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BATTLE FRONT CARPETED WITH BODIES DEAD GERMANS

BLOODIEST DAY FOR THE ENEMY

Germans Pay an Awful Price For the Onslaught Made Against the Allies.

175,000 HUNS ON LINE

German Newspapers Urging People to Hurry and Win the War Before The American Troops Get Fully Entrenched.

BLOODIEST DAY FOR THE ENEMY

London, April 30.—Yesterday probably the bloodiest day so far recorded during the present German offensive on the western front. It was one of the bitterest days of fighting that the Flanders front has witnessed since the present spring drive was launched. There was not an idle moment on the big battle front from daybreak until a late hour in the afternoon and the intensity of the fighting was beyond anything so far witnessed. The French troops now hold the entire village of Loere, west of Kemmel, and during last night the British advanced their line east of the Villers-Bretonneux on the front of Amiens. In the vicinity of Loere the French drove the Germans from the remainder of the ground they had gained during the morning. The Germans having been heavily repulsed all along the northern battle front there was little activity during last night and it passed comparatively quiet. The correspondents with the British army agree that the enemy suffered nothing less than disastrous defeat in the combat that was waged all day yesterday in the first phase of the battle to capture the hills east of mount Kemmel. It was the bloodiest day for the Huns in the history of the big offensive, the estimated strength thrown against the allies by the enemy being placed at thirty divisions.

HAVE HUNS BUFFALOED TODAY.

Associated Press War Lead, April 30.—Today's reports from the battle front in Flanders only serve to emphasize the completion of the victory won by the allies in their terrible struggle all day yesterday, withstanding the tremendous assault launched by the Germans, who hoped to break into the allied hill positions southwest of the city of Ypres, then beginning the cutting of their way towards the channel ports. The entire high command of the allied forces seem to have decided to make a stand after having forced the Germans to use up tens of thousands of their men in fighting their way forward and the enemy's advance has been effectively stopped. Estimates of the number of German soldiers thrown against the allied forces yesterday on a twelve mile front is placed at 175,000, and they were held right in their tracks, so stubborn was the resistance of our forces against the enemy, making only slight gains at some places but the line was reclaimed yesterday by the allies, leaving the Germans practically at their initial footing at the time their attacks were launched early Monday morning. The French troops now have undisputed possession of the village of Loere, and this for the first time for several days. This sector guards the approach to Mont Ronze, a very valuable hill, and a section of the battle front that the allies have been closely guarding. The capture of Kemmel has done the Germans little good thus far as they have been unable to occupy it in force, due to the activity of the artillery fire from the allied forces.

GERMANS PAY AWFUL PRICE.

With the British Army in France, April 30.—The allied line has been advanced between LaClytte and Kemmel, and the Franco-British troops have made some progress to the southwest. The appalling sight of the grey uniformed men, literally carpeting the battlefield, and stacked in countless numbers before the German defending positions today represent the awful price paid by their blood and flesh for the battle staged all day yesterday.

GERMANS ARE GETTING ANXIOUS.

Geneva, April 30.—German newspapers are warning the people that they must hurry and win the war before the Americans arrive in full force.

U. S. MUST GET BUSY.

Washington, April 30.—Three bills to increase America's national power in the present world conflict have been introduced in the senate,

one of which proposes to raise the army to five million men, and senators are urging all haste in the matter. Senator Poindexter said that "destiny and opportunity are marching by while we hold conferences."

HIG GUN IS ACTIVE.

Paris, April 30.—The big gun again resumed operations on Paris today, but with what effect there has been no announcement.

SLAUGHTER SIX THOUSAND.

London, April 30.—The White Guards of the Finnish government forces captured Viborg, 75 miles northwest of Petrograd, after killing nearly the entire force of the 6000 Red Guards, according to an official announcement from Vasa. The rebels made a last desperate attempt to break through in the direction of Frederikshaan.

