

BRITISH ARTILLERY BREAKS UP ATTACKS OF GERMANS

Roads In France Still Clogged With Moving Americans.

Gigantic Battle Is Now Raging For Possession of Amiens Railway.

LONDON, April 2.—Fifty prisoners and thirteen machine guns were taken in yesterday's fighting in the Moreuil region, Haig has reported. "Between Avre and Luce a number of German dead were found. The enemy counterattacks were broken up, with heavy losses, by our artillery. Our machine guns successfully silenced the German battery at short range.

"On the remainder of the front, we took several prisoners in successful raids near Acheville and Hollebeke.

Eight miles northeast of Albert a successful enterprise was executed, when we captured seventy-three prisoners and three machine guns, killing many, and completely repulsing the hostile counterattacks."

AMERICANS STILL ON THE MOVE.

(By Fred S. Ferguson.)

WITH THE AMERICANS AT THE FRONT, April 2.—All that America has offered to the Allies is in motion. The roads are clogged for the third successive day. Men, guns and horses are moving in all directions. Often there are double lines, with men on the one side, and trucks on the other side of the road, and all hurrying."

SURPRISE ATTACK FRUSTRATED.

(By William Philip Simms.)

WITH THE BRITISH ARMIES, April 2.—There has been small fighting south of Hougard wood, which has been consolidated with British positions. About Albert, the British drove off the Germans when they were attempting a surprise attack. There is heavy German cannonading from the River Scarpe to Souchez, and unusually heavy long range bombardment of the British rear in areas in Flanders.

BIG ATTACKS ANTICIPATED.

(By Henry Wood.)

WITH THE FRENCH ARMIES, April 2.—Complete checking of the German advance renders it possible to comprehend the stupendousness of the enemy's offensive plan. It is comprised of three great simultaneous thrusts towards three important railway, industrial and political points. The right wing, according to the plans, is to be against Arras, the center at Amiens and the left wing on Paris. "The enemy is now checked at all points. A gigantic battle is now raging between Lassigny and Moreuil for possession of the Amiens railway system."

FRANCO BRITISH FORCES MAKE THRUSTS.

PARIS, April 2.—A French official report says: "Between the Oise and the Somme the night was relatively calm. The Franco-British forces made some progress between the Somme and Demuin. In the Calonne region they took prisoners by two powerful thrusts."

UNION COUNTY'S QUOTA OF THE LOAN IS \$269,000

Official word has been received that Union county's quota in the forthcoming Liberty Loan will be \$269,000. This makes it so much less than what County Chairman A. T. Hill and members of the committee had figured on that it is believed that the raising of the quota will be easier. On the basis of a total of eight billion the officials had fixed Union county's share at about \$800,000, and they were figuring on that amount being raised.

Notices are being sent out to those who have been listed together with the amounts expected as the individual share of bond subscription and these amounts are based on the new quota. To do this work it will be necessary to revise the list as the original expectancy has been reduced by about two-thirds. While the demand will be much less than had been anticipated there will be no relaxation in the plans heretofore made to "put it over," and that with completeness and alacrity.

DRY ISSUE IN CHICAGO

Terrific Effort to Oust Barley Corn in Election Today.

CHICAGO, April 2.—They are trying to dehydrate Chicago today. A tremendous puddle of booze is exposed to the evaporating power of dry votes. About 800,000 citizens of this city—men and women—were expected to cast their votes in today's special election. The question is: shall Chicago in thirty days become a dry city or shall she remain wet?

The campaign has been warm with the drys especially making a terrific effort to oust the 6,932 saloons which annually pay the city \$6,092,000 in license fees. It was said 35,000 votes may decide the question.

There is spent for alcoholic drinks in this city \$140,000,000 per year—about \$450,000 each day, according to the prohibitionist leaders.

County Court Tomorrow.

The regular April term of county court will convene tomorrow.

