

# ALLIES' FAILURE TO GAIN IS EXPLAINED

## French Authority Says Effort Is Chiefly to Demoralize Enemy.

## FRONT IS STOUTLY HELD

## Enormous Quantities of Material Required for Offensive, Which Can Neither Be Improvised Nor Long Sustained.

PARIS, Aug. 4.—An explanation of why so little progress is being made in the French and Belgian war zones, so far as actual ground gaining is concerned, is afforded in a statement from unquestionable authority, in which the almost insurmountable difficulties of the present struggle are set forth.

"During the last six months," says this authority, "from the North Sea to the Swiss mountains there has been veritable siege warfare along the length of the broken line of trenches. In this warfare all strategic maneuvers are absent, because maneuvers are impossible on ground where every square meter is marked and swept by artillery fire. The only alternative is a frontal attack. Such an attack is smashed to pieces in one part or another against the formidable organizations of defense, in which all the resources of art and science have been employed by the two adversaries.

"Vast quantities of shells used. In concrete, German works, armored and cemented, flanked with rapid fire and mortars, and linked to one another by marvelously concealed communicating trenches, which are protected by heavy batteries, dwell the infantry abundantly provided with rifles and hand grenades. To take possession of one of these works is a first necessity to demolish these trenches and destroy the material which they shelter. This is the artillery's task.

"No one before the war could have imagined the vast amount of shells required. Several thousand fired during a few hours on a restricted space announce an attack for which this preparation is being made.

"No matter how numerous the heavy guns or how well directed their fire, it often happens that preparation has been insufficient. One or two rapid fire guns mow down the troops who climb from the trenches ready for the charge and after suffering heavy sacrifices the attacking party arrive at the first line of the trenches of the enemy. The opposing artillery, with a literal wall of fire, effectively prevents any reinforcements from advancing to their support.

## Holding of Ground Difficult.

"They must fortify the captured trenches, being subjected to the whole of the most accurate bombardment, as the enemy knows the exact range of their former positions.

"Such offensive movements could not be multiplied nor prolonged definitely, as much an account of the moral and physical effort which they demand of the men as an account of the losses which they involve. Neither can such offensive be improvised. Before beginning an attack large quantities of material and projectiles must be gathered in one place previously appointed by the commander, advanced fortifications dug and the ground minutely studied.

"It is, despite these difficulties, the French army renews an offensive at the price of a bloody sacrifice, it is with the conscientious mission of holding large enemy forces in the western front. By the Marne victory it stopped the invasion and ruined the first German plan, which was first to shatter France and return then against Russia.

## Demoralization Is Real Purpose.

"By the victory of the Yser, with the aid of the allied armies closing the line of defense, it effectively prevented the enemy from getting a foothold in Pas-de-Calais.

"By continuous offensive actions from February to July in Champagne, the Argonne and Artois, it demoralized approximately 2,000,000 German soldiers, an enormous amount of material. Without allowing the enemy an instant's respite, it forced the German general staff to utilize on the western front reserves in barracks and arsenals.

"It would be a serious mistake to measure our effort by the ground conquered. The demoralization and wearing down of the German army is the real goal.

"We have attained this goal, since it has been proved that during these six months the enemy has suffered heavy losses, and, taking everything into consideration, he can only remove from our front 5 per cent of his total effectives.

"The great battles on the western front were fought in Champagne during the months of February and March; between the Meuse and the Moselle during the months of April, and in Artois during the May and June.

## German Losses Heavy.

"In Champagne we have taken the enemy's defenses to a depth of from two to seven kilometers (from one and one-third to four and one-third miles), which repeated and heavy counter-attacks have not been able to recapture. On the captured ground nearly 200,000 German dead were counted. We took 200,000 prisoners, captured guns and a large number of trench cannons.

"Between the Meuse and the Moselle we now occupy the Eparges crater, which was strongly fortified. There two Bavarian divisions, having received orders to hold out at all costs, left heaps of bodies.

"To this great success must be added the success in the Bois d'Alilly and the Bois de Pretre, which the Germans call 'Bois de la Mort.'

"In Artois more than 300,000 prisoners, cannon of all caliber, a hundred quick-firers and bomb-throwers fell to our hands.

