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GREATEST VICTORY OF CAMPAIGN AT VERDUN

After Terrific All Night Battle French Drive Germans from Fort Douaumont—Bloody Fighting Along Entire Verdun Front Since Saturday—Slaughter More Deadly Every Hour As Battle Lust Grows—Bloodiest Night in History of Europe—British Driven From Trenches by Bavarians

Paris, May 23.—After all night fighting of great fury, French troops expelled Germans from all except the northeastern corner of Fort Douaumont it was officially announced today. This is one of the greatest victories of the Verdun campaign.

All Paris is celebrating the triumph. It was declared by the war office that French soldiers re-entered Fort Douaumont after storming German positions along a mile and a quarter front.

Further gains were also reported on the west bank of the Meuse. The French are now convinced that the Dead Man's hill stronghold is impregnable.

News of the French victories was partly offset by word of British reverses near Vimy ridge. The Bavarians there thrust back the British lines to remove the threat against their holdings which has existed since the British took the offensive.

Bloody hand to hand fighting has continued along every foot of the Verdun front since Saturday. The slaughter along the hills northwest of Verdun is growing deadlier every hour. Trenches have been pounded to dust. Infantry are locked in bayonet struggles to the death. The most intense battling is occurring at Hill 304, Dead Man's hill, and connecting positions west of the Meuse.

Heavy German charges on both sides of the Meuse were repulsed, except north of Thiamont farm, on the east bank, where Teutons gained entrance to a trench recently seized by French.

When today's official communique was issued, the conflict was growing more terrific every minute following one of the bloodiest nights in the history of Europe.

Amid the ruins of Douaumont German detachments were still offering heroic resistance. With bayonets, hand grenades, trench mines and clubbed muskets soldiers fought individually there, refusing to retreat and dying where they crouched. In the meantime the French engineers were busy strengthening their hard won gains, expecting violent counter attacks.

One of the most spectacular episodes occurred on the west bank of the Meuse where, shelled by a dense cloud of poison gas, behind a screen of liquid fire, the Germans advanced by a brilliant charge and entered a French trench. Hundreds of Frenchmen wearing gas masks and clothing to protect them against the flames lurked in their bomb proofs until the Germans swarmed in. Then they dashed out in the midst of the German cheers, killed many enemies and ejected all survivors from the works.

East of Hill 304 German bugles sounded a charge in force and a wedge-shaped column of men ran toward the French, intending to divide their ranks and outflank one detachment holding an important position. Word of the attempt was immediately telephoned to the massed batteries of "seventy-fives" in the rear and a well directed curtain of fire dropped into the front rank of the Teutons, obliterating it and sending the remainder of the column back in confusion.

Vienna, May 23.—Emperor Franz Josef in an interview today declared...

Emperor is Confident

ABE MARTIN



A boy's idea of a tightwad is the fellow who waits for a few pennies in change. A bee in the hive is worth two in the bosnet.

MORE MONEY NEEDED

London, May 23.—Premier Asquith this afternoon moved in the house of commons for a war credit of 300,000,000 pounds, or \$1,500,000,000. This brings the total war credit to \$11,900,000,000. Asquith declared that without loans from Great Britain the allies would be unable to continue joint operations. Great Britain cannot hope at this time to diminish its loans to the allies, he said, and it would be unwise to count on British expenditures falling below \$23,750,000 daily. The expenditures now amount to \$24,100,000 daily.

NELM SISTERS SAID TO BE ALIVE IN ALASKA

They Are the Women Victor Innes of Eugene, Was Accused of Killing

Seattle, Wash., May 23.—Seattle and Snohomish police are endeavoring today to trace Mrs. Patrick Buckley and her sister, who lived in both cities in 1914 and 1915 and the latter went to Seward, Alaska, but who are now believed to be Mrs. Eloise Nelms Dennis and her sister Beatrice Nelms, formerly of Atlanta, Ga., for whose supposed murder their brother-in-law, Victor E. Innes, of Eugene, Oregon, was recently tried and acquitted in Texas.

The older woman was known as Mrs. Patrick Buckley, wife of a Snohomish saloonman, when they lived in that city. Chief of Police Bylling and City Attorney M. J. McGuinness, of Snohomish both remember them. The latter was Buckley's attorney.

Mrs. Buckley owned some property in Seattle, but was not known by that name. McGuinness says he received a letter recently from Dawson, Yukon territory, from Buckley, who said he was going prospecting.

These Discredit Story

Seattle, Wash., May 23.—Information tending to discredit the theory that Mrs. Eloise Nelms Dennis and her sister, Miss Beatrice Nelms, of Atlanta, Ga., were living in this city and in Snohomish after they were reported murdered two years ago at San Antonio, Texas, was given out today by Edward G. Will and J. N. Nisbett, Seattle realty dealers.

Both men expressed themselves as confident that Mrs. Paul Buckley, formerly of Snohomish, who was identified by City Attorney M. J. McGuinness, of that city, as being Mrs. Dennis, yesterday, is not one of the missing sisters.

Nisbett and Will say they know Mrs. Buckley four years ago, the former being particularly well acquainted with the Buckley family since that time.

