

GERMAN ARTILLERY FIRING IS VIOLENT

Allies Report Positions Unchanged by Intermittent Fighting Along Canal.

BELGIANS RETAKE TRENCH

Trench Report They Continue to Make Progress in Champagne Region — Enemy Abandons Weapons in Aprmont.

LONDON, Feb. 26.—The official information bureau gave out today another of the semi-weekly communications from the front. It follows: "The period since the last communication has been marked by a thick mist and rain which culminated on the 24th in a heavy snow storm. Operations consequently have been hindered. In spite of bad weather, however, our aircraft carrying out their duties. Cooperation between our artillery and the artillery has been particularly close. "Near Ypres intermittent fighting continued along the canal, without any change in the relative positions of the opposing forces. Many gallant acts have been performed during the recent fighting in this neighborhood. A sergeant and a man held a communication trench for a considerable period unaided and shot down all Germans who attempted to advance.

Machine Guns Work Effective.

"Our machine guns were handled particularly well on one occasion when they came into action in the open and inflicted a considerable loss on the enemy. "Along the remainder of our front the enemy's artillery fire at times has been somewhat heavy. No infantry attacks by either side have occurred. "The official communication of the French War Office, issued tonight, says of recent fighting in Flanders and France:

"There has been cannonading along the whole of the front. In the Champagne District our progress has continued to the north of Mesnil. After taking two successive lines of trenches we reached the enemy's main attacking ground occupied by the Germans. "Further to the west we extended our operations by the conquest of an important fraction of the 'line'.

British Repulse Attack.

"The British army repulsed in Belgium a German attack and also gained 100 meters on Le Bassée road. "German artillery displayed considerable activity in the Alsace Valley. Our batteries reduced it to silence in the afternoon. "In Champagne our progress continues. We won some ground in the wood northwest of the village of Heuland. The engagement continues in the valley of the Meuse. At Jumelles-Dornes we destroyed some machine gun shelters and wrecked the trenches of the enemy. "We made fresh progress in Bois Brule in the Forest of Argonne. The Germans were driven from several communication passages between trenches. They were subjected to heavy losses, abandoning on the field various accoutrements and weapons."

BELL-SHAPED CAP GOES

British Find Headgear Copied by American Arm Is Impracticable.

LONDON, Feb. 8.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)—The bell-shaped cap adopted by the American army from the British during the Roosevelt Administration has been abandoned by the War Office.

The bell shape has proved to be as foolish a piece of headgear as the old-time pill box. Its flat top reflected light and made a mark for the enemy. It protected the head from neither severe cold nor extreme heat. Owing to its stiff and flaring shape the men could not wear it when sleeping in the open. Moreover it did not stick on well in battle. As a result the boys in the trenches substituted knitted sleeping caps and mufflers, which have the advantages of staying on the head and keeping it warm.

POOR AIM IS DUE TO SKY

Marksmen Shoot High, Is Explanation of Few Hits in Battle.

PARIS, Feb. 6.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)—The relatively small proportion of men hit by infantry fire has been explained by the fact that the blue sky draws the aim high. An illustration maintains that this position is untenable because high fire is often more deadly than low by reason of the fact that it reaches the reserves, who are often assembled in far more compact masses than the men on the firing lines.

WIRELESS SETS OFF BOMB

Austria Has New War Invention Which Proves Efficient.

BERLIN, via London, Feb. 26.—Reference to a secret invention supplementing wireless telegraphy is made by the National Zeitung's correspondent at Austrian press headquarters. He says an explosion is produced by a system similar to wireless telegraph. The precision of the new invention is indicated, the correspondent declares, by the fact that 24 hits were made out of 25 shots.

Scandinavians Would Buy Ships.

LONDON, Feb. 26.—A dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph from Copenhagen says the Scandinavian shipping conference has issued a report in which it urges the commencement of diplomatic negotiations with the purpose of securing an agreement under which the Scandinavian countries will be permitted to purchase ships from belligerent countries.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 26.—(Special.)

According to a telegram which came from Chicago today, Hank O'Day, the former Cincinnati and Chicago manager and for years an umpire of National reputation, is anxious to get a chance to umpire in the Coast League. O'Day has made no formal application for the job, according to President Baum, who explains that the staff is already filled.

