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TROOPS BEAT OFF ADVANCE OF GERMANS

Americans Cooperate With French Near Chateau Thierry at Critical Point of Approach to Paris

ATTACKS SLACKENING ALONG MARNE RIVER

Reports From Front Show Huns Are Again Losing Their Vigor and Push

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN PICARDY, June 4.—American troops cooperating with the French west of Chateau Thierry, north of the Marne, the nearest and most critical point to Paris, reached by the enemy have brilliantly checked the onrushing Germans, beaten off repeated attacks and inflicting severe losses, but adding to the glory of the American history.

The troops began to arrive on the battle front on Saturday and participated in the fighting almost immediately. They not only repulsed the Germans at every point at which they were engaged, but took prisoners, without having any prisoners taken in turn by the Germans.

The work of the American machine gunners was particularly noteworthy. There was at least one instance where an entire attacking party was wiped out.

There were instances of the stiffest hand to hand fighting and in this the Americans acquitted themselves in a manner which won the greatest praise from their French comrades.

The most determined attack against the Americans occurred last night. Preceded by a heavy bombardment, the Germans came in waves. They penetrated the American trenches, but were quickly ejected, leaving many dead.

Two earlier attacks had the same results.

FRENCH RETAKE VILLAGE

LONDON, June 4.—(By Admiralty, per Wireless Press) (Official) The military correspondent of the British wireless service wires: "Between the rivers Aisne and Marne while the fighting continues all along the line of operations may almost be said to have ceased to be a German advance and to have subsided into fights for local positions. Thus, while the enemy claims to have taken Chaudun and the heights to the west of Chateau Thierry the French have re-taken the village of Faverville and the Mont de Choisy. But except on a large scale on the map the change in the line is scarcely perceptible.

"On the rest of the new ground there have been no changes except for the operation by which the British advanced their line locally at Thillois, to the southwest of Rheims. The moment has evidently arrived when the crown prince's army must appreciate that they alone can achieve no decisive results and the German high command must make decisions of great moment.

"Meanwhile on the northern sector

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The Acid Test OF Service Proves

the real worth of clothes—as to whether of genuine or shoddy fabric, of thorough or careless tailoring, of staple or faddish fashion.

Our clothing business this Spring has been very satisfactory even though we have given suits no special publicity. There now remain just one hundred and fifty-four

Brandegee, Kincaid Suits

for men. Nearly all of these are conservatively styled—staple models for the "staple" men left behind—and we feel that you will be pleasantly surprised to know that you can still get suits that will "Stand the Test" at from

\$15 to \$25

Barnes Cash Store

Brandegee, Kincaid & Co., Clothes

Superintendent Moores of Blind School Is Very Ill

E. T. Moores, superintendent of the state school for the blind, is critically ill in a hospital at Portland, the state board of control was informed by Secretary R. B. Goodin yesterday. Mr. Moores is suffering from Bright's disease. At the board meeting last month Superintendent Moores was given a leave of absence of two weeks because of illness and has not been able to return to Salem.

Take Steps to Modify Freight Raising Order

WASHINGTON, June 4.—Steps looking toward modification of the order raising freight rates 25 per cent so as to provide for retention of differentials and to remove provisions discriminating against certain business interests or localities, were taken today by the railroad administration. Many changes may be made before June 25 when the higher rates are to become effective. They will not, however, affect materially the amount of the increase.

INDIAN SCHOOL WILL GRADUATE NINE STUDENTS

Many Come From Distance to Take Up Academic and Industrial Work

PRIZES TO BE GIVEN

Thelma Orsen Wins Declamation Medal—William Johnson Star of Meet

Representing Indian tribes from distant parts of the western hemisphere, eight girls and one boy at the Chemawa training school will receive diplomas when State School Superintendent J. A. Churehill distributes them at the graduation exercises, the crowning event of a long and interesting commencement program.

Beginning last Sunday with baccalaureate services conducted by Rev. Henry J. Talbot, president of Kimball college of Theology, the 500 or so students have wound their way through a varied week. The baccalaureate program itself was an elaborate one replete with musical numbers. On Monday was the baseball game between the shop and the farmers teams, the latter winning. This was followed by a band concert at 6:45 and a declamation contest in the evening.

The medal for first place was won by Thelma Orsen, an Alaska girl of the seventh grade. Louise De Macon of the same class and Wade Minthorne, winner of last year's medal, who is in the ninth grade, were given honorable mention.