CARE OF THE INDIGENT ALIENS.

Washington, April 30.—Secretary Lansing has announced that work among the indigent enemy aliens throughout the United States will be directed by the legations of Switzerland, Sweden representing German and Hungarian interests respectively. The work will be done with the cooperation of the United States for the needs of all families of interned aliens who will be given relief direct from the legation funds.

CHANGE IN DRAFT BILL.

Washington, April 30.—Provost Marshal General Crowder has requested congress to eliminate the draft bill amendment putting youths who must register at the bottom of the eligible list. He has asked that the bill basing quotas on the number in class one be amended to make its action retroactive.

APPEALS FOR PEACE.

Stockholm, April 30.—The Catholic International Press Agency announces that Emperor Charles, of Austria, is making a new peace offer, appealing to Italy to consider the proposal in her own interests.

LIBERTY LOAN INCREASES.

Washington, April 30.—The treasury department today announced that the liberty loan campaign had now reached the sum of two billion dollars.

WILL CRUSH OUT I. W. W.

Washington, April 30.—The senate Judiciary sub-committee has approved the bill designed to crush out the I. W. W., which would make the organization unlawful under heavy penalties.

PUNISHMENT INADEQUATE.

San Francisco, April 30.—Franz Bopp and Von Schack were today sentenced to two years imprisonment and a fine of \$10,000 imposed upon them in connection with the Hindu conspiracy case, in which they were the principals, this being the maximum sentence for the crime. Other conspiracy defendants received sentences of six months to 15 months and were fined from \$1,000 to \$7,500. Judge Van Fleet denied motions of all the 29 defendants for new trials, declaring that the punishment was wholly inadequate to the crime committed.

BANDITS WERE WORN OUT.

Washington, April 30.—The Chinese bandits released George Kyle only after they had been worn out by the military pursuit instigated by the Chinese government. The bandits surrendered him without ransom after they had been given the promise of amnesty.

OREGON MOST HOSPITABLE SAYS DRAFT BOYS

The first train of drafted men arrived in the city this afternoon at four o'clock and were served in the usual up-to-the-minute manner. Enthusiasm was at the highest pitch and the boys were intensely pleased at their good time in this city, all expressing the opinion that the people of Oregon were the most hospitable of any in the entire United States. Another troop train will reach this city tonight and will bring the last of the drafted men from California. The local committees are planning a wonderful time for the boys this evening and dancing will be indulged in until the train departs. Because of the fact that California has furnished such a large number of class one men during the next drafts the state will not be called upon for troops for several months to come.

HONOR GUARD ATTENTION.

All members of the Girls' National Honor Guard are requested to be present this evening at the regular weekly meeting. The meeting will begin promptly at 7:15.

RED CROSS DRIVE STARTS MAY 20

One Hundred Million Dollars Will Be Required For the Work.

FEW PLEDGES UNPAID

State Chairman Urges Delinquents to Meet These Subscriptions and Make County Record 100 Per Cent.

(By J. E. McClintock.)

The next Red Cross drive will be launched May 20, and the call will no doubt be for at least \$100,000, and every loyal American will be expected to subscribe liberally for this important movement in the interests of suffering humanity, both at home, and on the battle fields of Europe. Douglas county subscribed over \$119,000 in the drive last May, of which amount all but \$507.75 has been paid. But this balance is still charged against this county, and while a small part of it cannot be collected on account of the subscribers having moved away, however these subscriptions are small, but a number of those who have neglected to pay their subscription, are amply able to pay same, and the committee will send them one more notice, and if they continue to neglect their patriotic duty after receiving this final notice, then we feel that it is only fair to those who have paid to withdraw the names of the delinquents from the published list which was printed after the drive was completed last May, for, as the public record shows, these parties are credited with having supported the Red Cross for the amount set opposite their respective names, yet the office records show the subscriptions remain unpaid at this date.

