

LONG WAR AHEAD SAYS VETERAN OF BELGIAN TRENCHES

"Lots of you folks are getting a little optimistic over the war situation because of recent victories and think you won't subscribe to the fourth liberty loan," said Major Jack Hamilton, the American who served over three years in the great war from its beginning in the French, Belgian, English and American armies, during his address at the patriotic meeting at the Page theater last night.

"But I can assure you that the war is not going to be over for a long time—in my opinion it everything goes favorably and all right, not for two and one-half or three years. But if things go wrong and against us, it will last for ten or fifteen years yet. Don't be too elated over recent victories. It is a long, hard fighting way yet to victory.

"Get that foolishness out of your heads if you have it there that the war will soon be over, and do your duty, your absolute patriotic duty, your necessary bit, by subscribing quickly for all the liberty bonds you can possibly take. Stand by the boys over there and back them up. Why last night I heard a woman say she was so glad the war would be over before her son was called into service. Think of that!"

An effective appeal to the people to buy liberty bonds was also made by Louis J. Simpson of Coos Bay, who closed his eloquent, oratorical and fervent address by exclaiming "Great God of the Universe, be with our boys over there."

A large audience enjoyed the address.

Major Hamilton gave the main address, or talk rather, for his delivery was in a conversational manner without the slightest effort at oratory. His descriptions of trench life and fighting, of the uses of the various kinds of gas and their effect, and of the different characteristics of the allied soldiers were very entertaining and instructive, and all the more delightful because of his natural humor.

Alternately throat his address he had his hearers laughing at either humorous incidents or humorous descriptions, or shuddering with horror at the gruesome tales of German atrocities he had personally witnessed or had been reliably informed of.

Especially thrilling was his recital of the rescue of a French girl from a group of intoxicated German soldiers who had just killed her sister and maltreated 30 other French girls they had penned up in a northern France school house. This rescued young woman later became his wife, and is now in Portland teaching French to young women who are about to go in service in France.

"When you read over the daily death list of soldiers always keep in mind that each one died for us," said Major Hamilton in closing. "And remember, if you can't be the man behind the gun you can be the man behind the man behind the gun."

"YELLOW DEMON" HERE MEETING PAGE TONIGHT

The "Yellow Demon" auto that is touring the state for the Liberty loan drive will arrive from Ashland this evening. In the car are Judge John H. Stevenson of Portland, Sergeant White who spent two years in the trenches with the Canadian forces, Mark Woodruff, a Portland newspaper man, and H. K. Noerenberg of the 31st spruce division who is driver.

Sergeant White and Judge Stevenson will address a Liberty loan meeting at the Page tonight at 8:30, after the moving picture "To Hell With the Kaiser."

This will be a splendid opportunity to hear about the war from an actual participant.

FEMALE CONDUCTORS IN CLEVELAND TO GO

CLEVELAND, O., Sept. 26.—Women shall not be employed as conductors on Cleveland street cars on or after November 1, 1918. Henry B. Diekmann, and Miss Margaret Rusankowska, federal investigators for the department of labor, ruled in a report received today.

The investigators found that the labor situation in Cleveland does not demand the employment of women. Both the company and the employees agreed to stand by the decision. Nearly 200 women have been employed as conductors.

ALLIED INVASION OF BULGARIA BEGUN BY BRITISH FORCES

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file then which the Vardar flows to the Aegean and presents a difficult problem to attacking troops. A few days ago it seemed that this natural fortress might be the rallying point of the defeated enemy, but it appears that the position has been outflanked and rendered without value.

Prilep Is Passed

PARIS, Sept. 26.—The official French statement issued tonight, says:

"Eastern theater, September 24.—In spite of the arrival of new German troops, the enemy continues his retreat toward the north. Strong rear guard detachments are resisting strongly.

"Northwest of Monastir, on the left wing of the allied forces we have passed Prilep and advanced on the roads toward Krushevo, Kichevo, and Belas.

