

FRENCH TAKE 31,829 FOES IN SIX WEEKS

Initiative Gained in April Is Kept and New Drive Is Likely at Any Time.

GERMANS ARE NERVOUS

Hurricane of Artillery and Machine Gun Fire Is Let Loose When Opponents Make Slightest Move—Tactics Improved.

ON THE FRENCH FRONT IN FRANCE, May 21.—(From Staff Correspondent of the Associated Press.)—Between April 15 and May 24 the number of German prisoners falling into French hands reached a total of 31,829, of whom 28,045 were unarmored. This period covers three phases of the general attack now temporarily abated, which the French undoubtedly will continue when the proper moment arrives.

As a result of the successful attacks the French now possess the initiative and occupy more important positions than when they began the forward movement in April. Artillery duels continue unceasingly at all points on the front, occasionally intermingled with local infantry combats in which short stretches of trench sometimes change hands.

Thus far the French always have regained any positions taken from them and at some places have bitten further into the German lines. The Germans are showing great nervousness as to what is about to happen and the slightest movement in the French lines calls for that hurricane of artillery and machine gun fire. The absolute confidence of the French in their superiority is seen in the manner in which they move over intervening ground between the lines when ordered for attack. The tactics now employed permit them to attack with minimum losses.

This was demonstrated, for instance, in a recent raid in the range of hills and the woods south of Chevreux. A small body of French infantry advanced in order to attack the German severe artillery preparations having preceded the assault.

Six Companies Annihilated. The infantry gained the objective and took 20 prisoners in addition to killing a number of Germans. Later it was discovered that French shells had battered the German shelters so thoroughly that six full German companies, crouching in the shelters while awaiting an opportunity for a counter attack, had been killed to the last man. The place was a shambles.

The total French loss in this affair amounted to only 27 men killed or wounded. This proportion applies only to one corner of the battlefield, for in other places the French encountered difficulties which held them back for a period and entailed much more severe fighting, with consequent higher casualties. Close observation by the respondent of the whole fighting front from Soissons to Aubervie, however, shows clearly that the French casualties are much lower than the German.

As the French, despite all difficulties of ground, everywhere gained and held the objectives to which they are in a good position to establish what are the enemy's losses.

FRENCH REPULSE OFFENSIVE

British Make Slight Gains on West Front.

PARIS, June 1.—French troops last night captured a German post south of Chevreux, taking a number of prisoners, the War Office announces. Raids by Germans and an attack on the Casque were repulsed.

LONDON, June 1.—"Our troops gained ground slightly during the night west of Cherisy (Aras front)," says today's official announcement. "Patrol encounters resulted in our favor last night in the neighborhood of Gouzeaucourt. Successful raids were made by our northeast of Loos and near Ploegsteert wood."

FAMINE ALARM SOUNDED

American Crops Must Save Europe, Says Carl Vrooman.

NEW YORK, June 1.—Carl Vrooman, Assistant Secretary of the Department of Agriculture, in an address today on the food situation before the convention of the American Medico-Psychological Association, attacked food speculators as "vicious, recalcitrant Americans" who will be "clubbed into submission" by Congress, using unified public sentiment against them as a weapon.

SPARGO LEAVES HIS PARTY

Famous Socialist Arraigns Old Organization as Pro-German.

NEW YORK, June 2.—Asserting that the Socialist party "is probably the greatest single obstacle to the progress of Socialism in America," and has been "committed to a program essentially un-American and pro-German," John Spargo, Socialist writer and member of the National executive committee of the Socialist party, announced today that he had resigned from the party and may form a new Socialist organization.

FRANK FOGARTY MARRIES

Wedding With Miss Jessie Taylor Solemnized at Redding, Cal.

REDDING, Cal., June 1.—(Special.)—Frank Fogarty, 39, and Jessie Taylor, 30, both from Portland, married here yesterday.

MEYER GOTTSSTEIN IS DEAD

Leading Business Man of Seattle Was Known as Philanthropist.

SEATTLE, Wash., June 1.—(Special.)—Meyer Gottstein, a resident of Seattle since 1883 and founder of the wholesale liquor house of M. & K. Gottstein, passed away this afternoon at the age of 73. He is survived by his wife and one son and a daughter.

PASTOR IS QUESTIONED

SEATTLE MAN CIRCULATES "THE CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTOR"

THIRD MATE OF ONE LOST

Others of Crews Landed at Cadiz, Plymouth and Gibraltar—Germans Ransack One Craft Before Sending It Down.

SEATTLE, Wash., June 1.—(Special.)—When the attention of United States District Attorney Clay Allen was called to a pamphlet entitled "The Conscientious Objector," advising anti-conscription advocates of the course to pursue during the selective draft period, Rev. Sydney Strong, pastor of the Queen Anne Congregational Church, the author, was called to the office of that official.

