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FORTY THOUSAND GERMANS ARE WIPED OUT IN ONE ATTACK; FRENCH REGAIN SEVENTY SQUARE MILES IN THE LAST FIVE DAYS

Haig Strikes Against Cambrai Last Night; Gains Ground in the Neighborhood of Villers Cuislain; Demoralization is Spreading Among German Officers and Men.

FRENCH STRATEGY MARVELOUS

LONDON, April 20.—Sir Douglas Haig struck against Cambrai last night and "gained ground in the neighborhood of Villers Cuislain," it is reported.

(HENRY WOOD.) WITH THE FRENCH AFIELD, April 20.—Seventy square miles of territory have been regained from Germany in the last five days. Nivelles has progressed over a front of forty miles, in depth from three quarters to four miles. A score of villages and towns were captured. German losses are staggering. Two complete divisions of forty thousand men were literally wiped out in a counter attack on Juvincourt. Demoralization is spreading among the Germans, even among the officers. Great masses of reinforcements hurriedly rushed to the line failed to stop the French advance.

French Are Calm "The battle is progressing favorably" is the calm way the French military chiefs regard the offensive. "Results exceed expectations." The French officers regard the advance between Ostel and Courtecamp as having reached the proportions of great success. The utmost strategic importance is attached to formidable positions captured there. It is a battle of snags rising over forty miles of front. French artillery fire turns the battle fields into oozing mud, with red splattered patterns.

Strategy Is Marvelous I saw a marvelous bit of French strategy. The French established lines near an abandoned battery. The Germans attempted a recapture. The horses were hitched hurriedly to the guns. Then the French machine guns suddenly opened. All except thirty Germans were killed. From a nameless hill I saw an endless mass of German trenches across the Champagne plains. They represented three years work of millions of men. Countless tons of barbed wire, numberless carloads of steel plates and miles of concrete fortifications marked it. Many trenches were fitted with electrical plants, the most modern and costly conveniences.

MORE GUARDS BEING PLACED AT BRIDGES

O-W. R. & N. Co. Has Every Tunnel and High Trestle As Well Carefully Watched by Armed Men.

More men are being employed by the O-W. R. & N. Co. to guard their bridges and tunnels. There is now not a bridge, high trestle or tunnel in the country that is not protected by men with guns as any pedestrian along the tracks has occasion to learn when he attempts to pass. A number of men have been hired in the past few days and have been assigned to posts. The attempts to blow up bridges in various parts of the country by enemies has caused all railroad companies to take added precautions. These special guards, if they are not members of the militia or regular army, have the authority of deputy sheriffs.

WHEAT IS DOWN 1c AT PORTLAND

CHICAGO, April 20.—(East Oregonian Special)—The range of wheat prices here today were as follows: Open, High, Low, Close. May \$2.28 1/2, \$2.34, \$2.25, \$2.36 1/4. July 12.08, \$2.11, \$2.00, \$2.09 1/4.

Portland, Ore., April 20.—(Special)—Club wheat today is quoted at \$2.27 and bluestem at \$2.31.

WITH THE BRITISH IN FRANCE



Arrow (1) points to the British advance north of the Vimy ridge and beyond Givenchy. Arrow (2) shows where the Canadians took a mile of German trenches. Arrow (3) indicates the bitter fighting around Monchy-le-Freux. Arrow (4) shows where the British are successfully straightening their line on the Coteau river.

KAISER WAS CRUEL DESPOT WHILE STILL VERY YOUNG PROPHETIC SKETCH SHOWS

The following description of the Kaiser, written 29 years ago by the foreign correspondent of a Colorado paper, tells what was thought of Wilhelm before he became the German emperor. "They have tried to mob Mackenzie and they look coldly at Frederick III because he spends the last hours of his waning life ennobling men of heroic blood. They adore the very name of the coming ruler, who has all their prejudices, intensified a thousandfold. His aversion to the English extends to his own mother. When he was ordered to San Remo by the late emperor to visit his invalid father the royal party started to walk to church, and Prince William's English mother, the present empress attempted to take his arm. He shook her off roughly in the presence of the crowd. "I represent the person of the emperor," he said haughtily, "I walk alone." His mother was obliged to follow in his footsteps his first English governess, Miss Shipps, who had charge of him as a boy, when asked recently what sort of a man he was, said: "He is a man whom nothing can ever stay upon his anger is aroused." Von Moltke, the 85-year-old field marshal, has a shrewd, brilliant and ambitious assistant, Count Walderssee, a hater of the English, who is only 40 years old, but a tactician, strategist and general in whom the great German army places absolute confidence. The count and Prince William are warm friends. When they are together the ministers whisper that mischief is brewing. When one is emperor he will make the other field marshal. Both are schemers and their power will be tremendous. Hence rulers and diplomats all over Europe watch Berlin with weary eyes and when William II ascends the throne the map-makers may get ready

