

AMERICANS GAIN ALONG TWO MILE FRONT AT MARNE

Dominating Hills Taken in 40 Minutes by In- fantry

COOPERATION MADE SUCCESS POSSIBLE

Strong German Positions Destroyed by
12-Hour Bombardment, and Village
of Vaux Was Completely Destroyed,
and Every House Hit.

By Lowell Mellett, U. P. Staff Cor-
respondent

AMERICAN FRONT, Marne, July 2.—The Americans advanced a half a mile on a two-mile front west of Chateau Thierry last night, taking 54 prisoners and inflicting heavy loss on the enemy. The American loss was extremely light, according to the reports. The Americans captured the village of Vaux, hill No. 192, the LaRoche Wood, and penetrated into Claremont Wood. A combined attack by the French and Americans on hill No. 204 was reported successful after a bitter struggle.

The hills taken are the most important of the heights dominating Chateau Thierry. A perfect artillery concentration and cooperation with the infantry made the advance possible.

Some positions of the German position were extremely strong and were destroyed by the artillery. The shelling lasted for 12 hours yesterday, and at 6 in the evening the Americans swept forward, attaining their objectives in 40 minutes.

The American gunners hit every building in the village of Vaux, and this position was made practically untenable for the Germans.

June Brides Scarce in County This Year

The number of June brides fell off considerably in Linn county this year, presumably because the supply of possible bridegrooms has been greatly lessened. There were but 18 marriage licenses this year against 28 for June last year. However, June produced the greatest number of marriages of any month in 1918. There were 17 in January, 15 in February, 14 in March, 14 in April, 16 in May and 18 in June.

Religious Service for Soldiers' Parents

The churches of the city are planning a unique patriotic religious function for the fathers, mothers, wives, sweethearts and relatives of the men who are serving the nation from this city and vicinity. A committee consisting of a layman from each church, with one of the local pastors as chairman, will handle the affair which will be of great interest. A reception will be followed by a religious service of inspiration and prayer. The full program and place will be announced shortly.

Another Fire Is Started in Factory

MOUNT UNION, Pa., July 2.—(U. P.)—A fire of unknown origin destroyed five of the most important buildings of the Aetna Explosives company. The loss was over \$5,000,000. The fire is still raging.

Commercial Club Meets—
The regular meeting of the commercial club will be held this evening.

NEW CLASSIFIED

GOOD HORSE and wagon for sale cheap. Inquire at the Albany Junk Store.

FOR SALE—1 good Jersey milk cow giving milk now. Davenport's Music Store.

BRITISH REPULSE COUNTER ATTACKS.

Enemy Defeated After Hard Struggle at Albert

LONDON, July 2.—(U. P.)—Marshal Haig reported that a strong German attack west of Albert was repulsed last Friday, but they were repulsed except at one point, where they gained a foothold. Heavy loss was inflicted on the Germans. Later, the British counter attacked and are believed to have driven the enemy out of the only point where they were able to penetrate the British line. This attack occurred after midnight.

FLOUR ON 50-50 BASIS AFTER 5TH OF JULY IS ORDER

The following instructions have been received by A. C. Schmitt, food administrator for Linn county:

Commencing July 5, the people in the state of Oregon will be permitted again to sell and purchase wheat flour on the 50-50 basis. That is, an equal amount of substitutes must be purchased with each purchase of flour. The following is the letter received containing instructions:

"On May 26th Mr. Hoover made an appeal to the people of this nation, through the churches, to abstain from the use of wheat flour until the next harvest. In reply to this appeal Oregon voluntarily went on a wheatless basis, the dealers of the state agreeing not to sell wheat flour and to return for shipment to our army in France all flour that was returned to them. I am not able to state the total amount that was voluntarily returned as it has not all been received and checked up, but it will amount to between 17 and 18 thousand barrels, a magnificent record and one which the people of the state may well be proud of.

"As the crop from last season's harvest has been practically exhausted, the government will only be able to dispatch one more flour cargo from this port to France until the new harvest is available. For this reason the food administration in Washington has given full sanction to my suggestion that, commencing July 5th, we return to the sale of wheat flour on the 50-50 basis and all rules and regulations governing the sale of wheat flour will be in full force and effect, and the sales can only be made by selling at the same time an equal amount of substitutes, and dealers must not overlook the signing of the flour card certificates before making purchases, etc.

"I have received a telegram from Mr. Hoover expressing the greatest appreciation of the efforts made by the people of this state, and I wish to take this occasion to express my own obligations to mills, jobbers and dealers, without which the voluntary service rendered by the people could not have been made effective.