PRUNE MEN BUSY WORK CULTIVATION

Time For Pink Spray Apple Orchards For Checking Pests.

GOOD PLOWING COUNTS

Necessary to Avoid Ridging Up Soil About Roots of Trees in Order to Get Best Results in Production.

The Fruit Inspector reports fruit men all busy these warm spring days. Applegrowers are attending to spraying, as it is now time to apply the "pink" application on apples for apple scab. After the blossoms drop the spray will be made to control the worm and grub, using at that time arsenate of lead paste two pounds to 50 gallons and lime-sulphur 1 to 30. Prune growers in Coles Valley are busy cultivating. They are letting the prune buyers do the worrying about the frost damage, being too busy plowing, disking and harrowing to pay any attention to it. Apparently the damage amounts to a good thinning. Only the future can tell if any further injury to the stems has been done. "These prune growers are good fruit men," says Earl Pearce, "and realize the importance of early cultivation to hold the spring moisture, and to start a vigorous sap flow by warming the soil about the feeding roots. Another good orchard practice, quite generally followed by the Coles Valley men, is that of level cultivation. Maximum results can only be obtained year in and year out by giving the roots every possible chance for proper functioning. Plowing towards the tree row every year means that the roots near the trees are smothered beneath a deep layer of cold soil, while the roots farther out are so close to the surface that they dry out early in the summer. The result is stunted trees, yellow sickly leaves, and small fruit. The best growers alternate the direction of plowing each year." It is reported that Spitzberg apples are showing a very light blossoming this year.

ALL ABOARD FOR AMERICA CAN LAKE TONIGHT

At 10:05 o'clock this evening the 24 Douglas county drafted men will leave this city on their trip to Camp Lewis, American Lake, Wash., and with them goes the best wishes of their many friends throughout this section. The boys are tremendously enthusiastic over the prospect of entering the big fight and are looking forward to their future with a spirit of intense patriotism surging through the hearts of all. The Girls' National Honor Guard has but 10 knitted sweaters on hand at the present time, and the 24 men are to report at the Honor Guard meeting this evening and draw for the articles. Those who do not procure one will be furnished with a sweater as soon as they are finished, as their addresses will be sent to the girls immediately after they arrive at the lake. The Women's Relief Corps has finished housewives for the boys and these will be presented to them tonight, also, before the train departs. A large number of local people are

CALLED TO CAMP LEWIS.

Mark W. Melvin, a well known Southern Pacific employe of this city has been called for duty at Camp Lewis in the Y. M. C. A. and will leave Thursday morning for the camp. The following telegram was received today in regard to reporting: "Call you for work at Camp Lewis Y. M. C. A. Great need for you at once. When can you come. Wire. Albert M. Grilley, camp general secretary." Mr. Melvin has closed up his affairs in this city and is tremendously anxious to do his bit in the big fight.

planning on giving the boys a rousing send-off and the interest of every Roseburger is with the liberty boys in their future great struggle.

The boys who will go to American Lake include Richard Busch, captain, Roseburg; John J. McArthur, Reedsport; William F. McCullough, Reedsport; Leroy D. Scantlin, Canyonville; Bert Velzain, Warrenton; Phillip J. Hohl, Roseburg; Oren Ray Moore, Days Creek; Wm. Telford, Roseburg; Edward L. Friedlund, Marshfield; Jack J. Ansama, Reedsport; Lloyd C. Lovins, Elkton; C. H. Chastnut, Yoncalla; Sam J. Richardson, Yoncalla; Fay Otey, Portland; Arnold Henderson, Drain; Liles Gregory, Fernvale; Wm. S. Swafford, Mohawk; Roland W. Cole, Marcola; Orville Smith, Ashland; Albert C. Butler, Scottsburg; Elbert Perdue, Days Creek; Jess L. Ware, Olalla; Lester J. Harding, Glendale; Oscar Anderson, Gardiner, and Perry Lamb, Kellogg.