SIGN THE PLEDGE AND DO YOUR BIT

"As an American citizen I hereby pledge myself to the performance of any duty, civil or military, for which I am mentally or physically equipped to which I may be called by the republic in this crisis of its life; and I heartily endorse the resolutions heretofore at this meeting adopted." The above pledge, signed by the men at the mass meeting in the city hall Wednesday evening, together with copies of the resolutions adopted at that meeting are being circulated in Pendleton today and throughout the county. They are being left in every business house by G. I. La Dow, who has been designated to take charge of this branch of the mobilization work, and citizens are asked to present themselves and sign voluntarily. This is one way local people have of showing their patriotism, of preparing to do their bit of taking a stand behind the president and the country. It is not necessary that all men enlist and shoulder a musket but the time may come when each will be called upon to do service for the country. Umatilla county wants to be in a position to offer her entire citizenship.

GERMAN UPRISING IN BRAZIL GROWS

Censorship Airtight, But Crowds of Refugees Bring Reports of Fighting. BUENOS AIRES, April 20.—With an airtight Brazilian censorship, Uruguayan reports indicate the German revolt in Brazil is growing. Refugees who are pouring into Uruguay report fighting between the government troops and armed Germans. It is reported conditions are serious in at least three provinces. Uruguay has hurried her troops to the frontier to prevent a violation of neutrality. Rio de Janeiro dispatches quote the minister of war as denying that Brazil would send a commission to the United States to cooperate with the allies against Germany.

TURKISH ARMY CORPS ROUTED

FURTHER ADVANCES MADE IN MESOPOTAMIA. GENERAL MAUDE REPORTS. LONDON, April 20.—The complete route of the Turkish Eighth army corps and further advances in Mesopotamia are reported officially. General Maude reported the capture of Shatt-el-Adhnan. General Murray has resumed his march toward Jerusalem and defeated the Turks again. "We captured a Turkish position on a front of six and a half miles," the report reads. The official statements show Haig is driving a steel wall closer toward Cambrai and the St. Quentin line of communication.

SOCIALIST PEACE MOVE IS DENIED

LONDON, April 20.—A German wireless report detailed that German socialists were sent to Stockholm by Chancellor Hilferding and insisted that there were no negotiations between German and Russian socialists for a separate peace. The German denial comes after the confirmation of a peace intrigue between the socialists. Because the Germans had not suddenly denied backing the socialistic peace move officials believe the separate peace intrigue completely collapsed.

ATTEMPT IS MADE TO BLOW UP OHIO CAPITOL

COLUMBUS, April 20.—It was learned this morning that an attempt to dynamite the capitol was made last night. W. H. McCann, a teamster, found a man planting an explosive and chased him away. A homemade contrivance for firing a high explosive was found. The building was put under guard.

DRAFT BILL TAKES LEAD

Senate Whips Fear Opposition to Spy and Censorship Measures May Block All Other War Legislation so Selective Conscriptio is Shoved Ahead of Everything

ROOSEVELT DIVISION IDEA IS HINDERANCE

WASHINGTON, April 20.—Because of the possibility of opposition to the administration's spy and censorship bills might block all other war legislation, senate leaders suddenly switched their plans and announced that consideration of the president's elective conscription measure will be shoved ahead of everything. Espionage legislation, the most drastic ever proposed, held the spotlight in congress. The senate entered its third day of bitter debate. Influential senators are bitterly attacking the bill. Roosevelt Division Popular. WASHINGTON, April 20.—Despite all administration attempts to annihilate it the Roosevelt division idea is holding its own. Its most formidable obstacle in the path of conscription. Although semi-officially stated that the war department would prevent the Roosevelt division, betting favored the idea that Roosevelt would get into the trenches with his volunteers weeks before the first American conscription division gets into shrapnel fire. The president admitted he strongly opposed the division. Politics Take a Hand. Friends of the colonel insist President Wilson's objection is predicated upon the political possibility likely to ensue "when Teddy comes marching home." Administration backers ridicule the idea and say Roosevelt is doing more to block conscription by his talk of a volunteer division than by any other single factor. They admit Roosevelt could smash all records in raising a division. Many congressmen strongly support the Roosevelt idea. Anxious for Action. "It begins to look like the president is running patriotism into a potato patch, that we are going to hang old glory on a hoe handle," said an old line republican. "It's all right destroying golf courses for gardens, but the United States wants to see Americans destroying German trenches."