"Yours truly,
"W. B. AYER,
"Federal Food Administrator for Oregon."

Many Are Killed in English Disaster

LONDON, June 2.—(U. P.)—Between 6 and 70 people were killed in an explosion in the Midlands counties today. The explosion occurred in a munitions factory, and the cause is not known.

Lebanon Minister Joins as Chaplain

Word has been received that Rev. Frank James, captain of the Lebanon-Linn Guard, has been ordered East for a month's training and will enter the United States army as a chaplain. Rev. James expects to go East at once, as he is ordered to report on the 12th.

Hyphenated Alliance Bill Now Revealed

WASHINGTON, July 2.—(U. P.)—Without discussion or roll call, the senate repealed the act incorporating the German-American alliance in the United States. The alliance was incorporated long before the present war started.

GERMAN SPIES ARE OPERATING RADIO

Sub Captain Was Told that Hospital Ship Carried Flight Officers

SUB PLOWED INTO THE LIFE RAFTS

List of Missing Now Numbers 234,
and Many Doctors and Nurses Are
Among Those Who Have Not Arrived
at Port Today.

LONDON, July 2.—(By U. P.)—Referring to the torpedoing of the hospital ship Llandovery Castle, Chancellor Bonar Law declared, "You cannot argue with a wild beast. You must destroy them all."

Stories of the torpedoing of the hospital ship, as told by the survivors, indicate that the German spies have direct wireless communication with Germany from Canada and the United States.

The German submarine commander had definite information that there were eight officers on board, but declared them to be American flight officers, instead of Canadian medical officers.

The submarine plowed through the life rafts on which the survivors, drowning the nurses and seeing the "flight officers." None of these were found by the Germans as they were not on board, and the eight officers thought to be such were Canadian medical officers.

At the latest reports there are 234 people missing, including many of the nurses.

Alleged Bootlegger Is Arrested by Sheriff Bodine at Hotel

J. S. Brennan Is Charged With Ship- ping Booze Through Albany

J. S. Brennan, an alleged bootlegger, was arrested this noon at the Van Dran hotel by Sheriff D. H. Bodine after having been informed by wire of a federal warrant had been issued for his arrest. Brennan is supposed to be the citizen who attempted to ship the 759 quarts of Joel B. Harris through Albany. Joel B. Harris is a form of whiskey.

Brennan is either not guilty, or very much sure of himself. Two Southern Pacific special agents were on his trail last night, the booze had been apprehended since Sunday, and the Albany police force, the special agents and the sheriff held a session in front of the hotel that lasted until 12:30 last night. In addition Brennan is supposed to have been advised by his attorney to resist arrest without a warrant. Despite all this the man was still at the hotel when the request for the arrest arrived here this noon. His presence

Revival of Interest in Red Cross Work Room Is Very Necessary

The Red Cross workroom is again making an earnest appeal for more workers. The material for the sphagnum moss pads has arrived and work will start on this next week. All who can possibly help are asked to be present, as the shipment has been delayed and as a result the Albany work room is about a month behind schedule. The moss will all be cleaned this week.

Mrs. J. D. Summers, who is in charge of the work room at present, is asking for more help. While there are a few who appear regularly for work there are many who are dropping out, and if the present rate of decrease in the force continues, the workroom will be practically closed for lack of workers.

"There are many people who can give part of their time," Mrs. Summers stated, "but who do not. Many Albany women have nothing to do a

LINN COUNTY OFFICIALLY OVER THE TOP

Linn County went over the top in the War Savings Stamp drive today. This was expected, and the county has been classed as over for three days, but the returns from most of the missing districts arrived this morning, and at noon the county chairman was able to announce that with six districts yet to hear from, the total amount bought and pledged was \$520,000, or \$8,000 over the quota. It is believed that there is no doubt but that the county will go over about \$20,000 when all returns are in. Albany has exceeded the quota by \$6,000 as the total pledge has been raised to \$56,000.

SOLDIER SHOTS WIFE. THEN TAKES OWN LIFE

Woman Failed to Respect Marriage Vows; Double Murder Is Staged

TOLEDO, July 2.—(U. P.)—Orlin Flowers, an enlisted soldier home from Camp Lewis unexpectedly on furlough, shot and killed his wife and himself this morning, after finding his wife with Lee Davis, a former Albany man. Flowers ordered Davis to leave town last night. Davis left while 50 soldiers threatened to tar and feather him. Mrs. Flowers was beautiful and 19 years of age.

Bolsheviki Reported in Election Victory

STOCKHOLM, July 2.—(U. P.)—Petrograd dispatches today declare that the Bolsheviki have won a complete victory in the elections although they were strongly opposed by the proletariat.