Bombardment Launched Against Pro-Germans

WASHINGTON, April 2.—Declaring that twenty-nine hundred of the five thousand American gas masks shipment were found tempered with by pro-German factory men, Senator Thomas, of Colorado, started in the senate a bombardment against pro-Germans in the United States.

PROTEST OF POPE GOES UNHEEDED

PARIS, April 2.—The Pope sent a protest to Berlin against the bombardment of Paris, so Rome dispatches declare. The bombardment against Paris was renewed this morning.

Baker On Italian Front.
PARIS, April 2.—Secretary of War Newton Baker, in company with Ambassador Thomas Nelson Page, are visiting the Italian front.

AMERICAN WOMAN A VICTIM.
NEW YORK, April 2.—Mrs. Ralph Speedie, former wife of Vice President Morton was killed during the German bombardment of the Paris church Good Friday.

AMERICANS DID IT.

Sammies In France Caused Suspension of Winter Drive.

NEW YORK, April 2.—America's first year at the front has prevented the Germans from waging a successful major offensive against the Western allies.

Germany's high hopes of a victorious assault upon the Anglo-French lines were clamorously proclaimed in Berlin at the beginning of the winter. But General Pershing's forces grew during the winter too rapidly in numbers and efficiency. German boastfulness collapsed and von Hindenburg was compelled to veto the winter movement.

WANT TO JOIN IN AMERICA

LONDON, April 2.—Many young Irishmen from the midland and west counties have asked for passports to go to America and join Irish regiments there. So far the authorities have not granted any such permits.

ELGIN BOY MAKES RECORD.

Myron Hug Has Sold Thousand Dollars in Stamps.

A report received yesterday evening by County School Superintendent Ivanhoe says that Myron Hug, a pupil of the Elgin school, has sold a thousand dollars worth of war stamps. This makes an entirely new record in that section, and will help to place Elgin well up in the list of Junior Rainbow division hustlers.

DR. BIGGERS A CANDIDATE

Dr. G. L. Biggers has filed with the county clerk his candidacy for the nomination for the office of county coroner on the republican ticket.

EXPERT POULTRYMAN HERE

U. L. Upson, Jr., Tells of the Poultry and Egg Situation.

U. L. Upson, Jr., federal poultryman for Oregon, is registered at the Foley from Corvallis.

"There is no question but that there is real danger of a poultry and egg shortage," said Mr. Upson. "Since prices are much higher than in former years and supplies difficult to obtain. Hens are now selling in Portland at 35c per pound, live weight and eggs are much higher than in former years. My mission at this time is to urge increased production, and to encourage it in every way possible. This can best be done, perhaps, by showing that profitable production is possible and point out the ways and methods by which it may be made profitable. On my own ranch in Southern Oregon we have found this to be our most profitable year, and we have been in the trap-nest breeding game for seven years."

"On future trips I hope to do more individual work with the poultrymen of this section."

LEADS HUN ARMY AROUND BAPAUME



General Otto Von Below, once in charge of the German defense at Monastir and recently directing the German offensive in Italy, commands an army in the Bapaume region in the present German offensive. Below's army is one of those in the army group of Crown Prince Rupprecht of Bavaria.

BOND BILL AMENDED

WASHINGTON, April 2.—The House has passed the Liberty Bond bill after the bank taxation clause amended was added.

The Giant Liberty Bond bill which was passed Saturday by the House has been found imperfect and was recalled for reconsideration. The action of the House was set aside when it was found that as passed the bill would have robbed states of millions in bank taxes.

ALL BAKERS TO GATHER IN PORTLAND

PORTLAND, April 2.—Food Administrator Ayer has appointed H. H. Haynes, of Portland, as chief of the baking division. Haynes has called a meeting of all the bakers, to be held in Portland on April 6.

FUGITIVE DESERTER CAPTURED.

BAKER, April 2.—Sheriff Anderson has received word from the city marshal at Ontario that F. F. Benton, the deserting soldier, who was with Earl Franklin when the latter was shot near Huntington by Section Foreman Weisner, had been arrested near there Saturday. The message stated that the adjutant general at Camp Lewis had been communicated with and that guards were on the way to Ontario to take Benton back to camp.