Quebec Suffers From Storm.

MONTREAL, Feb. 26.—The province of Quebec suffered today from the effects of a heavy snow and sleet storm. Telegraph and telephone communication between many points, notably between this city and Quebec, was impossible.

BANK MAY REORGANIZE

Yoncalla Institution, Closed Few Days Ago, Loses on Land. SALEM, Or., Feb. 26.—(Special.)—Superintendent of Banks Sargent, upon his return from Yoncalla, Douglas County, today, said there was a probability that the Yoncalla State Bank, closed several days ago by him, would be reorganized. Mr. Sargent has appointed G. V. Wimberly, ex-assistant cashier of the Douglas National Bank, a deputy superintendent to straighten out the affairs of the Yoncalla Bank. The financial trouble of the institution is due to its having taken land in Alberta as collateral which has depreciated in value as a result of poor crops and other unfavorable conditions. It had a capital stock of \$10,000, deposits of about \$60,000, and a surplus of about \$1000. M. L. Durigay is president; G. C. Knott, vice-president, and Harry Brown, cashier.

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APPEAL DUE TO PICTURE

MRS. SUTTON FIGHTS TO RETAIN DEAD SON'S LIKENESS.

Divorce Won, but Rather Than Give Up Picture of Late Naval Cadet Mother Refuses to Accept Decree.

Mrs. Rosa E. Sutton, to whom a divorce was granted by Circuit Judge Gantenbein last week, yesterday filed notice of appeal, refusing to give up a picture of her son, James B. Sutton, Jr., whose mysterious death at the Annapolis Naval Academy in 1912 attracted Nation-wide interest. The ownership of the son's picture is the only point of contention in the appeal. At the time of the death of the young naval cadet the mother exerted every effort to clear his name of the stigma of suicide. The naval authorities had pronounced his death due to suicide, and Mrs. Sutton appealed to the highest tribunals in attempting to reverse this decision. She recently she filed suit for divorce from her husband, James B. Sutton, a Southern Pacific agent on the East Side. Her prayer for a divorce and \$40 a month alimony was granted. In the trial two weeks ago in Judge Gantenbein's court the ownership of two pictures of the son was brought up in the discussion over division of personal effects. One was an oil painting, the other an enlarged photograph. Mrs. Sutton refused to give up either picture to the father. Last week Judge Gantenbein signed the divorce decree, in which one of the pictures was given to Mr. Sutton. Mrs. Sutton still refused to give up the picture and filed notice of appeal. H. E. Collier is her attorney.

WOMEN WANT POLL JOBS

Ousted by Election Officials, They Demand Reinstatement.

DIXON, Ill., Feb. 22.—Women selected to serve as judges and clerks of election at the primary on March 9 have been asked by the City Commission not to appear for service on that day. The first objection to the women serving was the labor law, and the second that police marshals was to be appointed and elected. Both of these objections have been eliminated by an opinion by Attorney-General Lacey, but in the meantime the women have been appointed to serve in the place of the women.

WOMAN PIONEER 1848 DIES

Mrs. Elizabeth A. Mattoon Passes at Home Near Walla Walla.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Feb. 25.—(Special.) Mrs. Elizabeth A. Mattoon, 77, who crossed the plains with her parents, Daniel and Elizabeth Trullinger, to Oregon Territory 67 years ago, died today at the home of her only son, A. H. Mattoon, three miles south of here. She lived here 18 years. Mrs. Mattoon was born in Indiana in 1838, with her parents crossing the plains by ox-team in 1848, and in 1852 married Runa Mattoon. In addition to her son two grandsons, Arthur R. Mattoon, of Portland, and Fred V. Mattoon, of Seattle, survive. A brother, D. P. Trullinger, lives at Yamhill, Or. Mrs. Mattoon will be buried Sunday.

AMERICAN SHIP RECALLED

Jason Hastens From England, on Orders From Washington.