Mrs. Tracy Returns—
Mrs. L. E. Tracy returned this morning to her home in Eugene.

here may have been due to the activities of the Southern Pacific agents, who camped on his trail, so to speak.

One of the agents arrived in Albany yesterday evening and was tipped as to the identity of the alleged bootlegger. Having no authority for the arrest, he engaged the citizen in conversation, and another agent phoned to the federal marshal's office at Portland. The word from Portland was to arrest the man, so the city police and the sheriff were called.

It was at this point that developments developed. The attorney for the defense had appeared and informed the officers that they could not make the arrest and drag a citizen of the United States without a warrant, unless they caught him in the act of violating the law.

Finally the objections of the attorney for the defense were sustained. In the morning Sheriff Bodine was informed that the complaint had been issued; later, a telegram was received stating the warrant had been issued, and as a result the arrest was made. Brennan went back to Portland this afternoon.

good part of the day, but apparently they do not believe the Red Cross work is necessary.

"Work in the Red Cross room is hard, and at times is monotonous, but must be done. It is as absolutely necessary that the women of the city turn out to help now as it was six months ago. The work we do is not a fun, and must be kept up, and we should have at least 20 at work every day. We are lucky if we have five whenever a day now.

"When Red Cross work was something new but little trouble was experienced in securing workers, but apparently the newness has been rubbed off. The Albany work room has made a good record in the past, but unless there is a revival of interest, the output for the coming months will be far below the average in the past."

ASSESSMENT CHANGE OPPOSED BY GRANGE

Albany Favored by New Tax Assessment Plan

COMMITTEE WILL MEET EQUALIZATION BOARD

W. M. Pierce in Interesting Address
Urges Irrigation of State's Arid
Land for Use of Soldiers Returning
Home After War Is Over.

By Cyrus H. Walker
At the meeting held last Saturday, the Linn county Pomona Grange went on record as opposing the proposal of the county equalization board to cut the assessments on Albany property on account of the many vacant houses, due to war work abroad, and to raise the assessments on the farms. A committee was appointed to take up the matter and to meet with the equalization board.

The Pomona Grange met with Charles Grange in the hall located near the Twin Buttes, southern part of the county.

A. C. Miller was master and Miss Bertha J. Beck, secretary. Attendance was very good considering the very busy haying season.

Reports from granges were encouraging.

The next meeting of the Pomona will be with Morning Star Grange Saturday, Oct. 12, "Columbus Day." It is reported that the Linn County Equalization board proposed at its meeting next fall to cut down the assessments of Albany property on account of so many vacant houses and the loss of population due to war work abroad, and to raise the assessments of farm property; on motion, the master was instructed to appoint a committee of three to cooperate with a committee consisting of one member from each grange in the county, to be appointed by the masters; the said united committee to meet with the County Equalization board to protest against such discrimination in taxation; as on account of a large failure of crops due to lack of rain, the farmers are also suffering from loss.

The committee appointed was: C. L. Shaw, chairman; C. P. Kizer and M. S. Allen.

After a sumptuous feast the afternoon was devoted to an open meeting with a large attendance, to hear Hon. Walter M. Pierce of LaGrande, Oregon, member of Blue Mountain Grange and an eloquent speaker, whose subject was "The War and the Grange," the principal trend being the necessity for providing places for our returning boys from the overseas war, with homes and lands to cultivate after they shall have crushed the Kaiser and his war lords.

Large areas of lands in Eastern Oregon should be furnished irrigation by the government for them.

One duty of the grange is to bring such pressure to bear upon the government as shall secure the carrying out of these irrigation projects.

The speaker pronounced a grand tribute to our boys "over there."

Streetcar Strike at Vancouver, B. C.

VANCOUVER, B. C., July 2.—(U. P.)—The street railway men and electricians struck this morning, and stopped the streetcars. The men are demanding eight hours work and more pay.

Return From Cascadia—

Mr. and Mrs. Myrtle Looney, Jed Looney and the Misses Vera and Adra Perfect returned last night from a delightful outing at Cascadia and Upper Soda. Among the delightful experiences was that of climbing several mountain peaks, each over 3,000 feet in elevation. It is said that no other women have ever made this climb. The good roads were particularly noticed, from Lebanon to Cascadia. There could be no more enjoyable place for an outing than that of Upper Soda.

Return From Long Trip—
Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Harper have returned home from a nine months' trip through Texas, Montana and Wisconsin, where they visited relatives and friends.

