

ARMIES PREPARING FOR SPRING DRIVE

Already Big Guns on Western Front Increase Mutterings to Continual Roar.

GERMAN LINES MADE OVER

British Profess to See Signs of Weakness in Enemy but Say They Do Not Underestimate Prowess of Mighty Foe.

BRITISH HEADQUARTERS IN FRANCE, via London, Feb. 17.—(From a staff correspondent of the Associated Press.)

The cold front has held the western front frost-bound for nearly a month is gradually moderating and it is easy to sense all along the battle line an unmistakable quickening which tells of the approach of spring and forebodes the coming of grips of the greatest armies yet assembled in the world-war.

Already these armies are reaching out toward each other, leading various parts of the lines and attempting to discover the most likely point of contact for the beginning of the titanic struggle that is expected to make this the decisive year of the conflict.

In anticipation of eventualities, the Germans have removed the civilian populations from the cities and towns in proximity to their line, but no such precaution has been felt necessary behind the allied front.

Roar of Guns Ever Gaining. Never silent, the British guns are beginning to roar more and more steadily. Tonight they are both holding particular violence in the sector of the Somme. From a distance the bombardment might easily be mistaken for the grumbling echoes of passing summer storms.

New groups of divisions have been recently identified along the German lines, bearing out reports of great troop movements now going on in Germany. British officers, however, say that this concentration is not as formidable as it appears at first sight.

German Lines Rearranged. These statements are based on information carefully collected during the continuous trench raids. In a raid undertaken in an apparently new Bavarian division was located. It was afterward discovered that this corps had been made up from regiments taken over from the German army.

According to the information obtained here the gaps in the companies have not been filled and the diminution in numbers has been covered in some instances by reducing infantry regiments from four battalions to three. One infantry company was recently encountered with a rifle strength of 72 out of a regulation complement of 175.

Picked Men in Trenches. According to the information obtained here the gaps in the companies have not been filled and the diminution in numbers has been covered in some instances by reducing infantry regiments from four battalions to three.

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BERNSTORFF IS GUARDED

German Party Shielded at Canadian Port.

HALIFAX, N. S., Feb. 17.—Count von Bernstorff, ex-German Ambassador to the United States, and members of his party, homeward bound on the Scan-

CURED HIMSELF OF DRINKING

Los Angeles Man Gives Out a Simple Home Recipe That Banished His Desire for Liquor.

Mr. Carl Smith, living at 905 S. Grand avenue, Los Angeles, Calif., cured himself of the liquor habit with a simple home recipe. In a recent statement Mr. Smith said: "I took two high-priced treatments for the liquor habit, both of which failed. Then I heard of the following simple recipe which I tried. It quickly banished my desire for liquor and greatly benefited my health. To 3 oz. of water add 20 grains of muriate of ammonia, a small box of Vartex Compound and 10 grains of pep-

MANY SEEK CITIZENSHIP

MORE THAN 50,000 GET CERTIFICATES IN DAY.

Labor Department and Factory Owners to Co-operate in Helping Aliens Pass.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—During the two weeks since the diplomatic break with Germany, foreigners living in the United States, notably Germans and Austrians, have flocked to the courts to become American citizens in such numbers that Labor Department officials said today the total could not even be estimated.

ARTIFICIAL EYES

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HUNGARIAN PRESS BITTER U-Boat Warfare Called "Murder at Sea" by Budapest Papers.

BERNE, Switzerland, Feb. 17.—Three Budapest newspapers condemn submarine warfare. The Pesti Naplo attacks Count Von Reventlow as the principal exponent of submarine warfare and demands that he be placed in restraint.

BREAK IS ANTICIPATED

Teuton Relieved of Answering on Saying That He Would Face Charge of Treason if He Revealed Name in Case.

BOSTON, Feb. 17.—The North German Lloyd passenger liner Prinzess Cecilie, while in the custody of a United States Marshal under a libel order from the Federal Court, was deliberately disabled at the direction of her German commander.

PIONEER IS LAID TO REST

GEORGE W. PROSSER ARRIVED IN OREGON IN 1853 AT AGE OF 5.

Family Settled First at Lents, but Moved Soon to Oswego, Where Son Passed Rest of Life.

OSWEGO, Or., Feb. 17.—(Special.)—George W. Prosser, who died recently, was born in Des Moines, Ia., December 20, 1847, and crossed the plains in

ENTENTE BANKERS LIBEL VESSEL

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PRESIDENT PRODS SENATE

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TAX LIST BILL PASSES

(Continued From First Page.)

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COMMISSION TO FIX PRICES

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