AMERICANS ARRIVE ON BATTLE FRONT

Yankees Swing in Line With British Veterans After Making Long Hike.

HUNS SOON TO FEEL BLOW

Reuter's Correspondent Telegraphs London That Presence of Americans in Fighting Line Should Be Noticed in Brief Time.

(By the Associated Press.)

WITH THE BRITISH ARMY IN FRANCE, April 10.—The first of the American fighting troops have arrived on the British front and have been greeted with intense enthusiasm.

The overseas pioneers were a battalion of infantry which came swinging along the road into a certain sector after an all-night march that began on the anniversary of America's declaration of war. The dusty uniforms and unshaven faces of the Americans showed that they had been long on the road.

LONDON, April 10.—American reinforcements have appeared in the British battle zone, says a dispatch from British headquarters in France to Reuter's Limited. Their presence in the fighting line, the correspondent adds, should soon be felt.

(By the Associated Press.)

WITH THE FRENCH ARMY IN FRANCE, April 9.—The approaching entry of American troops into the line of battle beside the troops of the entente is being awaited with absorbing interest by the men who are facing the Germans along the front where Emperor William 20 days ago launched what was intended to be a crushing blow for the allies.

French Praise Americans.

Most of the men have heard how well the Americans have held the sector in various parts of the line, either acting alone or in conjunction with their allies. The desire of the Americans to take part in the greatest battle of the war is looked upon as further proof of their fighting spirit.

Many of the French troops now engaged in stopping the German offensive have seen the Americans at work and speak enthusiastically of their readiness to learn all the intricacies of modern warfare. They recall the eager manner in which the Americans joined in trench raids and the workmanlike spirit with which they undertook the hardships of trench life, as well as their willingness to carry out patrols in No Man's Land, even when they knew the German scouting parties were of superior numbers.

Yankees Quick to Learn.

French soldiers who have been encamped in the vicinity of the Americans cannot say too much in regard to the ready comprehension shown by their trans-Atlantic allies. They express the certainty that they will live up fully to the expectations when their time comes in the present battle.

LONDON, April 10.—But for the gallant defense put up by General Carey's improvised army, in which American railway engineers played a prominent part, says the correspondent on the western front of the Daily Mail, the enemy might have pushed through to Amiens in the first days of his great attack. The improvised force held an important stretch of the front against furious German onslaughts.

Men Fight Without Cannon.

"There was no doubt in anybody's mind that they would hold on grimly as long as breath remained in their bodies," says the correspondent. "It was not until it had been on the field for some time that the force was able to get artillery. But as soon as they had it they certainly used it to good advantage.

"In the beginning, however, it was the men who held the enemy back with their bodies."

The sector involved began at the River Somme near Sailly-Laurette and extended southwest to about the Luce River.

AMSTERDAM, April 10.—The Germans have made their first capture of an American aviator, a semi-official Berlin dispatch reports. He is said to have been shot down on the western front on Sunday, and is described as an engineer by profession, who, since September of last year, has served with the French forces.

HOOSIER SOLDIERS GUESTS

Boys Enjoy Programme at First Methodist Episcopal Church.

More than 100 enlisted men from Indiana last night had "the time of their lives" at the First Methodist Episcopal Church, when they enjoyed a specially arranged programme.

They had been invited from Vancouver Barracks by Dr. Stansfield, pastor of the church, who is from Indianapolis.

