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REAL BATTLE YET TO COME

Impatience for the counter-attack is natural, but its delay should not cause pessimism. Time is needed for the concentration of troops, and we may be sure that General Foch, who has a reputation for exceptional energy, will not lose a moment. General Byng's drive at Cambrai was a relatively small affair, yet it took the Germans over ten days to get ready for the counter-blow, which, when it came, was very effective. The allies, unlike the Germans, were not taken by surprise, and no doubt could in a shorter time have brought up reserves to meet an attack of the same magnitude. But while a surprise attack like Byng's is ordinarily possible only with moderate forces, a huge concentration such as the Germans had quite frankly made against the British lines has much the effect of a surprise, because till the attack has actually developed troops adequate to meet it cannot be put in place. Moreover, the huge scale of the affair makes the bringing up of forces and the organization of the counter-offensive a slow process. But since, undoubtedly, reserves had to be picked up wherever they could be found, in many cases a long way off, and since the British had to wait for new material, guns and troops from England as well as for reorganizing after the shock of a long and fast retreat, it may well be some time yet before Foch has in hand the forces needed for whatever blow he means to strike. By that time the enemy may have struck again, as, for example, in Italy, where French and British troops are still engaged, but this is merely a corollary to the general fact that for the present the allies are on the defensive. The fact is unwelcome, but no cause for losing courage. Least of all, should we think that because the Germans have gained ground, the allies have lost a battle; the real battle is still to come.

THE STOUT OF HEART

At one dark hour in the revolution Washington wrote his brother that "the game is pretty near up." But he was unshaken and the colonies never gave up. There were times in the Civil War when the North was in gloom. But Lincoln's strong soul never wavered and the North rallied behind him. Every great cause has its critical days and hours. There are times that try men's souls. But the stout of heart carry the cause to victory.

The Mexican sore toe is in evidence again. Oregon is over the top; but she cannot get too far over. The Germans are getting their drive down towards Ypres again. But it looks like desperation. No chance of breaking through there. Yankee soldiers are now in the thick of the battle of battles. It goes without saying that they will put some pep into their part of the world's greatest armed contest.

Lloyd George is a brave man, and one of the bravest acts of his life is the coupling of Irish home rule with the proposed extension of the draft to Ireland. The Y. M. C. A. in New York announces that 5,000,000 bottles of pop will be sent to the American troops in France to replace small beers and wines. Some of the soldiers may not care for pop, but they may be able to make use of the bottles in a close-up smash on the Germans.

The Pennsylvania department of forestry has offered the French government 4,000,000 white pine seedlings from the state nurseries. The work of replacing German mischief in the matter of trees is a great one. Some time there will be shipping sufficient to carry Pennsylvania trees to France, but probably not now. But there will be gratitude across the water that such an offer has been made. What the people want is honest and efficient service on the part of officials who serve them and the experience of an official who is observant and painstaking enables him to give the people better service than a new man or woman can possibly give. When we have paid the expense of trying out an official and have found him or her honest and efficient, why shall we replace experience with inexperience, or a tried and found true official for the untried?—Scio Tribune.

Like Sir Roger Casement, the two German agents who were landed by submarine on the coast of Greece have been caught and executed. In the early days of the war the spy coming and going by U-boat was a familiar figure in sensational fiction, and very likely the thing has happened oftener than we know.

Pope Benedict, it is said, has lodged a protest with Berlin against the wholesale massacre of innocent people and the destruction of churches in Paris. Ah, but the bombardment of Paris, and in fact all the bloody havoc which Germany has wrought, is itself a bold protest against civilization and the very principles of humanity and religion. Had Germany given ear to the Nazarene and His followers, instead of to the devil and his disciples, the war would never have begun.

