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OVER THE TOP TONIGHT IS DETERMINATION OF SCRAPPING LIBERTY CORPS

Absolutely No Mercy Will be Shown to Slackers Who Fail to Do Their Full Duty

BRITISH ARE VICTORIOUS IN PALESTINE

Turks from Jordan River to Mediterranean Are in Rout Before General Allenby's Cemented Forces

MORE THAN 3,000 TURK PRISONERS ARE TAKEN

Penetration of 12 Miles Is Made Over 16 Mile Front in Less Than Day

LONDON, Sept. 20.—(7:30 p. m.)—British forces in Palestine under command of General Allenby attacked the Turkish positions on a front of 16 miles on September 19. The British broke through the Turkish lines between Rafat and the sea and pushed forward for a distance of 12 miles. Three thousand Turks were taken prisoner. The main Turkish forces in Palestine are being closely pursued by the British. The cavalry pushed through the Turkish front and was advancing in the rear of the Turkish armies in the direction of Nablus. Another body of cavalry was advancing in north-easterly direction toward Elafusa and Belsan to intercept the Turks to the north. On Wednesday General Allenby's right wing attacked west of the Jordan and occupied El Mugeir. El Mugeir is the junction of several roads and its capture will prevent the Turks from escaping eastward. There are 18,000 Turks on the west and 6000 on the east. General Allenby now is behind the main Turkish force west of the Jordan, which will have difficulty in extricating itself, especially as the Arabs have cut the Hedjaz railway east of Lake Tiberias.

PREFERS ARMY TO STEEL-BARRER CELL OF SLACKER'S JAIL

CAMP LEWIS, WASH., Sept. 20.—Thomas Davis, of Cordova, Alaska, today appealed to mustering officers here to induct him into service to keep him out of jail. Davis, who is but two months past 21 years of age, made the long trip from Alaska to hasten the time of his induction into the army, but he said when he stepped from the steamer in Tacoma, he was arrested as a draft evader. Davis told Camp Lewis officers he registered for the draft in Alaska and asked immediate induction. His draft board told him this would be possible if he came to the states ahead of his regular call. This Davis did paying his own fare. However, the young man will not be a soldier until Sep. 25, when he will be sent here with a Tacoma contingent. He was given a letter by the military authorities, however, advising policemen of his status and requesting that Davis be not hindered in the meantime. Davis proved his statements by his registration card and letters.

FRENCH RETURN TO HOMES LONG AGO DESERTED

Cleaning of St. Mihiel Sailed by Americans Opens Up Avenues of Hope

STREAM IS SLENDER

Many Who Lost Homes Have Formed New Ties and Associations Elsewhere

(By The Associated Press) WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN LORRAINE, Sept. 20.—(11:45 a. m.)—Although it is only a week since the Franco-American force delivered the St. Mihiel salient, with its more than 150 square miles from possession of the enemy, a slender stream of its former inhabitants of the region has already begun to flow into the liberated territory. The stream is a slender one because the people who originally fled before the German advance have been gone for more than four years and many of them have formed new ties and associations, but every day sees truckloads of peasants or dwellers in towns and villages of the southern section of the salient re-

OVER the top by tonight! The barrage is lifting this morning and today the liberty loan workers will storm the trenches for Salem's final big onslaught onto the Hun.

Every liberty loan worker is satisfied that Salem will justify the terrific efforts made by the lads at Chateau-Thierry and at St. Mihiel, and like those lads come home with the bacon when the night is over.

No mercy will be shown to the slackers. General Steiner and his corps of coms and non-coms have made that plain as day.

As an instance—the Albin and Graber team discovered a couple of workers in the Spaulding mill yesterday who told them to go to Hindenburg's future abiding place in response to a civil question as to the liberty loan. The answer will be a report to the United States Attorney. This need not be taken as a slam at the Spaulding mill generally, because almost as a man besides the two mentioned above the employes have subscribed up to the hilt.

Every man who fails to do his duty in this crisis, or fails to show some ample and valid reason why he should not respond liberally to the liberty loan draft, will have Uncle Sam to explain to. The workers have evolved the theory that if a man can take a chance at sacrificing his life in the trenches in the cause of human liberty he can sacrifice a few dollars in the same cause, or go the same route as the soldier slacker.

One man declared that he didn't like the people in charge of the drive. He didn't say whether he liked Uncle Sam or not. But it will be vividly brought home to that man that the workers on this job are volunteering their services for their country and that a subscription to the liberty loan is not a subscription to the liberty loan workers, but is a subscription to knock the L out of Wilhelm.

