

ENGLISH RETREAT DOWN TO ENEMY

Germans Announce Capture of Villages in Which All Fortifications Are Destroyed.

BRITISH LINE STRONGER

Losses Suffered by Allied Forces Declared by Berlin to Have Been Heavy—Same Source Reports Number of Prisoners 9000.

BERLIN, via London, Dec. 6.—The capture by the Germans of Graincourt, Annau, Canteing, Noyelles and the villages north of Maroing is announced by the War Office. The Germans are said to have advanced their line to a depth of four kilometers over a section 19 kilometers in length.

In their retreat in the Cambrai sector, the announcement says, the British destroyed villages, leaving traces which there and in the city of Cambrai, previously damaged, will long be visible on French soil.

The British are reported to have withdrawn from the heights north and east of Flesquiere.

Germans Claim 9000 Prisoners. The losses suffered by the British in the Cambrai region are said to have been heavy. The number of prisoners taken has been increased to more than 9000, and the number of guns captured to 143.

The ground over which the Germans advanced was relinquished voluntarily by the British. Tuesday night without fighting, to improve the position of the front in the Cambrai sector.

Troops Withdrawn Secretly. Tuesday night British troops holding the salient in the neighborhood of Noyelles-sur-Furcy and the wood were withdrawn to a position southwest of these localities. The withdrawal was made successfully without interference from the Germans, who until a late hour yesterday appeared not to be aware of the movement.

Prior to the withdrawal the enemy's field works in the abandoned area were systematically destroyed. Further hostile attacks yesterday evening in the vicinity of La Vacquerie were repulsed. Local fighting continued in this locality during the night.

Severe Loss Inflicted. The night report from Field Marshal Haig's headquarters says: "Local fighting has taken place today in the neighborhood of La Vacquerie without any change in the situation. In the area south of the wood minor hostile attacks were repulsed with severe loss to the enemy. The hostile infantry has been active at a number of points south of the Scarpe and also in the neighborhood of Armentieres."

Byng Compared to Napoleon. The Reuters correspondent at British headquarters in France sends the following: "General Byng realized Napoleon's quality to know when to retreat and do it."

"We have fallen deliberately and successfully upon a well-chosen line, which rules out the possibility of Bourlon wood, and should enable us to maintain our hold upon the captured length of the Hindenburg line against any pressure."

PARIS, Dec. 6.—"Our patrols brought back prisoners south of St. Quentin north of Alais and in Alsace," says today's official report. "On the right bank of the Meuse our batteries effectively shelled enemy batteries which were very active on the front between Louvemont and Bezonvaux."

Two German Raids Repulsed. "A raid against our post north of Bezonvaux was repulsed. Another enemy effort, in the region of Lartigue, Upper Alsace, met with no better success."

(By the Associated Press.) WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, Wednesday, Dec. 6.—How American Railway Engineers gallantly fought and died with their British comrades in arms on the British front before Cambrai last week was told today in a semi-official statement.

"Two and one-half companies of Railway Engineers," the statement says, "with a strength of eight officers and 365 men, were encamped at Fins, on November 30, having completed their work in the neighborhood. At 6:30, four officers and 280 men went to Gouzeaucourt, arriving at 7 o'clock and starting to work with the Canadian Engineers. The entire contingent was under a Canadian Major and an American Captain. The area was three miles in the rear of the line and none of the troops were armed."

Men Cut Off by German Advance. "At 7:15 German barrage fire moved on Gouzeaucourt, after heavy shelling to the east. At 7:30 a general retreat was ordered, and it was effected with some difficulty, due to the artillery, machine gun and airplane fire. A number of losses were sustained at this time, and also among the men who, cut off by the German advance, had taken refuge in dugouts. Some of these men who had been cut off, succeeded in joining the British combatant units, and fought with them during the day. Meantime there was active fighting against Fins and the men there were ordered to scatter in the fields."

"As the men returned to camp they

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were assembled under arms and instructions were asked from British headquarters. At 3 o'clock they were instructed to dig and hold the trenches, and the men moved up and started work shortly afterward. At 6 o'clock the trenches were finished sufficiently for the entire command, and division headquarters directed a withdrawal to camp and that the men be held in readiness to man the trenches. Two small details were sent out to repair a distant break in the new track and to assist in transferring ammunition to another point.