Mrs. Buckley transacted considerable real estate business through Nisbett and Will and is still paying on some Seattle property she purchased two years ago. The name she signed to the contract was "Alice E. Buckley."

Buckley and his wife lived for more than two years in a cottage on Ninth tenth avenue north, here, according to the two realty men, later moving to Snohomish for a short time, and then to Alaska.

"Buckley is now deputy United States marshal at Umatilla," said Will, "and I am sure since seeing the picture of Mrs. Dennis and her sister in a local newspaper, that neither can possibly be Mrs. Buckley."

Nisbett said: "I have known the Buckley's well. I am sure Mrs. Buckley is an old time Alaskan. She was a nurse before she married and an uncle who died two years ago in Nebraska left her some money. She has a daughter named Dorothea, 7 or 8 years old. I never heard that she had a sister."

J. D. Flury, a sawmill hand, of Aberdeen, Wash., sent word to an attorney for Victor E. Innes, who was tried recently for their murder and acquitted, that he and a man named Joe, had ridden on the train with two women between Snohomish and Seattle in August, 1914. One woman was Mrs. Buckley, he said, and he saw in her hand a letter addressed to "Eloise E. Dennis."

M. J. McGuinness, city attorney of Snohomish, furnished the information to an attorney in Atlanta which caused the belief that the sisters were alive.

THIRTY THOUSAND MEXICAN TROOPS MARCHING NORTH

Number Vastly Larger Than Is Needed in Pursuit of Bandits

FORCE IS LARGER THAN THAT OF AMERICANS

Condition of Mexicans Deplorable Many Facing Starvation

Washington, May 23.—Thirty thousand troops, twenty thousand more than General Obregon promised to have distributed, are marching northward from Saltillo, Durango and elsewhere, according to state department information today.

Officials indicated that the number of troops in the main body was vastly more than needed for the pursuit of bandits. How far north the Mexicans have come was not stated.

General Trevino, in command, is reported to have utility. It is regarded that field guns are not needed in the intended work of hunting outlaws. If the estimate of his forces is correct, the Mexican troops outnumber the Americans in Mexico.

Trooper Killed Comrade

El Paso, Texas, May 23.—Trooper Robert J. Dyer, of Troop D, Sixth cavalry, is in the guard house at Fort Bliss today, charged with the murder of Trooper Hanamy of the same troop. Both men suffered a great deal from the strain of hard riding with little water and short rations during the trip from Dablan to Columbus. They quarreled during the march over a game of cards. Dyer shot Hanamy. He will soon be court martialled. His friends believe that his privations with the army have deranged him mentally.

Are Facing Starvation

Washington, May 23.—The underlying elements of national life—money, industry and food—are in a deplorable condition in Mexico, American consuls reported to Washington today. Their statements gave the administration a severe shock when laid before the president and his cabinet.

The report pictured cases of absolute starvation in Mexico. It is not known what the administration plans to do and considerable interest is manifested in its decision.

PORTLAND WILL ALSO HAVE GREAT PARADE

Preparations Being Made for Preparedness Parade Night of June 3

Portland, Or., May 23.—Preparations were in full swing today for a preparedness parade June 3, when Portland will follow the lead of New York City.

The parade here will be at night to insure a larger number of civilians in the marching line. The date was fixed and arrangements started at a meeting last night. Judge C. U. Gantenbein was named chairman of the committee in charge. Mayor Albee started the movement upon receipt of a telegram from Mayor Thompson of Chicago urging Portland to join other cities in raising their voice for preparedness on June 3.

The state militia, several squads of police, the Spanish war veterans, civil war veterans and other similar organizations will augment the crowds of plainclothes civilians in the marching line. It is planned to have at least 95,000 people in the parade.

Cyclones Visit Iowa

PROTEST SENT ENGLAND

Washington, May 23.—President Wilson today completed his protest against seizure of United States mails by the British. It was sent to Secretary Lansing at noon with the expectation that it would be cabled to London immediately.

The communication is largely legal in character. It closes with instructions to Ambassador Page to renew vigorously complaints already made by the United States. The discussion relates to the practice of British cruisers holding up American mails carried in neutral vessels and taking them to English ports where the letters are subjected to censorship.

This practice is outside the pale of international law, the president's note charges.

WILSON AT WORK ON ADDRESS TO LEAGUE

Will Take Position Nothing Can Be Done Until Both Sides Desire Peace

By Robert J. Bender. (United Press staff correspondent.) Washington, May 23.—President Wilson is working on his address to be delivered Saturday morning at the meeting of the League to Enforce Peace. He is confronted by a most difficult task. Strong pressure is being brought on America to have the president outline some definite peace plan.

On the other hand, Premier Briand's declaration that there will be no peace until the allies win decisively indicates that the entente powers do not desire to talk peace now.

In consequence, the president will probably content himself with notifying the world that he is ready to open channels for peace talk whenever the belligerent nations are ready. He will also discuss how peace is to be preserved hereafter.

Wilson is going to New York tomorrow for the wedding of his physician, Dr. Carey Grayson.