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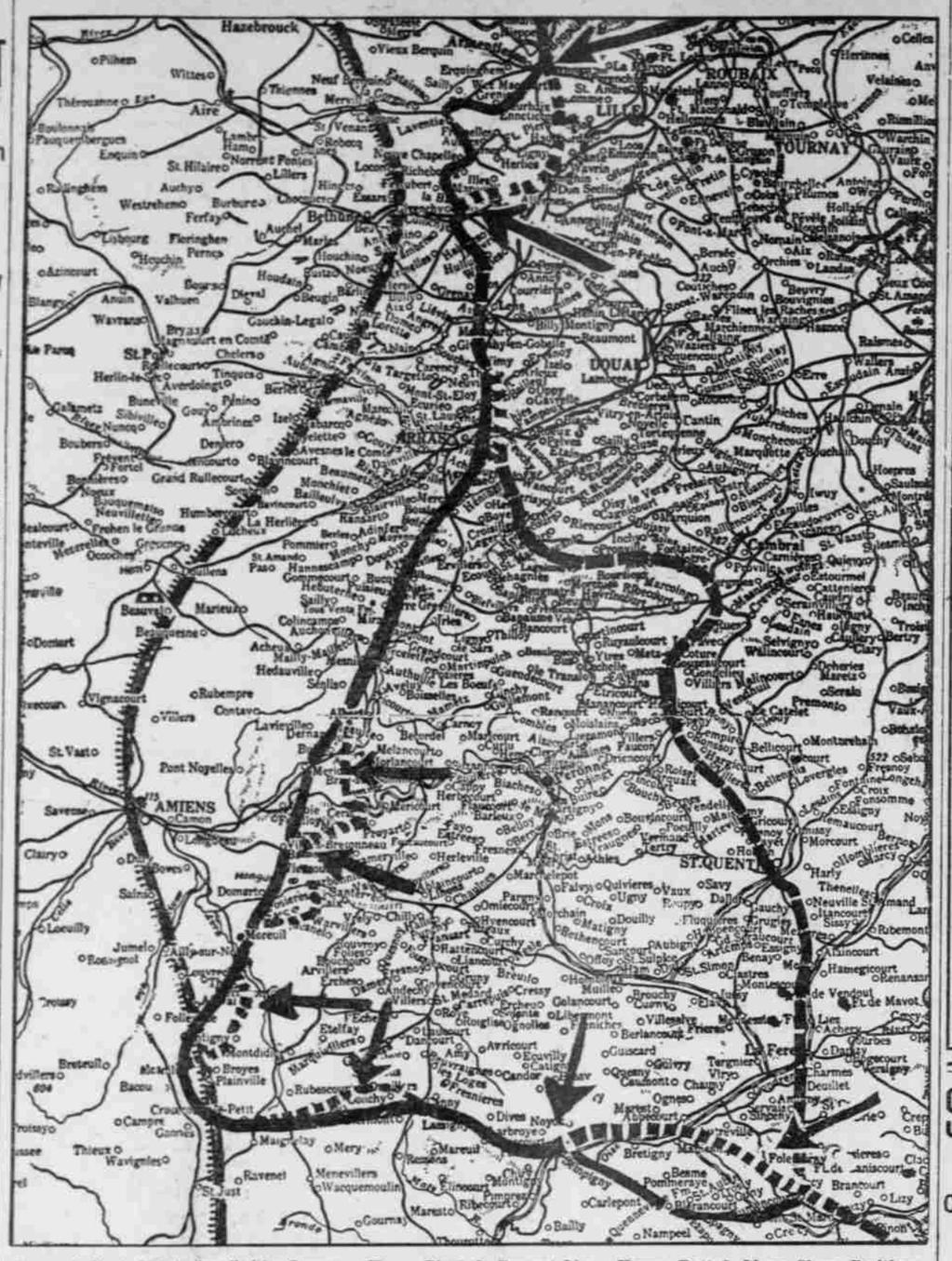

Arrows Indicate Points Assailed by Germans. Heavy Black Is Present Line. Heavy Dotted Lines Show Positions From Which Germans Have Advanced Within Past Two Days. Heavy Broken Line at Right Marks Positions From Which Drive Started Three Weeks Ago. Long Line at Left Marks Farthest German Advance In 1914.

BRITISH FALL BACK

Bloody Battle Rages in Armentieres-La Bassee Sector.

BOCHES CROSS RIVER LYS

Enemy Claims 6000 Prisoners and 100 Guns—Struggle About Village of Givenchy Bitter, With Britons Finally Holding.

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delivered their main attack. The assault had been anticipated, and the present line to which the allies fell back was prepared as a counter move to ceck the rush.

A captured German document shows that the German plan was very ambitious. They expected to push through as far as Bethune as a ricular movement southward along the canal.

This document stated that the ratio of forces would be three German regiments to six British companies, and certainly the enemy outnumbered the allies greatly.

The British divisions which made such a gallant stand at Givenchy, twice throwing the Germans out and then holding the place, were recorded as being very weak.

Bombardment Is Heavy.