FARMERS DECLARE AGAINST PROFITEERING ON WHEAT

WASHINGTON, April 2.—Declaring against profiteering, farmers representing twenty-three states favor two dollar twenty cent wheat against the proposed price of \$2.50. They said the latter price would make flour three dollars a barrel which will make bread prohibitive for thousands next year. "We can make fair profit at lower price," representatives of the delegation said.

The Demon Hun at the Door.

Here are some essential features of the Liberty Loan soon to open which express the truth of the matter in crisp form:

He is at the door "over there." Do you want him at your door over here—to ravage, murder and take possession?

Uncle Sam—the boys on the firing line—the spirit of American liberty—stand between you and immediate danger.

What are you doing to help keep them there?

Will you flash in the trenches at close range, or fight at long range behind the lines by lending your money to Uncle Sam to hold up the hands of those who can actually hold a bayonet for you?

The issue is squarely before you. A choice between the two is necessary. Will you evade, dodge, wiggle and twist—or, will you assert your back bone and stand up like a man?

are simply asked to invest at a guaranteed profit.

What if it does mean the insignificant sacrifice of giving up the glitter of a passing pleasure? Hundreds of thousands of others are voluntarily sacrificing their lives.

If you haven't the necessary cash for at least one little \$50 Liberty Bond (on easy payments), sign up anyway, take it to your bank and it will be accepted as security while you are making your payments.

Thus, it is easy. Thus, it costs you nothing, except the difference between the interest the bank charges you for loaning to you on the bond and the interest your bond draws from Uncle Sam. This difference is a trifle, so small, in fact, that the widow's mite covers it.

The fateful hour for you—for your country—the time to submit or conquer—is here.

No American has ever yet been conquered. No American ever will be conquered unless it is he who fails in this supreme hour to invest or go under!

COMMITTEE REPORTS ARE FAVORABLE

As the introductory part of the business men's luncheon today, Chairman Fred J. Holmes called on Rev. Smith for invocation, and this was immediately followed by "America," in which all joined.

The meeting today was similar to the one last week in regard to the presentation of committee reports. A. T. Hill, county chairman of the war board, told of the plans that were being made for putting over the third bond sale and his summing up of the same was the occasion for liberal applause.

F. L. Meyers, who has county charge of the stamp sale department, reported that the sales for the week past were increased by \$5,000, the total sales being now near the \$200,000 mark. Union county stands fourth in the state outside of Multnomah.

Dr. M. K. Hall, chairman of the Red Cross chapter, gave an interesting review of the work that has been accomplished by the Red Cross and incidentally paid a tribute to the great assistance that has been given the local chapter by Mrs. E. P. Mossman. This was greeted with cheers.

G. L. Larison, chairman of the La Grande district, announced the receipt of the amount of Union county's quota in the third Liberty loan, and explained how the notices had been prepared, calling for each person's part, which is primarily based on the figures from the assessment rolls. "But we expect that every man who has two legs and two arms will be able to carry at least \$50 in bonds," the speaker concluded.

Judge Crawford Is Eloquent.

The address of Judge Thos. H. Crawford was of the inspiring patriotic kind. The wonderful work that has been accomplished within a year was reviewed. The impending party which American soldiers are about to take in France drew forth some flashes of fiery eloquence, of which Judge Crawford is amply capable. Referring to the campaign for Liberty bonds Judge Crawford said that the committee had made an error in the amount assigned to him—that he intended to buy just double what they had asked him to buy.

Committee On Resolutions.

Chairman Holmes referred with feeling to the fact that since the last assembling of the business men a fellow citizen and co-worker had been called from earth—John T. Williamson. Out of respect to the deceased, a committee of three was appointed to draft suitable resolutions to be reported at the next meeting. The committee is: H. E. Coolidge, E. E. Bragg and C. D. Emahiser.

