

GERMAN DRIVE MADE AGAINST TWO FRONTS

AMIENS DRIVE CONTINUES THROUGH NIGHT WHILE HINRENBURG ATTACKS IN FLANDERS

COUNTER ATTACKS BY ENGLISH REGAIN GROUND WHICH WAS LOST IN INITIAL GERMAN OFFENSIVE

Tanks Play Important Part in Haig's Defense of Battle Front in Flanders and in Picardy; Both Sides Use the Tractors

LONDON, April 25.—(By United Press)—British troops regained by counterattacks the ground lost to the Germans east of Amiens, according to the report of Marshal Haig today. Heavy fighting occurred around Villers Bretonneux throughout the night and is continuing today. British artillery and tanks inflicted heavy losses on the advancing Germans in the attack, and played a prominent part in the counterattack. A number of prisoners were taken during the night by the British. Northeast of Bailleul an enemy attack on the French was repulsed, according to the report. Early this morning the attack on the British positions was resumed. This followed an intense bombardment, and the battle here is still continuing. Heavy enemy casualties have been inflicted during the night's battle. While the battle swirls around Villers Bretonneux in the

drive against Amiens, Hindenburg is striking simultaneously in Picardy and Flanders. FIGHTING IS DESPERATE By Will Philip Simms, U. P. Staff Correspondent BRITISH FRONT, April 25.—Desperate fighting boiled all day and night on the heights east of Amiens. For the first time in history, tanks are being used by both sides in the battle today, the British having the best of this phase of the combat. As this is the situation on the Villers Bretonneux ridge looks better. Counter attacks by the Tommies seem to have made progress, driving the Germans out of Aiguens Wood. The situation at Villers Bretonneux itself is uncertain at the present time and is of a touch and go nature. British tanks drove the German caterpillars off the field and are crawling up and down the German lines, moving the infantry down.

Halsey Home Guard Doing Splendid Work

HAISEY, April 25.—(Special to Democrat)—The Halsey Home Guard was recently reorganized under a compulsory drill plan. Regular drills are held on Monday evening of each week.

Following are the list of officers: Captain, Olin Stalnaker; first lieutenant, W. H. Robertson; second lieutenant, F. Isom; first honorary sergeant, S. G. Robertson; first active sergeant, E. D. Isom; first duty sergeant, J. W. Manross; second duty sergeant, G. Laubner; third duty sergeant, D. S. McWilliams; first corporal, J. W. Drinkard; second corporal, Clare Miller; third corporal, Eldon Cross. Thirty-six have signed already as active members, with prospects for many more.

PRICE FOR LOGS IS TO BE SET BY GOVERNMENT

The question of fixing the price of logs has been decided in favor of the government. According to the opinion of Assistant Federal Attorney Rankin, the government may use any material or means to carry on the war, and has power to determine the prices. "Under the powers conferred on the President," said Rankin today, "he is authorized to use any material or means to carry on the war. He has vested in the chairman of the pricing committee of the war industries board the power to determine prices. These prices have been set. They have the effect of law and will be enforced. The penalty for violation, it was pointed out, call for not more than five years' imprisonment or a fine not to exceed \$50,000.

NEW CLASSIFIED

FOR SALE—Eggs from imported White Runner Ducks. They lay more eggs and eat less grain than any hens. A few settings at \$2 each. From hardy, heavy-laying stock. A few Ancona hens now laying. Home phone m622. H. A. Stearns, South Ferry Street, 25a27

WANTED—Paper carriers. See Hugh Hammerly at the Democrat office. After 4 p. m. a25

LABORERS WANTED—Wages \$3.36 to \$3.64—8 hours. West Linn Mills opposite Oregon City, at Free Employment Office. Strike still on. Railroad receipt for fare up to \$2 cashed after working one week. Come along. Work assured. Board and bed \$6.55 week at Mills or \$7 at Beck's Hotel, Oregon City. a25m6

WERE CAUGHT UP ON ORDERS—O.A.C. W. Leghorn hatching eggs \$1 for 15. Guaranteed fresh, fertile. From stock developed and acclimated in Oregon—these chicks will stand the showers and the pullets make egg-records. Bell 5194, Home 4546; Ed C. Viereck, North Albany.

FIVE CENTS pound for clean cotton rags at Democrat office. t*

CITIZEN FACES SERIOUS CHARGE

Indictment Returned at Session in March of Grand Jury

Mark P. Christainson and Mrs. Flossie Young were arrested yesterday at Portland on a bench warrant from the Linn county court, lewd and lascivious conduct being charged. Indictments were returned at the March session of the grand jury and the couple were located in Portland yesterday. Sheriff D. H. Bodine left this morning to bring back Christainson and Mrs. Young was released on her own recognizance. The couple lived together for about a year in a house near the Southern Pacific roundhouse. It is claimed. In January, it is charged, a baby was born to Mrs. Young and, fearing trouble, the couple moved to Portland. Mrs. Young has five other children, and is said to have a husband in California.

