

HUNS RAIDED TWICE BY DARING YANKEES

Americans in Woevre and Toul Sectors Kill, Wound and Capture German Fiends.

CANTIGNY FIRM IN U. S. GRIP

Teutons Attempt Vainly to Wrest Village Lost to United States Troops, but Bloody Repulse Is Only Consolation They Get.

WASHINGTON, May 31.—A successful American raid today in the Woevre sector in which the enemy's advanced positions were destroyed and losses inflicted in killed, wounded and prisoners, is reported in General Pershing's evening communiqué.

The dispatch follows: "In the course of a raid executed this morning by our troops in the Woevre our technical detachments destroyed the enemy's advanced positions. At the same time our raiding party inflicted losses in killed, wounded and prisoners. In Lorraine artillery fighting has diminished.

"There is nothing to report from the other sectors of the front which were held by our troops. "Early in the day our aviators shot down a hostile machine."

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, May 31.—(By the Associated Press).—American forces northwest of Toul carried out a successful raid against the German lines late last night.

The American troops went over the top along a front of 500 yards. At the same time the American artillery opened fire. The men advanced behind the barrage, while the guns pounded the enemy lines and rear areas.

Engineers blew up the enemy entanglements. The infantry swarmed through the defenses, where there was fighting in which the Germans sustained losses.

Corporal Kills Boche. Two prisoners were taken by the Americans. One of them attempted to escape on the American side, but was killed and was killed by a Massachusetts corporal.

The Americans penetrated the German positions to a depth of 400 meters. They found numbers of dead Germans, who had been killed by the American artillery fire. Information was secured and the Americans blew up defensive works and dugouts. The casualties on the American side were insignificant.

German artillery Thursday night severely bombarded the new positions of the Americans at Cantigny west of Montdidier. They fired as many as 4000 high explosive shells in a brief space of time. Several attempts made by the Germans to come over were repulsed with heavy losses by the Americans.

Enemy Airmen Active. Enemy airmen were active Thursday night bombing villages behind our lines without regard to military objectives. The 52d German reserve division, from which the Americans took prisoners in the fighting at Cantigny, is commanded by General von Lorne and Staube.

In one of the counter attacks launched against the Americans in Cantigny the Germans tried to use tanks. The enemy infantry had no more than the American artillery opened a heavy fire. Both the foot soldiers and the tanks were driven back in disorder.

The new American positions in Cantigny are being improved constantly. The Americans have not budged an inch since they gained the town. Every time the enemy artillery starts a bombardment, the American gunners retaliate and smother the opposition fire.

Beautiful Choral Numbers and Work of Assisting Artists Delight Auditorium Audience. For the benefit of the Red Cross the Triolet singers of the Portland Grade Teachers' Association appeared in a delightful program of varied selections last night at the Municipal Auditorium.

