

# BRITISH LINES HOLD HUN ONSLAUGHT

## Avalanche Of Kaiser's Forces Storm Trenches

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MOST STUPENDOUS ATTACK IN THREE AND HALF YEARS WAR ON WEST FRONT—ATTACK MADE ALONG FIFTY MILE TERRITORY

COUNTER ATTACKS RESTORE SOME BRITISH POSITIONS—FIRST STAGE OF OFFENSIVE DECLARED OVER BUT FURTHER HARD FIGHTING PREDICTED

By Associated Press

British soldiers have withstood the most stupendous attack hurled against the western front in three and a half years warfare. The bloody fields of France are again being rocked with the terrible carnage, the activities on the west front for 1918 have begun.

The hosts of democracy are at grips with Prussianism along a fifty-mile front in the preliminary round of what may be the decisive struggle. In the first onslaught the enemy passed the British outposts at some points and attained the battle line, but nowhere did he gain his objective.

Regiment after regiment was hurled against the British in a vain attempt to break thru the impenetrable defense. The German losses were exceptionally heavy, and a part of the 300,000 men which Hindenburg recently offered he was prepared to sacrifice in the western offensive have been defeated without a noticeable gain of territory.

The enemy's efforts apparently had the intention of cutting off the salient near Cambria and Deving thru the opening toward the old Somme battlefield.

Emperor William, von Hindenburg and General von Ludendorff have gone to the western front to witness the attack. Bulgarian and Austrian troops are said to be in the field there.

BRITISH HEADQUARTERS, March 22.—The fighting is continuing, but the first stage of the offensive has passed.

Vigorous counter attacks late yesterday restored some of the positions that the British had been compelled to abandon temporarily.

Captured documents show that the enemy has failed miserably in the execution of his program, which disclose the activities arranged for the early hours of the offensive.

One of the most brilliant counter attacks occurred at Biognies, where the British drove back the enemy with tanks and infantry last night.

The British line is still intact, altho bent backwards at some points. Major predicts further hard fighting.

BERLIN, March 22.—The Germans attacking from the southwest of Arves have captured the first British line as far as Lafere.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 22.—Military observers are uncertain whether the German onslaught is really the great drive, or a forerunner of some other movement.

There were at least forty divisions identified on the battlefield.

### RETURNS FROM 'FRISCO

H. N. Moe of Moe & Co. returned last evening from a brief business trip to San Francisco. He reports that things in the Bay City are booming, and that prosperity is everywhere evident.

### MOORE FUNERAL SATURDAY

The funeral services of the late William E. Moore, which were announced yesterday for today at 10 o'clock at the Whitlock chapel, are to be held instead at that hour on Saturday. Rev. W. H. Cox will have charge.

## Original Gift Is Offered Red Cross

In submitting a gold medal, the gold in which would be valued at about \$20, which was won by their Belgian stallion "Johannville" in Liege, Belgium, in 1907, to the Red Cross Society here, C. V. and F. T. Nelson, prominent stockmen of the Keno district, have made one of the most unusual offers of assistance to this cause so far recorded in the

Klamath district. It is pointed out that the gold obtained from Belgium eleven years ago is now to be diverted to the relief of oppressed residents of that stricken country. The horse has refused to make a statement for publication regarding the matter, but it is believed he is heartily in sympathy with the move.

## REALISTIC PICTURES OF WAR ZONE

DR. EARL V. MORROW, FORMER KLAMATH PHYSICIAN, TELLS OF FRIGHTFUL CONDITIONS IN LETTER TO HIS FATHER

One of the most interesting and realistic pictures of life on the battle front in Europe received in some time from men well known locally is given in a letter from Dr. Earl V. Morrow in a letter to his father, Dr. J. W. Morrow of Portland.

Dr. Morrow Jr. practiced here several years ago as a partner of Dr. R. R. Hamilton, and has a large number of friends here. Extracts of his letter, which was published in full in the Oregonian, are given below:

"It is very quiet in Paris, lights out at 9:30, which closes the places of amusement, and everything is very high, a decent meal costs \$3, eggs are 12 and 15 cents apiece, a pair of boots costs from \$25 to \$75, tobacco is very scarce. People stand in line for hours to get a package of cigarettes, and only one package is allowed to a person, and everything else in accordance.

"Well, here I am, back in the old harness again my boys gave; a hearty welcome, and I am working, living and sleeping (sometimes) down under the ground thirty feet, with many feet of concrete over my head and on the sides, in an old boche dugout. The planks on the floor float around like a sea of water, and we have to keep men working the pumps day and night pumping the water out. The walls and ceiling are dripping with water. We are wet to the skin most of the time. Things are quiet on the line now, because of the mud and water. If you step off the board walks you go out of sight.

