

HALF MILLION GERMANS IN WILD RETREAT

ARGONNE POCKET, DEFENSE ERASED

Americans Through Last Organized Line on Nearly 4 Mile West of Meuse.

FRENCH HAND YANKS EFFECT JUNCTION

Troops Face Only Natural Defenses in Advance Toward Belgium.

BY FRED FERGUSON.

(United Press Staff Correspondent.) WITH THE AMERICANS IN FRANCE, Oct. 16.—The Americans are through the Krimhilde line on nearly a four-mile front. They have smashed the last organized German defenses in this region west of the Meuse and are advancing northward with only natural defenses between them and the Belgian frontier. The Argonne pocket is entirely wiped out by the junction of the Americans and French at Lacon—the Americans moving up through the forest with engineers blazing the way through the woods and tangled wire masses.

ENEMY PRACTICALLY REINFORCING.

WITH THE AMERICANS IN FRANCE, Oct. 16.—Heavy fighting is underway in the Hognag region between the Meuse and Argonne where the Germans are rushing reinforcements and concentrating artillery. The enemy is frantically reinforcing the sides of what was formerly the Argonne pocket, while withdrawing in the center.

2000 MORE PRISONERS.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16.—Gen. Pershing today reported continued American advances east of the Meuse to heavy's outskirts and the penetration of the German line west of the Meuse with the capture of 2000 additional prisoners yesterday.

PAVEMENT EXTENSION TO CEMETERY BEFORE WINTER COUNCIL PLAN

\$100 Pledged by Councilmen Toward \$3000 Improvement.

An effort will be made to secure the paving before winter of the road from the city paving in the west end of the city to the gate of the cemetery.

Councilman Phelps reported to the city council at the meeting last evening that the paving would cost \$3000 and made the recommendation that the city endeavor to secure an appropriation of \$1000 from the county and the city give \$1000 and the remaining \$1000 be raised by public subscription. That the council is in earnest in the proposition was evidenced by the immediate pledging of \$100 toward the subscription by members of the council. Ralph Johnson, \$10; D. D. Phelps, \$25; H. J. Taylor, \$25.

The cemetery and street committees were instructed to confer with the county court about the proposition and to report at the earliest date possible.

ARMY MEN STIR THROUG WITH PATRIOTISM, DETERMINATION

The Arcade theater last evening was crowded to the limit by men earnest in the patriotic purpose of learning everything possible of the army conditions and what is expected of them as selective service men, 5000 were men there from all parts of the county as well as Pendleton, and every one went home with the feeling that he had learned something for his own good as well as a stronger determination of doing his duty toward his country.

TURKS ASKING PEACE TERMS

Representatives of New Government Negotiating With Allies for Withdrawal.

ALLIED DRIVE ON TURKEY IMMINENT

Collapse of Ottoman Empire May Come Before Expedition Starts.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16.—Representatives of the new Turkish government are negotiating with the allies regarding terms for withdrawal from the war, the United Press learns from an authoritative source. The new grand vizier has representatives now in touch with the allied governments.

DRIVE IMMINENT. WASHINGTON, Oct. 16.—An allied drive against Turkey is expected shortly unless international unrest there breaks into open revolt, say diplomats.

Greece is preparing to march on the Ottoman empire. Marshal Foch's word, Turkey may collapse before the military expedition can start.

AL ROBERTS RETAINED AS CHIEF OF POLICE BY VOTE OF COUNCIL

Alleged Failure to Enforce Laws Fails to Oust Officer by 4 to 3.

The Pendleton council voted last evening four to three to continue Al Roberts as chief of police. The vote closes for the present at least the effort of Councilman Penland to oust the chief from office for alleged failure to enforce the laws of the city.

The matter of removing Roberts from the office was brought up at the meeting a week ago by Penland and was held over for final action at last night's meeting.

When the motion was brought up last night Mayor Vaughan ruled it was a matter that under the charter could not be acted upon by motion, but would require a resolution, and to carry would require five votes.

Vote on the resolution for removal stood: No, Ed. Folsom, Murphy, Vaughan; yes, Phelps, Taylor, Penland.

INFLUENZA, PEACE TALK HINDERS. WASHINGTON, Oct. 16.—Peace talk plus influenza has combined to throw the Liberty Loan further behind the schedule. Slightly over \$1,000,000,000 is pledged. This sum equals only New York's quota alone.