Christainson has lived around Albany for many years. He was active in the timber business but for the past few years has done more or less light work about the city. It is not known what work he was following while at Portland. Sheriff Bodine took to Portland Paul Tappart, charged with having weapons in violation of the law which prohibits this to alien enemies. Tappart is being held for the federal authorities.

BIG LINER IS SUNK TODAY AT SIDE OF DOCK

NEW YORK, April 25.—(U. P.)—The Hughes liner St. Paul sank today at her dock. It was found that the sea-cocks had been left open, either by accident or design. So far as is known there has been no loss of life. A strong guard was at once thrown about the vessel and the crew checked up. The St. Paul is lying in the bed of the river and only partially submerged.

German Cavalry Is on Holland Border

THE HAGUE, April 25.—(U. P.)—German cavalry has appeared along the Westphalian border, hitherto guarded only by landsturm. A strong German note demanding a quick reply to the German demands has arrived. The main demand is for free transportation of materials through Holland and Belgium.

Telgraphers May Be Called Out Soon

CHICAGO, April 25.—(U. P.)—President Koenenkamp of the Commercial Telegraphers' union announced today that instructions were being prepared for a nationwide strike. A wire was sent today to President Carleton of the Western Union, Samuel Gompers, and to government officials asking them to try to find a solution of the affair not involving the right of the men to organize.

Small Casualty List Is Sent by Pershing

WASHINGTON, April 25.—(U. P.)—Today's casualty list included 49 names. Two were killed in action, six died of wounds, seven of disease and four of accident. Five were severely wounded and 24 slightly wounded. One died as the result of gunshot wounds.

British Air Leader Has Resigned Post

LONDON, April 25.—(U. P.)—Lord Rothmere, chairman of the British air board, has resigned. Premier David Lloyd-George, in accepting the resignation, stated that he regretted that Lord Rothmere should leave the post after so successfully launching the unification of the allied air forces.

Former Albany Girl Is Married in Portland

A marriage of more than usual interest to Albany people was that performed last night in Portland when Miss Ethel Hammer became the wife of Mr. John Myers of Portland. The bride is a daughter of Mrs. Florence Hammer, a former teacher in the Albany public schools. Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Hammer of this city went down to Portland to attend the wedding.

Suit Is Filed—

Suit for divorce was filed today by J. W. Harris versus M. M. Harris. Desertion is charged in the complaint, and absolute divorce is asked. There are no children and no property is involved in the action.

HONOR GUARD TO PLANT POTATOES

The Albany Honor Guards has finally decided to have a garden. This will be planted on the same piece of ground that held the bean crop last year and this is being plowed now. Potatoes will be planted this year and citizens of the town and surrounding country are asked for donations of spuds to be used as seed.

COUNCIL HAS A BUSY SESSION

Important Matters Were Discussed at Last Night's Meeting

HEALTH DEPARTMENT IS GIVEN BIG JOB

Vagrancy Ordinance Is Recommended by O. K. Baldwin

Wit and humor predominated at a rather hilarious session of the city council last night but, despite the levity of the meeting several rather important matters were considered. The city fathers passed the ordinance regulating the control of venereal disease, referred the question of a city ordinance requiring all able-bodied men to go to work to the ordinance committee, recommended more safety in the city's passenger elevators, declared for clean streets and gave Chief Catlin permission to build a detention home for stray dogs, providing the pound could be built without great expense to the city.

Following the allowing of the usual bills against the city, the matter of passenger elevators was brought up and referred to the committee on ways and means with power to act. An ordinance raising the salaries of the engineer and truck driver at the fire station was passed without opposition and the much-discussed ordinance on venereal disease was discussed, a mild opposition by Councilmen Lyons and Tweedale being overcome by those favoring the bill.

The ordinance as passed is probably the most drastic law ever passed in Albany. The ordinance is modeled on that of Portland, with the necessary changes to make it fit a city the size of Albany. According to the provisions all persons seeking medical aid for venereal disease of physicians, or who buy medicine from druggists or other dispensaries, must be reported by the physicians or druggists to the city health department. By the city they will observe all necessary sanitary laws required by the city and state health officers and, failing in this, are to be sent to the state detention hospital at Portland for treatment.