GRAND JURY INDICTS 16

SEVEN NOT TRUE BILLS RETURNED IN DAY BY INVESTIGATORS.

Total of 289 Witnesses Examined and Nine Cases Referred by Body Sitting for May.

Sixteen true bills and seven not true bills were returned by the May grand jury in its final report yesterday to Presiding Judge Kavanaugh. During the month the jury returned a total of 41 true bills and 24 not true bills. A total of 289 witnesses were examined and nine cases were referred to the incoming grand jury for consideration. No recommendations were contained in the final report.

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SHIP MERGER MAY FAIL

GREAT NORTHERN AND NORTHERN PACIFIC MAY BE TRANSPORTS.

WASHINGTON, June 1.—(Special.)—The proposed merger of the Great Northern and Northern Pacific steamship lines may be abandoned, it is learned today from the United States Shipping Board when it gets authority conferred by pending legislation to commandeer American steamers wherever found and place them in the trans-Atlantic trade.

RAILWAY TO BE PURCHASED

Government Is Acquiring Tanana Valley Line in Alaska.

WASHINGTON, June 1.—Secretary Lane announced today that arrangements are being made for the purchase of the Tanana Valley Railroad, a privately owned line in Alaska, running from Fairbanks to Chatanika, with a branch to Chena.

WOODBURN COUPLE GET LICENSE

OREGON CITY, Or., June 1.—(Special.)—A marriage license was issued here today to Gladys L. Tweedie and Jund M. Case, of Woodburn, Or., route No. 2.

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U-BOATS DESTROY 3 AMERICAN VESSELS

Sailing Ships Frances, Dirigo and Barbara Sunk, Reports Britain.

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ZEPPELIN'S NIECE TO WED

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Healdton field were burned. The loss is estimated at \$180,000.

TOPEKA, Kan., June 1.—Advices that Coffeyville had been struck by a tornado, with the loss of several lives were received here tonight by Governor Capper from Dr. Fulton, Captain of a Kansas cavalry troop, asking that guardsmen be ordered to take charge of the rescue work. The Governor immediately telegraphed the necessary authority.

Catholic Church Razed.

The message stated that many homes and business houses were in ruins, several persons were seriously injured, and the number of dead was unknown.

GAINESVILLE, Tex., June 1.—The Catholic Church, a general store and several residences at Lindsey, a town of 50 inhabitants, six miles west of here, were destroyed by a tornado early today. No one was killed, but several were injured.

GUTHRIE, Okla., June 1.—A tornado passed through a strip of country seven miles south of Guthrie at 2 o'clock today. Several persons were reported injured. Many buildings were razed.

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FATHER RIDES ALL NIGHT IN STORM WITH RANSOM.

Captors Fall to Keep Appointment to Collect \$6000—Child Stolen From Bed in Its Home.

SPRINGFIELD, Mo., June 1.—Somewhere in the Ozark Hills the infant son of J. Holland Keet, ex-banker of this city, is being held as hostage. Two days and two nights of unremitting search have failed to reveal the hiding place of the kidnapers who late Wednesday night stole the baby from his bed, while a maid slept in an adjoining room and the parents were attending a ball at the Country Club, a short distance away.

In response to an anonymous letter received yesterday, the baby's father drove through the storm last night carrying \$6000 with which to purchase the little fellow's freedom, but the kidnapers did not keep their appointment. It is said Keet received another message from the captors today.

Detectives assert the author of the letter is a woman. Keet is manager of his mother's estate, which is estimated to be worth \$3,000,000.

DIRIGO KNOWN AT TACOMA

Vessel Last in Northwest Port October 12, 1915.

TACOMA, Wash., June 1.—(Special.)—The American four-masted steel bark Dirigo was well known at this port, where she has loaded and unloaded several occasions. The last voyage of the vessel here was October 12, 1915. At that time she was in command of Captain W. M. Sallett, who was accompanied by his wife.

The vessel came here by way of Kobe. The late Jack London, noted author, had made the voyage out in the Dirigo. Her cargo included 2000 tons of barley, loaded here, after which she shifted to Seattle to finish. The Dirigo was reported sold March 1 to C. C. Mengle & Co., of Louisville, and about a month ago was reported sold by the firm to the Axim Transportation Company, of New York. She was one of the A. M. Sewall fleet, of Bath, Me., until sold to Mengle & Co. and was a 3005-ton vessel.

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Miss Zipperlin, who lives in Berkeley, and came here to be married, approved her prospective husband's registration and declared if he was called to the colors she would not oppose his going, although her father was born in Germany and she herself has many relatives there. The name Zipperlin, she said, had been changed from the original Zeppelin since her parents came to this country.