The Germans began the attack with an intense bombardment and then put down one of their heaviest barrages thus far seen. Under protection of this they advanced, and having filtered through the Portuguese outposts unnoticed in the heavy fog, threw themselves on the front line.

After an hour of fighting the enemy gained possession of the front line east of Fauquissart, in the center of the sector involved. With the aid of further barrage they surged forward and attacked the second line, which they also occupied. It was about 11 o'clock when the enemy pushed into Laventie, which rendered the situation at Fleurbaix, on the north, a very difficult one.

Line Carried by Storm.

The Portuguese were holding the line from near Laventie to Richebourg-St. Vaast and here they clung until about 2 in the afternoon, when the enemy made a charge over the open ground against them. The defending positions were carried by storm and the Portuguese forced to fall back to a line previously prepared, where they were joined by British reinforcements.

North of Laventie the enemy had succeeded in crossing the Lys in small numbers, getting a footing in Estaires, but this morning were thrown out by a counter attack. During the night a counter attack farther north also pushed the enemy back approximately to the river.

Givenchy Storm Center.

Givenchy was the pivot of the battle and the most important position along the line, for the high ground here dominates the whole Lys Valley. The enemy tried to work round the place, and twice succeeded in getting into the town, but each time he was stormed out.

The battle in Givenchy was sanguinary. For hours the contending forces fought at close quarters with rifles and hand grenades. The nature of the British defense may be seen from the fact that one British division was being attacked by four German divisions and an extra brigade.

The German artillery fire of yesterday and today has been terrific. Great concentrations of guns have been hurling steady streams of high explosives far back of the lines and virtually every village within reach of the long range guns have come under the punishment of hate.

WITH THE BRITISH FORCES IN FRANCE, April 10.—(By the Associated Press.)—The Germans this morning extended the sector of yesterday's attack to the northward by launching a drive against the British between Armentieres and Messines.

Once yesterday and again last evening the Germans gained ground at Givenchy, but each time the British threw themselves so fiercely on the invaders that the latter were forced to withdraw, the last time leaving upwards of 800 prisoners behind them.

The British this morning were holding strongly along the battle line south of Armentieres, after a night of bitter fighting, which was most intense about the all-important Givenchy Hill on the right wing.

Germans Forced Back.

On the extreme north a vigorous counter attack during the night forced the enemy to relinquish half the ground he won yesterday between Croix de Bac and Bac St. Maur.

Owing to the pressure brought against the Portuguese in the center of the battle line, it was necessary to fall back to new positions yesterday. As yet it is impossible to give the new dispositions. This attack was delivered by between eight and ten fresh divisions after a terrific bombardment.

The fighting about Fleurbaix on the north and near Givenchy on the south was particularly sanguinary. In these sections hand-to-hand engagements continued all day and into the night.

Givenchy Fighting Fierce.

Germans were intent on getting Givenchy hill, which overlooks the whole valley of the Lys. The British holding this position made a brilliant stand.

During the day, after an intense attack, the Germans succeeded in getting into Givenchy, but the British immediately counter-attacked and drove them out after fierce fighting at close quarters. The enemy, however, still kept pounding away at the same spot, in the meantime hammering the back areas heavily with his artillery.

In the evening the Germans surged forward again in strong force and once more got a footing in about half the village. The British countered savagely and forced the enemy back once more until the whole line at this point was re-established. Here the defenders held out all night in the face of heavy assaults, which were continuing this morning.

The battle also went on most of the night farther north, but the enemy not only was unable to make progress, but lost ground here.

CANADIAN ARMY HEADQUARTERS, April 10.—(By the Canadian Press, Limited.)—Foiled in their attempt to outflank Vimy Ridge in the south, the Germans are now attempting the same maneuver from the north of Bethune. The anniversary of the date that saw Canada victorious in winning back so much of the coal lands of France finds those lands menaced again. Canada, with its hard-won Vimy Ridge behind it, waits for Germany to dare a frontal attack.

Canadian Guns Reply.

All yesterday afternoon, evening and this morning our guns answered those of the enemy. Throughout the area from the Scarpe to Souchez little villages have known again the blood price of battle. Women and children are evacuating homes. Death has visited many. War broods over the ridge.