The city health officers are given the right to inspect persons who might be suspected of being infected and all prostitutes are classed as suspects. Other persons listed by the health department as infected are to be given an official release when cured but this will not apply to prostitutes and when it is found that their quarantine is necessary, they are to be turned over to the county or state. This was part of the ordinance that aroused the opposition in the council as it was considered that the city would be overrun with people seeking free medical aid. This has been made impossible, however, by the fact that the city will operate no detention hospital but will use the state law and the state hospital to take care of such cases.

Following the passage of the ordinance by a unanimous vote the council passed a bill declaring certain sheds and buildings in the city nuisances and directing the owners to remove them. The old poles used to carry juice for the defunct streetcar system were referred to the committee on streets and public properties. The paving bonds for \$4,533 held by a Portland company were ordered transferred to the general fund and the recorder ordered to draw warrants. Chief Catlin, through Councilman Wiles, next asked permission to use old lumber at the Central school building to build a dog pound in the East End.

In reply to questions the chief stated that the pound was a very disturbing matter. Citizens object to having the pound in the city and at present the only pound the city has is the great beyond. Vicious dogs are shot at once but many common, ordinary strays are around town because there is no place to put them. Before the council could act on the pound question, Street Commissioner Woods brought up the matter of the street semaphores on Main street, and this was also discussed while the chief waited for action on the pound. It developed that the citizens had been apprehended for driving on the left of the street. Consequently it was decided to move the Main street semaphores a little more to the east, and allow cars going north to pass to the left of these semaphores. The dog pound was then favorably acted on.

O. K. Baldwin of Portland, assistant farm labor specialist, next addressed the council and requested an ordinance requiring all able-bodied men to go to work. His talk was to the point, but before the council could act on it a matter of cleaning up the streets had been presented by a com-

Albany High School Classes Are Planning Many Activities Which Will Be Staged Before Graduation

The Albany high school is preparing for a strenuous time during the remainder of the term. The tennis tournament was furthered by the meetings held by the junior and senior classes today. The juniors elected Lucile Longbottom as captain of their tennis team and the seniors selected Had Irvine for the leader of the upper class team. Interclass tennis will take the place of interscholastic athletics this summer. The juniors decided at their meeting to replace the annual banquet with a hayrack ride. This will not only provide more amusement, it is believed, but will be in keeping with the Hoovering spirit of the times. The day for this affair has not yet been selected. The seniors decided at their meeting to ask Rev. O. B. Pershing, pas-

tor of the First Presbyterian church, to preach the baccalaureate sermon. These services will be held at the Methodist church at a date to be selected later. The program for the senior class day is now in process of being arranged, and from reports of those in charge, will be made the one big day of the year. An all-day session will be held on a program with many special stunts will be forthcoming. The day for this has not been selected and probably will not be for some time. The program is being arranged with the idea of having the various acts ready for use at any time as the weather man may make it necessary to stage the program in an impromptu fashion. The approximate day for this affair will also be selected later.

MINOR CASES HEARD TODAY BEFORE COURT

Frank Harris was given a divorce from his wife, May Harris, by Judge Bingham in department No. 2 of the circuit court. Desertion was charged in the complaint. It is alleged that the plaintiff, who is a telephone lineman, returned home one evening and found a note stating that his wife had gone and that she did not want to see him again. In the case of J. C. Mayer versus Alice Borchers et al, a decree of foreclosure was granted in favor of the plaintiff. A demurrer in the case of Snyder versus Keefe was taken under advisement by the court. Judge Bingham will sit for Judge Percy R. Kelly on Friday and Saturday of next week to hear motions and demurrers, and in addition will hear the sport of the grand jury which is called for next Monday. The first Monday of May is set for the opening of the term of department No. 1.

Linn County Gets Liberty Honor Flag

San Francisco, April 24, 1918. Mr. A. J. Hodges, chairman, Liberty Loan Committee Linn Co., Albany, Oregon. Dear sir: The general executive board has today approved the awarding to your county of the official honor flag of the Third Liberty Loan. The committee wishes to congratulate you and all who assisted you on the magnificent spirit of patriotism and unselfishness which has characterized your efforts in the Third Liberty Loan campaign. The committee hopes that the splendid spirit which has enabled your community to win this honor flag will be continued throughout the remaining days of the campaign and that, before its close, you may secure one or more blue stars to be sewed upon the white field of the flag, each star signifying that your quota has been increased by 100 per cent.

Your patriotic response to the nation's call is a stimulus to all of us and we will watch with interest and best wishes for your further success, the daily reports from your district. Yours very truly, JAMES K. LYNCH, Chairman, General Executive Board, Twelfth District.

mittee from the commercial club. Both matters were discussed by councilmen at the same time and both referred to the proper committees after members had expressed themselves favorably on the questions.