"One company was going up the line to take over. When they arrived there they had a roll call, and found four of their men missing, and went back over the way they had come up, and finally found two of the men with all their packs on, standing completely covered over their heads in soft mud and water, suffocated and dead. They had made a misstep and went under out of sight. As this was at night time they were not missed until it was too late to save them. Horses going up the line go over their heads in mud holes in the road. It is terrible, and very cold, so when you get wet you nearly freeze.

"Lucky is what expresses it, for not long ago I was sitting outside the station on a box when an eight-inch shell burst near me, and I was blown twenty yards. When I came to I found my head and shoulders stuck in the mud, but I didn't get a scratch. I was blown by the concussion, being so close the fragments all went over my head. A few days later I was standing at the entrance of a dugout talking to a sergeant, when a shell burst near, and the sergeant dropped dead at my feet, having been hit by a fragment of the shell."

### OTHERS MAY BE INTERESTED

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 22.—(Special to Herald editorial staff, composing room and linotype departments):

Here's one way in which bald-headed men who stay at home can help win the war: Stop buying patent medicine hair-growers that won't work, and put the money instead into War-Saving Stamps. If trying to grow hair on a bald head isn't a waste of time and energy—and money—what is?

## WIRE LINES DOWN CAUSE NEWS DELAY

HERALD WIRE PRESS SERVICE DISPATCHES FAIL TO REACH CITY IN TIME FOR PUBLICATION—IMPORTANT STORIES DELAYED

The Evening Herald regrets the fact that telegraph line troubles have seriously interfered recently with getting some important news items before its readers until a day late.

The Evening Herald employs the most expensive and the most reliable wire service obtainable, the Associated Press, and by this means can under ordinary circumstances provide the residents of this section with authentic accounts of the world's events as fast as they are circulated. When the wires go down, however, the paper is powerless to secure the reports. It would seem that the poles between Klamath Falls and the coast cities must be in a most unfortunate condition, for twice during the present week the publication has been held up until the last minute, holding space for important dispatches, which were lost on account of the wire service. This handicap has been experienced on numerous occasions throughout the past winter.

It is sincerely hoped that with the stormy season passing this situation may be relieved, and that before another winter sets in the lines will be in shape to stand weather conditions.

## BIG MEETING AT ALGOMA LAST NIGHT

MANY RESIDENTS TURN OUT TO HEAR LIBERTY LOAN AND WAR SAVINGS STAMPS ISSUES DISCUSSED—MUCH INTEREST IS SHOWN

A very successful Liberty Loan and Thrift Stamp meeting was held at Algoma last evening, at which these absorbing topics were discussed before a large representation of the people of that section by a group of enthusiasts from Klamath Falls.

R. C. Grossbeck made a talk in behalf of the Liberty Loan, while R. H. Dunbar and Miss Edna Wells featured the baby bonds of Uncle Sam with well timed remarks. Miss Augusta Parker gave a solo, which was greatly enjoyed by all present. It is reported that the Algoma residents showed unusual interest in these patriotic movements, and will be ready to co-operate in the various campaigns that are made.

### RED CROSS DANCE AT BONANZA

The Bonanza people are laying plans for a big time at a Red Cross dance tomorrow night, according to J. O. Hamaker, who is in the city for a short time on business. Bonanza has been in the very top line in Red Cross drives throughout the country, and she is planning to live up to her established reputation likewise with Red Cross dances.

## DUTCH SHIPS ARE SEIZED BY AMERICA

PROCLAMATION ISSUED BY PRESIDENT WILSON TAKES OVER ALL SHIPPING IN AMERICAN WATERS—77 VESSELS

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 22.—All Dutch shipping in American waters was ordered seized last night in a proclamation by President Wilson. The proclamation was issued after the war trade board received word from London that Holland had refused the American ultimatum for a transfer of the ships, according to the original agreement, which Germany blocked.

All Dutch shipping in British waters is being requisitioned simultaneously.

Approximately seventy-seven vessels, with a tonnage estimated as high as 600,000, will be added to the American merchant marine. The ships in British waters will add another 300,000 or 400,000 tons to the allied tonnage.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 22.—Secretary Daniels announced that the naval order actually taking over the ships went into effect at 7:05 o'clock thru the bureau of navigation, the department began several days ago to concentrate at the ports where the ships are lying the naval reservists who are to form the new crews. It is not expected that there will be enough of these available to man completely all the ships taken over, but fairly complete frerom and engine room forces already have been elected, with part of the deck forces for most of the ships.

Some of the Dutch sailors will be used, and others will be kept in this country, if they wish, their wages being paid by the United States government. Those who desire to return to Holland will be transferred there as fast as accommodations can be found.

