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AWFUL SLAUGHTER OF GERMANS SICKENS

British Gunners Retire When the Guns Become So Hot They Can No Longer Be Fired

(By E. G. Pipp.)

The cities along the line of the British front in Belgium and northern France were masses of tumbled down stone and brick and mortar. Shells had done their work everywhere. Hunt the cathedral in any of those cities and you would find wreckage every time. Not only cathedrals, but buildings of every kind were in ruins. Now and then enough of cellars would be left to afford a place of refuge for soldiers quartered there. This was the condition even before the spring drive of this year.

Nor was it all the result of shell fire. In some cities occupied by the Germans after the big battle of the Somme and before Hindenburg's famous voluntary retreat, there was any amount of evidence of buildings being deliberately blown to pieces. One could easily tell the difference between the irregular hits by shell fire and the systematic blowing out of the fronts of buildings on entire streets.

It was over this territory that the Germans proposed to make their drive for Amiens.

A study of the map will readily disclose their purpose. Their line was about 40 miles east of that place. Amiens is a railway center of importance, and to capture that city would enable the Germans to cut the British army of the north off from the army of the south and prevent communication between the army of the north and the French, American and British south of the Somme.

Viewing the lines of defense, the cannon, howitzers, wire entanglements and trenches of the British, one would not think it possible for any human mind to exist so cold blooded and with so little regard for life as to attempt to push human flesh against steel to the extent required to break through. For every gain there must be a price, there must be a measurement of loss of life against ground gained. Men of experience and sanity can figure in advance to something of a certainty as to what the cost will be, and no general in the British, French or American army has been found so reckless of human life, so steeped in military heartlessness, as to be willing to pay the price that Germany paid, or willing to order the death of his own men as Germany ordered in this drive.

History records that when Napoleon was nearing his finish, when it was regarded that his mind was becoming somewhat degenerate, he spent his military resources, the lives of his men, with just such profligacy as was shown by the Germans in the year 1918.

The Kaiser himself came to the western front to make this battle his battle. Intrigue had won Russia, but intrigue could not fool the British, or treachery touch them; so they were to be made to feel the power of German wrath.

Militarism must prevail for Germany at all cost; the rulers must make another showing, whatever the loss in life to the men in the ranks who, with their ancestors, had had training of more than a century in nothing but taking orders.

And so on the twenty-first day of March, the blow was struck, the British resolute, determined, believing they could hold the line, the German generals striking with that madness and recklessness that comes of desperation.

Hundreds of thousands of men had been moved from the Russian front to help in the struggle. Smoke screens were thrown up to hide the movements from the observation balloons, air-planes; some of the screens had been thrown up as early as the week before when we were there. The German guns coughed harder, louder and more often. The coughing and barking of the guns and the whizzing of shells made the din we had heard the week before seem like child's play. The Germans were shooting over their own line of trenches into the first line of British defense. That is the method of starting an offensive.

The German men in their own trenches had been dressed in new uniforms, had been made to drink rum and other so that they would be reckless and in a frame of mind to face any ordeal. The captains had not been trusted with the information that they were being marched to a slaughter. At a given time they were to open written orders, and at another given time the heavy guns were to change their range from the first line of British defense to the second, and it was then that the Germans were to make their rush from their trenches to the first line of the British.

To the surprise of the British the Germans came in solid mass formation, the same formation that Napoleon used in his last desperate struggles. Many of the British had been killed in the barrage, but others were there hanging on with true British grit.

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PREACHER MAKES SUCCESS OF WAR GARDEN AND ENJOYS WORK

Rev. Joseph Knotts, pastor of the Methodist church, has demonstrated that he has ability in other lines besides that of preaching the gospel, and is testimony to that fact he has one of the best war gardens in the city. He already has had peas, beans, potatoes, carrots and beets, and even picked a ripe tomato a few days ago. He says that every penny's worth of food he raises enables him to put just that much more into war activities and, besides, he finds the exercise mighty energizing.

I. W. W. SABOTAGE PLOT IS SUSPECTED WHEN FLOUR IS "DOCTORED"

C. A. Bartell thought he had stumbled on to some sabotage plot a few days ago, when barley pancakes served at his hostelry were returned from the dining room by guests who could not eat them on account of foreign substance they contained.

Mr. Bartell thought possibly ground glass or some other dangerous substance might be in the flour. After thoroughly panning some he got a good-sized clump of just common ordinary sand in the bottom of the pan, which he had purchased at ten cents a pound. He has taken the matter up with the food administration.

Weather Report for June.

