

HINDENBERG ARMY SMASHED INTO STATE OF QUIETUDE

Another Attempted Drive is Expected Against Heights Which is Near Ypres

Allies Hold Trump Card and in Pos- ition to Meet any Surprise Attack

LONDON, May 2.—(By United Press.)—The Germans continue to emphasize the importance of the Franco-British victory southwest of Ypres, by refusing to renew hostilities there. Field Marshal Haig reported that sector as absolutely quiet. Correspondents forecast a resumption of Hindenburg's attempt to capture the heights there, but declare it will require days, and perhaps weeks, for him to reform his shattered divisions. Haig reported German artillery active in only two sectors, Balleul and Villers-Bretonneux.

ALLIES HOLD THE TRUMP CARD.

WITH THE FRENCH ARMIES, May 2.—(By United Press.)—Although Germany has used two and a half millions thus far in the offensive, conservative calculations show she is capable of duplicating this effort. The allies, however, hold the trump card because of unity in command, the superiority of fresh reserves and the inability of the Germans in surprise attacks.

The most conservative estimates place the German losses at 350,000 men.

GERMAN ATTACKS REPULSED.

PARIS, May 2.—(By United Press.)—"German attacks failed about Thennes," the official report says. Other German attacks were repulsed north of Chavignon and northwest of Rheims. French surprise attacks near Monchel resulted in the capture of twenty prisoners. Americans fighting near Thennes are brigaded with the French troops.

AMERICANS INFLICT HEAVY LOSSES.

WITH THE FRENCH ARMY IN FRANCE, May 2.—A heavy German attack launched yesterday against the Americans in the vicinity of Villers-Bretonneux was repulsed with heavy losses for the enemy. The preliminary bombardment by the Germans lasted two hours and then the infantry rushed forward, only to be driven back, leaving large numbers of dead on the ground in front of the American lines.

BOHEMIAN TROOPS ARE DESERTING.

LONDON, May 2.—The Daily Mail's correspondent at Italian headquarters says that Bohemian troops are joining the Italian troops against Austria, and that the first detachments are already on the Italian fighting line, wearing Italian uniforms.

CHINESE TROOPS EN ROUTE TO FRANCE.

AN ATLANTIC PORT, May 2.—(By United Press.)—Forty thousand Chinese troops, the flower of the Chinese army, will arrive on the French front early in June, said Captain Chen Singe of the army, who arrived from France today. The Chinese generals are now in France and are awaiting the arrival of their troops.

SHELL-SHOCKED MAN IS INSANE

CHARLES BURTON, FORMERLY
OF BAKER COUNTY, AND IN-
JURED IN FRANCE, IS
AT ASYLUM.

Suffering from insanity caused, it is understood, by shell shock while in the first line trenches in France, Charles Burton, former resident of Hereford, Baker county, was brought to the Eastern Oregon State hospital here this morning for treatment, says the Pendleton Tribune.

Dr. McNary says that the history of the man as given in the government commitment papers is very brief. He was enlisted from Hereford in the Canadian army, near the beginning of the war, it is said. At the time America entered the conflict, he secured a transfer to the American army.

He was confined in Base Hospital No. 8, in France for a time and later was sent to the government general hospital in New York, from where he was sent here under the agreement between the states and the federal government that a man suffering from mental disorders, when discharged from the army, shall be treated as a patient from the district from which he enlisted.

OPERATORS SAY WORK IS CRIPPLED

Telegraph Companies Claim That
Business Is Hindered Without
Interruption.

SEATTLE, May 2.—(By United Press.)—Union telegraph operators declare that suitcases filled with telegrams are being sent to other cities, where they are telegraphed to other cities after long delays. Company officials declare they are handling the business uninterruptedly. The Postal Telegraph last night locked out all union operators of the night shift.

Non-Union Operators Imported.
PORTLAND, May 2.—(By United Press.)—Union telegraphers declare that fifteen non-union telegraphers were imported here today. They expect the Western Union will begin discharging their union employees.

TWO AIRMEN KILLED.

DAYTON, Ohio, May 2.—(By United Press.)—Col. Damm and Major Brinkley, both members of the Signal Corps, were killed today. Their machine fell four hundred feet. Both officers recently came from Washington.

NAVY ENLISTMENTS ARE SATISFACTORY

Recruiting Officers Make the Report,
Several Additions, Including
Two Yeomenettes.

The naval recruiting officers, including Ensign Delanty, Dr. Briscoe, Petty Officer Allgood and three other members, leave tonight for Baker to solicit further enlistments for the navy training school.

The officers report several enlistments since their arrival in La Grande, and the list also included two "Yeomenettes," the latter being young ladies whose duties will be in the line of clerical work. The recruiting party considers it not advisable at present to make public the names of the recruits from this section. They wish, however, to say that they are greatly encouraged over the prospects of materially augmenting the force at the training station which they represent and they express themselves as well pleased with the treatment they have received in La Grande.