A TIMELY EXPLANATION. Says the Los Angeles Times: "Are you one of those who cannot understand the daylight-saving plan? That's because you haven't really put in an honest minute studying the proposition. It's as plain as the nose on the kaiser's face. You see, it's like this: When you set your clock forward an hour on March 31 you thereby converted 6 into 7, 7 into 8, etc., thus fooling yourself into thinking that it's an hour later than it really is, when, as a matter of fact, it's the same time exactly if not a little earlier. Whereas you used to get up at 5 or 6 o'clock in the morning you will from now on rise at 4 or 5, as the case may be, which is sixty minutes earlier than you formerly got up, according to the change on the face of the clock. This

holds good whether your clock is run on Eastern, Mountain or Pacific time. When it gets dark at night you must not turn on the lights because it won't be time to turn 'em on by an hour. You will soon become accustomed to this and won't mind it, especially if you are visiting your best girl during the hour which follows the last hour of daylight. When you hear the chickens crowing at daylight in the morning it will be your duty, as a law-abiding citizen, to arise in your nightgown, go to the coop and gently remonstrate with the fowls. However, if said fowls refuse to comply with your request to cease their cackling, then it will be your duty to either wring their necks or call the ambulance and have them taken to the sunrise court to answer to a charge of interfering with the new time schedule. The beauty of the new statute is that it saves both daylight and electricity and makes you get up earlier, which is good for you. That is, of course—but hang it, if you can't see into the thing with all this explanation what's the use to argue with you?"

POSSIBILITIES.

Hundreds of people, both French and American, are reported to be leaving Paris on account of the bombardment by the Germans. While there is no danger of Paris being taken by the Germans, there is no doubt that the enemy is causing unrest among the inhabitants of that fair city. German hatred and German ingenuity recognize no distance. The school children of the empire are taught that every human being who lives beyond the boundaries of Germany is an enemy to the Fatherland. "After France comes Russia, then England, then the United States." Mr. Pacifist, how would you like to see your wife and children fleeing from your home city for fear of death—or, worse still, capture—by German fiends?

ANOTHER TRICK OF THE HUN.

Still another trick of the wily Hun has been uncovered. From time to time during the war stories have been told of rural folk on both the eastern and western fronts being awed by apparitions in the heavens. One of the most notable instances of the kind occurred just before the assault at Przemysl, when numerous visions occurred to the country people living around, who fell on their knees and worshipped the holy picture of the Virgin and Child.

Apparatus found on some German airplanes captured recently on the western front goes to prove that the superstitious country folk were tricked and deceived by mere aerial photographs which they believed to come from a Divine source. The operation is said to have been carried out on low-lying clouds by means of a magic lantern showing photographic slides as in relief. The outfit could be conveniently carried in an airplane and could show such pictures with a diameter of 185 feet at a distance of one thousand feet.

Picked Up On The Street

RURAL LOAN AGENCY—The rural credit system is proving a godsend to the farmers of this section. At the time of our last reappraisal our office showed a total of forty-six loans aggregating about \$150,000. Other applications are now in and pending to the amount of about \$25,000. The last report from Spokane showed a total for the northwest district of about \$16,000,000—a much greater amount than could have been secured through ordinary channels. As you know, we are loaning to the extent of 50 per cent of the land values and 20 per cent of improvements, the limit to any individual being \$10,000. One trouble that confronts us is that many farmers are basing their applications on the original cost of their property or upon what they consider its intrinsic value; whereas, the only safe basis we can recognize is the income produced upon it. Some farmers are inclined to get sore about being turned down, but we have no other recourse.

SPAULDING LOGGING COMPANY We are now employing about sixty-five men about the local plant, and we are handling from twenty-five to thirty cars of rough lumber each week. A large proportion of this is going into government contracts, while the balance is made up for local trade and shipped to dealers on the outside. The government regulation which requires us to turn out one car of high class stuff for federal use for every two cars of ordinary custom work, is going to work a great hardship upon lumber manufacturers, as it compels us to stack up in our yards a mass of side cut for which there is no immediate market or utility. Unless there is a special ruling on this pro-

FUTURE DATES April 11, Thursday—Will H. Hayes, national chairman of Republican party to visit Portland. April 12, Friday—Meeting of Oregon Hoptroopers' association for dislocation. April 13, Saturday—Willamette university vs. Oregon agricultural college baseball, Willamette field. April, fourth week—Marion County Christian Endeavor convention, Salem. May, dates not set—State Grange convention, Salem. May 2, Thursday—Dedication of Champeong memorial building. May 17, Friday—Primary nominating election. June 26, Thursday—Reunion of Oregon Pioneer association, Portland.

vision soon it is going to put some of us out of business. AN IMPLEMENT MAN—The biggest feature of the implement business just now is the sale of tractors to farmers, and it is a healthy sign for it means broad gauge farming. Yes, it is a fact that some farmers tell a hard luck story, and they are the hardets class to extract money from; but I notice that they are buying automobiles right along and some of them have bought big blocks of liberty bonds. I would be glad to change places with some of them. If I had the value of my stock in land just now, with the present prices of produce, I could make a lot more money than I have been during the past year. It is a fact that my line of goods have advanced as high as 100 per cent in some instances, and this means that the farmers are getting to be slow about investing.