"The men on this job are on it for the Glory of God and the glory of their country," declared General Steiner. "They have volunteered to gather the munitions of war which are going to send the boys of Company M up Unter den Linden singing 'The Star Spangled Banner' and they seek no personal glory or reward further than the reward which comes along with a consciousness of their duty well done. The volunteer solicitor is doing his plain duty and the plain duty of the man on the street who is approached is to shell out with his subscription as fast as he can shell. Don't delay the solicitor. He has a big job on his hands to cover the territory marked out for him and every time he has to stop and argue, or has to make a second call, the man who causes the delay is taking food out of the mouths of the soldiers and

SUBSCRIPTIONS TOTAL ABOUT \$300,000 AND HARD WORK NEEDED TO GET QUOTA BY NIGHT

When liberty loan headquarters closed up at 10 o'clock last night \$256,200 had been taken in during the first two days of the fourth drive in Salem. Of this \$115,000 was the result of Thursday's solicitation and \$141,200 of Friday's. With the amount that the banks have taken in, it was estimated the drive had passed the \$300,000 mark. However, if the city's quota of \$1,057,896 is to be passed by tonight, as planned, some high finance will be needed, according to General R. E. L. Steiner.

The object in endeavoring to clean up the loan by tonight is so that fair week may be clear and solicitors may take part in the annual festivities without having financial considerations to bother about. Trouble in collecting is also anticipated if the drive is allowed to hang over, because many people will be absent from their homes.

The flying squadron, of which D. J. Fry is chairman, will begin work this morning. The committee designated to "crack hard nuts" is composed of T. B. Kay, F. W. Steusloff, J. D. Neale, F. T. Wrightman, Russell Catlin, W. I. Staley and several others. They will call upon all people who have been given ratings and failed to contribute to the drive or come anywhere near the sum portioned to them.

A drawer at headquarters into which the finished cards were stacked last night contained about half and half of those who had subscribed and those who had not. A portion of the latter were out of town, but the number who were not looks discouraging for the committee. While a good many people are coming through readily with their money and often giving much more than their quota, a few are absolutely refusing to invest.

Hundred per cent flag winners continue to grow in number. Those who are so far known to have taken out the flags are Ladd & Bush bank, D. A. White & Sons, Royal Cafeteria, Valley Motor Car company, United States National Bank, Joe Adolph cigar store, Kafoury's, Bligh hotel, Meyers' store, White House restaurant, gas and electrical department of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company, Patterson Cigar company, state printing department, Scotch Woolen Mills store, state treasurer's office and George E. Waters cigar store.

One warning is being issued to the large number of people who are patronizing the pink slips held by solicitors. Unless a deposit is made, this money pledged will not be counted with the totals. The pink slips show merely that a person is pledged and indicate that the bond is to be paid for at a date in the near future.

SERBS STILL CLEANING UP AS THEY GO

Report Capture of 5,000 Additional Prisoners and Several Extra Villages in Rapid Advance in Near East

FRENCH TROOPS ALSO MAKE MORE PROGRESS

Scottish Troops Succeed in Making Final Capture of Moeuvres Village

PARIS, Sept. 20.—(Havas)—Capture of several villages and 5000 prisoners are recorded in the Serbian official statement made public today. "Continuing our advance," the statement says, "we crossed the left bank of the Corna river. The enemy burned his depots and camps. We have taken more than 5000 prisoners and captured ten additional guns, mostly heavy pieces. Several villages have fallen into our hands."

PARIS, Sept. 20.—French troops have made progress east of Essegny-Le-Grand and the Moeuvres farm on the Picardy front, south of St. Quentin, according to the official statement issued at the war office tonight. Artillery activity continues in the region of St. Quentin and along the Aisne sector, the statement says.

LONDON, Sept. 20.—Scottish troops Friday morning finally overcame the resistance of the Germans still in the village of Moeuvres, west of Cambrai, where there has been much violent fighting recently and completely captured the village, according to Field Marshal Haig's communication tonight.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 20.—"Renewed attempts of the enemy to raid our lines at four points in the Woivre and in the Vosges were repulsed," General Pershing's communique for today, as given out by the war department tonight, says: "Aside from artillery activity in the Woivre and in Alsace, there is nothing to report."

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 20.—Metz newspapers, according to a telegram from Berlin, publish an official statement declaring the Americans ceased their long range bombardment of the city, after firing one forty shots in three days. "We owe the speedy cessation of the bombardment," says the statement, "to our long range artillery, which made unpleasant a longer stay

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WOMEN PATRIOTS PARADE TONIGHT

Three Hundred Expected to March Through Streets to Willson Park

Flanked by a cordon of Oregon Guard in uniform, probably 200 women will march tonight at 7 o'clock in the service parade, which is to terminate in a patriotic rally in Willson park. All business houses have agreed to close at 6 o'clock in recognition of the event. The line of march is from the court house west on Court street to Commercial, thence south to state and east to the park. Mrs. Walter Spaulding will act as grand marshal of the procession and will be accompanied by six ladies. All women or girls who desire to march should report promptly at the court house lawn, bringing either their service flags or American flags. At the park the singing of America to the accompaniment of the band will open the program. George W. Caldwell of Portland is to speak in behalf of the liberty loan, the parade being given for the purpose of arousing enthusiasm in the buying of bonds. Demonstrations of a similar nature have proven very successful in other towns of this size and tonight's parade is part of a state-wide movement. The program is to close with the singing of the "Star Spangled Banner" by Mrs. Hallie Parrish Durdall.