NO EXTENDED DISCUSSION. WASHINGTON, Oct. 16.—It can be stated on highest authority that there will be no extended note writing between President Wilson and Germany. Germany must answer the recent inquiry frankly and to the point or discussions will stop. On this point Americans may rest absolutely assured.

PERSISTENTLY RUMORED KAISER ABDICATES, REPORT EXPECTED

STOCKHOLM, Oct. 16.—It is persistently rumored that the kaiser has abdicated. (Reports of Hohenzolern overthrown were expected to be circulated at the time the German peace offensive was launched.

COUNTY NEARER FOURTH LOAN GOAL

In the absence of M. R. Chosman, secretary of the Patriotic Service League at Portland it is hard to obtain complete figures of the standing of Pendleton and Umatilla county today in the Liberty Loan campaign. However the figures show the county is getting nearer the goal each day.

ABSOLUTE DEFEAT OF MILITARISM ESSENTIAL

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16.—Foch is striking to bring upon Germany a semblance of Waterloo to emphasize allied determination for unqualified peace. The spectacular victory on the west front will carry to Germany more than anything else to date the fulfillment of her conquest dreams.

HUNDREDS TELEGRAMS URGE WAR TO FINISH

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16.—Discussing President Wilson's response, senators have read hundreds of telegrams and letters from back home demanding that the United States stand firmly for unconditional surrender.

Richard Cole, a member of the United States Marines who is at St. Anthony's hospital suffering from pneumonia, is improving. He was taken sick with Spanish influenza while on his way to Bremerton after spending a fortnight with relatives in Missouri and was taken off the train here.

CITY SAVES BY MANAGING OWN STREET CLEANING

Pendleton will do its own street flushing and cleaning. At the meeting of the city council last night the street committee reported the bid received for flushing called for too much money, and Councilman Phelps of the committee, recommended the bid be rejected and the city undertake to do its own street cleaning.

CAMBRAI HAS UPSET PLAN

PARIS, Oct. 16.—The capture of Cambrai has badly upset German retirement plans. They had been seeking to maintain a gradual withdrawal astride the city which was defended more strongly than any other point in the line.

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ALLIES BURST THROUGH LAST ORGANIZED LINE ON 20 MILES

SIMULTANEOUS BLOWS DEALING GRAVE DISASTER

Wide Sectors Hastily Evacuated Along Hundred Mile Cambrai - Rheims Front in France.

TRAPPING OF GREAT AUSTRIAN ARMY NEAR

Italians Reaching Durazzo Line, Serbian Territory Being Cleared.

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HUNS REPORTED IN UTTER ROUT, SIX MORE MILES COVERED, FIRE SWEEPS HEART OF CAMBRAI

Number Enemy Captured, Slain Staggering; Towns Fall, Great German Centers Seem Within Grasp.

LONDON, Oct. 16.—The greatest victory in military history appears approaching. Attacking on nearly a 50 mile front from below St. Quentin to near Douai, the British, French and Americans are reported to have broken through completely along nearly half of this front.

THOUSANDS CAPTURED. Allied cavalry is galloping at the heels of the retreating German while infantry is following practically without opposition. Great numbers of prisoners and vast quantities of material have been taken.

LE CHATEAU NEARED.

LONDON, Oct. 16.—(Received 2 o'clock)—It is learned that British cavalry are on the outskirts of Le Chateau.

AMERICANS REACH LE CHATEAU.

LONDON, Oct. 16.—The Germans in the Cambrai-St. Quentin region are staggering under the impact of combined British, French and American blows and seem on the verge of utter rout.

AMERICAN LEGATION IN MOSCOW RAIDED

STOCKHOLM, Oct. 16.—The American legation at Moscow has been raided and papers confiscated, says a dispatch today.

JAMES WEBSTER, TROOP D, WAS KILLED IN ACTION AUGUST 11

James M. Webster, one of the members of Troop D when that organization left Pendleton, was killed in action in France on August 11. A report to this effect was received here some time ago and fuller details are contained in a letter to the East Oregonian from Fred Webster, brother, who lives at Kettle Falls Wash.

THE WEATHER FORECAST

Tonight and Friday unsettled, probably showers.

Weather Partly Cloudy Here Today

Maximum temperature, 16.

Minimum temperature, 11.

Weather, partly cloudy.

Wind, west, light.

Rainfall, .15.



These are proof in this large number of prisoners taken by the Americans in their great drive in France that they are making prisoners of thousands of Huns. This photograph shows just a few of those taken and on their way to the pen.