The "Star Spangled Banner" was the closing musical number, and it was rendered with a will. Chairman Holmes announced that it would be appropriate for A. T. Hill, county chairman of the war board, to officiate as chairman of the next luncheon and from this decision there is no appeal and Mr. Hill will be the man to sit at the head of the hall next Tuesday.

FISH DESERT RHINE

Even Historic Stream Casts Scorn on Germans.

WASHINGTON, April 2.—Even the River Rhine has cast its scorn on the German populace.

"The Rhine has become more and more empty of fish," is the cry uttered by the Deutsche Tageszeitung, recent editions of which have arrived here.

The Tageszeitung complains that so scarce has fish become in the German provinces that eels sell at enormous prices and the quantities of sea fish, which need to be sold at reasonable prices, are a thing of the past.

WEATHER REPORT.

PORTLAND, April 2.—Fair; frost.

FORCES UNITE FOR THE LOAN INITIATION

CITIZENS COMMITTEE WILL COMBINE WITH ELKS IN BIG PARADE

PROMINENT SPEAKERS WILL BE PRESENT

All Arrangements Are Completed for a Big Time Next Saturday Evening.

La Grande will appropriately celebrate the anniversary of one year of war and initiate the Third Liberty Loan and Elks and friends of Elks will fittingly unveil and dedicate the Elk service flag in a joint parade and program next Saturday night. Speakers of statewide reputation will be present to address the multitude and it is believed that the L. D. S. tabernacle, where the meetings will be held, will be filled to overflowing.

At the outset, some six or eight weeks ago, the Elks made arrangements to dedicate their service flag early in April. Since that date the necessity and expediency of holding a Liberty Loan parade developed, in order that La Grande might take its place among the patriotic cities of the nation which on that occasion will hold Liberty Loan demonstrations of some sort everywhere. A few days ago the two committees saw the futility of trying to have two important parades at or near the same dates, and the events were amalgamated. County Chairman A. T. Hill returned last evening from Idaho points and pronounced his O. K. on what had been done during his absence.

"It is going to be our patriotic duty to celebrate this event properly," said Mr. Hill last evening. "The speakers we have secured are of exceptional talent, and there will probably be three Liberty Loan speakers, each of unusual merit. Their names will be announced tomorrow or the day after. The Liberty Loan committee is very anxious that fraternal orders and citizens join in this event.

H. E. Coolidge, J. H. Pearce and Nolan Skiff, who have the Elks' parade in hand, and W. B. Sargent, chairman of the Elks' arrangement committee, have willingly given a conspicuous place on their program to the Liberty Loan feature. There will be one speaker for the Elks, and he will be a man whose address will be interesting. The complete program will be announced in a day or two.

After a conference last evening between various committees it was announced that both the Liberty Loan and dedication services will be of merit and worth while and give due consideration to both events.

Populace Should March. There is great need for a demonstration of men and women in this parade. By marching in the citizens' section, each gives testimony of his belief in and willingness to help with the floating of the Third Liberty Loan.

"If you merely watch the parade you are only partly fulfilling your duty—if you stay at home and not help swell the crowds on the streets or in the tabernacle, you are in no wise lending your assistance to the cause," is a summary of how the Liberty Loan committees look upon the event.

Special invitations have been sent to all Elks in this jurisdiction, and it is expected that the Elk turnout will be the largest in the history of the association.

The dedication program will be published later.

The division of the parade and the lines of march, follow:

1st Division, Home Guard Band

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SUPPLIES IN SUBSTITUTES TO BE INVESTIGATED

WASHINGTON, April 2.—The food administration announces that it is expected soon to institute a rigid investigation which will be destined to curb huge profiteering of millers and wholesalers in corn meal and other wheat substitutes. The investigation is to be rigid and thorough.

Lutheran Ladies to Meet.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Lutheran church will meet Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Frank Hanson, 1401 Fifth street. The ladies are requested to come prepared to do sewing for the Red Cross.