WILL NOTIFY RELATIVES.

Casualty Reports To Be More Ex-
plicit In Future.

WASHINGTON, May 2.—(By United Press.)—The war department today announced that the names of the nearest relatives and the emergency addresses of soldiers killed, wounded and missing in France will be restored to the casualty lists, beginning tomorrow. The change is a result of Secretary Baker's personal study of publicity for the army. It is expected that daily American communiques will begin to arrive soon.

ALL DEPENDS ON EQUIPMENT

SECRETARY OF WAR BAKER
SAYS THAT IS ONLY LIMIT
TO SOLDIER FORCE.

Discussion Of Man Power Possi-
bilities Will Before House
Military Committee.

WASHINGTON, May 2.—(By United Press.)—The war department's ability to equip and transport men is the only limit to be placed on America's 1918 army, Secretary Baker told the house military affairs committee today.

Secretary Baker did not present definite figures on the number the department intends to send "for the double reason that the mention of any number implies a limit, and also that the facilities for equipping and transporting men are constantly increasing."

Secretary Baker, Provost-marshal General Crowder and Chief of Staff General March addressed the committee behind closed doors. Both March and Crowder discussed the man-power possibilities for the coming two years, but first considered the questions involving the placing of drafted men on the call list.

The Secretary for War asked for blanket authority to increase the army, and urged the committee men to act quickly in the matter.

WEATHER REPORT.

PORTLAND, May 2.—(By United Press.)—Rain.

PEACE TALK DESIGNED FOR ITS COVERT EFFECT

By ROBERT J. BENDER,
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 2.—Germany's expected peace offensive, designed to weaken the allies' fighting spirit, has apparently begun. Authorities see in the sudden wide-spread rumors and whispered confidences reaching Washington, involving the likelihood of peace offers from the Pope, Emperor Charles, King Alfonso, of Spain, and even the Kaiser, is merely Germany's same old game to weaken the allied morale. President Wilson is unconcerned. He demands that frank openness precede peace negotiations.

FRENCH ACTRESS IS IMPRISONED AS SPY



MLLE. SUZY DELYS

Mlle. Suzy Delys, one of the most beautiful women of the Parisian stage, is in prison in France charged with being a German spy. The case recalls that of another popular French actress similarly accused—Mati Hari, who was executed. Mlle. Delys's husband is also under arrest on a charge of violating espionage law. He is Emile Quiller, formerly manager of Sam McVey, the American prizefighter.

SIXTY FIVE PERISHED.

Complete Death Report Of The
Steamer City of Athens.

AN ATLANTIC PORT, May 2.—(By United Press.)—The owners of the City of Athens have announced that a complete check shows that sixty-five persons perished when the vessel collided with a French cruiser off the Jersey coast.

DISPUTE WITH HOLLAND ENDS.

AMSTERDAM, May 2.—(By United Press.)—The Nieuw Rotterdamse Courant announces that it understands that the German-Holland difficulties have been settled. It expects an announcement to this effect shortly.

AIR BOARD IS CRITICISED.

Senator King Says That Mismanage-
ments Has Been Criminal.

WASHINGTON, May 2.—(By United Press.)—Senator King declared on the floor of senate today that "Evidently there has been something criminal" in connection with aircraft production and that "somebody should be shot." The senator said one officer made this statement and "I agreed."

Several senators bitterly criticized the accomplishments of the aircraft board.

BOY REGISTRATIONS HUNDRED PER CENT

All That Are Eligible In La Grande
High School Have Entered Their
Names On The Roll.

Principal McNeill, of the La Grande High school, reports that the registration of boys for employment purposes has been completed and it is a hundred per cent, all the fifty boys of the high school, between the ages of sixteen and twenty-one having been enrolled.

Boys who are not in the high school but who are eligible for this registration, may have their names on the roll by applying either at the office of Superintendent Hampton or at the office of Principal McNeill at the high school. If not convenient to make registration at either one of these offices, the registrations can be made at the Y. M. C. A. rooms.

ASSESSMENTS TO BE PAID

CITY COMMISSION MAKES NO
CHANGE IN PREVIOUS
PLANS.

Maturing Bonds and Preservation of
City's Credit Is Considered
Prime Importance.

After having set aside two evenings for the purpose of hearing proposals on the delinquent improvement assessments matters, the City Commission last night at its regular session decided to proceed with the collection of the unpaid amounts as at first proposed. In making this decision, the commission announces that improvement bonds of the city are maturing and interest is accumulating, all of which requires for the protection of the credit of the city, that funds be had with which to meet the payments as they come due. Furthermore, in this matter, the commission is following the plain directions of the charter, which requires that all shall pay, and therefore no exceptions can be made.