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WOMAN SUES OVER DEAL

Lane County Resident Alleges Fraud in Trade for Portland Property.

OREGON CITY, Or., June 1.—(Special.)—With the charge that Horace Bigelow deceived and defrauded her in negotiating for the transfer of some improved property in Portland for 40 acres of Lane County land, Mrs. Marcy J. Lehman today filed suit for the recovery of \$1750 damages from Mr. Bigelow. Lena Waters Perlich asks for a divorce from Albert Perlich, to whom she was married in Salem May 22, 1910, because she says that he abused her.

SWISS EXPORTS CUT DOWN

U-Boat War Has Bad Effect on Trade With America.

BERNE, via Paris, June 1.—Germany's submarine warfare is having a bad effect on Switzerland's export trade with the United States. During May the exports of embroidery amounted only to one-half of those in May, a year ago.

BRITISH FOOD CONTROLLER RESIGNS.

LONDON, June 1.—Baron Devonport has resigned his food controller because of ill health.

BARON DEVONPORT APPOINTED FOOD CONTROLLER IN THE LLOYD GEORGE CABINET ON DECEMBER 10, 1916.

Baker will be Mayor.—Adv.

A HEAD FOR MAYOR

Vote 14 | X | Baker, Geo. L.

"Good, common sense in a live, active administration."

Issued by Baker Campaign Club.

A Few Important Offerings Listed for Our Great June Sale of Undermuslins. There are dozens of other Underpriced Offerings equally as important. It is the Season's Greatest Saving Opportunity—a time when Hundreds of Women purchase for both Present and Future Needs.

Saturday's Sale of Drug Sundries. Price-cleps that will prove of help to economical shoppers. Large cake of Fairy Soap at 5c, 8-oz. bars of Palm Soap at 1 for 25c, Violet Glycerine Soap at 25c, Cream Oil Toilet Soap at 25c, Peroxide Bath Soap, 3 for 25c, Pond's Vanishing Cream at 15c, Woodbury's Facial Cream at 15c, Tube Luxor Face Cream at 15c, Hind's Honey and Almond Cream, 40c, Sumpre Glycerine Soap at 15c, 8-oz. roll Crepe Toilet Paper at 6c, 16-oz. roll Hospital Cotton at 25c, 16-oz. can Violet Talcum at 15c, 16-oz. bottle of Peroxide at 15c.

Store Opens at 8:30 A.M. Saturdays at 9 A.M. Store Closes at 5:30 P.M. Saturdays at 6 P.M. The Most in Value—The Best in Quality.

77 ENTER BABY SHOW. WOMEN OF BAPTIST CHURCH AT OREGON CITY IN CHARGE. Judges in Awarding of Prizes to Contestants Are Mrs. Eva Emery Dye and Mrs. George Galahan. OREGON CITY, Or., June 1.—(Special.)—A baby show was held in the parlors of the Baptist Church in this city today under the auspices of the Cdale Roll Mothers' Class of the Baptist Church.

BREWSTER for Commissioner. SOME REASONS. Not easily swayed from a sense of right by either friendship or prejudice. DR. T. L. ELIOT, Pastor Emeritus, Unitarian Church. He possesses in a marked degree those qualities required to solve the problems created by the war. W. B. AYER, Pres. Eastern & Western Lumber Co. No trimmer. Clearly one of the two best candidates for Commissioner. DAN J. MALARKY, of Malarky, Seabrook & Dibble, Attorneys. Has executive ability and stands by his convictions. FLETCHER LINN, Manufacturer. The most sincere and devoted of the new candidates in the field. RICHARD W. MONTAGUE, of Wood, Montague, Hunt & Cookingham, Attorneys. A keen student of the problems of mankind. DAVID ROBINSON, Public Defender. Consistent support of the commission form of government. JOHN F. DALY, Pres. Title & Trust Company. Honest, able, fearless, impartial, approachable. JAMES B. KERR, of Carey & Kerr, Attorneys. He knows no "ism." ISAAC SWETT, Secy. Oregon Civic League. Former administration was exceptionally able, and deserves in-dorsement by re-election. R. L. SABIN, Secy. Merchants' Protective Association. Legal training qualifies him for the position. Willing to give both sides a complete hearing. EVERETT AMES, Pres. Ames, Harris & Neville Co. I worked with him on the Industrial Welfare Commission, and I believe in him. MRS. L. GEE, Pres. Garment Workers' Union. Free from politics, conscientious and fearless. LOUIS J. GOLDSMITH, Investments. His seventeen years of public library service fits him for intelligent direction of city affairs. MARY FRANCES ISOM, Librarian, Public Library. Unselfish and persistent devotion to the city. WILLIAM T. FOSTER, Pres. Reed College. VOTE 32 X WM. L. BREWSTER (Paid Advertisement)