

HUNS UNABLE TO MAKE GAINS

Teutons Sparring for Time to
Bring Up Fresh
Troops

BRITISH FIND BABIES AMONG HUN DEAD

Tommies Take Two Babies
From German Front
Trenches

By William Phillip Simms, United
Press Staff Correspondent

FLANDERS FRONT, May 1.—
Staggered by the blow before Ypres
Sunday, General Von Arnim is spar-
ring for time, utterly unable to press
on. Except for considerable shelling
of the areas back of the lines from
Ypres westward to Hazebrouck, the
activity is confined to small raids, and
the calm is conspicuous after the hard
fighting of the past few days.

The Germans will undoubtedly try
again to take the next of hills south-
west of Ypres, but the jolt received
Sunday has compelled the enemy to
shift divisions before another attack
can be made.

It is learned from unimpeachable
authority that babies have been found
among the dead in the German firing
line. The British in retaking Neuve
Eglise found two live babies.

The Germans apparently took them
from the village to the trenches in
comparative safety. The Tommies
took the babies below ground where
they would be safer, and they are now
the pets of the nurses in the hospital.

Wool Supply Taken Over by Government

WASHINGTON, May 1.—(U. P.)—
The government today commandeered
the entire stock of the unsold wool in
the hands of dealers and growers, and
also the entire wool clip for the year.
These will be taken at the price pre-
vailing on July 31st of last year which
it is believed will stimulate produc-
tion.

In addition a price will be fixed soon
for rawhides and for skins. The price
of tanned skins will also be fixed by
the government. Dealers are allowed
merely a compensation for actual
services in handling the wool. It is
believed that this move will eliminate
speculation.

Miss Elizabeth Cosper of Lebanon
has been designated as secretary of the
Home Service Section of the Linn
county chapter of the Red Cross, and
will hereafter by at the Red Cross
rooms every Saturday. She will in-
spect the work in the various branches
in the county and assist generally in
promoting Red Cross work in this
part of the state.

Visited at Dever—

The Misses Mayme Echtermach,
Erma Bishop and Emma Liebe drove
to Dever and spent the afternoon knit-
ting and visiting with Mrs. Henry
Beagle. Refreshments were served,
and so very much enjoyed that the
ladies left vowing they would come
again soon.

NEW CLASSIFIED

WANTED—Tray girl at St. Mary's
hospital.

FOR SALE OR RENT—5-acre tract
with house and barn. For particu-
lars call the Davenport Music house.
1m3

FOR RENT—Several acres of good
land in North Albany. Splendid for
beans and corn. Reasonable rental.
Call 400, both phones. 1m3*

FOR SALE—Seed beans "Mexican
Tree" and "Lady Washington."
Good clean stock. Home grown.
Prices 12-1-2 cents per pound. H.C.
Payne, Albany, R.F.D. No. 1; Bell
1F5.

WE'RE CAUGHT UP ON ORDERS—
O.A.C. W. Lehigh hatching eggs
\$1 for 15. Guaranteed fresh, fer-
tile. From stock developed and ac-
climated in Oregon—these chicks will
stand the showers and the pullets
make egg-records. Bell 519J, Home
4546; Ed C. Viereck, North Albany.

MOUNTAIN ROAD TO BE CHANGED

Willamette Cascade Wagon-
Road Over Mountains
Being Repaired

The forest service is preparing an
improvement on the Willamette Cas-
cade wagonroad above Cascadia this
summer and L. E. Beezely of the bu-
reau of roads at Portland, is looking
over the situation this week. He has
a force of men surveying the propo-
sed change.

A new road a mile and a half long
will be built at a point commencing
ten miles east of Cascadia. The old
road over this section is not good, and
three bridges are built over the San-
dam. These three bridges would
have to be rebuilt this summer if the
old route was retained.

Each bridge would cost almost \$800,
and the new road can be built, accord-
ing to the preliminary report, for a
little more than \$2,000. The grade es-
tablished would be better than the old
and but one bridge, a very small af-
fair, would be needed.

