

GERMANS TOTALLY UNABLE TO BREAK LINES OF ALLIES

Americans Repulse Repeated Assaults and Hold Their Positions.

Attacks of Enemy are Growing Weaker While Allies Lines are Strengthened.

LONDON, April 15.—(By United Press.)—The first phase of the Flanders battle is over, with the British victorious. Hindenburg has failed to attain any of his objectives, and is unable to split Haig's armies, and has captured no important cities. Fighting continues, but the United Press correspondents show that the attacks are growing feebler, while the British resistance is strengthening. General Haig has admitted the Germans have retaken Neuve Eglise, following severe fighting continually on Sunday.

The Germans were driven back with great loss in fierce fighting northwest of Merville.

In this sector on Sunday, seven attacks were repulsed. Once the enemy advanced in five waves. This weight bent out line slightly, but counter attacks completely restored the line. Southwest of Bailleul, the enemy temporarily penetrated, but counter attacks restored the lines," the official report from Field Marshal Haig says.

AMERICANS REPULSE HEAVY ATTACKS.

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMIES IN FRANCE, April 15.—(United Press.)—The Germans are continuing attacks on the American outposts in the Toul sector. These attacks are the sequel of violent assaults on Friday and Saturday, when the Germans attempted to capture permanently the American advanced positions. Nineteen more Germans were captured in French and American raids. The Americans are entirely repulsing the heavy German assaults, although their position is difficult.

TURNING POINT HAS BEEN REACHED.

WASHINGTON, April 15.—(By United Press.)—"The turning point in the west is being reached," says the War Department's weekly summary. "Germans have failed to achieve a victory in the field and must soon resume the old tactics of seeking to gain limited objectives. But the statement warned that the Germans have achieved a distinct advantage, "Which it would be unwise to attempt to belittle."

GERMAN PAPER SUGGESTS FAILURE.

AMSTERDAM, April 15.—(By United Press.)—The Frankfurter Zeitung says, "The full strategic plan has not been accomplished. The battle apparently does not produce the desired result."

CZERNIN'S RESIGNATION ACCEPTED.

AMSTERDAM, April 15.—(By United Press.)—The Austro-Hungarian foreign minister, Czernin, has resigned, a Vienna report says. The Emperor has accepted his resignation. Militarists were opposed to Czernin, because of his pacifist tendencies.

CONGRESS ADJOURNS FOR FUNERAL OF SENATOR

WASHINGTON, April 15.—(By United Press.)—Senate and house adjourned to attend the funeral services for Senator Stone, of Missouri. Before the Senate adjourned Senator Reed paid a tribute, declaring that Senator Stone's "Love of country was so passionate as to be beyond the understanding of many men. His loyalty was no devoted as to be often misunderstood." He declared the British and French reverses of the past few weeks "fell upon his heart with a crushing force. Upon his lips was a passionate prayer for a great and victorious peace."

Senator Stone died in Washington Sunday following an attack of paralysis last Wednesday.

SHOW HOUSE CHANGES HOUR OF OPENING

Starting tonight, the first show at the Star Theatre will commence at 7:30 o'clock. The doors will open at 7:15.

ELMER KENNEDY HERE.

Prominent Real Estate Man a Visitor From Portland. Elmer Kennedy, former well-known newspaper man of Pendleton and Baker, but in recent years in the real estate business in Portland, is in La Grande to look after business interests in this section. Mr. Kennedy recently became the owner of a good sized farm north of Island City. While in Baker, he was associated with Bruce Dennis in the newspaper business and he is the guest at the home of the latter during his stay in La Grande.

RECEIVED CATTLE SHIPMENT

Three hundred head of cattle belonging to Frank Stillwell were shipped to La Grande from Milton, and they will be put on the Jordan creek range.

THE WEATHER

PORTLAND, April 15.—(By United Press.)—Tonight and tomorrow, probably, showers.

ENROLLMENT WEEK PROCLAMATION.

Know all men, that whereas the United States Department of Labor, with the co-operation of the Council of National Defense and the Oregon State Council of Defense, will, during the week commencing April 15, 1918, conduct a campaign throughout the State of Oregon to enroll boys between the ages of sixteen and twenty-one years to assist in taking care of the coming harvest, and

Whereas, the Commission of the City of La Grande, at its regular meeting on April 10, 1918, directed the President of said city to issue a proclamation to the same effect, in order to aid the Federal Director for the State of Oregon, in such enrollment,

Now therefore, I, J. D. McKennon, President of the City of La Grande, hereby declare and proclaim the week commencing April 15, 1918, as "Enrollment Week," during which all boys between the ages of sixteen and twenty-one years, are instructed and requested to register in the United States Boys' Working Reserve. Boys in all occupations and circumstances between the specified ages, are earnestly requested to register, and within the City of La Grande, the registration is to be with the City School Superintendent.