"In the center, Serbian forces have taken the massif of Popadja, to the east of Banaba, and have gained ground to the west of the Cerza river.

"We have enlarged the bridgehead north of the Vardar and are on the heights between the Vardar and the Kriva Palavitsa, which the enemy is hastily crossing.

"On the right wing, French, British and Greek troops have launched strong advance guards northward along the Vardar toward Gradets and Hudova. They have taken the massif of Kara Bial, north of Lake Doiran.

"Booby captured is being augmented incessantly. During September 23, more than 30 new cannon were captured and also a large amount of railway material."

LONDON, Sept. 26.—Serbian troops reached the outskirts of Ishtib, important Bulgarian base, Tuesday, says a Serbian official statement dated Wednesday. Elsewhere east of the Vardar the Serbians have made important gains.

The Serbs also have captured Gradsko station southeast of Uskub. It was defended by German troops. An enormous quantity of supplies including 19 guns, were captured.

North of Prilep, the Serbians are pursuing the Bulgarians, who are in complete retreat and are approaching Isvor, midway between Prilep and Veles.

Success Achieved

"On September 24, Serbian troops achieved a very important success on the left bank (east) of the Vardar. We reached Krivolak and the outskirts of Ishtib (18 miles east of Veles) on the Vardar and 38 miles northeast of Prilep.

"In this region we captured a colonel commanding a Bulgarian regiment and a considerable number of prisoners, as well as four howitzers, three mountain guns, 100 horse wagons with teams and other material.

"Gradsko station, which was defended by Germans, has fallen into our hands with enormous quantities of supplies, including 19 guns, mostly heavy ones of 210 millimeters. To the number of prisoners we have already taken, we added two German officers and several soldiers.

"On the right of Prilep our troops have obtained very fine results. Near Isvor (15 miles north of Prilep), we are pursuing the enemy, who is completely routed and in retreat."

Over Rough Country

LONDON, Sept. 26.—The position of the first Bulgarian army on the allied left in Macedonia is dangerous but it is not believed that the army is faced with immediate disaster. Italian advance against the first army from the south must pass over much extremely rough country.

It is believed that the first army, which is commanded by General Geshof, will be forced to attempt to retreat westward into the mountains on the Serbo-Albanian frontier. The country is virtually rough and it would be impossible to manly artillery. The matter of food supplies also would be difficult.

Reports indicate Serbians who have cut the Germano-Bulgarian communications are joining the allied race for Askub.

Bulgarians Surrounded

PARIS, Sept. 26.—Advices today show Bulgarian troops in the region of Lake Ochrida, toward the western end of the Macedonian front, are virtually encircled by the Italians, advancing in the direction of Kichevo, and the Franco-Serbian forces moving from Monastir toward Krushevo. The fall of Krushevo is expected hourly.

The only means of exit for the Bulgarians here is a narrow passage between Kichevo and Krushevo. (This

SENATE DELAYS VOTE ON SUFFRAGE UNTIL SATURDAY

WASHINGTON, Sept. 26.—Plans for a vote by the senate today on the federal woman suffrage amendment virtually were abandoned in the midst of debate. Chairman Jones of the woman suffrage committee. Majority Leader Martin and other leaders of both factions joined in private statements that the resolutions would go over until Saturday.

While the senate debate was under way with crowded galleries awaiting the final test, Chairman Jones made the following statement to the representative of the Associated Press:

"It now appears likely that no vote will be taken and that the resolution will go over until next Saturday, when Senator La Follette of Wisconsin is due to arrive."

Leaders today are reported to have shown one or possibly two votes short of the necessary two-thirds to win. They decided, therefore, to delay the vote until every possible vote could be mustered.

Crowds filled the senate corridors early, some of the women carrying lunches going to the capitol by 8:30 o'clock. The crush became so great that the doors of the galleries reserved for the national Woman suffrage association and the women's party were opened at 10:30, a half hour ahead of time.

Members of the National association opposed to woman suffrage were seated across the senate chamber from the suffrage forces.

