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Terrific Bombardment of Allied Line in Flanders Is Maintained Throughout Night by Hindenburg

BY PHIL SIMMS, U. P. STAFF CORRESPONDENT

BRITISH FRONT, April 29.—The French about Mont Kemmel were heavily shelled all last night and today reported another violent bombardment. Today they sent up signals asking for artillery support. This indicates that a German attack is imminent and that the bombardment is of the most violent nature.

Two similar calls for support were also received from the Ypres sector and from Loire. By 5 this morning the shelling in these regions was exceptionally intense.

The Germans opened fire by sectors, beginning in the north. At 2 this morning the Germans began a hurricane bombardment of the French and British front from Ypres southward to Lys. Help was asked by various allied divisions in the front lines.

Previous to the bombardment of the allied lines the fighting for hours had been entirely of a local character. The German lines were pushed a little

nearer to Ypres, and was again pushed back by a brilliant counter-attack of the British.

On the northern side of the Flanders salient the Germans made an attack yesterday afternoon, capturing Voormezele, but this position was retaken by the British. Late in the evening another attack was made in this sector.

Since the French troops recaptured Loire, heavy fighting has resulted, with fluctuating results. The French are still reported to hold this position, but the situation is obscure.

LONDON, April 29.—(U. P.)—The Germans are striking along the whole Flanders front, Marshal Haig reported today. Infantry attacks are developing between Meteren and Voormezele following a terrific bombardment with high explosives and gas shells.

A heavy bombardment along a ten-mile frontage in the southern Flanders front is also reported. Simultaneously the enemy is shelling the British lines along a ten-mile frontage between Lens and Arras.

CRABTREE HAS SERVICE FLAG WITH 31 STARS

CRABTREE, April 29.—(Special)—The service flag for the community was dedicated at exercises held here last Saturday night. A good sized crowd was present and the principal address was made by Rev. O. R. Pershing of Albany. There were 31 stars on the flag, including two gold stars.

In all there have been 15 men enlisted who lived at the time in Crabtree. In addition, 16 stars were added for Crabtree men who enlisted from other places. The two gold stars were for Freeman Rieser and Gilbert Parsons, who were killed in action while fighting in the Canadian army.

Following is the program given yesterday: Song, America. Recitation, Pear Greenwood. Recitation, John Sumpter. Song, Mr. Green. Recitation, LaVon Vittito. Reading, Mrs. Dority. Recitation, Clara Warren. Recitation, Orvil Powell. Song, Miss Gwendolyn Davis. Reading, Miss Kate Easton. Prayer, Rev. Emmerson. Address, Rev. Pershing.

Following are those for whom stars are on the service flag: Ross Parr, Chester Gard-Miller, W. Gail Powell, Vern Watson, William Pierce, Alfred Pierce, Delos Charley Pierce, Harry McBride, Adolph Mespelt, Lloyd Green, Lester Powell, Freeman Rieser, Berry Bouger, John Egan, John Vane, John Clark, Frank Keller, Guy Thrush, Tallman Weeks, Walter Smith, Oliver Green, Glen Isom, Casper Bilyeu, Ralph Bilyeu, Delbert Ray, Clifford Ray, Frank Powell, Freddie Sutton, Bayliss Sutton, Warren Parsons, Gilbert Parsons, Samuel K. Carnes, Clinton M. Locke.

NEW CLASSIFIED**Harrisburg Is to Have Institute**

FOR RENT—Furnished rooms for light housekeeping, living room and kitchen on ground floor. Apply 630 West 7th or call Bell 376J, a29m1.

AIRPLANE AND MILLMEN wanted for spruce mill cutting govt. airplane lumber—wages 44 cents per hour—8-hour shift—help govt.—exemption from draft while employed. Willamette Valley Stock & Land Co., Corvallis. 29a30

DON'T MAKE A MISTAKE—Vote for No. 55—R. E. Warner, the most substantial candidate for sheriff. —Paid Adv. 29a30*

WARNER FOR SHERIFF—Has paid hundreds of dollars into Linn County Treasury for taxes. Don't overlook No. 55 on official ballot.

—Paid Adv. 29a30*

ICE CREAM—When you are on Lyon street you will find it restful and refreshing to stop at Kenton's and eat Weatherly Ice Cream. Only 10 cents.

29a30
WE'RE CAUGHT UP ON ORDERS—O.A.C. W. Leghorn hatching eggs \$1 for 16. Guaranteed fresh, fertile. From stock developed and acclimated in Oregon—these chix will stand the showers and the pullets make egg-records. Bell 518J, Home 4546; Ed C. Vierck, North Albany.