Half of the cost of the new road
is to be paid by the forest reserve,
which will have charge of the con-
struction, and the Oregon Western
Colonization company, which took over
the old wagonroad grant, will furnish
labor to the extent of \$1,000.

Federal Labor Board Acts in Big Strike

WASHINGTON, May 1.—(U. P.)—
The national war labor board today
wired the heads of the Postal Tele-
graph and Western Union Telegraph
companies asking them not to dis-
charge more of their operators pend-
ing the outcome of the negotiations
now being conducted before the board.
The companies have been asked to
send representatives.

Nonpartisan League Head Denies Treason

WASHINGTON, May 1.—(U. P.)—
A. C. Townley, president of the Non-
partisan League, denied before the
senate military committee that the
organization was treasonable or the
officers traitors. He declared that the
league had \$5,000 of Third Liberty
bonds.

He read the league's resolutions en-
dorsing the national war aims, and
pledging its support of the war.

Firemen's Meeting—

A meeting of the Albany fire de-
partment has been called for 8 o'clock
this evening at the fire station.

PRESIDENT IS BUYING BONDS

WASHINGTON, May 1.—(U. P.)—
President Wilson today
bought a \$50 Liberty Bond on the
installment plan, and is call-
ing on a million Americans to
buy one more thus raising an ad-
ditional \$50,000,000.

Teachers Recommended at School Board Meeting Held Last Night

The selection of teachers for next
year was made at the regular meet-
ing of the schoolboard held last night, and
arrangements for next season were
started. There have been five high
school teachers resign, two from the
junior high and one each from the
Madison and Maple schools. An in-
crease of \$15 over last year was made
for each teacher.

Miss Lulu Heist, German teacher at
the senior high, will not be back next
year; J. J. O'Brien, Miss Jessie Pain-
ter and E. A. Moses are also gone,
and their places have not been filled.
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have charge of athletics and algebra.
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Miss Vera Tracy and Miss Edna
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versity, have resigned at the junior
high and neither place has been filled.
Miss Dorothy Shank has resigned at
Madison school, Miss Edith McCourt
taking her place, Miss Ruby Moench
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Vera Perfect taking Miss Moench's
place. At Maple school, Miss Lorena
Phelps has also resigned.

All departments at the high school
are taken care of except the commer-

INDICTMENTS ARE RETURNED BY JURY

Lebanon Couple and Alleged
Forger Will Face
Trial

AGE LIMIT PREVENTS ACTION AGAINST BOY

Lebanon Butcher Claims 14-
Year-Old Boy Stole
\$20.00

Three indictments and one not-true
bill were returned by the grand jury
at its report made at noon today. In-
dictments against Harry Freerksen of
Shedd on two forgery charges were
returned, and against Ernest Wilson
and Hazel Wright, charged with lewd
and lascivious cohabitation; a not-true
bill against Clifford Parrish of Leba-
non was returned, but the foreman of
the jury filed a complaint in the juve-
nile court against the boy who was
found to be but 14 years old.

The charges against Freerksen were
the result of two bad checks said to
have been passed at Horak's store
and at Sternbergs on the 12th and
16th of March. They were cashed by
the stores at Cusick's bank, where it
was found that they were not good. On
the 19th, Freerksen, who is but 29
years old, appeared in person at the
Cusick bank and presented a check to
Francis Arnold. He was told to
wait for a time until he could be iden-
tified and the police were called. The
boy took the check, however, and de-
parted, and Mr. Arnold called Mr.
Horak and Russell Gott of Stern-
bergs, and went out in search. Freer-
ksen was arrested by the three men and
turned over to the police.

The case against Wilson and Hazel
Wright occurred at Lebanon. Wilson
was employed in a butcher shop there
and the couple lived together for some
time when a Mrs. Wilson turned up
with four children. It was found that
Wilson had been sentenced to a term
in the state prison for nonsupport but
paroled and when the court in Mult-
nomah county heard of the Lebanon
affair, Wilson was sent to serve the
sentence.