Flowers of the colors of the several organizations were worn by the women, giving a vivid color setting to the galleries.

COLVER DEFENDS EXPOSE.

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nearly a dozen New York banks connected with Morgan & Company, amounted to approximately \$3,000,000.

"Overwhelming evidence in our hands established a justification for our position," he said. "In making the investigation we were obeying the will of the president and congress, which was not to build up a case but to establish facts."

Men Feel Tired, Too

While much is said about tired women it must be remembered that men also pay the penalty of overwork. When the kidneys are weak, inactive or sluggish, when one feels tired out and miserable, lacks energy and ambition, Foley Kidney Pills are tonic and strengthening. Wm. H. Clark, Springfield, Ohio, writes: "I found no relief from kidney trouble until I discovered Foley Kidney Pills. Now I am in A1 shape." They act quickly and surely. For sale by the Medford Pharmacy. Adv.

body comprises the first Bulgarian army. The army seems doomed to destruction or surrender, or to a retreat into Albania, as the allied heavy artillery now commands the passes in the other direction.

Greek Troops

ATHENS, Wednesday, Sept. 25.—Greek troops are aiding in the allied advance in Macedonia, on three sectors of the front, the Greek war office reported today. East of the Vardar, the Bulgarians are in flight toward Valandova, with the British and Greeks in pursuit.

SOLDIERS BACK FROM FRANCE WANT WORK IN CITIES

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Sept. 26.—Speakers at the American hospital association convention here, declared returning soldiers would not be so favorable to "back to the soil" movements, as is generally believed. The training, they say, would create a desire to enter commercial and technical work.

"It is a widely prevalent misconception that these men who have roughed it in the open will never go back to inside work," declared T. H. Kidney, vocational secretary of the Invalided soldiers commission of Canada. "Most of them have had enough of the soil to rest them the rest of their lives."

Of the 28,000 soldiers sent back to Canada, he added, only 1400 had undergone major amputations and only sixty were blind. Canada is offering training in 200 occupations for such veterans, and America will give more than that, the speaker said.

OFFENSIVE LAUNCHED.

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The early indications were that the attack was progressing most favorably.

At 9:30 o'clock today, a French officer of high rank told the correspondent that the news from the principal points of the front attacked was excellent.

The French fourth army has taken Seron, which has been in German hands since 1914, and Vararin Farm, a strong position around which there has been much violent fighting.

The Franco-American attack on the Champagne front is the first allied thrust made on that sector since Marshal Foch assumed the initiative in July and is the logical result of the allies' success in Picardy in driving the Germans back to the Hindenburg line from Arras to Laon.

Threatens Enemy's Rear

A drive northward in Champagne threatens the communication lines in the rear of the Hindenburg defense system, where the Germans are struggling to keep the British and French from breaking thru. While the length of the front of attack is not disclosed, it is probable it extends a good part of the distance from Rheims to Verdun and probably beyond.

Military critics have pointed out that the Champagne front was the logical place where an allied effort intended to destroy the effectiveness of the Hindenburg line could be made. For some distance east of Rheims terrain is fairly open and level and an advance of some distance here would outflank Laon and possibly St. Quentin.

Isolate Laon From East

More important still, such an advance would sever the communication lines eastward from Laon, the pivot of the German defenses between Rheims and Ypres. An allied break thru might separate the German forces in the west into two groups.

There has been rather lively artillery action on both of the Champagne fronts in the last two weeks. They have felt these were the forerunners of greater activity.

Lorenzo Hamilton, who several weeks ago enlisted at Corvallis and has been visiting his parents for a week, left this morning for Corvallis to attend the O. A. C. as a member of the Army Students Training corps.

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Beginning at 8:30

The meeting will be addressed by Judge John H. Stevenson of Portland, one of the best speakers of the Pacific Northwest, and Sergeant White, who spent two years in the trenches with the Canadian Expeditionary Forces.

Hear Sergeant White's Story of the War as He Saw It