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## ROAR OF KRUPP GUNS HEARD FOR 30 MILES

### Glare of Blazing Belgian Homes Illumines Sky for 20 Miles Asphyxiating Bombs Declared To Be Breach of Civilized Warfare—Canadians Assert Germans Massacred Belgians—Canucks Receive Praise For Efficiency

By William G. Shepherd.  
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Headquarters of the British over sea army, Northern France, April 25.—Via London, April 26.—The Germans are now bombarding Ypres with 17 inch guns in their great drive against the British and French lines in Belgium.

Germany.  
North of Beaucour two French night attacks were repulsed it was stated. On the heights of the Meuse, the German attacks continue in progress. The heights west of Espargues were carried by storm. Several hundred French prisoners were taken and several machine guns captured.

The roar of these great pieces, the latest product of the Krupp works, can be heard for 30 miles. German incendiary shells have set fire to all Belgian farm houses and villages along a front of 20 miles. Tonight the sky is illuminated by the glare of these blazing homes and barns.

Assaults Are Halted.  
London, April 26.—Two determined assaults directed against the allies by the Germans operating from Passchendaele, eight miles northeast of Ypres, have been halted, an official statement issued today by the press bureau announced.

The high northerly winds which for three days have been blowing across the Anglo-French and Belgian trenches, staying before them the stupefying gas from German guns, have now died down.

This attack was launched against the allied positions about Broisende. Desperate fighting continues, the statement declared, but the allies are holding their ground everywhere.

Temper of Allies Bitter.  
There is complete calm tonight but the temper of the allies over what they claim to be a most flagrant breach of the rules of civilized warfare by the Germans in the use of asphyxiating bombs is extremely bitter.

The official report today does not claim that the Germans have been driven entirely from the west bank of the Yser canal. That the allies are slowly recovering ground was as far as the announcement went in this connection.

Fighting Is Violent.  
The Daily Mail published a story today that Field Marshal Von Hindenburg, hero of the fighting on the eastern front, was directing this latest and greatest German drive in Belgium.

Between the Meuse and Moselle the Germans are directing attacks toward Saint Remy, following the failure of assaults against Calonne, it was stated today. Fighting of the most violent nature is underway but the French are holding firm.

Germany Deny Claims.  
Berlin, via wireless to Cayville, La., April 26.—The war office specifically and definitely denied today the claims from London and Paris that the Anglo-French forces have thrown the Germans back across the Yser canal.

An Amsterdam dispatch today stated that it was reported from Ghent that Roland Garros, the French aviator captured by the Germans, had escaped but it was not believed here.

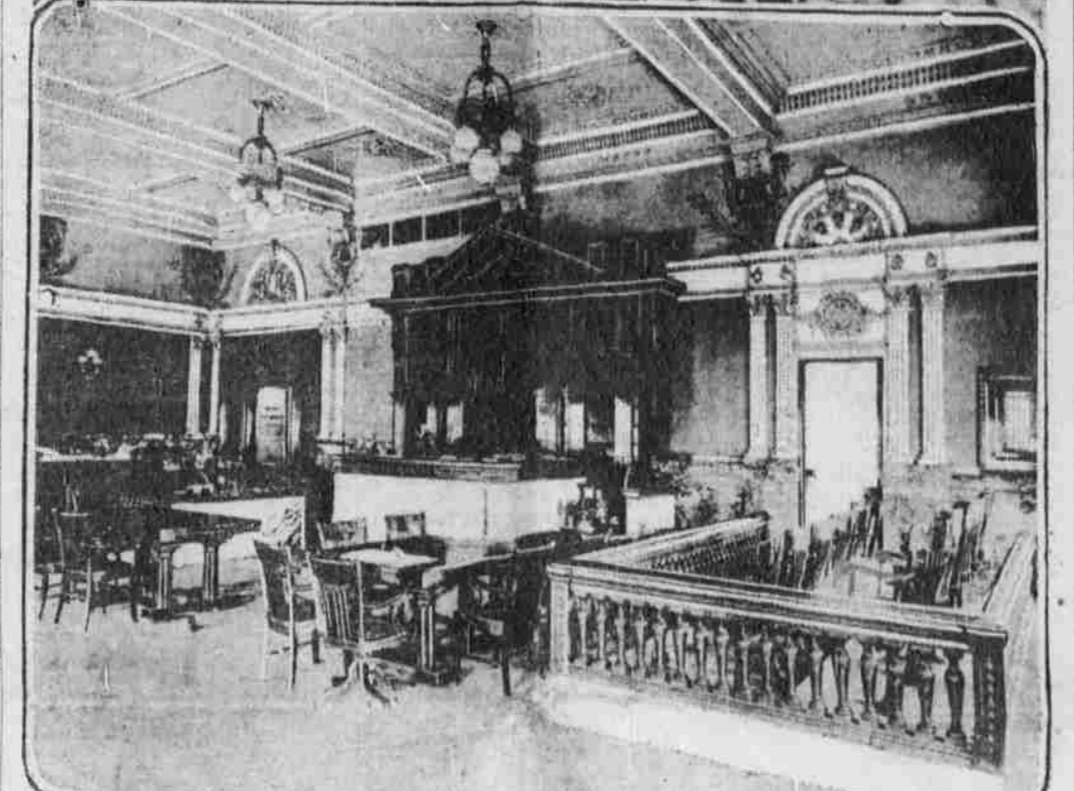
English Land Force.  
London, April 26.—We have landed a large force on the Gallipoli peninsula, the war office here announced today.