A PEDESTRIAN—He had just dodged a street car, an automobile and two bicycles at the same moment and he was nervous. "Say, don't they have any regulations in this town about automobiles turning around in the middle of the block? I've seen a dozen drivers circle around on State street in the middle of a crowd of people and vehicles just as if they were out on the prairie. Other towns have an ordinance compelling all autos to drive to an intersection and turn. Some day the Salem papers will have a story about pedestrians being run down in the middle of the street and either killed or crippled for life—see?"

IN A SOCIAL WAY

Mrs. E. E. Fisher will entertain the members of the North Salem Woman's club and additional club friends this afternoon at her residence, 515 Market street. The hours of entertainment will be from 2 until 5 o'clock. A program has been provided as a feature of the gathering by the members of the Chautauqua Reading circle, who will come as special guests. It has also been planned to sew on a quilt with the members bringing pieces.

Mrs. Edna Dalley is passing a short visit as the guest of Mrs. W. F. Fargo. Mrs. Dalley arrived Monday from Milwaukie, Or.

A merry supper party was held Monday after the party of the Monday Night Dancing club at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Laflair in the Electric apartments, when the Laflairs and Mr. and Mrs. John E. Brophy were joint hosts. It was a "picnic" supper and each couple brought refreshments. Those in the party were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wendroth, Mr. and Mrs. George Riches, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Schmidt, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Glover, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Weldmier, Mr. and Mrs. John Karl Stebbinger of Portland.

Mr. Stebbinger is making his home in Salem for a few months. He is a member of the firm of Stebbinger Brothers, who are building the new Southern Pacific depot in Salem. Felicitations are showering Mr. and Mrs. William De Selm upon the arrival of a son to them, Monday, April 8, at their home, 1268 Pennsylvania avenue, in San Diego, California. The little boy has been named William Clifford. The mother was Miss Ethel Brunk before her marriage, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Brunk of Eola. Mrs. De Selm was well known in school circles as she was formerly a secretary to the principal of Salem high school.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Harris, formerly of 1044 Cottage street, have become domiciled at a pretty little country place in Polk county. It is about a mile from Salem just off the Wallace road.

Among recent guests in Portland at the Portland hotel were Mrs. C. C. Anderson, Miss M. M. Hargrove and Miss A. Cramer of Salem.

TO DARKEN HAIR APPLY SAGE TEA

Look Young! Brings Back Its Natural Color, Gloss and Attractiveness. Common garden sage brewed into a heavy tea with sulphur added, will turn gray, streaked and faded hair beautifully dark and luxuriant. Just a few applications will prove a revelation if your hair is fading, streaked or gray. Mixing the Sage Tea and Sulphur recipe at home, though, is troublesome. An easier way is to get a bottle of Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound at any drug store all ready for use. This is the old-time recipe improved by the addition of other ingredients. While wispy, gray, faded hair is not sinful, we all desire to retain our youthful appearance and attractiveness. By darkening your hair with Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound, no one can tell, because it does it so naturally, so evenly. You just dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw this through your hair, taking one small strand at a time; by morning all gray hairs have disappeared, and, after another application or two, your hair becomes beautifully dark, glossy, soft and luxuriant. This preparation is a delightful toilet requisite and is not intended for the cure, mitigation or prevention of disease.

SHARP REDUCTIONS ON MEN'S CLOTHING and FURNISHINGS at the BIG CLOSING OUT SALE

Table with 4 columns: MEN'S DRESS SHIRTS (Sizes 16 1/2 and 17 Only 98c each), GORDON HATS (\$2.45, \$2.00 Hats \$1.85, \$1.75 Hats \$1.35, A line of Stiff Hats each .50c), HANSEN'S WORK GLOVES (at REDUCED PRICES), MUSLIN NIGHT GOWNS and Pajamas at Reduced Prices

Mens and Boys' All-Wool Clothing at Closing Out Prices

Children's Wash Suits. \$2.50 Values now \$1.95, \$2.00 Values now \$1.65, \$1.75 Values now \$1.25, \$1.50 Values now \$1.15. Stockton CORNER COURT AND COM'L STREET, SALEM