One Girl is Nurse. Those who will receive diplomas this year are Marie Shaisnikoff and Agnes Swanson from the Pribiloff Islands near Alaska, Leona Johnson of the Klamaths, Agnes Morais of the Montana Flatheads, Myra Rauzi, a California Hopi, Mae Adams and Catherine Reed from the Siletz coun-

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INTERVENTION IS ALTERNATIVE

Strike of Western Union Employees to Be Called Unless Government Interferes

WASHINGTON, June 4.—Only intervention by the federal government can prevent a general strike of operators employed by the Western Union and Postal telegraph companies, S. J. Koenenkamp, president of the telegraphers union, said tonight before leaving for Chicago. Upon his arrival there he planned to mail out the call for a walkout as a result of the refusal of the Western Union company to submit to the jurisdiction of the national war labor board, which sought to compose differences between the companies and the men.

After two days spent here in discussing the situation with administration officials, members of congress and labor leaders, Mr. Koenenkamp said he doubted even if the government should decide to intervene, action could be taken in time to prevent the men from going out. He declined to estimate the number that might be involved.

Secretary Wilson, who discussed the situation with the union president, is understood to have laid the matter before the cabinet at its meeting today, but there was no indication that further steps were planned to prevent a strike.

Mr. Koenenkamp said he had been assured by President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor, of his interest and sympathy and of such assistance as the federation could lend an affiliated union. Mr. Gompers made no statement.

WILHELM SEES LESSON

AMSTERDAM, June 4.—"When I see such horrors of war rendering thousands of people homeless and converting flourishing stretches of the French country into hideous deserts, the thought is forced upon me: 'What suffering and misery France might have spared herself and her people if the peace offer of December 12, 1916, had not been so criminally rejected,'" said Emperor Wilhelm, while journeying through the devastated Marne region, according to Karl Rosner, the war correspondent of the Berlin Lokay Anzeiger.

Dr. Roberts Arrested for Relations With Miss Lusk

Roberts for the murder of whose wife Grace Lusk was found guilty on May 29 at Waukesha, was arrested tonight on charges of illicit relations committed here with his wife's slayer. He was brought to Milwaukee.

SHIPPING INCREASES RAPIDLY

WASHINGTON, June 4.—On the heels of the German submarine raids in the North Atlantic, the shipping board announced tonight that production of new vessels in May was the greatest of any month in the history of the nation. There were completed and delivered to the shipping board forty-four ships, totalling 263,571, three times the output of January and twice that of February.

ARREST RUMANIAN SOCIALIST

COPENHAGEN, June 4.—The German military authorities at Bucharest have arrested all the Rumanian Socialist leaders, according to newspapers of that city which have just arrived here.

ROWS LOOM IN GRANGE HALL TODAY

Determined Effort Will Be Made to Hoist C. E. Spence From Chair—Opposition May Divide

NON-PARTISAN CROWD DUE FOR TROUNCING

Four Counties Turn Guns on League and Question Is Special Order Today

With the respective factions in battle trim since yesterday, two bitter fights will take place behind the closed doors of the State Grange convention in Salem today. One of these will be a determined effort to hoist C. E. Spence out of the master's seat which he has occupied for eight years. The other will be in four resolutions that were introduced yesterday opposing any affiliation of the Grange with the Non-partisan league. The resolutions are slated as a special order of business at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon.

Election of officers will take place at the session tonight. Officers will be nominated from the floor at 11 o'clock today. Prediction was made yesterday that Spence would be chosen for another term, if the opposition splits among several candidates, while, on the other hand, prevailing opinion is that J. J. Johnson of Portland can defeat him if he has the opposition to himself. An effort was made last night to bring all the opposition to Spence together, but it did not succeed. At the Oregon City convention four years ago Spence beat Johnson by two votes and the two ran another close race at Grants Pass two years ago. While W. W. Lunger of Yamhill county and C. D. Hurd of Douglas county seemed almost to have been dropped from consideration last yesterday, they were still possible candidates, and the name of D. D. Hoffman of La Grande was mentioned quite prominently. Should any other candidate enter the field it seems likely that he will be from among these three.

Pay Question Issue

The fight against Spence is being made mainly from two angles, his inclination toward the Non-partisan league and the fact, according to some of the opposition, that he "makes his living off the job." A meagre salary of \$300 a year is paid the master of the State Grange, but while traveling on Grange business he is allowed \$4 a day and expenses—and the anti-Spence crowd says he travels all the time. It was declared in the corridors of the state house yesterday that Spence makes the position of master pay him \$3000 a year, and it was said further that he has never given any satisfactory account of his expenses.

The question of salary for the state master was made a special order of business for 9 o'clock this morning and there seems to be a possibility that the system of compensation may be changed.