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ROSE STREET WORK PROGRESSING WELL

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WRECKED ENGINES ARE HERE.

The engines that were so badly smashed in the wrecks which occurred about ten days ago, are now laying in the local Southern Pacific yards. Many people today were viewing the twisted engines and they also prove a great interest to the tourists now passing through. There are altogether six engines in the yard which have been damaged in the last two wrecks, which occurred only a few days apart.

LEAVE FOR SEATTLE SUNDAY.

Mrs. J. W. Perkins expects to leave for Seattle Sunday to attend a meeting of all the supervisors of the surgical dressing departments of the Red Cross, where special instructions regarding this important part of the war work will be given. Mrs. Perkins expects to be absent for a week and will visit briefly at Portland during her absence.

ACCEPTS POSITION.

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CAPT. BUCHANAN TO TRAIN FOR OVERSEA

Popular Officer Was Recently Transferred to Fort Monroe, Virginia.

BOYS WANT LETTERS

Artillery Troops May See Front Line Foreign Duty During Autumn Drive—Drafted Men From Wisconsin Train at Fort.

Local residents who recently returned from Fort Stevens and other coast forts related to a News representative the following interesting account of army life as experienced at the present time by the Roseburg boys:

There is very little news to tell for it is the same old routine day after day with very little variance to the monotony, the only change being the arrival of the men afforded by the last draft and the task of making soldiers out of them. A large number of the men of the old 4th company were transferred to other organizations to be made into non-commissioned officers and they are proving themselves to be efficient and capable in the tasks given to them. The new arrivals were almost entirely from Wisconsin, there being only one or two exceptions, while the greater majority came from near the same community and are well acquainted which makes the life much easier and agreeable for them. There are many of them college graduates and a few of them have had previous military training, all are studious and anxious to learn and are working hard to become proficient in their duties.

As soon as the men have been thoroughly instructed in their military duties batteries will be formed and it is expected that a large number of men will be sent "over there" some time during the summer. No definite time has been announced but all evidence points to the conclusion that coast artillery troops now at Fort Stevens will be in the autumn drive.

THE COMPANY IS EXCEEDINGLY SORRY TO LOSE CAPT. J. A. BUCHANAN, WHO LEFT SUNDAY FOR FORT MONROE, VA., WHERE HE WILL RECEIVE TRAINING FOR "OVER SEA" DUTY.

For the last five years he has been with the organization maintaining it as one of the most efficient and strongest of the national guard companies so that upon its muster into the federal service, just nine months ago, it took one of the foremost places among the units of the coast artillery corps. He was the first commander to take his company out on active duty when the old 4th was selected for guard duty and has always been assigned to one of the most vital batteries of the fort. He has, during his stay at Fort Stevens, been selected for some of the most difficult and responsible tasks and has always given his decisions and accomplished his tasks in a manner that proved him to be a capable and trustworthy officer. Despite the fact that he has been exceedingly busy he has never been too greatly occupied to give of his time to the men under his command. No officers at the post was so careful to care for the health and personal comfort of his men as Capt. Buchanan. At a time when the men were undergoing the severest test when they were forced to go for days and nights at a stretch, ceaselessly on guard, without sleep or rest, suffering from the cold and wet of the most inclement weather, a time when nearly a third of the company, dropping from sheer exhaustion went to the hospital, two of them dying from the effects of the exposure, when every man of the company was sick but "going on nerve" because of the work he was called upon to do, Capt. Buchanan worked harder than any person has ever known to take care of them, to protect their health just as far as it was possible for any human to do, to provide every possible comfort and relief that could be provided. He was a company commander that will seldom be equalled in the military service and the members of the 16th company who have been under his command are extremely grateful to him for the many kindnesses he has shown them and it is with the greatest reluctance that they see him depart.

CONFINED TO HOME.