ITALIANS ARE STILL HOLDING MOUNTAINS

Strong Austrian Attacks Re- pulsed During the Night

ITALIAN FRONT, July 2.—(U. P.)—Further Austrian attempts to capture Monte Divalbella are developing, but the Italians are still holding the positions despite terrific assaults. The enemy left more than 1,500 dead on the slopes of the mountain after the assaults made yesterday. In the battle last Saturday the Italians captured more than 200 prisoners, it is learned today.

ROME, July 2.—The Italians again attacked in the mountain region this morning and have already taken 659 prisoners and many machineguns, it is announced.

"New enemy attacks on the Asiago plateau were crushed under a heavy fire with heavy losses. Prisoners totaling 127, with machineguns, were taken in this sector."

Tourist Is Fined Five Bones and Cost

Considerable trouble was experienced in Linn county by an automobile tourist. He was driving from Eugene and lost a spare tire between Junction City and Albany. Also he was traveling without a license number on his car, and when he drove up in front of the courthouse, he was arrested by the sheriff and taken before Judge L. L. Swan where he was fined \$5 and costs. The man turned back to find his lost tire, and it is not known whether he was successful or not as he did not come through Albany again.

Buy Farmers' Feed Shed—
W. D. Hill and H. F. Hill take charge of the Farmers' Feed Shed today, buying it from V. V. Miller.

Went to Missouri—
Ed Derry has gone to Tarkio, Missouri, for a few weeks' visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Derry. This is Mr. Derry's first visit at home in 12 years.

Home Guards Attention—
Captain Ballack of the Home Guards asks all who intend to go to Lebanon on July Fourth to meet at the armory tomorrow night at 7:30 to drill and receive their arms.

Weather Report—
Yesterday's temperature ranged from 63 to 90 degrees. The river is 1.4 feet.

Receives Major Commission—
Mrs. Herbert H. Acheson, wife of Herbert H. Acheson, now in France, visited overnight at the home of Mrs. Jennie B. Gaff. She left this morning for Shedd to visit her sister, Mrs. W. J. Dunlap. Mr. Acheson recently received a commission as major.

COMMANDS TANK BRITANIA



Capt. Richard Haig, who commanded the British tank Britannia in the battle of the Somme and who is in charge of the committee in this country, where it is being used in recruiting and war-tand campaigns.

WIRE CONTROL IS BEING URGED BY WAR SECRETARIES

Declares Military Operation May Be Necessary Any Time

MOTION RE-REFERED QUICKLY BY HOUSE

Interruption of Service Will Seriously
Hamper Movement of Troops and
Supplies Toward France, and Will
Hinder Prosecution of War.

WASHINGTON, July 2.—The house this afternoon reversed its decision and returned the Aswell resolution to the commerce committee.

By L. C. Martin, Staff Correspondent
for The United Press

WASHINGTON, July 2.—(U. P.)—Advocating government control of all communicating systems, Secretary of War Baker urged the house commerce committee to report quickly on the Aswell resolution empowering the President to operate the telegraph, telephone, cable and radio systems in the United States.

"Military control is not necessary at this minute," Secretary Baker declared, "but may be necessary the next minute."

In the meantime the house, by unanimous consent, re-referred the Aswell resolution to the house military committee, where committee members are trying to advance the Linn substitute amendment ahead of the one the President prefers.

Secretary Baker told the commerce committee that even a brief interruption of the service would seriously hamper the shipment of troops and supplies toward France, and would interfere with the prosecution of the war.

He declared that no interests of owners should be allowed to operate against public interests.

Secretary of the Navy Daniels also addressed the commerce committee and told the members that the government control of the wires has been necessary since war began and is daily growing more necessary.

Three Pounds of Sugar Per Month

The sugar regulations have not been changed, except that a restriction has been placed upon the number of times per month those living in cities or towns can purchase two pounds for general household purposes, and those living in the country can purchase five pounds for general household purposes. Hereafter these purchases will be limited to not more than three pounds per person per month, so that if there are four persons in the household, such a household if located in a town could purchase 12 pounds of sugar per month in two-pound lots. This regulation of three pounds per person per month must be strictly adhered to, and anyone deliberately purchasing more than the amount thus allotted is liable for punishment under the federal laws governing food regulation.

Householders can secure 25 pounds of sugar for home canning upon signing a card with their grocer and for any additional amounts that they may require for canning purposes they must secure a certificate from the county food administrator, who is permitted to issue permits for amounts not to exceed 25 pounds at a time. People generally should be as economical in the use of sugar as possible.

\$23 Is Sent to Red Cross by Draft Men

Another appreciation check, this time for \$23, was received by the Red Cross. The check was a collection from members of a Los Angeles draft quota who were fed at the army last week. This is one of many such checks which have been received since the draft men have been fed at Albany.