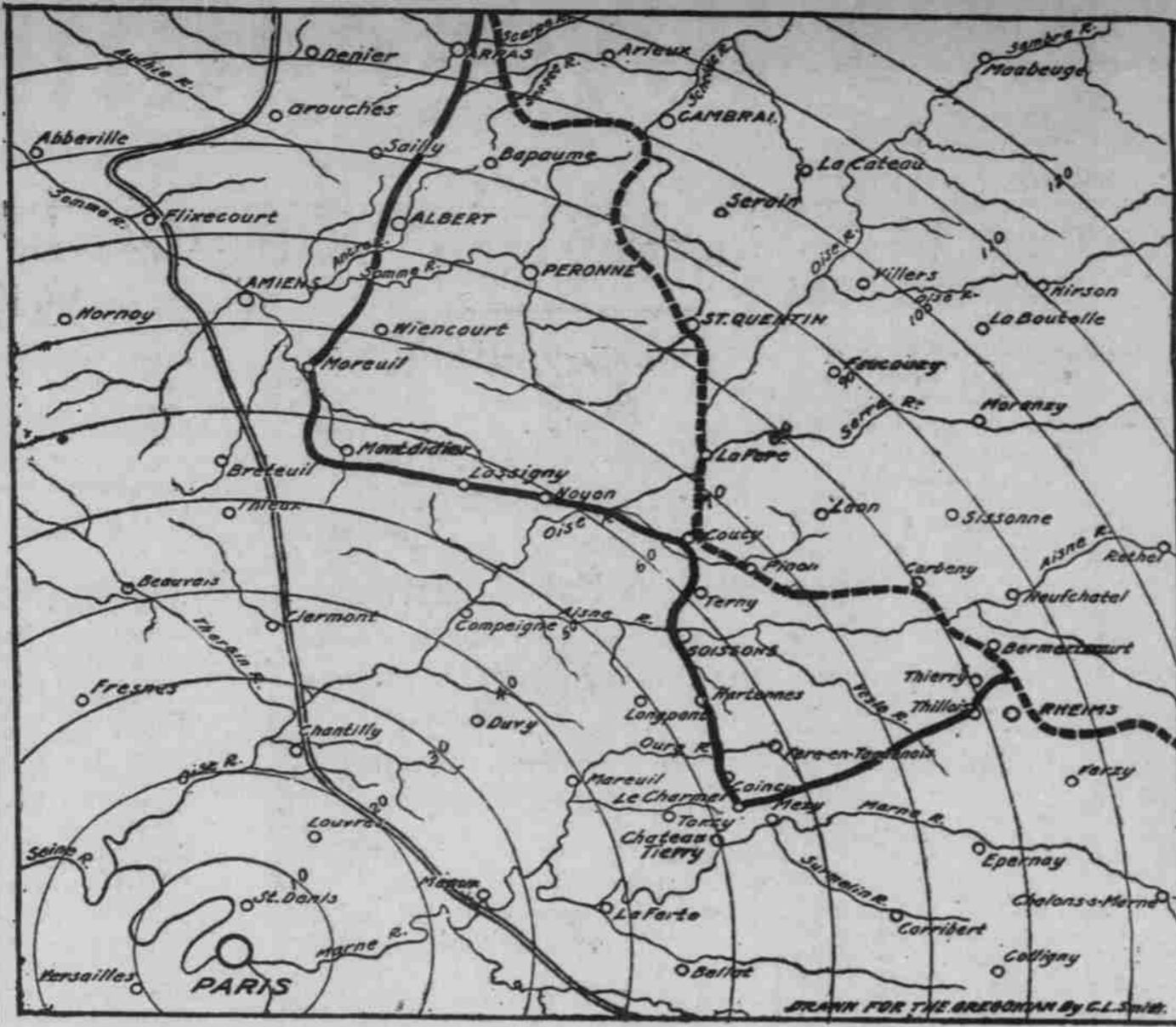
Mrs. Robert Power, harpist, and Otto T. Wedemeyer were the assisting artists and they contributed several enjoyable selections. W. H. Boyer is the conductor. Nellie C. Frost and Pearl Horner are the piano accompanists. Florence McElroy and Irene Wuest play the violin accompanists and Esther Wuest plays the cello.

The concert was arranged under the auspices of the Board of Education. The first number was "May Morning," which was one of the best of the entire program. One of the loveliest numbers of the evening was the "Beautiful Willamette," which had been especially arranged for the chorus by F. Dominic, G. S. B., who also wrote the harp accompaniment.

The chorus includes the following: Soprano, Florence McElroy, Vivian Mickle, Gertrude Ost, Mary Powell, Blanche Macaulay, Minnie Wolf, Hattie Billings, Elaine Clouse, Eloise Conise, Paula Schmalz, Ruth Chamberlain, Nona Covert, Alice M. Johnson, Gertrude Kirk, Helen Petch; contraltos, Maysie Foster, Verdi Monroe, Harriet Thayer, Alice Ormandy, Helen Bennett, Evelyn Cornut Dieter, Harriet Monroe, Lola Croighton, Grace McCord, Florence Coughay, Ann Bowie, Margaret L. West and Katherine Sinnott.

ITALIANS AT HOME HELP Hundred Thousand Mobilized for War Production Work. WASHINGTON, May 31.—Italy is mobilizing her civilian population for National war production work. Dispatches to the Italian Embassy here today said the mobilization is going on with satisfactory results. Already more than 100,000 men and women recruits have volunteered.

WAR MAP SHOWING PROGRESS OF GERMAN ADVANCE TOWARD PARIS.



Heavy Unbroken Line Marks Present Battle Front. Heavy Broken Line Marks Start of Drive Last March. Double Line at Left Marks Farthest German Advance in 1914. Light Circular Lines Mark Zone Distances From Paris.

HUNS REACH MARNE

Rheims About to Fall and Verdun Railway Is Neared.

FRENCH TAKE UP NEW LINE

Polis Are Driven Back to Positions Running From Towns of Noyon and Soissons—Germans Attack to East of Rheims.

(Continued From First Page.) Germans assaulted. They overran the French front lines. The British held in their second line at first, but eventually were compelled to fall back to conform to the French alignment.

The Germans advanced very rapidly, crossing the Aisne, although the French had occupied very strong positions here, with three divisions commanding the river crossings.