5¢ CENTS pound for clean cotton rag at Democrat office. tf*

PARENT TEACHER MEETING A SUCCESS**Interesting Meetings Were Held in Albany on Saturday**

Good sized crowds attended the two sessions of the Parent-Teacher institute held at the Globe theatre Saturday morning and at the senior high school Saturday afternoon. In the morning Professor J. B. Horner of Corvallis spoke on "Oregon History" and in the afternoon the following program was given:

Chorus, by Maple 5th and 6th grades. 1—Barefoot Boy; 2—One Land United.

Duet, Kenneth Jones and LaVon Hendryx, The Daisy.

Play, Three Billygoats Gruff—Central first grade. Robert Young, stage manager.

Songs—1, Sweetpea Ladies; 2—Buttercup. Madison 1st and 2d grades.

Chorus, by Central 6th grade. 1—The Gypsy Boy; 2—Lily Bells.

Lecture—Vocational Guidance—W. G. Young, Lebanon H. S.

Lecture—Memory and Attention—Judge G. E. Bingham.

Lecture—Efficient Teaching—F. L. Stetson, Eugene.

Address—Having a Motive to Work—C. W. Boettcher.

SALES OF SUGAR FOR CANNING PURPOSES**Special Regulation Issued by U. S. Food Conservation Department**

In order that the people of Oregon might be able to take care of the fruit during the canning season, the U. S. food conservation department has issued a special regulation governing the sale of sugar to families desiring to use it for canning purposes. Any home desiring to purchase sugar for canning purposes from now on can buy it in 100-pound lots providing they fill out and sign a card (furnished to them by the grocer) certifying that they intend to use the sugar for canning purposes; the grocer can then sell them sugar in 100-pound lots. Sugar so sold is to be used for canning purposes only.

Where sugar is used by families in the ordinary way for consumption, the purchases are limited to \$1 orders. Families living outside of the city limits are allowed to buy sugar in 25-pound lots.

No dealer is supposed to use or advertise sugar as a leader for special sales of other merchandise.

In order to enable retail dealers to carry a sufficient supply of sugar, they are permitted from now on until October 1, 1918, to carry on hand a stock of sugar not in excess of their requirements for 30 days.

Retail dealers living at a distance from the railroad where it is necessary to carry a stock in excess of a 30-day supply, can do so by getting permission in writing from the county food administrator.

ALFRED C. SCHMITT, Chairman, U. S. Food Administration for Linn county.

OREGON MAN KILLED

PHOENIX, April 29.—(U. P.)—Ivan McGan was today arrested, charged with the murder of Kenneth Folston, of Oregon.

PETROGRAD IN DANGER

PETROGRAD, April 29.—(U. P.)—The soviet commissaries today ordered the entire Red Guard to the Finnish border to repel the effort of the Finnish White Guard to occupy Petrograd.

Ben West Here

Ben F. West, candidate for the republican nomination for state treasurer, is in Albany today meeting the republican voters. He states that he has a good chance of election.

MORE MEN WILL BE CALLED SOON

By CARL GROATT, STAFF CORRESPONDENT, U. P.

WASHINGTON, April 29.—"Very large American quotas will be required in the immediate future to fill gaps caused by the West Front drive."

This was announced by the weekly department in their weekly summary and it was further declared that the "war's outcome depends on manpower."

being made to settle up its affairs.

The Odd Fellows and Rebekah's memorial services were held at the Baptist church last night, and Dr. G. H. Young spoke on the "National Application of the Spirit and Principle of Odd Fellowship." There was a large attendance. Music was furnished by the Hammer quartette.

Dr. Young, in his address, spoke of the Odd Fellowship in its relation to religion. The three greatest principals of the lodge, he stated, were equality, sacrifice, and the worship of God.

AMERICANS HOLD LINE AT PEAK OF GERMAN SALIENT**Announcement Comes After Three Weeks of Secrecy****ALL BRANCHES ARE INCLUDED IN FORCE****German Artillery Is Visible from American Lines; Shells Roads**

BY FRED FERGUSON, U. P. SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

AMERICAN FRONT, April 29.—American forces are now fighting beside the French in Northern France, and are holding a sector in the heart of the world's greatest battle. This announcement was permitted following three weeks of secret movements.

Infantry, artillery, machine-guns and other branches of the American force are cooperating. The Americans are facing the Germans at the peak of the German salient into the allied lines.

The outposts held by the American forces are 200 feet apart, and some positions are being maintained in shell holes. The entire country at this point is open and rolling, and there are few woods to obstruct the view of the fighting.

The Boche artillery is visible from the lines, and it is actively shelling all roads and villages behind the allied line.

The Americans arrived at the front following a long marching and railroad trip. The spirits of the troops was excellent, and they cheered the villagers from the freightcars.