SPEAKING TOUR FOR MRS. KEMP

Food Administration Plans Extensive Campaign

The U. S. Food administration for Linn county has arranged an extensive speaking tour for Mrs. Jennie M. Kemp, special representative of the federal food administration, who is touring this section of the state just now. This speaking tour is undertaken with the view of informing the outlying districts regarding the purpose and plan of the food conservation movement. Those in the larger centers have been more or less in touch with the movement and are better acquainted with the purpose and methods.

Mrs. Kemp is well known throughout the state, as she was at one time President of the state organization of the W. C. T. U. She is a fluent speaker and has been in close touch with the federal food conservation work from the very beginning. These meetings will undoubtedly enable the people in the outlying districts in Linn county to observe the food regulations more carefully and more intelligently. The food conservation department is very desirous that all housewives in the different sections where Mrs. Kemp speaks will attend these meetings. Her speaking tour will cover the following points:

- April 26—Tangent at 10 a. m.; Shedd at 3 p. m. and 7:30 p. m.
- April 27—Halsey at 3 p. m.
- April 28—Crabtree at 9:30 a. m.; Tallman at 1 p. m.; Sodaville at 7:30 p. m.
- April 30—Waterloo at 9:30 a. m.; Sweethome at 11:30 p. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Foster at 2 p. m.
- May 1—Holley at 10 a. m.; Crawfordville at 2 p. m.; Plainview at 7:30 p. m.
- May 2—Sheburn at 10 a. m.; Scio at 2:30 p. m. and 7:30 p. m.
- May 3—Lyons at 2 p. m.; Mill City at 7:30 p. m.

REGISTRATION IS JUNE 6TH

WASHINGTON, April 25.—The house today passed the resolution calling for the registration of boys who became 21 since last year. The president is expected to sign the bill at once. Registration will be June 6th.

VILLAGE LOST TO THE HUNS TODAY

Hangard en Santerre Is Captured After Hard Fight

ARMIES SWEEP OVER CITY THREE TIMES

Special Frightfulness Equipment Used Against Allies

PARIS, April 25.—(By United Press)—The Germans today captured Hangard en Santerre, where the Americans are fighting shoulder to shoulder with the French, it was announced today by the war office. The official communique stated that the enemy took the city during the night, were driven out again by allied counter attacks, and was then retaken by the Germans at the price of heavy casualties. The French still held the outskirts of the village. Artillery is still in progress on both sides of the Ancre, the dispatch declared.

AMERICANS ACTIVE By Fraak Taylor, U. P. Correspondent in Lorraine

AMERICAN FRONT, April 25.—The German artillery fire is increasing in the front held by the American troops this morning. Reports from the front trenches show that the Germans are active in this region in the past few weeks. Recent attacks made by the Germans against American positions were laudably defied "traveling circus troops" who moved continually, carrying special "frightfulness" equipment, and which were assisted by the services of aviators.

German Teaching to Be Abolished

The following order has been sent by County School Superintendent Ida M. Cummings to the schools of the county: "Believing that the study of German in our public schools is giving our alien enemies an opportunity to gain a permanent foothold in our country, P. D. Gilbert, chairman of the Linn county council of defense has ordered that the teaching of German be abolished in Linn county schools. This is also the order of State Superintendent Churchill. This order is to take effect immediately." MRS. IDA M. CUMMINGS, County School Superintendent.

Government Is to Control All Wool

WASHINGTON, April 25.—(U. P.)—Measures have been taken to "control all wool," the officials of the war industries board stated today after a conference with wool growers. It is not known whether outright seizure will be resorted to. This, it is thought, will depend on the attitude of the growers. A basic price has been agreed on, but it is stated that the differentials have not been worked out.

Damage at Belgian Ports Is Observed

LONDON, April 25.—(U. P.)—The British aircraft have observed a break 20 feet long at the inner end of the Zeebrugge mole, the admiralty announced today. At Ostende a sunken object was observed between the piles, blocking the greater part of the fairway.

Hungarian Workers Make Demonstration

AMSTERDAM, April 25.—(U. P.)—A hundred thousand Budapest workers conducted a three-hour strike yesterday as a demonstration for suffrage reforms, according to a statement from that city. Demonstrations occurred in various other industrial centers.

On Way to Lebanon—

Miss Blanche Hammel of Corvallis passed thru the city this noon on her way to Lebanon.

ALBANY WOMEN MEET TONIGHT

The women of Albany are asked to attend a meeting at the Commercial club this evening to organize the defense league. This will be of the nature of an auxiliary to the Home Guard, and every woman in the city may join. The first meeting was held last week and a committee appointed to plan an organization. This will be completed at the session to be held tonight.