Crown Prince Uses All Forces. "Since this time the Crown Prince has done the utmost possible with his group of armies to push forward. He has thrown in every reserve division he possesses, with the aim of pushing through to the Marne and cutting the important railway to Chalons.

The main masses of men were brought up to the actual front lines only on the night before the attack, which was preceded by only a two hours' bombardment for the purpose of cutting our wire. The Germans are not making the same use of their artillery as heretofore. They are using trench mortars in large number for wire cutting.

The Germans had prepared for an attack on the part of the line for a long time, constructing the necessary gun emplacements and assembly places so that our aircraft did not observe any construction of new trench or emplacements just before the attack.

First Success Hard to Prevent. "Under the conditions prevailing in the region of the Chemin des Dames an initial success could hardly be prevented. Nor can it be prevented anywhere there are not adequate reserves immediately available.

The allies have these disadvantages: First, they are inferior in numbers; second, they are acting on exterior lines; third, they have many vulnerable points; fourth, north of the Somme they have little footway in which to maneuver.

"It is not fair to blame the high command when the allies have inherited an unfavorable strategic position. If it is said that the high command placed three tired British divisions on an exposed part of the front, it must be remembered that this disposition was made with full agreement of the British headquarters.

Huge Force Employed. "Questions such as the bases of supply, the position of the line to be taken into account in the employment of troops. Until fresh reserves of the Germans have been engaged somewhere the situation must continue anxious.

"On the other hand, the attack of the last week has not been so serious as on some other points in the allied line, because we have more room to maneuver and can better afford to fall back. Another thing that must always be considered is that the Germans are rapidly using up their effectives. Thus far they probably have employed 45 divisions in the present attack, of which 23 have been identified.

"Our transport of reserves has worked very well and there is reason to hope that the German drive will make any further progress, although the situation must remain anxious as long as they have plenty of reserves. "The immediate future depends on what course the enemy takes. The Crown Prince has used up virtually all his own reserves and some from the army groups to the eastward, but the great bulk of the German reserves are to the north. It remains to be seen whether he will use them to develop his success toward Paris or pursue his original intention in striking toward Amiens with a view to cutting the allied armies in two.

BOCHE RAID FALLS

Americans Hurl Back Oncoming Germans.

AMERICANS FIGHT BRAVELY

Enemy Drives on Luneville Trenches in Darkness, but Are Discovered and Bayoneted—Yankees Excel in Hand-to-Hand Work.

(Special cable to the Chicago Tribune and The Oregonian, Copyright, 1918, by the Chicago Tribune Company.) WITH AMERICANS UNDER FOCH, May 31.—(Special).—Take prisoners at the opening of the German drive on the Luneville sector early Wednesday. The enemy paid heavily in dead and wounded for these attempts, all three of which failed.

At 15 minutes to 1 three enemy raiding parties advanced upon three of these separated strong points. In the case of the first two attacks, our star shells lighted up the ground and revealed two of the raiding parties in the act of cutting our wire. Our machine guns who had worked all night against the American strong points in advance of the line, were ready with their machine guns for several hours made response with the result that both parties were driven back, leaving a number of dead and wounded in the entanglements.

The enemy had dropped a heavy box barrage completely surrounding the objective of the third raiding party, which was another strong point. Throughout the intense downpour of shells our men stuck to their posts and were ready with their machine guns when the barrage lifted. With streams of lead the center and left of the raiding party were driven back in disorder, carrying some of their dead, leaving a few bodies to No Man's Land.

One section of the raiders succeeded in entering the American position, where violent hand-to-hand fighting occurred for some minutes. The Americans showed superior in this style of encounter, in which deadly work was done with the bayonets. The Germans were able neither to hold the position nor capture a single prisoner. They were driven back toward their own lines, leaving in our trenches nine dead and five wounded who were made prisoners.

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GREEKS WIN IN MACEDON

MORE THAN 1500 BULGARIAN AND BOCHE PRISONERS TAKEN.

Important Position of Soka Di Legen Is Taken; Italians Are Victorious in Lower Piave River Clash.

LONDON, May 31.—More than 1500 German and Bulgarian prisoners, among them 33 officers and a large quantity of war materials, have been captured by Greek troops on the Macedonian front, according to an official communication received from Saloniki tonight.

The statement says: "Greek troops, supported by French artillery, have captured the strong enemy position of Srka di Legen, on the Struma front, on a width of 12 kilometers and to a depth of two kilometers. More than 1500 Bulgarian and German prisoners were taken, including 33 officers. A large quantity of materials was captured."

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