The soldiers were fed from rolling kitchens on flatcars. After 48 hours of riding they were marched to the mobilization area where they were billeted on the villages.

SCIO CONDENSERY CREDITORS MEET**Commissioner Cannon Is Hearing Claims of Scio People**

The officials of the Scio Condensery are being examined today before Andrew E. Cannon of the United States bankruptcy commission, at the county court house. The books of the defunct company are being inspected, and the report of the auditors will also be heard.

The meeting was postponed from about a month ago, when the creditors of the company met and laid their case before the bankruptcy court. At that time E. C. Peery was appointed trustee at the last session, and will have charge of the dissolving of the company.

There were about 50 creditors at the meeting today, most of them from Scio or the surrounding country. The Scio Condensery went into bankruptcy some months ago, and an effort is

Now in France

W. G. Gray is now in France with Company G, 16th U. S. Infantry.

Busy Month Planned

County Agricultural Agent Smith expects to put in a busy time the next few weeks. There are 17 granges and 13 farmers' unions in the county and he was received invitations from almost all to attend their next meeting.

Accident This Morning

An automobile driven by R. H. Hughes came to grief this morning on the road between Albany and Corvallis. A broken steering wheel was the cause, but none of the occupants of the car were injured.

Honor Guard Meets

The Albany Honor Guard will meet tomorrow evening at the library at 7:15.

CALIFORNIA MEN EAT AT ARMORY**Red Cross Again Makes Hit With Drafted Men From South**

The Albany Red Cross is again in the act of making a big hit with the men who are going to Camp Lewis, and it is very probable that the reputation earned by the city last fall will be upheld this spring. The men who ate breakfast yesterday morning at the armory were more than pleased with their entertainment, and what

sight. The regiment was formed on three sides of a square, leaving a place for the fallen comrades. The crosses were pinned on by French and American general officers, who shook hands with each man.

The official citation on the subject

read in part:

"This regiment showed the greatest

audacity and a fine spirit of sacrifice.

Subject to a violent bombardment and

attacked by important German forces,

it checked a dangerous advance and

retook the lost positions at the point

of the bayonet with vigorous energy,

taking prisoners and retaking

trenches which had been demolished

by the bombardment."

104th Regiment Receives French Croix de Guerre for Bravery and Valor in Repulsing Hun Attack

AMERICAN FRONT, Lorraine, April 29.—The 104th American regiment yesterday afternoon received the French Croix de Guerre the ceremony being performed on a hillside near the trenches. The honor was conferred for bravery and valor in repelling an attack of the Germans on Apremont Wood during three days' fight beginning April 10th.

This is the first American contingent to be thus honored in the history of the American honor, and the 104th has more than upheld all the traditions of Bunker Hill, Lexington and Concord. The decorating of the colors and of the men was an inspiring

O. A. C. Man to Talk on Civic Improvement

The regular meeting of the 6 o'clock club will be held on Wednesday evening, May 1st, at 6:15 at the Methodist church. Prof. A. L. Peck, head

of the landscape gardening and floriculture department at the Oregon Agricultural college, will give a talk on civic improvement. All men and women interested in making our city more beautiful are invited to be present. Supper tickets 35 cents each.

Those desiring to attend will please notify Dr. Robnett, first national bank building, or Samuel Roome at Wells Fargo & Co. express office. Please do this at once so that we will know how many to prepare for.

Albany Boy Finds Friends in France

A letter received recently from Leland Gilbert states that he is now in France and in good health and happy. He is quartered where a number of other Oregon men are stationed, and has been able to find quite a few friends. Following are excerpts from his letter:

"Just a few lines to let you know I am in good health and happy. I have traveled many miles in France since my last letter and have not reached my battery yet, but hope to soon. The censorship forbids me telling you what part of France I am in, but it cannot be any harm to tell you that I am in the same town as that where a part of the men from the home towns are located, and I have many friends over here. The weather is much like Oregon. We are well fed and well clothed."

German Submarine Losses Increasing

ROME, April 29.—(U. P.)—Zurich advises declare that German submarine losses for the past six weeks have been double the January and February rate.

Barn Burns on Farm of Clarence Bunnell

The barn on the farm of Clarence Bunnell, half a mile west of Tangent, was burned about 1 o'clock Saturday, the loss being over \$500. In addition to the barn the contents were also destroyed, including two horses, a calf, a buggy and a considerable amount of hay and bailed straw.

There was no insurance on the barn or its contents and the cause of the blaze is unknown.

Investigation of Airplanes Asked

WASHINGTON, April 29.—(U. P.)—Senator Brandegee today demanded that congress investigate the "shameful profiteering, criminal neglect and gross inefficiency involved in America's airplane program."

ENTERTAINMENT GIVEN AT CRABTREE SUCCESS

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