## OFFICER CHARGES PLOT

### Hood River Floral Association Launches Planting Campaign.

SALEM, Or., Aug. 4.—(Special).—Charging that his recall is asked "by certain venal citizens" for the purpose of gratifying personal spleen and to prevent enforcement of law against a criminal, Joseph K. Starr, District Attorney of Wheeler County, today filed with Secretary of State Olcott his statement to be printed on the ballot at the recall election August 16. Thomas R. Kelly, of Fossil, today filed a certificate of nomination for the office of District Attorney, giving as his slogan, "Lower Taxes." The petition is signed by 21 residents of the county. Mr. Starr's statement is as follows:

"My recall is not sought for the reasons set forth in the recall petition. It is sought by certain venal citizens for the purpose of gratifying personal spleen and to prevent the enforcement

of the law against a criminal, who, because of his influential connections, thinks he is above the law. Had I failed to enforce the plain provisions of the law against this criminal my recall would not have been attempted.

"This is a 'wet' county and the local option law is in force in but four precincts. Mitchell precinct is 'wet' and Elliott liquor sales within the town of Mitchell cannot be prosecuted in the state courts. The voters of that section of the county have been willfully misled by my enemies in regard to this.

"The 'unnecessary' expense of my administration has been caused by far as actual ground gaining is concerned, is afforded in a statement from unquestionable authority, in which the almost insurmountable difficulties of the present struggle are set forth.

# PROF. CROOKS IS CALLED

## ALBANY PRESIDENT ELECTED BY ALMA, MICH., TRUSTEES.

## Educator Will Investigate Conditions of Offer, and May Take Two Weeks to Consider.

ALMA, Mich., Aug. 4.—(Special).—At a meeting of the board of trustees of Alma College here today, it was unanimously voted to elect Henry M. Crooks, head of the Albany (Or.) College, to the presidency of Alma College, Michigan.

Henry M. Crooks, President of Albany College, Who Has Been Elected to Presidency of Alma College, Michigan.

head of the Albany (Or.) College, to the presidency of Alma College, to succeed Dr. Thomas C. Blaisdell, who resigned in June to accept the deanship of the school of liberal arts at Pennsylvania State University.

Professor Crooks has been highly recommended here. The board expressed the hope that he will accept and come to Alma at the beginning of the fall semester.

ALBANY, Or., Aug. 4.—(Special).—President Crooks, of Albany College, said tonight it would be probably two weeks before he could decide definitely whether he would accept or reject the proffered presidency of Alma College, Michigan. He said he would need to know fully the conditions of the offer and have opportunity to confer with the trustees of Alma College.

President Crooks has known for some time that he was being considered for the presidency of Alma College, but the first definite information was received through The Oregonian tonight.

Mr. Crooks has been president of Albany College ten years, and it has now received its first endowment, which aggregates \$212,000, and is expected to reach \$250,000 by fall. During his presidency the college has been "standardized," being approved by the special examiner of the United States Commissioner of Education and the Presbyterian College Board.

## O.K. LAND GRANT PLANS

### SPRINGFIELD LEAGUE INDORSES PROPOSED CONFERENCE.

Establishment of Principles as Basis for Settlement Advocated for Aim of Gathering.

SPRINGFIELD, Or., Aug. 4.—(Special).—That any consideration of plans for the disposal of the Oregon & California Railroad grant lands should be confined to the formulation of principles, chief of these being the preventing of the removal of these lands from taxation, was the tenor of resolutions passed by the Springfield Development League last night while indorsing the conference proposed by the Eugene Commercial Club.

The Springfield Development League resolved that such a conference should not endeavor to determine a plan complete in all details, but should formulate a set of principles on which a settlement could be made, which principles would appeal to all interests as just, and that chief of these principles should be the declaration that no plan adopted should alienate these grant lands from the tax rolls of the several counties.

The resolution was presented by W. A. Hill, secretary of the league, who spoke of some of the plans which involved the selling of the land at arbitrary prices. That the basis facts should be stated out and decided upon, and plans for the meeting of the great, broad principles involved was the purpose a conference should fulfill, declared the speaker.

## BOY FALLS FROM BRIDGE

### Mark Duedall Drops 80 Feet at Albany and Is Unhurt.

ALBANY, Or., Aug. 4.—(Special).—Mark Duedall, 19 years old, fell 80 feet from the Albany steel bridge into the Willamette River here today when he climbed on the railing to watch boys in swimming, lost his balance and fell. He struck the river in water seven feet deep, but was rescued uninjured.