Miss Stella Krohn, assistant in the Heinline school of music, has been confined to her home for the past few days with a severe case of measles. Miss Krohn's parents now reside in Portland, so she was removed to her grandmother's home in West Roseburg this afternoon. It is thought that she will be able to resume her duties under Mrs. Heinline the first of next week.

they will "make good." Just because the people at home are becoming accustomed to the boys' absence, they do not want them to forget that they are anxious to hear from them. Their cry and plea is "we want mail, much mail, lots of mail, a great quantity of mail and all the other adjectives that could be used in connection with mail."

BELIEVE STANFIELD WILL WIN PRIMARIES

W. Givens, of Estacada, Ore., was a visitor in Roseburg for a few hours today. Mr. Givens is a personal friend of R. N. Stanfield, candidate for senatorial honors on the republican ticket, and is urging voters to support the eastern Oregon stockman. Mr. Givens stated that what Oregon needs is business men at the helm, rather than so many from the legal profession, and he points to the fact that R. N. Stanfield is a broad-minded business man to whom success has come after years of hard, persistent work. He is traveling by auto, and left this afternoon for points in the extreme southern part of the state. It is conceded, the gentleman asserted just before departing, that Stanfield will carry all of eastern Oregon, and it is believed, he alleged, that Multnomah county will give him a majority.

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SERGT. MAR HANAN WRITES OF FRANCE

Four Douglas County Boys Mentioned In Letters Received Here.

THE PEOPLE ARE FINE

Going About Their Usual Work With a Cheerfulness That is Marvelous—Soul of France is Something Fierce For Mad.

Sergeant Mar Hanan, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Hanan, of this city, is now in France with the 27th aero squadron, and probably is among the troops moving up to help hold back the Hun advance. But that is altogether problematical. In a recent letter—two of them, in fact, written March 28 and April 4—just received by the young soldier's parents, he tells of meeting other Roseburg and Douglas county boys in France. While not being able to give any information relative to army affairs, he writes interesting things relative to conditions there. Lee Engles, son of Life Engles, of Peels; Bob Hargreaves, a well known base ball enthusiast of Roseburg; Frank Weaver, son of a widely known Myrtle Creek family, and Wilbur Haines, another Douglas county lad, were quite recently met by young Hanan. He says all of the boys are in the best of spirits and looking it in every respect. The very fact that the men get "United States grub" these days helps to relieve them. From this statement it may be inferred that they were not tied on homeland products for a time after their arrival. Climatically, Sergeant Hanan thinks France very nice, but the soil is something to be shunned. The famous black land of Douglas county is likened beside the red sticky subsoil of the French soil, but nevertheless they work it patiently and it produces wonderfully under painstaking care.

Situated as they are Sergeant Hanan states that one hardly realizes that France is at war. Everything is going along in apparently the usual manner. Business is good, and agriculturists are farming their land very much like they always did, so far as can be noted, and the people met with conduct themselves in a manner that would in no way lead one to suspect that only a couple of hundred miles or so away the tragedy of the ages is being enacted. The aptness of the French people in adapting themselves to the situation is a marvel to the American soldier, and they do not cease to wonder at the philosophical attitude of the nation that has so far carried the greater burden of the world struggle.

MEN WANTED HOME GUARD HOSPITAL CORPS

In order that there shall be nothing lacking to make the home guard militia just what it should be, and to equip the organization for real business, a hospital corps was deemed necessary. Accordingly this feature has been added, and the corps is under the direction of Drs. Sether and Shoemaker. Any man who wants to make himself useful to the government and learn something about first aid work and methods employed in caring for wounded men, will be welcome to the corps until the enlistment quota is filled. It is expected that the corps will be made up of eighteen men. Several have already joined the home guard in this capacity, but there is room for a few more patriotic citizens. It is an excellent opportunity for any citizen and there ought to be no trouble in filling the quota. Application for membership in the hospital unit of the home guard should be made to either Dr. Sether, Dr. Shoemaker, or to E. H. Huffman.

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