Resolutions opposing affiliation with the Non-partisan league were introduced yesterday by the Granges of Multnomah, Douglas, Coos and Columbia counties and were referred to the committee on resolutions. The Benton county delegation sent up a resolution demanding that the state emergency board declare a deficiency in the state lime board fund and provide \$0,000 for the completion and operation of the plant at Gold Hill. This was the question on which the emergency board failed to produce a quorum a few days ago.

Would Control Prices.

Another resolution introduced yesterday asks congress to pass legislation controlling the price of wheat substitutes, farm machinery and other necessities. With the exception of the four directed against the Non-partisan league, which are a special order today, all resolutions will probably be acted upon Thursday.

Although the preponderance of sentiment among delegates seems to be against the Non-partisan league it is said a warm fight will be waged around the four resolutions.

Another fight may be precipitated in the election of a state lecturer. Mrs. Winnie E. Bond of Eugene, editor of the Grange Bulletin, will endeavor to retain the place. She may be opposed by Mrs. Gertrude Blanchard of Grants Pass. Mrs. Blanchard is said to be strongly in sympathy with the Non-partisan league. Entertained by Club.

The banquet and reception arranged in honor of the visitors by the Commercial club was, in the matter of scope at least, one of the biggest things socially the club has ever done. The floor of the armory was practically covered by the tables, plate being laid for about 500 people, which included the grange, visitors, citizens and a large group of the Boy Scouts. The tables were tastefully decorated with flowers.

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Love Scenes Not Good For Feeble-Minded Inmates

Love scenes and films of promiscuous dancing will not do for the inmates of the state institute for the feeble-minded, Superintendent J. N. Smith told the state board of control yesterday. The question was brought before the board in a letter from Rev. J. A. Speer of Portland criticizing the moving pictures that are used on the circuit of the state institutions.

Objection is made to the pictures only because of their effect upon the feeble-minded. For the entertainment of inmates of all of the other institutions, the pictures are said to be first-class. At present it is not possible for the board to arrange for a different set of films for the feeble-minded institution and no action was taken.

GRADUATED TAXES PROPOSED.

WASHINGTON, June 4.—Graduated taxes on newspapers and periodicals based on the subscription price and circulation was proposed in a bill introduced today by Representative Johnson of Washington, as a substitute for the postal zone rate system.

SPENCE SLAMS ROAD-BOARD IN ANNUAL SPEECH

Highway Commission Is Called Incompetent by Master of State Grange

M'NARY GIVEN PRAISE

Need of System for Co-Operative Selling Is Pointed Out

C. E. Spence, master of the Oregon Grange, in his annual address before the state convention here yesterday afternoon, advocated a policy of road improvement, but arraigned unmercifully the state highway commission, which, he declared, is composed of a timber baron, a banker and a politician. He cited the road bonding measure and the appointment of the highway commission among a number of instances in which he declared that the tourists had scored over the farmers.

State Master Spence dwelt on the subject of profiteering and commended in strong terms United States Senator McNary because he voted for a tax as high as 80 per cent on war profits. Spence asserted that all war profits should be taken by the government.

Another prod was taken at tourist legislation by Mr. Spence when he declared that part of the \$45,000 appropriated by the legislature to advertise the state for tourists should be transferred to the lime board for the completion and operation of its plant.

Increasing effort to bring about a system of co-operative selling was urged by the speaker and with more scathing flings at the highway commission for selling bonds below par he spoke for a revivifying of rural credits.

"With the coming of good roads and the automobile," he said, "the social and educational part of our problem will be largely solved if the roads are built so as to connect the farming communities with the marketing and shipping points, while on the other hand if the craze for scenic highways and pleasure boulevards continue to absorb our available funds, the agricultural conditions will only be aggravated."

Referring again to good roads, Mr. Spence said:

"During the road bond campaign the farmer was told that it was all in his interest and it would get him out of the mud, but when it came to the appointment of a highway commission, there was no farmer in the state who could be trusted with the expenditure of the highway funds. A timber baron, a banker, and a politician were given the job. Again the tourists interest scored over the farmer."

"Practically every condition predicted by those opposed to the bonds are assured at this date.

"War conditions have caused a scarcity of labor and paving costs are higher than predicted. The patented paving has been favored almost exclusively and the price is high enough to include royalty and profit.

"A second hand paving plant was purchased at a good price last fall but yet has not been used by the highway commission.

"The good roads movement has suffered beyond estimation from the incompetency and extravagance of the commission."