AVONMOUTH, England, via London, Feb. 26.—The United States naval cutter Jason, which brought Christmas presents from American children to the children in countries suffering from the war, sailed today with exhibits from England and other European countries for the Panama-Pacific Exposition at San Francisco. Some of the exhibits were left on the docks at the captain of the Jason had received orders from the Navy Department at Washington to expedite his departure.

Shell Hurler Nine Miles.

On his arrival here the workman looked up his former employer, a wealthy Flemish contractor, and furnished him with drawings of the location of a battery of German guns, so heavy that they have been able to hurl shells a distance of nine miles into Furness. This information was transmitted to the British War Office and immediate steps have been taken to destroy this battery before it is put into action. Furness is a delightful old Flemish town with a town hall and some churches of great antiquity and beauty. In the picturesque square a few months ago King Albert, King George and President Poincaré met and reviewed the allied troops. King Albert and his staff made the town hall their headquarters, and in spite of an occasional German shell from a mysterious source and bombs dropped now and then by marauding Taubes, remained there until last week, when a heavy and continuous bombardment destroyed half the town, killing soldiers and civilians, and compelling the inhabitants to flee.

King Albert Closely Guarded.

Fortunately, the town hall did not suffer from the shells, the ancient buildings clustered about the square were not greatly damaged, the residential part of the town, through which the railroad and military highway pass, evidently having been the target of the German gunners. The persistent efforts of the German artillery to locate the headquarters of the Belgian King have always failed, but a recent escape of the ruler was so close that his officers will no longer permit him to rely upon the charmed life which he seems to lead and they are taking the most extraordinary precautions to keep his whereabouts a secret from the enemy.

Postmasters and Appointments for Washington Announced.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Feb. 26.—The Senate today confirmed nominations for Washington postmasters as follows: Hugh A. Nolan,



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THIRD CAPITAL OF BELGIUM DESERTED

Latest German Bombardment of Furness Impels King and His Staff to Move.

Several weeks ago, when the Associated Press correspondent visited Furness, several shells fell in the town and one exploded over the railroad station. The correspondent was informed that the attacks came from heavy guns mounted on armored trains or motor cars which were brought up close to the town and then taken away before they could be located by the allies' artillery, but the severity of the recent bombardment caused grave doubts of the correctness of this theory, and information brought to London by a Belgian workman who escaped from the German lines has disproved it.

HEAVY BATTERY REVEALED

Workman Furnishes Drawings of Location, British Naval Guns May Be Called Into Play—Missiles Hurler Nine Miles.

LONDON, Feb. 8.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)—Furness, the third capital on Belgian soil since the war began, has been deserted on account of the latest German bombardment which destroyed half of the town. The Belgian general headquarters there for several months has become the most mobile part of the army, and King Albert, with his staff officers, hardly know when they arise in the morning where they are going to sleep that night.

Ban on Seers and Boxers Urged.

ASHLAND, Or., Feb. 26.—(Special.)—If ordinances pending before the City Council carry, fortune telling and prize-fighting will be prohibited in this city. Fortunes must not be told for pay under any circumstances, and a recent boxing contest at the Armory is said to be the incentive for placing the ban on flatcuiffs.

ALBANY AGENT GOES TO FLAVEL.

ALBANY, Or., Feb. 26.—(Special.)—J. J. Hoydar, who has been Oregon Electric agent at Albany since the road was built to this city in 1912, has been transferred to Flavel, Or., and will be agent at the new station being established there as the terminus of the Hill lines and steamers. The new station will be an important one. Mr. Hoydar is succeeded as agent at Albany by H. S. Logan, who has been ticket clerk in the local office for several years and who is an experienced railroad man.

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\$25.00 —Featuring all the newest fashion notes of the higher-priced suits. For example, there are —the high-waisted effects —new flaring and pleated coats —tailored models, patch pockets —new Norfolk pleated styles —and the skirts are full and flaring, circular or pleated —There are many different styles, in new checks, sand, Belgian and navy blue, in models for girls and small women. —Fourth Floor

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—Cunning new models in serges, black and white checks, in double and single-breasted, high-waisted and pleated models, with collars and cuffs of lingerie, moire and pique. Prices \$5.95 to \$8.95. —Fourth Floor

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