Pre-Election Recesses For Congress Likely

WASHINGTON, Sept. 20.—Prospects for a pre-election series of congressional recesses appeared tonight through the house having disposed of the war revenue bill. Representative Kitchin, Democratic leader, expressed hope in the house during the day that all important legislation could be cleared up next week, permitting three day recesses by the house until the senate passes the revenue bill.

RECORDS OF WEST SALEM BADLY KEPT

Blue Trial Shows Minutes of Some Meetings of Council Never Written

DEFENDENT ON STAND

Accused Lawyer Answers Questions Most of Day—Story Straightforward

Council meetings of which no minutes were kept, disputed allowances for attorney's fees and a disagreement as to the purchase price of a public utility were brought to light yesterday during the cross examination of Ernest Blue, defendant in the trial now in progress in the circuit court. Mr. Blue, former city treasurer and city attorney of the municipality of West Salem, who is accused of appropriating city funds for his own use, was on the witness stand from 9 o'clock in the morning until 4 in the afternoon undergoing a most thorough grilling at the hands of Special Prosecutor W. C. Winslow. His story was consistent in every detail and was told with absolutely no hesitation. Several circumstances that developed in the state's rebuttal, however, seemed to cast a shadow of doubt over the previous testimony. E. D. Brock, who was connected with a ditch digging crew, when shown a number of cancelled warrants made out by Blue in payment for labor, denied that the signature on the back of two was his indorsement. The checks had evidently been cashed by another person. E. S. Ruge, who is in charge of the operation of the city water plant, denied that he had ever been paid

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NO CANTONMENT SAYS SENATOR

Chamberlain Sees Likelihood, However, for Hospital at Fair Grounds

"Nothing doing as to the cantonment." Such was the content of a wire received by the Salem Commercial club from Senator George Chamberlain yesterday. But, according to the senator this should not make the city downtown for he also remarks, "Fair grounds proposition looks good the surgeon general for reconstruction hospital." The message was in response to a wire asking him to use his influence regarding the securing of an army camp at the state fair grounds as soon as possible. A letter is now on the way from Washington giving further details of the hospital outlook.

Liberty Loan Speakers Chosen for State Fair

Liberty loan speakers will be heard at the state fair grounds each day of the fair next week. The assignments, according to information furnished by Charles V. Galloway of the speakers' committee by state headquarters are as follows: Monday, Captain T. E. Y. Seddon of the New Zealand army; Tuesday, Judge E. V. Littlefield; Wednesday, John L. Etheridge; Thursday, Mayor George L. Baker and Gus C. Moser of Portland; Friday, Major Thornton A. Mills, United States army; Saturday, Judge George E. Stapleton and Walter H. Evans. Captain Seddon is recommended high by the state headquarters, a telegram commending him having been received by Mr. Galloway yesterday.

THE WEATHER Fair; gentle westerly winds.

SALEM COMPANY TO MUSTER IN TUESDAY NIGHT

Election of Officers to Follow—Official From Portland to Be Here

MORE RECRUITS NEEDED

Colonel Woolpert Informed That Regular Army Uniforms Will Come Soon

Enough recruits must be added to the new national guard company by Tuesday night to increase the enrollment from the present 81 men to 110, for on that night an army officer will be here from Portland to muster in the company. To muster in it is necessary that the full quota of men be obtained. The new company offers a good chance for choice service.

The mustering in Tuesday night will be followed by the election of officers for the company which will be carried out according to the military code of Oregon, which requires that a man be mustered in before he is allowed to vote. About 40 members of the company met at the armory last night, many having been kept away by work in the prune orchards or by other necessary labor. Lieutenant Colonel Woolpert was present, having just returned from Portland, and reported definite information that the company will be uniformed almost immediately with the regular army uniform. Colonel North telephoned from Portland last night that an officer would be here Tuesday night to muster in the company. He also will preside at election of officers. The selective service men's meeting at the armory last Tuesday night

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Barnes Cash Store & T. Barnes, Prop. Will close this evening at 6 o'clock on account of the Liberty Loan Parade. See the parade at 7 o'clock and hear the speaking at Marion Square immediately following the parade. Then Buy a Liberty Bond