Next to the war, Mr. Spence expressed the opinion that the marketing problem overshadows all others. He said: "It is my opinion that a proper solution of it will do more to promote the general welfare, establish justice and create a united, content-

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ANOTHER SCHOONER ADDED TO LIST OF SUBMARINE VICTIMS

Edwin R. Baird, Jr. Found in Sinking Condition Off Maryland Coast After Having Been Bombed—U. S. Destroyer Interrupts Enemy Attack on French Steamer Radioline—Signals Arranged for Towns Along Shore—Lights Will Be Dimmed at Night—Air Squadrons Prepare for Raiders

WASHINGTON, June 4.—A destroyer reported to the navy department tonight that she interrupted an enemy submarine attack on the French steamer Radioline, 65 miles off the Maryland coast at 9:30 o'clock this morning and had found the American schooner Edward R. Baird, Jr., in a sinking condition after having been bombed.

LEWES, DEL., June 4.—Firing was heard off the Delaware capes tonight but the cause of it could not be learned.

The tanker Herbert L. Pratt, sunk yesterday by a submarine, was hauled off the bar on which she settled yesterday and was towed to the Delaware breaker stern first, arriving tonight. Her crew went aboard the vessel, and it is said an attempt will be made to take her to Philadelphia. Most of her cargo is still intact.

CHARLES WARREN FAIRBANKS DIES

Former Vice-President Succumbs to Long Illness at Home in Indianapolis

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., June 4.—Charles Warren Fairbanks, former vice-president of the United States and former United States senator from Indiana, died at his home here at 8:55 o'clock tonight. Death was due to intestinal nephritis, which had been a chronic ailment with him but not regarded as particularly serious until recently. All members of the former vice-president's family, except Major Richard Fairbanks, who is in France, were at his bedside.

The deceased was vice president of the United States during the second Roosevelt administration and in 1916 he was again the Republican nominee for the same place, on the ticket with Charles E. Hughes. He was discussed more or less as a Presidential possibility in connection with each of the last four Republican national conventions.

Native Of Ohio. Mr. Fairbanks was a native of Ohio, but had made his home in Indianapolis since 1874, shortly after his marriage to Miss Cornelia Cole, daughter of Judge P. B. Cole of Marysville, O.

Union county, Ohio, was Mr. Fairbanks' birthplace, and the date was May 11, 1852. Youth and early manhood were passed by the future vice

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SATURDAY, JUNE 15, SECOND ANNUAL BARGAIN DAY

Salem Merchants Accede to Demands of People in all Parts of Marion and Polk Counties and Decide Upon Date for Biggest Merchandising event of the year.

Saturday June 15 is the date of Salem's Second Annual Bargain Day. That it will be the biggest merchandising event ever held in Salem is a foregone conclusion. Whenever nearly forty of the leading merchants of a community like Salem band themselves together for the accomplishment of a definite object it is safe to predict that their object will be attained.

Last year's Bargain Day was a pronounced success; but this year's event promises to leave even it in the shade. More merchants have joined the list of bargain day stores and there will be a friendly rivalry between them as to who can offer the greatest inducements to the buying public. The decision to hold this second Annual Bargain Day is in response to requests and demands from residents in various parts of Marion and Polk counties from people who participated in the bargains offered a year ago and who appreciated wonderful money savings they secured by buying on that occasion.

In speaking of Salem's first Annual Bargain Day, the following quotations from some of Salem's leading merchants will demonstrate what they thought of the event:

"It was a wonderful success—a success to the merchant who sold so largely and to the buyer purchasing so economically. I have believed from the first that it would be a success but it has far surpassed my expectations," said William Mc-

Gilchrist of the Imperial Furniture company. "Fine," said E. T. Barnes of the Barnes Cash store. "I never believed newspaper publicity had such pulling power. You can just double my subscription to the Bargain Day publicity fund."

"It's opened my eyes as to what concerted effort of the merchant backed by strong newspaper publicity can accomplish," said Chauncey Bishop of the Salem Woollen Mills store.

"Biggest day I ever had," said O. E. Price of the Price Shoe company. "All records broken in this store," was the comment of F. E. Fullerton.

Mr. Kafoury was strong in his praise of the event. "I had many extras salespeople but will have to apologize for not being able to serve all the people that crowded my store."

"The local manager of F. W. Woolworth company surely wore that Bargain Day smile when interviewed. He said: 'This is the kind of an event that will make Salem a real live town. It'll let people know Salem is on the map. I never say so many out of town people in my store. It's been jammed all day long.'"

W. S. Pitts exclaimed—and the

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THE WEATHER.

Fair; not so warm northwest portion; moderate westerly winds.