BITS FOR BREAKFAST

"Have faith." That's Secretary Lano's advice. But the American people scarcely need it. He says the German lines in Picardy are growing thin. And the longer they stay the thinner they will grow. The submarine menace is growing beautifully less. It transpires that the Yankee troops who took up their places yesterday in the thick of the great bat-

A Sure Way To End Dandruff

There is one sure way that has never failed to remove dandruff at once, and that is to dissolve it, then "ou destroy it entirely. To do this, just get about four ounces of plain, common liquid arvon from any drug store (this is all you will need), apply it at night when retiring; use enough to moisten the scalp and rub it in gently with the finger tips. By morning, most if not all of your dandruff will be gone and three or four more applications will completely dissolve and entirely destroy every single sign and trace of it, no matter how much dandruff you may have. You will find all itching and digging of the scalp will stop instantly, your hair will be fluffy, lustrous, glossy, silky and soft, and look and feel a hundred times better.

tle of battles, started on their march on the anniversary of America's declaration of war.

The world is looking expectantly for the "surprise of their lives" which Lloyd George said the Americans are going soon to give the military junta in Berlin. Perhaps the surprise will be twins or triplets.

Salem is going over the top—away over. Of course.

How would you like to be a Jap policeman and have your salary raised? Read the following dispatch from Tokyo and see how the war is helping the little policemen of the Orient: "Even the policemen in Tokyo are sharing in Japanese war prosperity. Of the 5,000 bluecoats in the capital, 3,683 have had their salaries raised so that now an ordinary 'everyday' copper draws from \$7.50 to \$12.50 as his monthly stipend. This is an increase of about \$1 per month. Even richer remuneration is given the senior policemen who now receive between \$10 and \$14 monthly, while the salaries of the assistant sergeants, under the new order, will range as high as \$12 to \$16." A month, mind you, \$7.50 a month.

How it would warm things up to see the allied fleet get busy in the vicinity of the Kiel canal.

There is a hero every day along the western front. But they never get their names into the papers.

The circus will be on the road as usual this season, in spite of the war. That joy will not be taken out of life.

General Foch is the General U. S. Grant of the allied forces on the western front. The French tricolor

is at the head of the advancing column. God be with them!—Exchange.

Richard Harding Davis left an estate of \$50,000. Mary Pickford pays five times that much income tax. Thus is the parallel between literature and art preserved properly. And they say a cent passes for what it is worth.

Poor, battle-torn, blood-soaked France! And above the howling of the guns may be heard the triumphant notes of the "Marseillaise."

Can anybody solve the Ukraine puzzle? The historic Shanghai bar has had to surrender to the artists of the Bolsheviks. They are what might be called James Gandies.

Alkali Makes Soap Bad for Washing Hair

Most soaps and prepared shampoos contain too much alkali, which is very injurious, as it dries the scalp and makes the hair brittle. The best thing to use is just plain mulsified coconut oil, for this is pure and entirely greaseless. It's very cheap, and beats the most expensive soaps or anything else all to pieces. You can get this at any drug store, and a few ounces will last the whole family for months. Simply moisten the hair with water and rub it in, about a teaspoonful is all that is required. It makes an abundance of rich, creamy lather, cleanses thoroughly and rises out easily. The hair dries quickly and evenly, and is soft, fresh looking, bright, fluffy, wavy and easy to handle. Besides, it loosens and takes out every particle of dust, dirt and dandruff.

AN ECONOMICAL, DELIGHTFUL, LIGHT PLACE TO TRADE

The NEW COATS for Spring Days. Coats for Women busy with war time duties. Patch pockets set in sleeves convertible collars, many kinds of belts, regulation materials in Putty Blues, Reds. Women who require new coats will make no mistake in choosing from these moderately priced and good looking, practical and serviceable coats. \$9.50 - \$12.90 - \$13.50 - \$14.90 \$16.50 - \$17.50 - \$19.50 - \$20.00 \$22.50 - \$25.00 - \$30.00 - \$35.00. SEND US YOUR MAIL ORDERS—WE PAY POSTAGE. Kafoury Bros THE STORE FOR THE PEOPLE. Buy Liberty Bonds. 416 STATE ST. SALEM—OREGON



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