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Austrian Ruler's Personal Direction of Troops Does Not Bring About Desired Results.

FIERCE RESISTANCE OF ITALIANS UNBROKEN

Gains All Favor Allies-**Fighting Continues Fierce** at Several Points.

ROME . June 194 - Emperor Charles is personally encouraging his trops in tehir efforts to break down the fierce resistence of the Italians. The Austrian ruler, it is enue bill. reported, desires to cross the Plave and to climb Montello but his ad- cluded: visors induced him to postpone the artiflery bombardment and the ac- tax, estimated to raise an additiontivity of Anglo-Italian airmen.

The operor is said to be greatly further attacks before admitting

FEW ALTERATIONS. LONDON, June 19 .- The military correspondent of the British wireon the Italian front, says:

Such slight alterations as have taken place on the Italian front have been in favor of the allies. On the Montello the situation appears to be better than was at first imagined. SOLDIERS TO BE his initial attack is now seen to be less than the first estimate, while the high points remain in Italian alabar.

NO AUSTRIAN GAINS. LONDON, June 19 .- The Austrians have been able to make virtually no progress against the British forces holding an important section situation on the British front is unchanged, according to the official communication tonight, describing these operations.

The statement says: There has been heavy fighting on the Plave front, but the enemy made little, if any, progress Tuesday. The river is in flood and many of the enemy's bridges have been washed

"The situation on the British front is unchanged. Two additional mountain guns have been captured." FIGHTING CONTINUES.

ITALIAN ARMY HEADQUAR-TERS. June 9 .- Strenuous fighting continued todya round the Montello plateau and no the bottom lands along the Piave near San Dona di Plave, both the tialians and Austrians concentrating their efforts at these points. Most of the battles are in the open without protecting

There is great aerial activity, the opposing airplanes flying low over damage in the opposing ranks. "They almost take your hat off,"

is how one officer described the lowflying of the airmen. With their machine guns the aviators pursue troops along the fluc tuating battle lines and even seek them out among thick bushes which

are characteristic of the country all along the lower Plave. No Renewal of Attacks, The text of the Italian statement

"On the night of June 17-18 and in the course of yesterday the enemy did not renew his attack from the Asiago plateau to the Montello. His partial actions were completely repulsed in the Grappa and Montello regions.

"We carried out thrusts on the Asiago plateau, the allied detachments capturing many score of prisoners and two guns.

"With unceasing pressure we shortened the front opened by the enemy south of the Montebelluno rail way. Our artillery with deadly concentration of fire did not give truce to the enemy masses waiting along the front of the battle or movement

in the back areas. "eYsterday morning was calm or the Piave river but in the afternoon the battle broke out furiously again.

"New attempts made by the enemy to cross to th right bank from San uous defense of our troops tried the have the honor to ask you to sign small bits of terrain they yeilded. tween Candlu and Fossalta the stren- the following decree: enemy sorely and his impetus was broken by our infantry.

Prisoners Number 9011. which raged in the sector of Fossalta, southeast of Meolo and north

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Protest Against Rations Issued by City Council

AMSTERDAM, June 19. - The Vienna city council on Tuesday, according to a dispatch received here passed a resolution protesting against the reduction of the bread ration. The Vienna labor council af-ter conferring for many hours on the same subject, passed a resolution renewing its demands for the "speedlest general peace notwithstanding the great obstacles at present in the way of peace endeavors."

OF BROAD SCOPE

Telephone Tolls, Purchases, Car Fares.

sources of taxation with increased taxes on present sources estimated to reach more than a billion dolars, were suggested to the house ways and means committee today by Joseph J. Klein, a public accountant of New York City, who has been associated with the council of national defense. The committee was holding hearings on the new war rev-

Proposals made by Mr. Klein in-A tax of one cent per call on all plan, believing the position to be toll telephone messages below 15

al \$150,000,000. A flat ten cent documentary tax disa' pointed at the results thus far on all legal documents not othersecured and is preparing to make wise taxed. Revenue unestimated. A stamp tax on each mercantile that the offensice has been check- invoice of transactions of \$1 or more, estimated to raise \$50,000,000. A flat two or three-cent tax on cents per \$100, estimated \$70,000,-

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CARED FOR BY SECRETARYSHIP

of the line on the Italian front. The New Office Will Aid in Franco-American War Cooperation.