Maximum temperature 91, on the 9th; minimum temperature 34, on the 1st; mean maximum, 80; mean minimum, 42; mean temperature 60.3; 27 clear days, 1 partly cloudy, and 2 cloudy. No rain. One thunderstorm on the 12th.

PREACHER FLAYS MOLLYCODDLE SISSIES

Castigate Able-Bodied Men Who Have Not Responded to Call for Home Guards

Points Finger of Scorn at Those Who Leave to Others the Protection of Their Wives and Kiddies, Mothers and Sisters.

A campaign is on to stir interest in the home guard organization, which is considered just as important in its way as any of the war activities and which has been called for by the governor of the state.

At the war savings stamp rally Friday evening Rev. Joseph Knotts flayed the sissies and mollycoddles who are so tender-footed, so cold-footed, so weak in the spines and so unresponsive to their country's call that they feel unable to make the effort necessary to get out and prepare themselves for any emergency that may arise, who are willing to leave the possible protection of their wives and kiddies, of their mothers and sisters, to the husbands and fathers of other wives and children and the sons and brothers of other mothers and sisters. He said that the time is rapidly approaching when an able-bodied man who is not a member of the home guard will be looked upon as yellow, will be looked upon as afraid that he may be called upon to suffer some slight inconvenience in performing his patriotic duty, as afraid that his precious carcass may be injured in protecting the lives and property of the country of which he boasts of being a citizen.

He was roundly applauded as he laid it onto those who are so lacking in a realization of the duties of citizenship that they loll in ease while others with less time are drilling to make certain that none of our God-given liberties are taken from us.

Among those who regularly attend drill are three who come 12 miles, another who comes 8 miles, and several who come from two to four miles, while many able-bodied men within the city limits idle away the evening or are out motoring or enjoying themselves in some equally unproductive manner.

150,000 TROUT FRY ARE DISTRIBUTED IN STREAMS

A car of trout fry was received Wednesday from the state fish hatchery. A number of local sportsmen attended to the distribution and all the accessible streams of the nearby country received their share. The fry were smaller than usual, due to the fact that the hatchery has been unable to secure sufficient help, and it was thought better to get them into the streams rather than take the chance of their dying at the hatchery for lack of care.

Within less than an hour after the car arrived here some of the fry were in the water. The officers of the Rod and Gun club wish to express their appreciation of the services of those who were on hand with automobiles to take the fish out to the streams. There were 150,000 in the shipment, which was only secured through the persistent efforts of C. A. Bartell, secretary of the club.

NOTICE TO PATRIOTS! RECRUITS WANTED!



Every able-bodied man of Cottage Grove is asked to do his patriotic duty by joining the home guard and attending drill every week if possible. The regular drill night is now Tuesday, the roll being called at 7:30 sharp. If you want to do your duty, be at the armory next Tuesday evening. No need to allow embarrassment stand in the way of doing your duty—new men are being added at every meeting. You would fight, if necessary, for the protection of your home, your wife and

kiddies, your mother and sisters, but—you can't fight effectively unless prepared. Preparedness is the best way to avoid the necessity of fighting. Your governor has asked you to prepare for home defense. The boys in the trenches expect you to be prepared to back them, if necessary. Could anything make a person's duty plainer?

Complete roster of the company will be published next week. Will your name be there? If you can't get out to drill next Tuesday, but want your name on the roster, notify The Sentinel.

HIT BY ENGINE BUT LORANE VALLEY WILL INJURIES SLIGHT SHIP THIS YEAR

Mrs. Ole Christianson Is Victim of Near-Fatal Accident in Southern Pacific Switch Yards.

Mrs. Ole Christianson, of Latham, had a narrow escape from death Monday afternoon in the Southern Pacific switch yards. She was walking towards the station and attempted to step out of the way of an engine which was approaching from behind her. She thought she was stepping into the space between the tracks, but instead stepped inside the rails. She was struck by the pilot and thrown forward on her face but outside the track. The great toe of one foot was badly crushed by a wheel and the next toe injured, and her face was badly bruised and scratched. She was able, however, to be removed to her home the next day.

The Christiansons lost their home by fire a few weeks ago.

First Crop of Any Magnitude from That Valley Will Be Composed Largely of Pears.

The Lorane valley will take a position this year as a shipper of fruit, according to Claud Schrack, manager of the Lorane Orchard company, who was in the city Tuesday. The crop will be largely composed of pears, of which there will be from 10 to 15 carloads, according to present indications. About one-third of these will be d'Anjous and the remainder Bartlett's. Pears have done well this year because of unfavorable breeding conditions for pests and because of the careful spraying methods practiced by the people of that valley.