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE ASKS DRASTIC GOVERNMENTAL REGULATION OF NATION'S FOOD

WASHINGTON, April 20.—The department of agriculture has asked authority for placing the country's food supply under the strictest government regulation. Besides a nation-wide investigation of the food market, the department asked authority to "license and supervise the operations of all plants, mills, packing houses, canneries, slaughter-houses, breweries, distilleries, storage houses and all other establishments in which food, feeds, agricultural implements, machinery, fertilizers, insecticides, serums, toxins or any other place where articles for agriculture purposes are manufactured, prepared or kept for sale or distribution." The authorization requested is the most sweeping in the history of the country. It is more drastic than any power asked by the European belligerents except, possibly Germany. After a thorough investigation, the department wants to establish grades and standards for farm products. It wants to operate plants, to supervise the handling of all crops, and to deal in food and supplies in the emergency.

BOSTON SECRET SERVICE MEN CAPTURE SLOOP



The Sparrowhawk, a small sloop, equipped with a powerful gasoline engine and a wireless with many hundred feet of strong wire, was captured in Boston harbor by Frederick P. Schmid, head of the Federal Secret Service in Boston, while she was trying to slip out under command of Ernest Bethune, a German who was once in the Kaiser's navy. His two companions were Swedish. All were charged with conspiracy to cut the cable which stretches from a point near Gloucester to Europe. They were locked up.

BRITAIN WILL DISPLAY ALL CARDS OF WAR

Intends to Present Problems Fully and Frankly When Commissioners Meet Heads of U. S. Government.

SCOPE IS MUCH ENLARGED

General Question of Military and Financial Cooperation Is Foremost Problem Among a Host of Other Subjects. (GROAT.) WASHINGTON, April 20.—Britain intends to lay all her war cards on the table when the commissioners meet. The American government heads, she will present fully and frankly all her problems. It will cover a wider scope than heretofore announced. The general question of military and financial cooperation is the foremost problem. Other subjects are diplomatic questions such as the ultimate peace terms, munitions, wheat, general transportation, the blockade of Germany, communications, aviation and anti-submarine work.

XTRA

BUENOS AIRES, April 20.—The Spanish legation at Rio de Janeiro received a cipher message declaring that Russia and Germany had signed an armistice, according to a dispatch here from Rio de Janeiro. The roundabout rumor of an armistice between Germany and Russia is not taken seriously. It was suggested it might have originated through certain strong German influences in Rio de Janeiro, known to be closely in touch with the pro-German party in Spain.

ATHENA STRONG FOR BOND ISSUE

Practically Every Person at Mass Meeting Last Night Endorses Proposed Measure.

Athens farmers and townpeople are strong for the six million dollar road bond measure, according to W. L. Thompson, R. W. Jitter, H. J. Taylor and J. V. Tallman who last evening attended a mass meeting in that town for the discussion of the measure. Following short addresses made by Senator C. A. Barrett and Commissioner Thompson, practically every person in the audience arose to signify endorsement of the measure. Senator Barrett, who was one of the authors of the measure, spoke first and was followed by Mr. Thompson. One of the new and significant arguments advanced in behalf of the measure was the statement that if the quarter mill road tax which has been levied for several years the farmers of the state do not pay more than 15 per cent, whereas Multnomah county, the other cities and towns of the state and the other industries and interests pay 25 per cent. This argument as well as the argument that no additional tax is provided by the bonding measure, seemed to impress the farmers present. Messrs. Thompson, Jitter and H. Nelson will go to Bebo this evening to attend a west end road meeting.

COUNT TISZA QUILTS

ZURICH, April 20.—Vienna dispatches confirmed the resignation of Count Tisza, Hungarian premier.

SMUGGLER BOSS UP ON

DOUGLAS, April 20.—Federal agents took the first step toward unearthing alleged plots to smuggle ammunition into Mexico which was stolen from a local military camp when Willie Eyles, federal cattle inspector, was arrested charged with conspiracy in having five thousand rounds of ammunition.