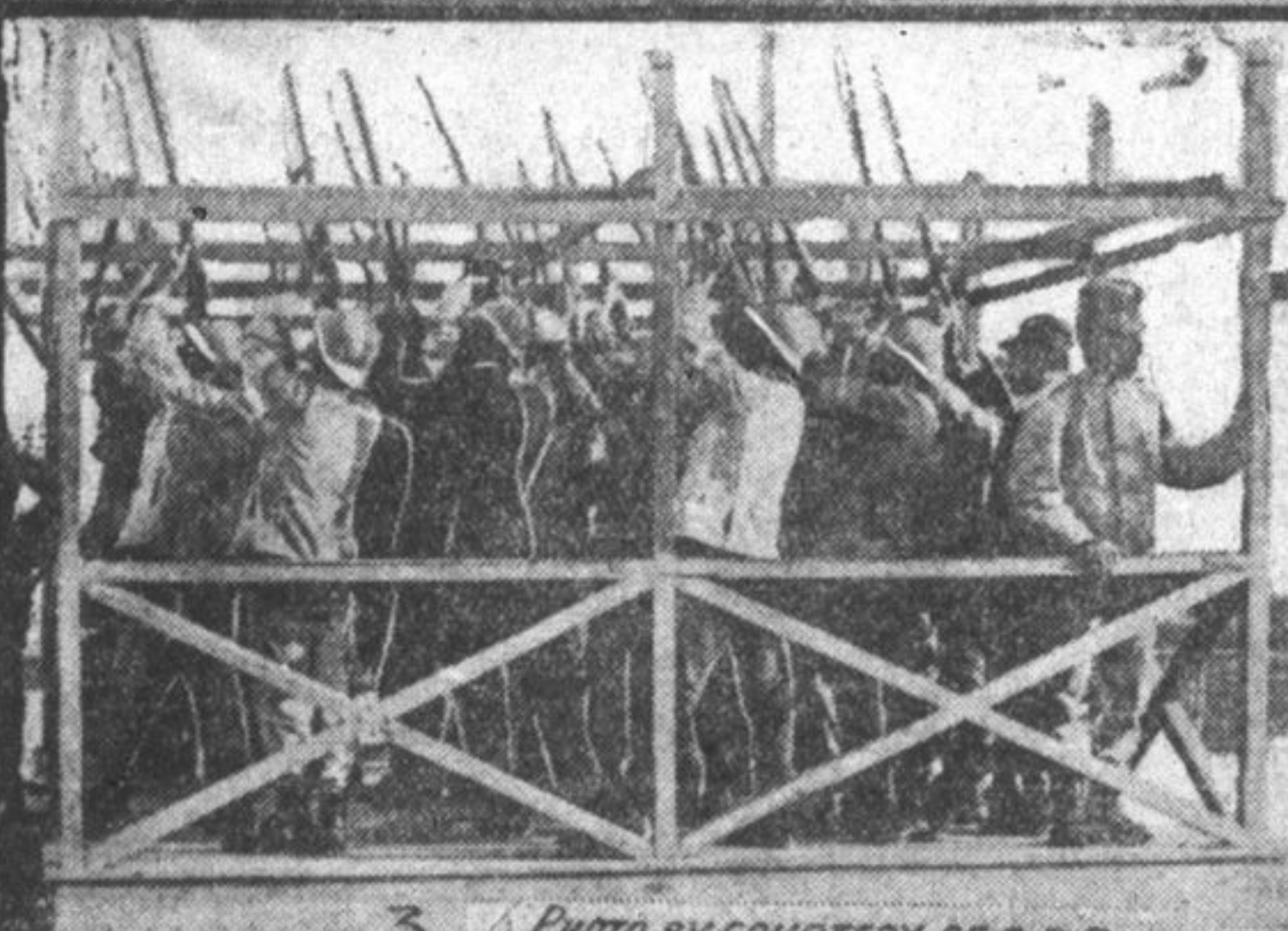


ITALIANS BATTERING THE AUSTRIAN LINES



- (1) Shell effect of Italian heavy artillery after recapture of a Piave town.
- (2) Front line on the Italian Alps.
- (3) Guarding Venice—Italian sharpshooters in a concentrated rifle attack on Austrian ariplanes.
- (4) One of the Italian big cannon being sighted.
- (5) French reinforcements arriving at Salonica.
- (6) Italian troops camouflaging a road along the Piave River.
- (7) An Italian sentry guarding the entrance to an underground dugout in the snow.
- (8) A temporary foot bridge constructed by Italian engineers over the Isonzo.
- (9) Under six feet of snow.
- (10) Mr. Deutschman digging for the main entrance to caves.



MYSTERIOUS SUBTERRANEAN CHAMBERS



THE Nakimu Caves at Glacier, B.C., whose mysterious subterranean chambers, washed out of the marble heart of a Canadian Rocky Mountain by a glacial river, are reached in summer from an Alpine meadow six thousand feet high, surrounded by beautiful snow-clad peaks, though the meadow itself is gay with flowers. In winter, however, the snow falls deep, and in early spring Mr. Deutschman, who originally discovered these caves, and who is employed by the Canadian Government to show them to passing tourists, has to prospect for the entrance, which may lie ten feet under a snow drift. All around are the tracks of wild animals which pass this way in winter over the Baloo Pass to the heights where only the keenest hunter is likely to follow them—grizzly bear, mountain lion, wolf, caribou, goat and mountain sheep. In summer, of course, the fiercer animals are but rarely seen, but the whistling marmots come and play around the cabin door, cheekily begging bread from the luncheon and wiches, while overhead the eagle flies in tireless watch for his own prey. The caves themselves are entirely uninhabited, and so far no fish have been discovered in the waters of the river. Under the blaze of a magnesium ribbon, however, there is scenery enough, and to spare—the marble flowered walls contrasting strangely with the water torn floor. Up to the present no one has discovered what becomes of the torrent which rages through the caves. It does not find any exit in the Illecillewaet Valley below, but there are strange springs on the mountain side forty miles away, which Mr. Deutschman suspects to be connected with this subterranean river.

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