The charge against Clifford Parrish,
also of Lebanon, was that he
stole a \$20 bill from D. H. Long. The
boy was said to have taken the money
while Mr. Long was waiting on a
customer, but as he is below the age
limit, it was impossible for the jury
to return a true bill. The case in the
juvenile court is the result of the
grand jury investigation.

The formal report gives consid-
erable attention to the county poor farm
and recommends that the name be
changed to county farm and that cer-
tain improvements be made. The wa-

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WAR DEPARTMENT WANTS MORE POWER

Congress Apparently opposes
Grant at This
Time

WASHINGTON, May 1.—(U. P.)—
Secretary Baker will present the gov-
ernment's army expansion program
before the house military committee
tomorrow morning. He will probably
ask for blanket power to extend the
drawing of men as far as he wishes.
Congress is apparently determined
to demand evidence of the war de-
partment's ability to officer, equip
and arm the new levies before grant-
ing blanket power. General Crowder
will probably agree with Secretary
Baker.

Government Takes Control of Rubber

WASHINGTON, May 1.—(U. P.)—
The government today fixed a
and price for crude rubber, an
suming complete control of
This will prevent an increas-
price of automobile tires. The
fixed is ten per cent lower than
today's quotations.

CITY NEWS

Salem People Here—

Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Pogue of Salem
visited over-night in Albany at the
home of Mrs. Geo. Burkhardt return-
ing home this morning.

Went to Eugene—

Mrs. J. J. Barrett went to Eugene
this morning to visit at the home
of her brother, Wm. R. Dawson, for a
few days and will attend a party given
by Mrs. Dawson tomorrow.

Transacted Business—

Walter Scott of Portland, who
transacted business here yesterday,
went to Salem this morning.

Weather Report—

Yesterday's temperature ranged
from 40 to 68 degrees. The river fell
to 4 feet.

On Business Trip—

E. A. Smith and C. J. Jackson made
a business trip to Portland this morn-
ing.

Visited Aunt—

Ward Goin of Portland returned
home this morning after a visit at the
home of his aunt, Mrs. M. B. Craft.

On Business Trip—

J. V. Pipe went to Salem this morn-
ing on business.

Here From Portland—

Mrs. Harvey Curry of Portland is
here visiting at the homes of E. M.
Perfect and W. H. Curry.

Returned Home—

Mrs. F. L. Kenton returned home
last night from Portland, where she
spent a few days with her son.

Moving to Barnes—

Mrs. H. Barnes and son Harrison
Barnes, who have spent the past year
in Barnes, Oregon, are spending a few
days in Albany preparing to move to
Barnes to make their permanent home.

Visited Daughter—

Mrs. J. C. Clevenger and son re-
turned to their home in Orville this
morning after a visit here at the home
of Mrs. Clevenger's daughter, Mrs. W.
J. Kotnif.

Modern Travelers Meeting—

The Modern Travelers will meet on
Saturday afternoon at 2:30 at the
home of Mrs. Henrietta Brown.

Baby Girl—

A fine baby girl was born this
morning to Mrs. J. H. Bikman.

Boys Arrive in France—

Word was received here this morn-
ing that John Tate and Van Wieder
had arrived safely in France. They
were members of Battery E, 65th ar-
tillery, but were detained in San Fran-
cisco and also at Camp Merritt, on ac-
count of quarantine. It is not known
how many Albany boys sailed at this
time.

ter system is in need of overhauling
and it is recommended that better fa-
cilities for washing cloths be furnish-
ed. It is also recommended that a
farm hand be employed.

AMERICAN GUNS ARE NOW ACTIVE

Germans' Gunfire Has Been
Neutralized by the
Americans

FRENCH-AMERICAN LINE GROWS STEADY

Resumption of Trench War-
fare Will Probably
Result

By Fred Ferguson, Correspondent of
the United Press.

AMERICAN FRONT, May 1.—The
Germans today brought up additional
artillery, following the arrival of the
American forces, and a fierce artil-
lery duel is progressing. One village
behind the American lines has been
entirely destroyed.