From Lens to Arras ruin is being added to ruin. Smoky by day, rimmed in fire by night, our old battlegrounds are alive again. Constant crumpling of shells in Arras, Lievin, Acquoivres and other big and little centers is answered by the roar of our guns, sweeping the enemy front, assembly and rear areas.

Everywhere there is confidence and sure fore-knowledge that if the enemy attacks our heights his price for that attack will be terrible.

The temper of our forces is magnificent.

PARIS, April 10.—German troops last night delivered a heavy attack on the French lines near Hangard-en-Santerre, which was met by a French counter attack, preventing the Germans from gaining any advantage, the War Office announces. West of Castel and west of Noyon German efforts to advance failed.

14 QUESTIONNAIRES OUT

Board No. 3 to Report Missing Men as Slackers Unless Found.

Trouble is in store for 14 men who registered in Division No. 3 of Portland unless they are heard from either directly or through friends within the next few days. In the final sifting down of returns, Board No. 3 officials find that no questionnaires have been filed by these men, nor has any word been received from them. It is possible that some have enlisted. All are scheduled to be reported to the Government as slackers after the lapse of a few days.

The men it is sought to locate, with their former addresses, are:

Domenico Caserto, St. George Hotel; Francesco Marioni, White Hotel; Ernest Jaehne, Wisconsin House; Joaquim Bran, 332 Tenth street; Earl Henry Brown, 301 West Park street; Charles Olsen Gausland, 372½ First street; James T. Anastas, 288 Jefferson street; Vito Aronzo Colosso, 669 Fifth street; Albert Bell, 1298 Macadam street; Tom Leong, 595 Talbot road; Emil F. Komm, foot of California street; Dominic Salandra, 853 Jackson street; John Young, near Sellwood ferry; Hugh Stanley Hayes, 204 Porter street.

TO SPEED SHIP WORK AIM

National Chamber of Commerce Agents Coming Soon.

Secretary Dodson of the Chamber of Commerce has been advised by the Chamber of Commerce of the United States that Dr. Charles A. Eaton and A. P. Parkhurst, of New York, will visit Portland at a date yet to be determined. The National Chamber bespeaks for them a reception that will facilitate their work while here.

The two are in charge of the Emergency Fleet Corporation bureau for patriotic action in the shipyards of the country and will hold meetings to stimulate the patriotism and activity of the workmen. It is expected that meetings will be held in Portland for shipworkers upon their arrival here.

HEAD SMASHED TO JELLY

Logs Roll Upon and Crush to Death Logger at Reedsport.

GARDINER, Or., April 10.—(Special.)—Ed Reed was instantly killed at Reedsport about noon today while unloading a car of piling for Glebisch & Joplin, jetty contractors. Having some difficulty in getting the piling started in cutting away Reed was obliged to get in the track of piling as they rolled to the water. Before he could clear one of the timbers struck him, pinning him down, and three others passed over him, crushing his body and mashing his head to a jelly.

C. H. Sarver Is Dead.

ESTACADA, Or., April 10.—(Special.)—C. H. Sarver, 59, a farmer of the Currinsville district near here, died today. He was a native of Virginia and had resided in Oregon for about 40 years. A widow and three children—Noel and Homer, of this city, and Mrs. Guy McDonald, of Portland—survive. The funeral will be held tomorrow.

Read The Oregonian classified ads.

SPAIN SAVED BY KING

Condition of Anarchy Averted by Coup of Monarch.

COALITION CABINET FORMED

Leaders of All Parties Called Into Conference and Induced by Royal Pressure to Agree on Ministry.

PARIS, April 10.—How Spain last month barely missed falling into a state of anarchy and how King Alfonso, taking the reins into his own hands, brought the political leaders under his own domination and saved the situation, is told in a delayed letter from Madrid received by Le Matin.

At the height of the crisis on March 21, the letter says, when the situation appeared to be desperate, the King summoned the leaders of all parties to the palace, where each statesman, thinking he had been summoned privately, was surprised to find himself in company with all his rivals. The letter continues:

"At the same time the Captain-General of Madrid arrived and declared to the King:

"'Sire, you may be tranquil. If you are unable to form a ministry with these gentlemen of the Cortes, the army will form one for you tomorrow.'