"The list of casualties is relatively small and will be issued tomorrow. It is stated that the British officers, the conduct of the regiment was most satisfactory. They praise its coolness under fire and the ability of the men to work without interruption is regarded as most commendable."

Aviators Work Satisfactorily. American Army aviators are now working with the artillery and the results so far have been most satisfactory to both branches of the service. Yesterday American aviators flew over a certain section of the American zone and took photographs. The artillery today started firing at five separate targets located from the photographs. The aviators took to the air and the observers watched the results of the firing, which was at a considerable range.

The first shells fell wide of the mark, but within four minutes the observers were able to correct this with wireless messages to the batteries so that the shells fell in the target area. Later the observers had practice in locating the other "enemy" with more or less success.

GRAFT HARVEST LARGE
CONFIDENCE MEN PREY ON NEW YORK RESIDENTS.

Game Spoiled by Influx From All Over Country of Those Who Used Coarse Sledgehammer Methods.

NEW YORK, Dec. 6.—Confidence men came to New York from all parts of the country to prey upon persons ready to contribute to war charities. Michael J. Delahanty, 401 District 10, told Swann today after pleading not-guilty to an indictment charging him with forgery and grand larceny in connection with the raising of funds for soldiers' dependents. The defendant announced he would help in the war charities inquiry here and went before the grand jury.

"It was the easiest graft I ever engaged in," Delahanty said to the prosecutor. "Every person you met fell and fell hard. It was easier than picking up rocks along the Palisades. I was not the only one doing it. 'Dead sure men' came from all over the country to New York where, it was gone forth, the graft was easy, and the town was soon filled with 'con men.'"

"That's what spoiled the game. Some of them were men satisfied with a couple hundred dollars and started to use sledgehammer methods and people began to take notice. Right there is where I quit."

Lester Winkelman, indicted with Delahanty, also pleaded not guilty and will testify before the grand jury.

WEDDING KNOT TIED AT SEA
Isidor Goldberg, of Portland, and Rose Scolneck Married by Captain.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 6.—(Special.) Captain Wayland, of the Independent Steamship Company's steamer, F. A. Kilburn, accommodated Isidor Goldberg and Rose Scolneck by acting as a parson on the way down from Astoria when they told him they could not think of waiting until reaching San Francisco to be married.

Two of the passengers were witnesses to the ceremony. Goldberg lives in Portland.

Mr. Goldberg is secretary of the American Bottle, Bag & Metal Company, 15 Front street. He lives at 755 First street.

BOLIVIA CITY SEES RIOT
Several Killed, Many Wounded. Trouble Not Revolutionary.

SANTIAGO, Chile, Dec. 6.—According to a dispatch from La Paz, Bolivia, serious disorders broke out after a sitting of the Chamber of Deputies at which former President Montes undertook to refute certain charges made against him by the Republicans. The chief of staff was wounded, one officer, two soldiers and four civilians were killed and 17 others were wounded.

Order was soon re-established and the dispatch adds that the trouble was not of a revolutionary character.

HUNS HALTED BY ITALIANS
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IN NORTHERN ITALY, Wednesday, Dec. 6.—(By the Associated Press.) The furious enemy attack on the Asiago Plateau has been repulsed with heavy losses except at the northeastern sector, around the Tondoccar where, after a desperate struggle which lasted until the morning, the enemy succeeded in occupying some of the advanced Italian lines, which were retired to more secure positions.

Fighting Extremely Heavy. The fighting has been extremely heavy, with masses of infantry engaged in hand-to-hand combat. The first attack on the Italian left was met and repulsed by the 23d Corps, with large enemy casualties. Some prisoners were taken. The main attack on the Italian right was contested 36 hours by other corps which inflicted heavy losses before yielding ground.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—Fresh Austro-German divisions from the French and Russian fronts are continually arriving on the Italian line, according to official dispatches today from Rome. Extraordinary activity of the invaders along the entire front and particularly in the mountain region shows reorganization of their armies, with the fresh troops filling in for the losses sustained in the recent attempts to break through.

Terrific artillery fire from Vallara to the sea is taken to indicate that reorganization is about complete. Favored by exceptionally mild weather and making excellent roads, the invaders are making the most of their plans. The Italian high command, the dispatches say, is confident of its position. Airplanes are being destroyed and Italian patrols are in constant touch with the enemy.

Girls Are Being Replaced. TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 6.—(Special.)—Electrical linemen, who went on a strike in sympathy with Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Company operators, are busy putting the Tacoma lines into condition. Of the old force 118 girls are now at work on the boards. The remaining 35 girls will be replaced as rapidly as possible.