The American guns are raking the
roads and villages behind the German
lines, and have kept up the fire for
the past 48 hours. The German front
lines are being harassed, and in re-
taliation, the Boches are pouring high
explosive shells into the American
lines.

The artillery duels continued
throughout the night, and the Ameri-
can gunners have finally neutralized
the German fire.

The French-American sector of the
line is steady. Unless the Ger-
mans attack soon, the trenches will
be strengthened and dugouts con-
structed. This will result in a re-
sumption of the old style of warfare.
Merely minor patrol actions are re-
ported now.

A heavy rain fell last night and the
Americans who are engaged in erect-
ing entanglements are working in a
sea of mud without shelter. The front
line men are lying waistdeep in the
mud in the trenches and in the shell
holes used as advanceposts.

Hot food is being brought to the
men regularly, however, and this is
being done despite the heavy shellfire
which is directed against those bring-
ing it up.

Willard-Fulton Bout Will Go 20 Rounds

MINNEAPOLIS, May 1.—(U. P.)—
Promotor Miller today announced that
the proposed Willard-Fulton fight on
the Fourth of July will not be staged
in Minnesota but in some state where
20 round bouts are permitted.

President Kerr to Speak—

President Kerr will speak here on
the evening of May 12th. The sub-
ject, place and hour will be announ-
ced later.

Final Account—

The final account in the estate of
Anna Gorman Clark was filed with
the county court today.

Intentions of Albany Vigilants Are Better Than Results Secured

A detachment of Home Guards, as-
sisted by the sheriff's force, had its
first taste of real service, in an in-
formal way and, while their efforts
failed to produce arrests, they discov-
ered what they were out to discover,
and if there had been a wireless sta-
tion in North Albany, it would have
fared pretty bad last night. At any
rate, it was discovered that a certain
Benton county road needed dragging
and much good advice was given a
citizen of Eugene who had got lost
on the way from Eugene to Albany.

It was about 9 o'clock when a tele-
phone call came from Ed Viereck of
North Albany. Mr. Viereck was seeing
things, and wanted the council of de-
fense or the police notified at once. It
appeared, from his story, that a wire-
less station was being maintained. The
fact that Mr. Viereck is a member of
Uncle Sam's naval forces, home on a
furlough, and that soldiers were due
at the armory in a few hours, made
it seem imperative that something be
done.

Failing to get action out of the po-
lice, who stated that it was a false
alarm and out of their jurisdiction,
the investigators decided at once to
do further investigating; not that any
George Sanders, first sergeant of the
Home Guards was called. He was told
the story and, while he was rather
skeptical, he believed it should be in-
vestigated. He called Sergeant Fred
Veal on the job and, after a confer-
ence, it was decided to call Viereck up
again. This was done and it was de-
cided that, while the signal was prob-
ably a burning snag, it would pay to
overlook no bets.

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CRAWFORDSVILLE TO HAVE UNION HIGH

Eight Districts Effected by
Consolidation
Move

CRAWFORDSVILLE, May 1.—An
effort is being made to organize a
union high school for Crawfordsville,
and it is believed that this can be
done in time for the opening of school
next fall. The necessary legal steps
are being taken at present.

A meeting was held this week, and
a full attendance was present. Favor-
able action was taken and a commit-
tee selected to circulate the petitions
as required by law.

There are six full districts and parts
of two other districts in the move.
They are Crawfordsville, Holly, Sher-
idan Ridge, Midvale, Courtney Creek
and Brush Creek, and parts of Green-
ville and Oak Grove.

LOUD SOX ARE FEATURE TODAY AT HIGH SCHOOL

Today was "loud sock" day at the
high school and the result, while a
trifle gaudy, was neat and all that
could be desired from an artistic
standpoint. The girls as well as boys
competed for honors, and all the col-
ors of the rainbow—and a few others
of more recent origin—were used to
make the affair a success.

The senior class at a meeting this
noon decided to hold the senior party
at the high school building next Fri-
day. The affair will be an overall-
and-apron party, and the necessary
committees were appointed to make
arrangements and to prepare for the
event.