ANDRE TARDIĘU IS HEAD

Will Divide Time Between Washington and Paris, Acting for Premier.

PARS, June 19 .- Because of the increasing number of American soldiers in France and the increasing degree of American participation in the war, the government has decided to create new secretaryship for Franco-American war cooperation. The new department, which will form part of the fighting soldiers, doing much the premier's office, will be headed by Captain Andre Tardieu, who, however, will remain as French high commissioner to the United States. He will divide his time between Paris and Washington.

lowing letter with the draft of a de- gone by. Instead of ploughing cree which, when signed, will be effective tomorrow;

necessary to give thorough unity of direction to all measures looking to they were trying to gain still far beits completion this as well in France youd their reach. as in the United States.

Unity Is Assured. The creation in 1917 of a high commission of the French government at Washington has assured this unity of direction for all matters to central office of Franco-American af- failed completely; the offensive on be settled in the United tSates. A fairs has, since December, 1917, and the Italian batle line launched by under the direction of the under- the Austrians seemingly has failed secretaries as the prime minister's miserably in the mountain regions. office, had under its care certain and apparently has almost been question to be treated in France.

tinuous increase is expected in the next few months. These considera- a yard of teritory. tions have led me to the idea that the centralization of efforts is necessary and that it is expedient to strengthen still further the direction of our cooperation with the United States in placing in the same hands Andrea to Candelu were repulsed. On the bulk of the questions concerned. If you prove of my point of view I

Four Considerations the prime minister's office a secre- region after the sharp reaction by ejected almost immediately. Equally intense was the struggle tary-ship for Franco-American war

cooperation.
" 'Second—The secretary

Are Named Chairman and Governor J. A. A. Burnquist. Manager of House to House in the congressional situation. Canvass in Salem.

Klein Would Place Levy on EACH AUXILIARY OF **RED CROSS TO HELP**

> Districts and Workers Are Assigned.

Mrs. E. E. Fisher and Mrs. Charles Weller have been appointed chairman and manager of a campaign for en- meted out to a draft deserter schedlistment of berry pickers which is uled to arrive in camp in the March to be waged by a house to house the purpose of enlisting help in ad- baker. Pemberton was ordered to dition to that being furnished by the unfife, owing to the danger from cents which are not now subject to Boys and Girls Working reserve which is now being organized into camps.

districted the city among the Red Cross auxiliaries according to the same boundaries as were used in the food conservation and the third liberty loan drives. Every Red Cross remark: "I would rather wear a conbank checks, estimated to yield from to help in the house to house can-\$30,000,000 to \$45,000,000, or a vass for workers, and each auxiliary less service, describing the situation graduated tax beginning with two will send a representative to the Commercial club Friday morning at 10 o'clock for instructions and

> Women Depended Upon. auxiliaries a meeting of women was held at the Commercial club rooms ness men and fruit growers the sugand girls, and that the Red Cross obey orders. organization would be one of the most feasible factors in carrying on

campaign for workers. about fifty representatives of Red Cross auxiliaries, was presided over by Chairman Meyers. O. B. Gingrich, who has been canvassing the large part of the work of enlisting women and girls, for the orchards and berry fields. He suggested that the same methods be adopted in making a survey of the city as was made in the Red Cross campaigns.

With this in view Mrs. C. S. Weller was eected campaign manager, and Mrs. E. E. Fisher chairman of

Democratic Candidates

ST. PAUL, June 19 .- A handful of votes tonight separated the Democratic candidates for the guberna-torial nomination. Returns compil-ed from 2124 of 3119 precincts, and including forty of 86 counties complete, gave Fred E. Wheaton of Min-neapolis, 13,928 votes and Judge W. L. Comstock of Mankato, 13,703.

Returns from Monday's primary for the Republican candidates for Mrs. Fisher and Mrs. Weller governor showed practically no change in the 50,000 majority for

There were no changes reported

DRAFT DESERTER **GETS LIFE TERM**

Wear Stripes Than a Soldier's Uniform.

CAMP LEWIS, TACOMA, Wash., report to his local board March 29 man and to fight for the United States would be alding England. He was charged also with making the

States soldier." sentence was received today. A formerly of Lancaster, Pa. Following an appeal from Chair- special board appointed by the war man H. W. Meyers to the Red Cross department soon is to investigate tion. At a previous meeting of busi- power to act, but after investigation will make recommendations re-

The board consists of Judge Julian Mack of Chicago; Major F. R. The meeting, which comprised Stoddard and Dean Harlan F. Stone of the Columbia School of Law.