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RAIDERS BOMB ENGLAND
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other casualties occurred in the outlying districts. A SOUTHEAST ENGLAND COAST

U.S. MEN WOUNDED

General Pershing Reports on Recent Casualties.

PORTLAND BOY IS IN LIST

Second Lieutenant A. L. Cone and 12 Army Engineers Victims of German Assault in Cambrai Sector on Byng's Forces.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—Second Lieutenant A. L. Cone and 12 enlisted men of the American Army Engineers have been wounded in action, General Pershing today reported to the War Department.

General Pershing gave no details, except that the men were wounded November 30, the day on which American engineers working with the British army assisted General Byng's forces in stemming a German assault near Cambrai.



William L. Barnes, Portland Man, Who Was Seriously Wounded Near Cambrai, France.

bral. Cable dispatches said some of the engineers were killed, but General Pershing's report contained no names of dead.

Lieutenant Cone and 11 of the enlisted men were seriously and one man slightly wounded.

Seriously wounded: Sergeant Frank Haley, New York City; Corporal Patrick A. Barker, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Corporal Charles J. Critchley, New York City.

Private James Angus, Aberdeen, Scotland; Private James A. Grogan, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Private Isador E. Eisenberg, Coteville, Pa.; Private James A. Eagan, Great Neck, N. Y.; Private William L. Barnes, sister, Agnes M. Barnes, 741 Broadway, Portland, Ore.

Private Charles A. Geiger, Chicago; Private George E. Jones, Scranton, Pa. Slightly wounded: Private Louis C. Bland, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Lieutenant Cone's emergency address is L. G. Cone, father, Artemesia, Cuba.

William L. Barnes, included in the list of seriously wounded soldiers, is a Portland man, whose home is at 741 Broadway.

He is a member of the Eleventh Railway Engineer Corps, is 22 years old and enlisted in New York two months ago. His father, J. P. Barnes, is employed by the W. P. Fuller Company in Tacoma. Two sisters and a brother live at the Broadway address. His mother is dead. The family has received notification.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—Vice-Admiral Sims today reported to the Navy Department a seaplane accident in the war zone in which one American sailor was killed and a gunner's mate injured.

FIVE DIE NATURAL DEATHS
Bronchial Pneumonia and Other Diseases Result Fatally.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—Deaths of five enlisted men of the forces in France from natural causes were reported today. The names are: Private George H. McKee, of Boston, Mass., infant, November 26, bronchial pneumonia.

Private William W. Grover, engineer, December 1, measles, complicated by bronchial pneumonia acute.

Private Charles S. Call, infantry, November 30, bronchial pneumonia, acute asthma, severe acute dilation of the heart.

Private James M. Crowley, infantry, December 3, cerebral spinal meningitis.

Private Harvey W. Reamy, marine corps, November 29, acute myocardial degeneration, cardiac dilation.

DRAFT OPPONENTS GUILTY
Verdict Given Against Nine by Kansas City Jury.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 6.—The jury in the case of nine persons tried in Federal Court here charged with conspiring to obstruct the selective draft law today returned a verdict of guilty.

Raymond I. Moore, Mrs. Leonora Warneson Moore, his wife; Thomas R. Sullivan, Elias Lohmyer, Harvey E. Egan, Edward Egan, Harry Doll, Ralph W. Browder and Earl Browder were convicted.

The nine were members of an organization they called the Federation for Democratic Control, through which they attempted to induce others to resist the draft.

TOWN, Dec. 6.—The German air raiders who crossed the coast at 3:15 o'clock this morning, were flying so low that British machine guns were used against them and helped to beat off the attack. From then until 6 o'clock raiders were crossing and recrossing the coast line, but all their incendiary bombs fell in fields and their explosive bombs into the sea.

All the people had taken shelter and there were no casualties. The weather was ideal for raiders. The moon was extremely bright in a clear sky and no breeze was blowing.

BRITISH AIR FIGHTERS BUSY

Successful Raids Made on German Military Establishments.

LONDON, Dec. 6.—An official statement issued today by the British Admiralty regarding naval airplane raids on German military establishments in Belgium follows:

"Yesterday aircraft carried out a bombing raid on the L'Esperance airfield. Many bombs were dropped on this objective and also on a train leaving the Engeldump."