This is believed to indicate that the attempt of the allied forces to reduce the Dardanelles fortifications by both land and sea attacks has begun. The expedition is understood to be under command of General Sir Ian Hamilton.

Further gains by the Germans is reported from the Vosges, where the statement from the war office asserts that the German advance has been recaptured. Desperate fighting has been in progress about these heights, which dominate the surrounding territory.

Previous unofficial reports have placed the numerical strength of the Anglo-French land forces being concentrated in the region.

## Letters Written by Roosevelt Read in Court Tell How He Promised to "Stand in" With Barnes



ROOSEVELT • JUDGE ANDREWS • BARNES THE COURT ROOM

By BOND P. GEDDES,  
(United Press Staff Correspondent.)  
SYRACUSE, N. Y., April 26.—Old ghosts of the past were called forth to haunt Colonel Theodore Roosevelt today, as he stood in court with Judge Andrews and Attorney Barnes, to be cross-examined, endeavored to rouse his ire.

From the executors of the estate of the late Senator Platt, scores of letters were produced. They disclosed the details of long and frequent correspondence, frequent consultations as to appointments and the acquiescence of Roosevelt to Platt's wishes in many matters.

The colonel admitted that Platt was the boss of the republican party and that he worked with him. He admitted he met the "easy boss" and his son, Frank, at private breakfasts in New York while he was governor to discuss patronage, legislation and other matters.

Edith Serkin Sobs Before Pitiless Examination  
Los Angeles, Cal., April 26.—Hopelessly confused by the cross-examination of Earl Rogers, Edith Serkin, 17, star witness for the state in the trial of Chief of Police Sebastian, broke down today and sobbed as Judge Wood tried to restore her composure.

Lang, Steamer, Goes Thru Oregon City Locks Free  
Oregon City, Or., April 26.—The Willamette company's steamer N. R. Lang was the first vessel locked through the Oregon City locks free of charge, under government ownership.

Salem People To Take First Trip In 50 Years  
Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Ramsden, pioneer residents of Marion county, leave today for a six weeks' sojourn in California, where they expect to take in the San Diego and San Francisco exhibitions.

PRACE DELEGATES HELD UP.  
London, April 26.—Unless the British authorities release the liner Noordam, now detained in the Downs, the 40 American women delegates to The Hague International Women's congress, scheduled in take up the subject of peace, will not be able to reach Holland by the time the congress is to convene Wednesday.

John Bunny, Famous Movie Actor, Is Dead  
New York, April 26.—John Bunny, one of the most famous moving picture actors in the country, died at his home in Flatbush today.

Car Thrown 30 Feet.  
It was all so sudden," related Mrs. Maxwell, Mr. Sly's daughter. "Father looked up the track as he opened the gate, but then he waited a moment after that for the children. Just as he went through the gate it came upon them. If we had only gone out to open and close the gate for him as we usually do, we could have prevented the tragedy."

County Poor System Wrong, Says Bushey  
That the present system of taking care of Marion county's indigent citizens is an utterly lax and unorganized, although the county court endeavors to keep in touch with the disbursement of every dollar of the county's funds, that the county is being grossly imposed upon in numerous instances while in other cases the application of some very worthy cases of need are rejected because of the lack of information regarding the true status of such cases, is the opinion of County Judge Bushey.

Thousands of Dollars by Unscrupulous Imposters—Should Employ County Poor Inspector Who Should Also Prove Valuable Aid to Unemployed—Some Cases of Fraud in Point  
"As I said before I have given the matter careful thought and I am convinced that the best solution to the problem is for the county to employ an honest and conscientious man to look after all cases of indigency, to keep in constant touch with every case upon the county's indigent payroll and to keep the court posted thoroughly upon every individual case. Not only this, but it should be the duty of this officer—for the lack of a better term I would call him the county poor inspector—to be treated lightly or to be regarded as a mere passing incident in every day matter-of-fact life.

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The Weather  
Oregon:—Fair tonight and Tuesday; westerly winds.

FIRST BALL GAME OF SEASON TO BE PLAYED ON MAY 9  
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## SILVER BULLETS ARE ALLIES' AMMUNITION

### Germany Is Unfrightened At Financial Backing of Enemies and Is Prepared to Subscribe Even a Third War Loan If Necessary—Teuton Money Goes Back To the People—French Paying Expense With Treasury Bills

By CARL W. ACKERMAN,  
(United Press Staff Correspondent.)  
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Berlin, April 26.—Via The Hague and London.—"If this is to be a war of silver bullets, Germany is prepared. Wall Street is and can be with the allies, but Germany will remain unfrightened. The German people have over-subscribed two war loans. In my opinion they stand ready to over-subscribe a third, should a third prove necessary."

York and Paris have had complete, uninterrupted communication. Morgan and other American financiers established branches with the allies. Success for the latter meant success and wealth for these financiers. This all has contributed to slight depreciation of German exchange.

Dr. Helfferich, secretary of the imperial treasury. It reflects the official view of the relations of finance to the war.

There are two reasons. German money always stays in Germany, as everything the army needs is made in Germany. When supplies are purchased

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