Final disposition of the tonnage allotted to this government will be a matter for future conference between the executive departments. It is thought probable that tankers at least will be added to the naval supply flotilla.

### PROMINENT ASHLAND MAN DIES SUDDENLY

Joe Hurt of Ashland, manager of the large ice plants at Ashland and Medford, and one of the best known citizens of the county, died suddenly about 11:30 Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Hurt and daughter, Miss Grace Hurt, and their friends, Mr. and Mrs. Julius P. Wolf of the Depot hotel, were returning in Mr. Hurt's super-six car from an entertainment at the Paige theater, and at a point on the highway about at the Medford city limits, Mr. Hurt's head was noticed to drop forward and the car immediately left the pavement and collided with a telephone pole. The fore part of the car was wrecked, but none of the occupants were injured. Dr. Conroy was called and the party returned to Medford, Mr. Hurt being taken to Sacred Heart hospital.

### STOCK SHIPPED TO PORTLAND

James Larkin of Portland has purchased a carload of cattle from H. F. Talle of the Merrill district, and a carload of hogs from different ranchers in that district. He is reported shipping them today from the yards at Midland.

## EUGENE BUMS NOT WELCOME AT THIS TIME

ABLE-BODIED MAN WHO SHOWS UNPatriotic ATTITUDE, REFUSES TO BUY BONDS AND HUGS LAMP POST SENT ON HIS WAY

EUGENE, March 22.—Over fifty determined citizens of Eugene, riding motorcycles, last night escorted Jake Spores of this city to the Benton County line near Junction city, and admonished him, on pain of severe punishment, not to return. Materials for a coat of tar and feathers were taken along, but upon promise that he would not return to the city, were not used.

Spores, 36 years of age, and apparently of good physical condition, has held down a street corner here for the past five or six years. His means of support are said to be a small income from property left by his parents. He is alleged to have made scurrilous remarks, refused to work, enlisted in any branch of the country's service, subscribe to any war work, buy liberty bonds or thrift stamps.

This summary action against Spores is intended by those taking part in last night's affair, as a warning to loafers in Eugene; he being picked out as the worst one of the lot.

## CITY DOCTOR WILL LOCATE IN PORTLAND

COMPLETES SPECIAL ENLISTMENT SERVICE AT AMERICAN LAKE—WILL GO TO NEW YORK FOR STUDY AND THEN TO PORTLAND

Dr. George Cathey, who has completed his period of service as a lung specialist with the government at Camp Lewis, is in Klamath Falls for a few days, terminating his business affairs. It is his intention, after completing a special course for brain diseases in New York, to return west and practice in Portland.

Dr. Cathey has won a host of friends during his three and a half years' residence here, who sincerely regret his departure permanently, but who wish him his deserved success in whatever field he may locate. He expects to start for New York the first of next week.

## DUTCH ARE TALKING OF WAR WITH UNCLE SAM

SPIRIT BITTER TOWARD U. S. SPEAK OF RECALLING MINISTER AT WASHINGTON AND GIVING AMERICAN MINISTER PASSPORTS

AMERICAN PATROL CROSSES TO ENEMY'S TRENCHES AND FIND THEY HAVE BEEN WIPED OUT BY ARTILLERY ACTION EAST OF LUNEVILLE

AMSTERDAM, March 22.—A dispatch from The Hague says a prominent member of parliament intends to ask the government whether it is not time to recall the Dutch minister at Washington and hand the passports to the American minister at The Hague.

The main committee from the German reichstag has voted twelve to ten against a motion of the independent social democrats to evacuate the Aland Island and not to interfere with the internal affairs of Finland by sending troops and supplying arms.

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY, March 22.—The American Artillery has destroyed the first and second line positions on a portion of a sector east of Luneville. The patrol has crossed to the enemy trenches, and found them wiped out.

### ITALIAN FRONT ACTIVE

ROME, March 22.—The fighting is now more active along the whole front.

### NEW BOY AT SWAN LAKE

A 9-pound boy was born Wednesday night to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Daniels of the Swan Lake district. Dr. George Wright of this city was in attendance.

### CAVALRY HORSES BOUGHT

Twenty-nine cavalry horses have been purchased from J. Frank Adams by Captain F. S. Von Stade and his party of Fort Keogh, Mont., according to report.

## First Candidate For County Office

County Surveyor J. C. Cleghorn is the first man in Klamath County to file notice of candidacy for office at the coming election, having today announced himself as a candidate for county surveyor on the republican ticket.

Mr. Cleghorn has held this office for the past year here, and in addition to his other duties has been made county road supervisor. He is also directing the work of the reclamation of the Klamath River lands for government. He has been known as a man a real good one.