The Stockton, Cal., chapter of the native sons of the Golden West tocounty in the effort to awaken in- night presented to Y. M. C. A. Hut terest and enroll members in an in- No. 2 a large California state flag dustrial army, addressed the meeting in the presence of a great crowd of briefly and vigorously, outlining a troops who came to camp from that tentative plan whereby the women state. Miss Cecil Rauhut, violinof the Red Cross could take over a jst; and Miss Laura A. Cotton, cornetist and cellist, and Miss Flora H. Hubbard, planist, all of San Francisco, who have been playing for the soldiers for a week, appeared on the program which was held in the open air. Men from the 316th Engineers, 363rd and 364th infantries and the three artillery regiments, mostly Californians were present.

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for Governor Run Close FOUR TRY TO COLLECT ON

Employes of War and Navy Departments Named on NEW Federal Grand Jury Indictments.

OFFICIALS CONSIDER ATTEMPT SIGNIFICANT

WASHINGTON, June 19.- New City Is Divided Into Thirty Seattle Baker Would Rather May Lead to Disclosure of Similar Schemes—Talk of Corrective Measure.

> WASHINGTON, June 19 .- Em-Ju ne19.-Life imprisonment was ployes of the war and navy departments today were drawn into the net set by the department of justice for wars contract brokers, through indraft, it was announced today. He dictments brought a federal grand the week. The campaign will be for is William H. Pemberton, Seattle jury here charging four men with trying to collect on a duplicate bill for \$187,000 submitted by a drydock company for repairs to a govfor departure to Camp Lewis with ernwent vessel. The case does not the draft contingent. He refused involve cintingent fee profitters, but Mrs. Fisher and Mrs. Weller have on the ground that he was an Irish- grew out of an investigation into their practices.

The four indicted are Clyde Waltman, a yeoman of the navy department's bureau of supplies and accounts; Charles B. Waltman, his vict's uniform than that of a United brother, a business man of Victoria. Va.; Benjamin W. Peake, a soldier stationed at Fort Meigs, Wash., for-Pemberton was brought to camp merly of Berea, N. C:, and D. Malunder guard and tried by court mar- vin Mowrey, a stenographer emtial. Approval of the court martial ployed in the signal corps bureau,

Had Free Access to Files Having free access to the navy department files Clyde C. Waltman the status of conscientious objectors and Mowrey were said to have obat Camp Lewis, it became known tained a bill for \$187,000 rendered of discussing the local labor situa- today. The board does not have by the Morse Drydock and Repair company of New York, for repairs to the Government vessel Canandiugia. After the bill was alleged to have ing of the 1918 fruit crops would garding the men who have been taken from the files, the company was told that it was lost and was asked to submit a duplicate, which was paid. Before the men presented the original bill for payment they were arrested.

Proofs Established The significance of the disclosure, officials explained, lies in the suspicion the; similar attempts to detraud the government may have been planned by others who are expected to take warning from the de-

tection of this alleged conspiracy. Definite proof of the specific payments to contingent fee agents was gathered today by Assistant Attorney General Huston Thompson frow records seized by secret agents in the raids Monday on the agencies' headquarters in Washington. Change Not Radical

As a corrective measure, Attorney General Gregory is planning to ask heads of departments letting contracts to assist in coordinating their contract work. This is not expected to change radically the system of placing orders, or to result in the purchasing agency but it may have the effect of eliminating much of the secrecy now surrounding the war department contracts.

Close scrutily of all shipbuilding contracts has been under way at the shipping board for two months, under the direction of Miles Dawson, a lawyer of New York, who was associated with Charles E. Hughes in the insurance investigation. Commission agents undertook to negotiate some contracts for shipyards, officials said, and a general overhauling of details of all contracts was they complied with the law.

decided upon to make certain that YANKEE AIRMEN

SENT TO ITALY

Now on Way to Front for Immediate Action.