"Numerous engagements with enemy aircraft have taken place during the night, with the result that three hostile machines were destroyed and one driven down by our own forces."

"During Tuesday in the course of our patrols three enemy aircraft were shot down out of control. All machines returned safely."

98 MEN ARE ENLISTED

RECRUITING OFFICE SMASHES ALL PREVIOUS RECORDS.

Fifty-one of Applicants Signed Up Yesterday Will Become Firemen in United States Navy.

Best previous records of the Portland Navy recruiting office were greatly overtopped yesterday, when a total of 98 men were sent through the office routine and given transportation for points in California. At this time only because of limitations of hours and physical abilities that the office stopped short of enrolling 124 men.

Since April 14, the high record for enlistments at the Portland Navy recruiting station has stood at 74. The fact that 36 men who presented themselves yesterday had to wait until today, and since 16 men are coming from Eugene and another delegation from Spokane, it is expected that the office will today enlist three to four score recruits. Of the men who appeared for enlistment yesterday, 77 came from Portland and 21 from other parts of the city.

The 98 men accepted during the day were sent out during the night over the Southern Pacific. Fourteen of the number were routed to San Diego, Cal. Fifty-one of the recruits signed up in the local office are to become firemen in the United States Navy.

That by tonight they will be able to telegraph to Washington that their quota of 340 firemen has been completed.

Two of the men enlisted here yesterday go to the Navy Hospital service, one is to be a baker and one a cook. The remaining 29 are enrolled as apprentice seamen.

CRITICISMS ARE ASKED

FEDERAL STANDARDS HEARING TO BE HELD IN PORTLAND.

Rules and Regulations for Enforcement of Grain Standards to Be Given Attention.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Dec. 6.—The Department of Agriculture today announced that a public hearing on Federal standards for various wheats and shelled corn will be held at Portland, December 12. The hearing is to be a series of 17 throughout the country, at which the Department of Agriculture invites constructive criticisms on the grain standards and the rules and regulations for their enforcement from producers of grain, millers, merchants, inspectors, warehousemen, carriers and other interested persons.

Standards for shelled corn have been effective since December 1, 1916; for hard red winter wheat, soft red winter wheat, common white wheat and white club wheat, since July 1, 1917; and for others wheats since August 1, 1917.

It is believed the standards and the rules and regulations have been in force long enough to afford substantial basis for consideration of modifications or amendments.

WAR STAMPS SELLING FAST

Sales for First Three Days of Week Average \$2000.

Sales of war savings stamps in Portland for the first three days of the week averaged \$2000 daily, according to figures released yesterday by the post-office authorities.

"While this is a satisfactory start," said Assistant Postmaster Durand, "we expect the stamps to sell faster as more people learn of them. At present the sale is under a handicap because we have no posters calling attention to the stamps and their investment features, and have not received literature that the carriers and postal employees might distribute. We have intentions that some extensive sales will be made in the next few days."

WAR STAMP NECESSARY

Senders of Parcel Post Packages Warned by Postmaster.

Postmaster Myers desires to remind the public of the need for affixing war tax stamps on all parcel post packages. These stamps must also be cancelled by the sender. The tax is one cent on each parcel post package that requires 25 cents or more for transit. For each additional 25 cents or fraction necessary another cent for tax must be added.

These war taxes cannot be paid with the regular postage stamps. The sender must affix documentary stamps which are on sale and available for the purpose. All documentary stamps up to 10 cents must be cancelled by the sender. Cancellation is made by writing the word "cancelled" on the stamp.

Mr. Drowley appointed a committee consisting of William B. Du Bois, W. J. Kinney, Maurice Smith, Guy Bennett and William McPhadden to outline a plan for the proposed reorganization of the chamber.

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Carl Manigan Arrested. Carl Manigan, grocer at 475 Northrup street, was arrested last night on a warrant charging him with violating the prohibition law. The police seized 100 gallons of homemade wine, and 100 gallons of a mixture which they say was being fermented for water.

Marshfield Doctor Cited. MARSHFIELD, Or., Dec. 6.—(Special.)—E. E. Straw, Mayor of Marshfield for eight years, now president of the State Medical Association, left today for Fort Riley, Kan., where he will enter the United States Medical Corps for service during the war. Another Coos Bay surgeon, Dr. Phil J. Keizer, who went to a Klamath Falls hospital, is now in France, having remained in camp but three months before being ordered to the front.

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