Marietta, O.; Paul W. Gall, Dalton, Ill.; Leo T. Leyden, Denver; James M. Kenna, Brookline; Ralph J. Boehrig, Detroit; Sidney Crobarth, Toledo; George Tomaka, South Chicago, Ill. DIED OF WOUNDS RECEIVED IN ACTION—Sergeants Fred W. Stockham, Belleville, N. Y.; Walter P. Duda, Chicago; Herbert E. Green, Indianapolis; Privates Peter E. Brodman, Lakos, City, C. H. Hogy Brown, Rock Creek, Tex.; Harold C. Geiger, Mount Vernon, Ga.; Edward L. Kreiger, Buffalo, N. Y.; Rezaul J. Rawling, D. C. WOUNDED IN ACTION SEVERELY—Corporal Hiram E. Schuler, Washington, D. C.; Privates Edwin C. Belles, Wallula, Wash.; Fred Gordon, Jr., Chicago; David W. Hamlin, Berlin, O.; Abraham S. Chidsey, Brookline; Lowell F. Richardson, Salt Lake City; Leon F. Skala, Chatham, N. Y. Another list made public later announced the following casualties: DIED OF WOUNDS RECEIVED IN ACTION—Corporal Raymond S. Goody, Rock Island, Ill.; Privates Louis J. Downard, Arnold, Pa.; William E. Weska, Waverly, Pa. WOUNDED IN ACTION SEVERELY—Private John M. Colthoun, Michary, La. LONDON, June 29.—British casualties reported during the month of June totaled 141,147. This compares with total casualties reported during May of 166,802. Losses for June were divided as follows: Killed or died of wounds—Officers, 3619; men, 119,218. The losses reported during the last eight days, rounding out the weekly reports for the month, were: Killed or died of wounds—Officers, 555; men, 32,244.

WAR CRAFT CLASH

4 British Destroyers Engage 11 Boche Torpedo-Boats.

FIGHT 'S AT LONG RANGE

English Ships Finally Break Off Battle and Retire to Their Supports, and No Damage Is Done to Any of Vessels.

LONDON, June 29.—Four British torpedo-boat destroyers fought a long-range engagement with a German destroyer force off the Belgian Coast on Thursday evening. The action was broken off before any decisive results were attained.

An official statement issued today by the British Admiralty recounting the affair says: "On Thursday evening four of our destroyers while patrolling off the Belgian coast sighted eight enemy torpedo-boat destroyers. Our destroyers proceeded on an easterly course at full speed, and engaged the enemy at long range.

"After the action had lasted a quarter of an hour the enemy was joined by three more torpedo-boat destroyers, whereupon our forces fell back on their supports. The enemy did not follow and the action was then broken off. No damage was sustained by any of our vessels."

BERLIN, via London, June 29.—The Admiralty today announced that German torpedo craft of the Flinders flotilla engaged British destroyers on the evening of June 27 off Ostend. The clash took place while the Germans were out on patrol.

FLIER'S HOPES DASHED

OREGON BOY EAGER TO MEET HUN IN AIR DISAPPOINTED.

Charles Powell, of Monmouth, in Hospital and Held Eligible Only for Ground Service.

MONMOUTH, Or., June 29.—(Special.)—The ambition of a Monmouth boy who had longed to meet the Boche via the airplane route cannot be satisfied. Charles Powell, who has been in the hospital at Fort Sam Houston for three months, is seriously ill with erysipelas. His father, Ira C. Powell, president of the First National Bank of this city, has gone to his bedside. According to word received here, the boy will recover, but his physical condition will make him eligible only for ground service.

Powell, before enlisting in March, was a junior in the Oregon Agricultural College. So great was the lure of the aviation "game" that he could not wait to complete his school work. Powell had long been an aviation student and when 15 years old built a miniature monoplane in which he coasted off the top of his grandpa's historic spot west of Monmouth. This success led him to the study of books on aviation, and from that time



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on books on airplane construction were worth more to him than any other. The youthful student grasped the opportunity for experience when John Riddell, a Polk County stockman, returned from the California aviation school in 1913 with a biplane in which he made a number of flights on the Riddell farm. When war was declared Lowell was anxious to join the aviation corps, and he enlisted when he was yet under draft age. He was ordered to the aviation field immediately after reporting at Vancouver, Wash. He suffered from the effects of vaccination and has spent all his time in the hospital since arriving at Fort Sam Houston. Three operations were performed upon one foot, where the effects of the serum centered.

LEO SPARKS IS BENEDICT

Well-Known Vocal Teacher Takes Miss Marian Clark as Bride.

The marriage of Leo Sparks, well-known vocal teacher of Portland, and Miss Marian Clark, daughter of Mrs. Lillian W. Clark, who lives at the Malory Hotel, was made known yesterday by Mrs. Clark. The wedding was solemnized yesterday noon at Vancouver, Wash., and shortly thereafter the couple left for an automobile wedding trip which will take them to Montana to live for a time on Mr. Sparks' ranch.