Dated at La Grande, Oregon, this 15th day of April, 1918.

J. D. MCKENNON,

President of the City of La Grande.

Enrollment offices have been opened in every school house and Y. M. C. A., in co-operation with the State Council of Defense.

MISS HUNT'S RESIGNATION IS ACCEPTED

PORTLAND, April 15.—The Portland Library board today accepted the resignation of Miss M. Louise Hunt, as assistant secretary of the library. Miss Hunt had said to the Liberty Loan committee that she would "rather suffer indignities from the invading Huns" than to invest in bonds. She has been receiving a salary of \$175 per month. The resignation, which had not been demanded by the board at a previous meeting, followed a storm of protest from federated women's clubs, members of the Mt. Tabor Methodist Episcopal church and citizens in general.

COUNTY IS CALLED ON FOR SIX MORE

ADDITIONAL QUOTA OF MEN CALLED TO LEAVE BY FIFTH OF MAY.

These Will Go to Fort McDowell, California. Instead of Camp Lewis—State Quota 251.

Union county is called on for six more men to fill a quota that is to be entrained between the first and fifth of May. The local board received this morning telegraphic instructions covering this next call. The message says in effect that during the five days' period, including May 1 to May 5, there is to be ready for entrainment for Fort McDowell, California, 251 men from Oregon, of which Union County's quota is six. Only white men and men physically qualified for general military service may be inducted into this call.

Active Farmers Excluded.

The men should be inducted out of Class 1, in the sequence of order numbers, except that provisions heretofore made are still in effect as to the passing of men "actively, completely and assiduously engaged in planting and cultivation of crops."

Orders to Speed Mobilization.

WASHINGTON, April 15.—(By United Press.)—General Crowder has ordered the mobilization between May first and fifteenth of 49,843 men.

The plans are to break all mobilization records in May. Today's order takes men from every state, and includes all the remaining quotas of the first draft.

Oregon's quota is 251, Washington's 424. Remarkable speeding of mobilization follows the further allied appeals for men.

SOLDIERS IN TRAIN WRECK

Two Are Killed and Many Others Are Injured.

NEW YORK, April 15.—Two soldiers were killed, 10 were seriously injured and 25 others were slightly injured when five cars of a troop train on the Long Island railroad were derailed on Long Island. The cause of the derailment is unknown and the names of the victims of the wreck have not been ascertained.

My Hoyt Boys Farm.

Among the real estate transactions reported for today is the purchase of the C. C. Cates farm by L. M. Hoyt, city water superintendent. The consideration has not been made public.

PROMOTED TO THIRD UNDER PERSHING.



MAJ. GEN. GEO. B. DUNCAN.

Maj. Gen. Duncan, native of Covington, Ky., has recently been elevated to third in command under General Pershing in France. He was decorated last year for bravery under fire in a West Pointer; in the army 30 years; saw service in Philippines and on Mexican border.

Employees Club to Have Big Social

The O-W Employees Club will meet tomorrow night in social session at the Eagles hall and a good program has been arranged for the occasion. Besides patriotic addresses suitable for the times, there will be literary features and music. A dance will follow and the usual O-W fraternal spirit will prevail. The management of the occasion extends invitation to those who would enjoy spending the evening with the club.

MEAT SHORTAGE EVIDENT

Abolishment of Meatless Days Noticeable in the Markets.

PORTLAND, April 15.—(By United Press.)—Serious meat shortage in the Pacific Northwest is following the abolishment of meatless days. Prices are soaring and reduced shipments to all large cities is noticeable.

AVIATOR KILLED.

Plane at Kelley Field Plunges Five Hundred Feet.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., April 15.—(By United Press.)—Lieut. Robert Markham, an American aviator whose address is unavailable, was killed at Kelley Field today. The plane which he was operating plunged to earth from an altitude of 500 feet.

Reception This Evening.

The reception to be given in honor of Lieutenant Plimondon is to be held in the city hall. As heretofore announced, the affair will be in the nature of a family reunion and more experience of the boys of the hospital unit will be related.

GERMAN FACTORIES BURNED

ZURICH, April 15.—(By United Press.)—Zeppelin factories near Friedrichshafen, were destroyed by fire, Saturday.