WASHINGTON, June 19 .- The them. Hardly had they left their first escadrille of American aviators trained in Italy started for the Italian front and will go into action imcalibers, including gas projectiles. mediately upon their arrival, the Italian embassy was informed today front, when nearly 40,000 men were by cable from Rome. The aviators faced by reinforced French armies are accompanied by Captain La Guardia, a member of congress who

has been in Italy several months. cablegram, "is composed entirely of eral Crowder's office that there will "This first contingent," said the volunteers representing the finest specimens of American youth. This morning they were received by Commissioner of Aeronautics Chiesa and the matter of miners' classification Assistant Secretary of State Gallanga with the local boards as heretofore,

ity given by the United States this ber of fighting men left in Class 1. contribution to our fighting front Announcement of definite rulings have been made by the Austrians to stroyers, a large number of subma- constitutes a fresh truth of the inval- on what are to be termed useful em-

Five Minutes Required to Pass Pension Bill

WASHINGTON, June 19 .- Only five minutes were required for passage today by the senate of the annual general pension bill, carrying \$220,000,000, the largest pension measure by \$12,000,000 in the government's history. The senate added \$35,000,000 to the total of the bill as it passed the house, to provide for recent pension increases.

Stocks' Early Bouyancy Lost on War News; Money on Call Plentiful.

NEW YORK, June19.-Trading in stocks today was again extremely superficial, the markent showing no substantial changes from the previous sessions, except that prices eased more generally toward the

Encouragement felt at the beginning over the further check to the Austrian offensive was tempered later by news of the German drive along an important sector of the French front. United States Steel, rail and shi

pings, especially the latter, fell back in the last hour, the reversal being in marked contrast to the strength of fertilizers and leathers at extreme gains of one to three points. Sales amounted to 410,000 shares. Local banks offered call money freely, the rates falling to four and a half after mid-session. The placing of a large sum of time funds also eased that market, short time loans being made on industrial collateral at six per cent Bond prices were mixed on light offerings, liberty is- lived in some quarers here to pro-

Old United States bonds were unchanged on call.

OF DRAFT AGE

Secretary's Stand Gives New Impetus to Man Power Proposals.

RECLASSIFICATION IS AID

Estimated Total of 250,000 Will Be Added to Class 1.

WASHINGTON, June 19 .- Withdrawal by Secretary Baker of his opposition gave fresh impetus today to lished the necessary provocation consideration of the proposal before open hostilities between America congress to extend the draft age and Turkey. limits so that the war department will have available at no distant date ample man power to carry out Presdent Wilson's program of an army formation of a central government of unlimited size for the war on Ger-

Officials in the office of Provos Marshal General Crowder immediately began preparation of statistics to show results which may be expected if the draft is extended to various is expected that this information will sul in that city, reported to the be presented soon to the senate military committee which is considering all of the Americans and the Br the France bill.

Means 250,000 More Men. Early reports on the results of boards indicate that more than 250,-000 men will be added to Class 1 by this means, as against the origi- outrages and probably not action will nal estimate of 200,000. Operation be taken until these efforts are of General Crowder's work or fight hausted. regulations which became effective next July 1 also is expected to add to the total in the first class. Each Dutch Socialist Leader district is expected to have near the national average of 28.7 per cent of its total registration in Class 1 when the re-classification has been com-

These estimates were pointd to today by some officials as bearing out their contention that there is no im-mediate necessity for changing the to attend the annual conference of age limits. General Crowder, how- the British labor congress, will no ever, does not share this view, and be permitted to enter England, accreently told the senate military cording to the London Standard. committee that extension of the age Troelstra; it is said, has been refused limits was necessary because at the a passport. planned rate of calls Class 1 would be exhausted early next year.

No Immunity for Miners. Members of congress from mining districts were informed today by Genbe no reconsideration of the decision not to grant deferred classification to miners as a class. This will leave and numerous civil and military au- and in some quarters the decision was believed to have been influenced pilot lost control of his machine af-"After many evidences of solidar- partially at least, by the small num- ter going into a swift nose dive.

Attack on American Consulate at Tabriz Thought to Presage Long Anticipated Declaration of Hostilities.

INVESTIGATION WILL BE MADE INTO DETAILS

Staff of Hospital May Have Moved from City in Time Escape Advance of Moham-

WASHINGTON, June 19 .- An attack by Turkish troops on the American consulate at Tabriz, Persia, and the looting of an American mil ary hospital in that city, reported to the state department today, was be \$5,150,000.
Old United States bonds were un-Ottoman empire.

Diplomatic relations between t two governments have been ed since April 29, 1917, wh Turkey withdrew Abdul Hak H charge of the Turkish embany he since the compulsory retirement the regular ambassador, which for lowed his open criticism of the Ur ed States government. Ambassador Morgenthau was oblig ed to leave Constantinople and since that time the relations between the two governments have been just short of actual formal enmity.