Mrs. Sparks was frequently a visitor in Portland the last several years, her home, however, having been in Minneapolis, Minn., where she attended school and was active socially. She is the daughter of the late George A. Clark, of Minneapolis.

FATHER KANE, Not Father Lane. ALBANY, Or., June 29.—(To the Editor.)—Permit me to say that I was not present at the Eugene meeting referred to in today's Oregonian, and have at no time made the statement attributed to me of exchanging the priest's cassock for the soldier's uniform. As I am past the age limit to serve as a chaplain, I will stay at home and perform my patriotic duty here.

FATHER LANE. (It was Father Kane, of Corvallis, not Father Lane, of Albany, who spoke at Eugene. The error, as the item appeared in the Oregonian, was one of transmission.)

Moss-Gathering Picnics Today. ABERDEEN, Wash., June 29.—(Special.)—Two big sphagnum moss-gathering picnics are scheduled for Aberdeen and Hoquiam tomorrow. Many hundred sacks of moss are expected to be gathered by those participating. Aberdeen Red Cross workers are planning to picnic near the sphagnum moss beds at Glen Grayland, spending the day picking moss, while Hoquiam moss-pickers will go to Carlisle. It is expected that at least 1000 bags of moss will be procured.

AMERICANS POLICE PANAMA AND COLON

United States Government Takes Action Under Treaty to Maintain Order in Zone.

URRIOLA CABLES PROTEST

Attempt to Postpone Elections in Favor of Candidates Supported by New Administration Cause of Military Occupation.

PANAMA, June 29.—Under orders from Winston American troops began policing Panama and Colon yesterday. The action was taken under the treaty of 1904, authorizing the United States to assume this duty whenever necessary to maintain order. The Panama government has protested. Because the former administration reports during the month of June in the two cities, soldiers in the canal zone were forbidden to enter them and the civilian employees boycotted a Colon election until the mandate of the military authorities was carried out by the Panama Government.

Elections Are Postponed. The new administration, under President Urriola, began to clean up the cities, but in connection with this work announced that the elections fixed for June 30 and July 7 would be postponed for six months because of the fear that serious disorders might occur if held on the dates set by law.

The opposition party protested to Washington against the deferment of the elections, claiming that such a move would serve no purpose except to favor the candidates supported by the new administration. The American State Department advised President Urriola to hold the elections, but he replied that a fair election could not be held now and suggested that American commissioners supervise the making up of poll books and assume charge of an election to be held late in July or early in August, which the president said could be held in an open and fair manner.

Urriola Cables Wilson. President Urriola has prepared a manifesto to the country and yesterday sent this cablegram to President Wilson: "Today at 11 o'clock I was informed by the Charge d'Affaires of the United States in the capital that at 2 P. M. the cities of Panama and Colon would be occupied by the military forces of the United States on the pretext of maintaining public order. I protest against this interference, which violates the sovereignty of Panama without any justification, inasmuch as the government of Panama has sufficient means to maintain order in the cities and I decline to share with your excellency's government the responsibilities which so grave an action implies."

CIRO LUIS URRIOLA. WASHINGTON, June 29.—The protest from Panama has not reached the State Department, United States troops will remain in Colon and Panama according to present intentions, until order is established and all elections have been held.

SALT LAKE TO GET ROTARY Meeting Place of International Association in 1919 Selected. KANSAS CITY, Mo., June 29.—Salt Lake City was chosen as the 1919 meeting place for the International Association of Rotary Clubs at a meeting of the organization's officers here today, making the windup of this year's convention.

New Orleans and Chicago were eliminated early and the contest was narrowed down to Cleveland and Salt Lake City. Three "Y" Secretaries Leave. TACOMA, Wash., June 29.—(Special.)—Three Y. M. C. A. secretaries left Camp Lewis today for overseas service. W. C. Moore, headquarters accountant who came to camp in October from Portland; John H. Seville, business secretary of building No. 5, coming from Wallville, Or., and Phil Warrlock, formerly of the County Court-house staff of Everett, Wash., social secretary of building No. 4, are the outgoing secretaries.

Forest Grove Women Save Crops. FOREST GROVE, Or., June 29.—(Special.)—More than a score of Forest Grove women put aside their social duties yesterday, responded to the S. O. S. call that came from the John C.

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at the last moment, the women patriotically donned sunbonnets and coveralls and are gallantly helping to save the crop.

Miss Margaret Hill, one of Kelso's school teachers last year, and a local girl, qualified for Y. M. C. A. entertainment service at Fort Lawton this week, and will leave next week for Camp Lewis. She will spend the Summer in the Y. M. C. A. work. Miss Hill is a talented reader.

Kelso Girl Enters Y. M. C. A. Work. KELSO, Wash., June 29.—(Special.)

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