The Home Economics club heard an
interesting talk by Miss Helen Lee
Davis of Corvallis, who demonstrated
the making-over of old clothes. The
mothers of the members of the club
were invited to attend and a good at-
tendance was present.

The senior class has started work
on their play and a rehearsal is to be
held this evening at the high school.

Hub Dye Works Has Change in Owners

The Hub Dye Works has been
bought by Minton & Gilbert, who will
take charge at once. It is planned at
present to move the Minton & Gilbert
shop into the building now occupied
by the Hub Dye Works on Lyon street.

The proprietors of the Hub works,
J. W. and G. D. Newman, expect to
locate soon, but have not decided
where to go. They will leave Albany,
however.

EXCUSE FOR WAR REPORTED DEAD

THE HAGUE, May 1.—(U. P.)—
P. J. Gabor, Prince, the as-
sassin of Archduke Ferdi-
nand of Austria, and used as the
excuse for the war against
Serbia, died recently in the fort-
ress of Shoreseinstadt.

Canadians Thanked for Work in Albany

Mayor Carl today officially thank-
ed Sergeant Major F. V. Christy and
Private J. G. Burke, of the Canadian
army, for their valuable assistance to
the city in the Third Liberty Loan
drive. The resolution was mailed to
the office of the state Liberty Loan
committee.

Sergeant-Major Christy and Pri-
vate Burke made many talks in Linn
county and one in Albany in the in-
terest of the loan, and their efforts
had much to do with the success in
the county.

Divorce Granted—

A divorce was granted today by
Judge G. H. Bingham in the case of
Steinbeck versus Steinbeck. Deser-
tion was charged and the case went by
default.

LULL IN BATTLE FAVORS BRITISH

Military Officials Are More
Optimistic Than Ever
Today

ONLY MINOR ATTACKS AROUND YPRES FRONT

French Improving Positions
Retaken Recently
at Locre

By Will Phillip Simms, U. P. Staff
Correspondent

LONDON, May 1.—Military offi-
cials are more optimistic today than
for some time. The press reports,
while cautious, are also brighter. It
is believed here that the Germans are
stopped, at least for a time.

Marshal Haig reports only local en-
emy attacks about Ypres, and these
were stopped by machineguns. The
British raided German positions near
Meteren, taking prisoners during the
night.

The French, who are apparently
holding securely the contested posi-
tions at Locre, are improving their
positions in the lull in the fighting.

LONDON, May 1.—In a general or-
der today congratulating the second
army, Marshal Haig declared "the
enemy's efforts to break through the
resistance of the British army will un-
doubtedly fail if all continue to show
the resolute and determined courage
characterizing the Nineteenth divi-
sion."

Marshal Haig also congratulated
the 9th, 25th, 31st, 49th and 21st di-
visions for their defense of the Brit-
ish lines before the German attack.

ALBANY STILL FAVORITE WITH CALIFORNIANS

An idea of what the California draft
men think of the meals given by the
Red Cross at Albany may be seen
from the following clipping from the
Oregonian:

Men of the selective draft, 210 of
them, who hailed from Los Angeles,
and who tarried in Portland last night
just long enough for dinner, on their
way to Camp Lewis, were hearty in
their praises of Oregon hospitality.
Particularly did they enthuse over the
reception given them at Albany, where
they dined for luncheon yester-
day.

When the troop train pulled into Al-
bany yesterday afternoon it was met
by a committee of citizens who es-
corted the Los Angeles men to the
armory, where a home-cooked spread
was placed before them, with any num-
ber of pretty girls as volunteer wait-
resses. The luncheon came from
scores of Albany homes, being assem-
bled after the church sociable fashion,
and was voted to equal the culinary
exploits of California mothers.

At the close of the luncheon the se-
lective draft men were presented with
stamped postcards, whereon to send a
message to the folks at home. You may
safely bet that they gave three cheers
for Albany when the train pulled out.
"Talk about hospitality," they told
Phil Metschan Jr., when they arrived
at the Hotel Imperial last night for
dinner. "We thought that California
held all honors for hospitality but, say
—she's got to pass them on to Ore-
gon!"

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