City Manager's Report.

To the Honorable Commission, City of La Grande, Oregon. Gentlemen: Herewith, I submit my report for the week ending April 1.

The fire chief reports one fire for the week. This was a vacant house belonging to James Bugg. Insurance \$1215. Thirteen volunteers responded to the call, at a cost of \$13. Number of feet of hose laid, 1050. Amount paid volunteers for month, \$31.50.

The chief of police reports four arrests for the week, as follows: Disorderly conduct 1, traffic violation 1, selling cigarettes 1, smoking cigarettes 1. Convictions 2, fines \$65. Stock impounded 2, collections from pound 2. His monthly report shows 23 arrests; number convicted, 19; fines \$309; number of lights out for the month, 9.

The water superintendent reports a total expenditure for the month for labor of \$144. The water department is charged with \$43.75, and the street department for \$100.25. He also reports the fire plug installed at the corner of Sixth and K streets. He has two men at work today cleaning the city reservoir. This is being thoroughly brushed and will be treated with a coating of whitewash. The material, with the exception of the valves ordered from Portland, is assembled and the work of building the aeration table will begin as soon as the valves arrive. The water superintendent and manager will leave for Beaver creek in the morning to arrange for the work of water protection there. Our treatment of the city reservoir has been found to do the work, and we hope to be able to report the same result with the large reservoir at Beaver creek. For fear that there might be a necessity for using river water, the property owners have been informed that all contamination adjoining, or which might drain into the river where our supply might possibly be contaminated, must be eliminated.

The following is the report of the City Treasurer and the Recorder:

Treasurer's Report.	
Receipts—	
Water rents	\$ 19.80
Imp. Dist. interest	941.90
Imp. Dist. installments	1154.86
1917 Taxes	23,003.09
Imp. Dist. installments	1,154.86
Pool table license	25.00
Dog licenses	18.00

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HOSPITAL BOYS HAVE NEW PLACE

OCCUPYING A SEPARATE INSTI-
TUTION NEAR THE BATTLE
LINE.

Composite Bunch Of Information
Concerning Our Boys In
France.

From several sources matters concerning the La Grande boys in France have been gathered and all these reports are within the past few weeks. The hospital boys now have a place exclusively their own. It was formerly a French institution and is a large place capable of accommodating from 1,000 to 1,200 patients. It has tiled floors, steam-heat, is well ventilated and has electric light facilities; also bath, laundry, sterilizing and operating room conveniences. While censorship prevents the giving of the location, the cannon's roar is heard almost continuously and the battle line is not far away.

Ben Bassett Interpreter.

Sergeant Ben Bassett, who has considerable knowledge of French, is principal interpreter for the hospital unit and he has also the assistance of Sergeant McManus. The boys receive the continental editions of the New York papers—when they can get them. When these papers fail to come they are forced to rely on publications in the French language. To Sergeant Bassett and McManus falls the job of reading the war news which is printed in French to the other members of the hospital corps.

Have Good Fare.

The food supply for the boys is of good quality and sufficient. While many of the extras are missing there is nothing in the way of necessary provisions lacking. On Easter Sunday each of the boys had three eggs for breakfast.

Pay Checks And Furloughs.

The boys get paid regularly between the first and eighth of each month. This part of the service is regular as clock work and the boys can depend on the regularity of their pay. In the matter of furloughs there are liberal provisions. France is divided in several districts and the ones on furlough are given the privileges of certain districts assigned, and by a series of rotation the boys are enabled to see almost the entire territory of France. When assigned to a certain district the man on furlough must confine his travels to that one district. There is just one place in France they are not allowed to go and that is Paris. The man on furlough receives a dollar a day for lodging and 60 cents pay for meals. He is also furnished transportation.

Whole Bunch Practically Intact.

A word of caution comes from one of the La Grande boys and that is that the reports of any one or several of the members having been "detached" need not cause any apprehension that they have been or will be permanently separated. When any one is detached he is merely assigned to some other duty, which is not far away and he ultimately gets back with the balance of the company.

Rev. Clark is stationed near the boys, but he had not been able to make them any prolonged stay at the time the reports gathered in this summary were mailed from France.

DAY'S CASUALTY LIST.

Includes Eleven Killed In Action,
Two Died Of Wounds.

WASHINGTON, May 2.—(By United Press.)—Today's casualty list totals ninety-six, including eleven killed in action, and two who are dead from wounds.

TOMORROW NIGHT.

Come to see the Amazons,
Bring your daughters and your
sons,
See Twenny doing funny stunts,
Noel mooning while she hunts,
See the mother rant and rave,
And Sergeant Shuter, stern and
grave.