When Duedall fell, A. B. Weatherford pulled the boy into a power boat after he had floated about 100 feet and took him to shore.

Duedall said he became dizzy while sitting on the bridge railing and lost his balance.

For shingles alone, 750,000,000 feet of timber will be cut in the next 20 years in Washington, which is the heart of the Cascades.

# WOLENT GERMAN LETTER CONDEMNED

## National Alliance Officers Threaten to Resign Unless Language Is Modified.

## MILDER PROTEST VOICED

## Resolutions Assert Right of German-American Citizens to Be Heard and Demand That Neutrality Apply to All.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 4.—(Special).—After six of their officers, including four of the National vice-presidents, had declared their intention of resigning if favorable action were taken on the letter, the National Alliance today drafted to be sent to President Wilson, the delegates to the eighth biennial of the German-American National Alliance, a strong protest against the issuance of a milder letter with the dissenting vote of only its author and adopted in its stead a resolution couched in milder terms but containing a bitter commentary on the inconsistency of this country's stand toward Germany as compared with that toward Mexico is also set forth.

The plans suggested provide for one of the most up-to-date stages and for the installation of a \$25,000 organ. The Auditorium is to be put on what is known as the old market block.

"As soon as the work of construction can be started it will be rushed through," said Mr. Baker. "We hope to get started this fall and carry the work right on through the winter, assisting materially in relieving the unemployed situation."

## Less Radical View Prevails.

The vote was taken after a discussion in which several delegates expressed approval of the proposed letter, but in which the great majority concurred in a less radical method of expressing their views.

H. C. Bloedel, of Pittsburg, a member of the resolution committee, was the author of the letter and insisted on presenting it as a minority report. As a matter of courtesy the letter was read to the convention by the National first vice-president, Joseph Keeler, but immediately on concluding the reading Mr. Keeler announced that he would resign his office, both as National Vice-president and as member of the Indiana Alliance, if the letter were approved.

Almost instantly the third vice-president, Julius Moser, who is president of the Minnesota Alliance, followed Keeler's lead, at the same time announcing that he held in his hand four other provisional resignations, which were to go into effect if the convention approved Dr. Bloedel's letter. These were from the second vice-president, John Sparks, president of the Maryland Alliance, the seventh vice-president, Leo Stern, president of the Wisconsin Alliance, Dr. Charles Weinsberg, president of the Missouri Alliance, and Dr. Brock, president of the St. Louis City Alliance.

After declaring that the United States has been carrying on a "criminally pernicious traffic" in munitions for a year, Dr. Bloedel's letter said:

"Mr. President, we stand in a pillory before the world as consummate hypocrites and traitors to the American people. We are now curing you, and millions more will curse us in times to come. Do not allow yourself and the American people to be deceived by the eyes of our contemporaries and before the tribunal of history we stand convicted."

The letter accuses the United States of the greatest blame for the sinking of the Lusitania, and declares that this country "is divided in sentiment as never before." As a parting shot it concludes:

"Mr. President, it devolves upon you to remove this stain. There is no other alternative. The country demands that you restore to it what it has lost—its reputation, its honor, and its fair and unsullied name."

## German-Americans Demand Equality.

The resolution, which was approved by the resolution committee and adopted without opposition or change, utters almost the same protest, but in more dignified language. It says:

"The American people must realize that those of German birth or extraction are not willing to accept second place in public life and not here to be merely tolerated. As American citizens we rightly demand full equality, and will not suffer our influence upon the development of our Republic to be curtailed."

Again it says: "Since America has declared for neutrality, we demand that our Government in dealing with foreign nations adopt the same standard of treatment. We deplore that our Government has on the part of England practically permitted violations of international law and interference with commerce to the detriment of American interests and has on the part of another country—Mexico—supinely suffered the destruction of American life and property."

With the selection of officers and the choosing of Milwaukee as the location for the convention of 1917, the Alliance closed its labors today. Dr. Hexamer was re-elected president.

# INSURANCE SUIT IS WON

## Gas Company Gets \$5916 Judgment Against Aetna Life.

The Portland Gas & Coke Company yesterday won a suit against the Aetna Life Insurance Company, carrying a judgment of \$5916.72, with interest and costs and disbursements in the action, before Federal Judge Best.

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Bean in the afternoon. The trial took only a few hours, and at its conclusion Judge Bean, without leaving the bench, announced his decision awarding the judgment to the plaintiff.