Demands On Congress Recently there have been vigores tion of a state of war between t United States and Turkey and Bu garia, but President Wilson and th state department have not regar this step as necessary or desire since there has been no actual of lision betwee American and Turk

ish and Bulgarian troops. On the face of the reports fro American Minister Caldwell Teheran, officials were inclined to believe that the sacking of the American hospital, a Presbyterian stitution, over the protest of the Spanish counsel in charge as repre sentative of American interests, f

Information Lacking. The advices, however, were m er and the minister explained that he was only transmitting reports of matter not of his own knowledge a view of this, it was realized that later reports might show that the of-

fenses were not as grave as now represented. American doctors and nurses w have been stationed in the he ages betwee n18 and 45 years, the were believed to have left Tabris belimits fixed in a bill by Senator fore the Turkish troops arrived. France of Maryland, Republican. It Gordon Paddock, the American conwere prepared to leave the city before the advancing Turkish army. consequently it was not believed that the re-classification of men by local Americans actually were molested. The department is trying to get further information regarding

Is Barred from England

LONDON, June 19 .- Pieter Troelstra, the Dutch Socialist leader, w after a conference with Philip Schold emann, leader of the German Social

PLANE COLLAPSES IN AIR

SPRINGFIELD, Ohlo, June 19 .-Lieutenant Frank Stewart Patterson of Dayton, Ohio, and Lieutenant La roy Swan of Norwich, Conn., instantly killed at the Wilbur Wri aviation field between this city s Dayton this afternoon when airplane collapsed in mid-air. At an altitude of about 10,000 feet the

THE WEATHER

Thursday fair and continued warm; moderate northwesterly winds

WAR SUMMARY The Teutonic allies have apparent- them with their gunfire and also

ternoon to President Poincare the fol lacked the tenaciousness of days river with bombs and machine fire. through allied lines with stubborn their objective was gained, they now

Ambitious attempts by the troops of the central powers in the past few weeks have proved this. The opening of a gateway to Paris through the western front, running from Mondidier to the Marne, have stopped along the Piave, while a "Just now the American forces are stroke started by the Germans increasing considerably, and a con- against Rheims broke down in its inception without the enemy taking

The Austrian offensive in the Ital-

were completely repulsed.

ken by the Italians since the offensive begin and many guns and several machine guns have been captured. That intensive air fighting has also taken place is shown by the fact First Escadrille of Americans that fifty enemy planes have been shot down. Only two of the affied machines have failed to return to their base.

ian theatre is still in progress along the enemy succeed in penetrating "First-There shall be created at the Plave river, but in the wountain tht French line. Here they were

The success of the recent naval

ly lost their spirit of do-or-die. doing sanguinary execution within Their attacks everywhere lately have the ranks of the enemy across the The Austrian war office asserts

that the Austro-Hungarian troops indifference to casualties so long as have crossed the Fosseta canal at some points where Tuesday it was American war cooperation makes it waver and halt in the face of artil- claimed they had made advances and lery and rifle fire with the points, also that several lines at the southern foot of the Montello plateau, the key to the Venetian plans, have been pierced. Rome, on the other hand, declared that all the weak attempts made in the Montello region

More than 9000men have been ta-

The attacks of the Germans near Rheims resulted disastriously to trenches after one of the most terrific bombardments with shells of all ever experienced on the western and literally cut to pieces and forced to fall back precipitately. Only at one point, to the east of Rheims, did Little activity has prevailed on the

grams of bombs and firing tens of that effect from every government thousands of machine gun rounds inwestern bank of the stream but the are blocked in the canal by the ships icance of which is deeply appreciaturations is expected soon, probably ltalians everywhere are holding sunk across the waterway. Italians everywhere are holding sunk across the waterway.

And in these various atempted enterprises the high commands of the German and Austro-Hungarian have seen their men literally mown down until battlefields have been clogged with dead or wounded as recompense to the allied troops for the

the Italians, British and French troops, who in counter atacks pushed remainder of the west front. back the invader from the points

Franco-American war cooperation he had reached in his intial rush- attack by the British on the German is commissioned to bring to its max- the enemy evidently is fearful of try- submarine base at Zeebruggge our own and allied airplanes took tween the United States and Franct.

On the Place numerous atomats

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