"Immediately on opening the conference King Alfonso said:

"'This no longer is a question of days or hours, but it is a question of minutes. If nothing comes from this conference the royal family will leave the soil of Spain. As for me, I shall remain at my post so long as a battalion remains faithful to me to defend Spain, its constitution and the dynasty.'

"On the following day when the announcement was made that a coalition Cabinet had been formed at the behest of the King, crowds gathered before the palace and obliged the monarch to show himself to acknowledge their ovations. The entire day of March 22 was a day of joy in Madrid."

NORTH MAY SUCCEED DEICH

Oregon Guard Expresses Preference in Selection of Commander.

Members of the Oregon Guard have expressed their preference for Captain W. C. North as successor to Major Richard Deich, retiring commander. The vote has been reported to Acting Adjutant-General John M. Williams, and he is said to have promised to recommend Captain North's appointment to Governor Withycombe.

That Captain North will be named as commander of the guard, with the accompanying rank of Major, is taken for granted by his friends and members of the guard. He has been serving as adjutant of the organization, and his work has been praiseworthy. He stated yesterday that he will be glad to take the post of commander and will plan to strengthen the Oregon Guard, possibly expanding it by starting a second battalion.

H. B. THIELSEN IS BURIED

Former Engineer Laid to Rest in Riverview Cemetery.

Funeral services for Henry B. Thielsen, at one time chief engineer of the old O. R. & N. system, were held yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock at Riverview Cemetery, the body having been sent from Salem for burial in the family plot in this city. Washington Commandery No. 15, Knights Templar, had charge of the funeral.

The honorary pallbearers were P. S. Malcolm, Edward Cookingham, William H. Galvani, Jr D. Coleman, John R. Hanson and Otto Kleemann, all former employes of the engineering department under Mr. Thielsen. The active pallbearers were E. W. Ring, J. E. Copeland, Allen B. Cutler, C. Carl Tipton, C. H. Thompson and F. G. King.

200 ELK TO GET FREEDOM

Wild Herd in Estacada Forest Will Greet Liberated Animals.

Washington Park zoo elk are to be liberated in the wilds east of Estacada. The City Council decided the question finally yesterday and instructed the Park Bureau to make plans at once for the transportation of the animals to the end of the Estacada line of the Portland Railway Light & Power Company.

A large delegation of members of the Elks lodge appeared before the Council and asked for a settlement of the question finally. The Council was unanimous in its action. The Park Bureau will crate the animals, the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company will transport them free of charge and Estacada people will herd them to the wilds where it is expected they will join a wild herd in that region now.

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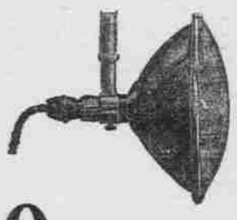

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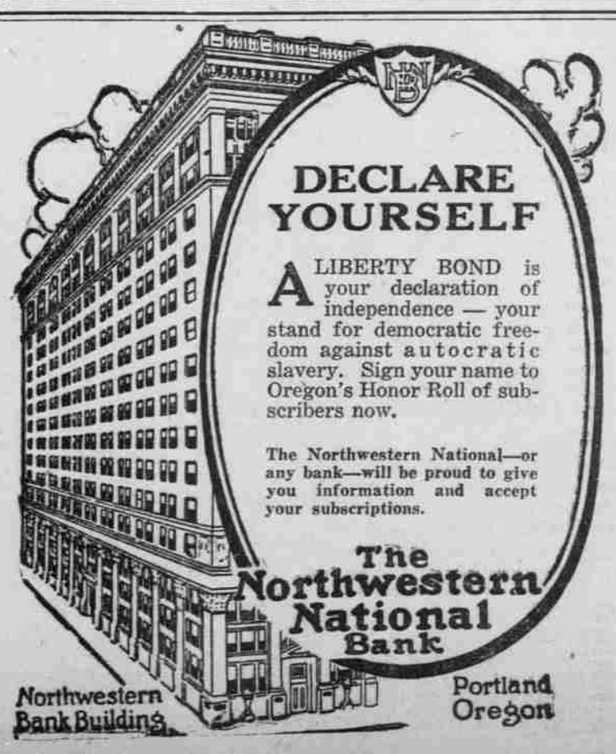
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