The case grew out of seven cases of typhoid fever that developed among employees of the gas company on a job in the Summer and Autumn of 1913. The gas company had piped water for the employees to drink which turned out to be contaminated.

Louis Welch, Joseph Duerst, C. Hastings, Otto Bush, George Harbich, F. Kohn and I. M. Andrews were the men who were taken down with typhoid. They sued the gas company, which had previously taken out a contractors' and employers' liability policy from the Aetna Company.

## AUDITORIUM PLANS SENT

### ARCHITECT TO CONSIDER CHANGES SUGGESTED BY COUNCIL.

Construction Work Expected to Start in October, Mr. Baker Says, and Provide Jobs for 150.

Plans for the new city Auditorium with the changes recommended have been forwarded for revision to Frederick Seymour, the New York architect who has the Auditorium contract. Commissioner Baker announced yesterday. Mr. Baker said that the plans should be available and the work begun by the middle of October.

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## 12-YEAR ERROR LEARNED

### Farmer Locates on Another's Land and Pays Taxes on Own.

MINNIVILLE, Or., Aug. 4.—(Special).—Twelve years ago Josef Henrich bought eight acres of school land from the state, located, paid taxes and improved the place.

Today N. W. Smith, who recently purchased 12 acres from the state, discovered that Henrich had been living on his land and had paid taxes on another tract one mile south, similar in description. In the 12 years Henrich had built a home on the Smith place, cleared some of the timber and cultivated the land. The Henrich tract in the meantime has not been improved.

## BRIBERY ATTEMPT DENIED

### Speeder Fined \$20; \$2.50 Patrolman Says He Was Offered Taken.

The philanthropic fund kept by Probation Officer William Inskeep is \$2.50

richer by virtue of money Motorcyclist Patrolman Frank Ervin asserted he was given by F. Neuma on a speeding charge.

Found guilty of speeding, Mr. Neuma was sentenced to pay \$20, the highest fine for the offense levied by Municipal Judge Stader yesterday morning.

"He said, 'Let it go this time,' and alpped me \$2.50," testified Patrolman Ervin. "I took the money and him, too."

Mr. Neuma denied any attempted bribery, and the \$2.50 was ordered paid into the probation officer's fund by the court.

It never is seriously affecting street railway receipts in Winnipeg.

## TODAY'S TIMELY SUGGESTIONS AND PRICES

### COME IN AND LOOK AROUND. YOU'LL FIND THINGS YOU NEED AND WILL WANT TODAY

**Photo Prize Contest**  
Contest No. 5 ends August 31st. Open to all amateurs who have not won in other competitions than ours.  
First Prize... \$7.50  
Second Prize... \$5.00  
Third Prize... \$2.50  
Come in and get the details from our Photo Department. —Basement.

**Catawba Vinegar**  
(From pure Catawba Grape Juice.)  
This is an absolutely unadulterated Grape Juice that is very healthful and of choicest flavor. We have a large quantity in stock and will make especially low prices. Come in and let us show you. —Basement.

**Traveling Bags**  
Genuine Cowhide Bags of very fine quality, medium size, sell regularly at \$5.45 special... \$5.45 —Main Floor.

**Our Prescription Dept.**  
Is the special pride of our organization. The most extreme care is taken by every man in this department to uphold the reputation that has been established through many years of almost perfect work. All prescriptions are double checked and, after filling, are filed in our fireproof vault.

**One-Fourth Off on Picture Framing**  
For the balance of this week we are making this special offer. Bring down your work. —Second Floor.

**Bathing Slippers**  
Cork-Soled Canvas Slippers of various colors—red, blue, black, green and white. Regular size grade, special 19c —Main Floor.

**Durham Duplex 5c Sale**  
With a purchase of six double-edged Durham Duplex Blades for 5c, we will give you one Durham Duplex Demonstrator Razor for 5c.

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Your clerks are experts at making sales, not at adding up figures. They must rush to serve waiting customers. They are right out in the hustle and confusion of the store.

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One mistake prevented each day will pay you a handsome return on your investment. You are now making more than one mistake a day. We stand ready to prove from your own records that you are now paying for a Burroughs in mistakes that can easily be prevented. Whether you're a grocer or

Any other kind of retailer

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Since you are now paying in mistakes the price of this Burroughs, you ought to own it.

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