TACOMA MAN INDICTED FOR DISLOYALTY

TACOMA, April 15.—(By United Press.)—W. H. Kauffman, former progressive gubernatorial candidate has been arrested by federal officers at Bellingham, on a secret indictment. Kauffman is alleged to have spoken against the Liberty loan.

JUNIOR CLASS HAS BANQUET

USUAL COMPLIMENTS TO THE SENIORS WAS GIVEN SATURDAY EVENING.

Faculty and Class Members Enjoy a Fine Program of Speeches and Songs.

By far the happiest school event of the year was the annual class banquet given by the junior class to the senior class of the La Grande high school, Saturday evening, April 13, in the high school gymnasium.

The entire faculty and members of both classes were present. Audmer Playle acted as toastmaster, introducing the speakers in a very pleasing manner. Supt. A. C. Hampton, in his usual fine style, gave a toast to "Our Absent Ones and the Flag," expressing most feelingly our appreciation of the heroism of the absent ones and placing special emphasis on the place our flag occupies "over there." Miss Carolyn Palmer gave a toast to "The Seniors," to which Howard Stoddard graciously responded. The toast to "The Faculty," given by Miss Jennie Kimmell, and to which Mr. McNeill responded, voiced the sentiments of the entire senior class. Last but by no means of the least importance, was the toast to "The Mascot," given by Miss Lorna Coolidge.

The "Mascot" for the 1918 class is a small figure of Uncle Sam. This year, after numerous skirmishes with the juniors, the seniors were able to place it in the center of the banquet hall with their own hands. This is the first time in several years that this has been able to be accomplished. Our Uncle Sam mascot is somewhat battered, having passed through several battles, but with true American fortitude has proven that he is able to hold the situation.

DANIEL ALISON M'ALISTER ANSWERS FINAL SUMMONS

Daniel Alison McAlister—"Uncle Bud"—passed away at his home on Cedar street yesterday. His death removes from the community an outstanding figure from the earliest pioneer stage down through all the later periods of development of the present. He was among the most widely known men of the state of Oregon.

Daniel Alison McAlister was born in Cole county, Illinois, February 6, 1842, and was in the 77th year of his age at the time of his death. At the age of twenty he moved to Putnam County, Mo., and from that place accompanied his uncle, Harvey McAlister, on the trip across the plains, arriving in Grande Ronde, September 13, 1862. He has been a resident of this community continuously since that time. He was a school teacher for the first few years, but soon launched out in the stock and farm business, which was an occupation giving him a wider and more agreeable field. He became a heavy importer of blooded horses, securing some of the best in this line of stock from the famous blue grass region of Kentucky. Many of the finest and best horses of the West can be traced to the Willow Grove stock farm, which up to the last few years was under the personal supervision of Mr. McAlister.

He held many positions of trust and honor, he has been elected to the state senate in 1892 and again

JAPAN WILL ACT SOLELY FOR ALLIES

A PACIFIC PORT, April 15.—(By United Press.)—Any action that Japan takes in Siberia will be for the interests of all the allies, and not for Japan alone said Japanese Ambassador Ishii. "Japan's duty is to prevent Germany's establishment of a base on the Pacific coast, following a successful drive through Siberia."

NEIL JOHNSON DEAD.

Deceased Was A Victim Of Tick Fever At Weiser.

Word is received in La Grande of the death of Neil Johnson, at Weiser, Idaho. Death was due to the "spotted," or "tick" fever. The remains are to be sent to Pendleton for interment.

Neil Johnson was quite well known in this section, where he has been making his home for many years. He owned a stock farm of considerable extent in the hills back of La Grande. He was single, and nothing has been ascertained as to relatives in this part of the country. He was a native of Denmark, and was about fifty years of age.

RENEWED EUTHUSIASM OVER LOAN

WASHINGTON, April 15.—(By United Press.)—The country entered the second week of the Liberty Loan drive with renewed enthusiasm. The San Francisco district telegraphed that 205 honor flags have been awarded. California has 72, Washington 12, and Oregon 92.

Kansas has adopted the slogan, "Bonds in every German-speaking home by May 1."

Pittsburg has started 6000 volunteer women workers out to dispose of Third Liberty Loan bonds.

SAMMIES AT MASS BEFORE BATTLE



THIS PHOTOGRAPH, JUST RECEIVED FROM LONDON, SHOWS AMERICAN TROOPS RECEIVING BAPTISM AT A CATHOLIC MASS PRIOR TO THEIR DEPARTURE FOR THE BATTLE LINE. SOME OF THE SOLDIERS MAY BE SEEN ON THE PLATFORM BEING BAPTIZED.