This will be the first fruit crop of any magnitude raised in the valley, but there are several thousand acres of trees coming into bearing.

ODOROUS MAGNOLIA IS NOW IN FULL BLOOM AT F. C. COFFMAN'S

The magnolia tree on the F. C. Coffman place is putting forth its first blooms for this year. This is the only magnolia tree in the city and it always attracts considerable attention with its mammoth and night-purplish blooms, of which there are some 15 at present.

BRIDE OF HERMAN O. MILLER MUCH KISSED

When the drafted men left Eugene at 5 o'clock Sunday morning for San Francisco, Mrs. Herman Otto Miller, bride of one of the men in the squad of ten, was kissed by everyone of them just before the train left.

Mr. and Mrs. Miller were married only a few days ago, the bride, like hundreds and thousands of others whose husbands have gone to war, agreeing that she would be happier to be the wife of a soldier than a sweetheart. Mrs. Miller accompanied her husband to the station and just as the train started one of the men suggested that they all "kiss the bride," and ten husky young men each hurriedly implanted a kiss upon the lips of the bride, the husband being the tenth.

Mrs. Miller was Miss Mary M. Powell, of Lorane.

SIX MORE LEAVE TO SERVE THEIR COUNTRY

The following men of the Cottage Grove country are members of the draft increment which leaves Eugene today for Fort McDowell, Calif.: Henry Earl Powell, Lorane; William Everett Powell, London; Kerl William Giddens, Salem; George Small Mosby, Robert Thomas Allen and Benjamin Franklin Marksbury, Cottage Grove.

Used cars can be bought of Woodson Brothers with small payment down.

WHITE FLOUR SALES MAY RESUME TODAY

Beginning today sales of white flour on the 50-50 basis may be resumed by Oregon dealers under permission granted by the food administrator.

Beaver state patriots have turned back from domestic and acreantile stocks between 17,000 and 18,000 barrels of flour to be sent by the government to fill the needs in France. This record of self-sacrifice has been made in barely four weeks, the spontaneous and voluntary action of householders and dealers compassionate and generous enough to place their own gratifications second to the needs of others.

Married Girls to Wrong Men.

The Sentinel made a slight error, a very slight error, last week in the story concerning the double wedding at the F. B. VanNortwick home. The error was to marry the girls off to the wrong men. Otherwise the story was absolutely correct, and the girls probably knew the difference anyway. Miss Adda became the bride of John Trunell and Miss Myrel became the bride of Everett Powell.

SAVINGS STAMPS MEETING IS FOLLOWED BY A NEAR-TRAGEDY

One of the war savings stamps rallies Friday evening came near having a tragic ending. D. H. Hemenway, H. J. Shinn, S. L. Mackin and Misses Hazel and Neita Hazelton had been attending a meeting at Blue Mountain. On their way home the lights of the car went out and the trip had to be made in the dark. Nothing went wrong until just as the party was entering the city limits, when a rear wheel dropped off of the culvert in front of the Landess place, the car tipping onto its side. Mr. Shinn made a quick and unceremonious exit over or through the windshield while Mr. Mackin, in the rear seat, was greatly embarrassed by being so unceremoniously squeezed between two such charming and estimable young women. No injuries were sustained beyond a few scratches (unless the carmine discoloration of Mr. Mackin's face, which did not bleach for several days, be counted) and the car was hardly damaged outside of a broken windshield.

FOREST FIRE ON DINNER CREEK IN RESERVE IS OUT OF CONTROL

E. S. Holderman, forest ranger, was in from Rujada Tuesday looking for men to assist in fighting fire above the logging camps at Rujada. There have been a number of fires there but all are under control except one on Dinner creek, which is running wild and the services of a large crew of men may be required for several weeks before it is controlled, unless there should be a heavy rain.

CLOTHES TORN OFF BUT IS ONLY SCRATCHED

Ralph Lammers Has Miraculous Escape When Whirled by Revolving Shaft

To be whirled around a rapidly revolving shaft, to have every stitch of clothing except his shoes and stockings torn from his body and yet to escape with but a few scratches, was the experience of Ralph Lammers, 14-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. George Lammers. The boy and his brother were playing about the shaft under the Lammers mill Friday afternoon and had been winding belt lining about the shaft when the boy's clothing became entangled with the lining and he was bound to the shaft. Had he been caught crosswise of the shaft, which was located but a short distance from the floor beneath the mill his head and feet would have struck the floor timbers as he revolved and he would, undoubtedly, have been killed instantly.

Sam Newcomb, the engineer, stopped the machinery just as soon as he saw the predicament the boy was in. It was necessary to cut the boy loose from the shaft. He was able to be out the next day apparently none the worse for his experience.

DRAFT REGISTRANTS ARE GIVEN FINAL NUMBERS

The drawing to designate the order in which this year's registrants will be called was held last week. The registrants from the Cottage Grove country were given numbers as follows: Chauncey V. Crites, 36; Alva Emory Davis, 46; Roy Archie Baumgardner, 63; Clifford Smith, 83; Vivian Edward Dwyre, 93; Joe Levi Geer, 108; Alby Halbert Ritchey, 115; Fillmore Dale Wyatt, 123; Harley Isaac Ross, 141; Commodore Perry Rogers, 154; Wm. Frank Lasley, 169; Nelson Finley Whippis, 171; Wm. Leonard Sturdevant, 178; Carroll Bryan George, 185; Robert Guy Conner, 186; Howard Clair Cox, 192.

The published list did not show the number of Ralph Leonard Brown, probably due to an error in publication.

The Sentinel has a bargain in a scholarship in the International Correspondence School which has been left with it for sale.

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COTTAGE GROVE IS STILL BEHIND IN W. S. S. DRIVE

HALF OF QUOTA OF \$25,620 HAS NOT YET BEEN SUBSCRIBED

Liberty Loan Flying Squadron Will Be Thrown Into the Trenches and It Is Expected City Will Soon Go Over the Top.

Cottage Grove has for the first time fallen down lamentably in a patriotic drive. Not over half its quota in the war savings stamp drive has been raised and a war emergency committee of men has been appointed to assist in completing the work. The old liberty loan teams will again be called into service. The teams will cover practically the same territory as in former drives. Each team will be made responsible for a certain amount in its district and it is expected that this method will work as successfully as it has in past drives.

The quota given Cottage Grove is \$25,620. Of this amount \$12,000 has been raised, leaving \$13,620 or better yet to be raised. The fact that Cottage Grove fell down so miserably is due largely to the fact that so many did not realize how much they were expected to subscribe and did not understand that the payments were spread out over a period of six months for the purpose of making it possible for people to subscribe the desired amount and pay it out of the savings of the next six months.

The quota for Cottage Grove amounts to \$35 for each adult person of the city and any former purchases of stamps do not count on such quota.

Cottage Grove is not the only city that has had difficulty in raising its quota. Nearly every other city has had the same difficulty and some intensive work is being done this week over the entire country to show Kaiser Bill that whatever our government asks it gets.

The flying squadrons will call on all those who have not subscribed their quotas, or as much as it seems that they might be able to, and a supreme effort made to reach the amount the government has asked for.

Latham was the first district of this section to report going over the top. It was \$185 short Friday night before the war savings stamp rally, but at this meeting \$190, \$5 more than the required amount, was subscribed. The total subscription was \$1805. Miss Inez White was chairman and Mrs. George Boyd secretary in this district.

Row River, with a quota of \$2800, went over the top with \$3215. This is the best showing made by any district in this vicinity which has so far reported complete returns.

Mount View, which always goes over the top, subscribed \$1045, with a quota of \$960.

The Blue Mountain district went over the top with \$1020 in subscriptions.

Saginaw also reports having gone over the top.

Silk Creek reports raising \$600.

There was but a small attendance at the war savings stamp rally held at the high school, many carelessly neglecting to answer the government's call to attend the rally, while many others had made engagements before the advertising of the meeting that could hardly be broken. Some \$2200 of the deficit was subscribed at this meeting, L. M. Lewis, a transient, taking the limit, \$1000 in stamps.

The government required that a record be kept of those who attended and who did not attend this meeting and the local committee is instructed to report the reason for the non-attendance of any citizen.

EUGENE ALSO POSTPONES WAR SAVINGS STAMP DRIVE

Eugene Guard: In view of the Fourth of July celebration in Eugene and the part the citizens in general are planning to take in the observance of Independence Day, the drive planned by the flying squadron to raise \$80,000 in pledges to put Eugene's war savings quota over the top has been postponed until next week, according to an announcement made today by J. K. Pratt, chairman of the city war savings committee.

The flying squadron will be organized under the leadership of a captain. There will be five teams. One team will be assigned to the work of organizing a "\$1000 limit club."

A club of those who will pledge \$100 will also be formed.

FIRE DESTROYS DAM AT PALLET LUMBER MILL

The Pallett Lumber company's mill near Divide was in danger of destruction by fire Monday night. Fire, which originated in the log runway, spread to the dam of the log pond and destroyed the dam. By the heroic efforts of workmen, who stayed on the job all night, the flames were kept away from the mill proper.