Regular Republicans Are Backing Roosevelt

New York, May 23.—Regular Republicans yesterday opened headquarters for a Roosevelt boom. The Rooseveltians are all former 1912 men, and there are no progressives among them. They plan to shift to Chicago.

George Von L. Meyer, former secretary of the navy, is chairman of the delegation. He has an appointment with the Colonel at Oyster Bay for this afternoon.

ROSEBURG MAY BUILD MUNICIPAL RAILROAD

Votes to Amend Charter 557 to 94, so City Can Finance Timber Road

Roseburg, Or., May 23.—A municipally built railroad from Roseburg into the timber belt of the Cascades was believed assured today as the result of the adoption of an amendment to the city charter yesterday. The amendment was adopted in a special election by a vote of 557 to 94.

A. K. Kinnell, Pittsburg financier, plans to build sawmills in Roseburg and open logging camps in the mountains where the road is constructed. A \$300,000 bond issue to finance the road was approved by the voters several months ago. The supreme court decided Roseburg could not legally lend its financial credit to a private enterprise, and the bond issue was held up. By the adoption of the charter amendment, advocates of the measure believe they have removed the technical legal hindrance.

GERMANY HAS ENOUGH FOOD FOR HER PEOPLE

Socialist Leader Says Faulty Distribution Is To Blame for Conditions

By Carl W. Ackerman. (United Press staff correspondent.) Berlin, May 23.—Philip Scheidenmann, socialist leader, informed the United States today that Woodrow Wilson or William Howard Taft would be acceptable to the German socialists as a peace maker. He added that appointment of a food dictator would destroy all hopes of an allied victory through a food blockade and compel Great Britain to make peace.

"Socialists desire peace," he declared. "I am confident that the imperial chancellor wants peace. There is enough food for all Germany. What is needed is absolute control of the German states which must feed Berlin and which formerly depended upon outside states. The food dictator will be an imperial officer. The states have fought side by side and now each must put its foodstuffs side by side. There will then be enough to last until the crops are harvested. A shortage of a few weeks will not make us sue for peace."

No Doubt About Shortage

London, May 23.—The incapacity of certain governmental heads and not an actual shortage of provisions, is the cause of the present food crisis, said Maximilian Harden, German writer, in the current issue of Zsigant, received here today.

Replying to those who say meat is unnecessary, Harden declares that the average German is not satisfied without meat, but is willing to suffer privations in behalf of victory.

COLONEL INDORSES BANK PRESIDENT

Says Glover, Who Is Accused of Perjury, Is Most Honest Man in Washington

Washington, May 23.—Colonel Theodore Roosevelt enjoyed himself to the fullest today when he testified in Justice Giddons' court as a character witness for Charles C. Glover, president of the Riggs National bank, who is accused by the government of perjury in connection with an affidavit made by his bank.

The colonel was in court before either judge or jury earlier. Mrs. Allison, his daughter, accompanied him. The court room was packed. Cheers greeted Roosevelt as he walked inside the rail and greeted Glover. The applause continued until Justice Giddons entered with the colonel apparently appreciating it.

Attorney Stanfield put the former president on the stand immediately. He gave his occupation as a writer and said that in the campaign of 1912 Glover was against him, favoring either Wilson or Taft.

"Glover is absolutely the highest man in Washington from a standpoint of integrity and general knowledge," he asserted. Roosevelt said that he and his children used the Riggs bank.

WASCO COUNTY TAKES TO INDUSTRIAL CLASSES

Industrial Field Worker L. P. Harrington states that one of the largest and most successful industrial club rallies has ever attended was held at Tygh Valley in Wasco county on May 19th. Nearly 1800 persons were present. The principal speakers were Governor James Withycombe; J. T. Harper, president of the local farmers' union; H. C. Seymour, club leader from the Oregon Agricultural College, and A. R. Chase, county agriculturist, and Mr. Harrington.

The former established a new high record for all time at 110-3-2. There was nothing novel forthcoming to explain the advance. As the session progressed, Reading lost some of its improvement.

Despite a good deal of "churning"—shifting in pool and clique activities in motor stocks, Mexican issues and special features, the list developed irregularly and heaviness. Conditions showed little change late in the session. Prices moved with uncertainty but standard issues developed no rallying tendencies and as a rule lost little more ground.

ROOSEVELT AIMS GUN AT HUGHES IN NEW YORK SPEECH

"No Man Should Be Named Unless He Flatly Announces Position ON BOTH AMERICANISM AND PREPAREDNESS"

This Is the Fuel Used In Effort to Smoke Out Justice Hughes

New York, May 23.—Politicians today regarded Colonel Theodore Roosevelt's speech to the delegation of regular republicans offer of their support as open bid for the G. O. P. nomination. They saw an attempt to smoke out Justice Hughes in the colonel's declaration that no man would be named by the convention unless he flatly announced his position on Americanism and preparedness.

Roosevelt's speech was carefully prepared and his attitude apparently deliberately assumed. With regard to Americanism and preparedness, he said: "Any man at this time of crisis who is not aggressively, openly, and specifically for these principles, is against them, and every patriotic man should treat our public servants on this basis."

The delegation was headed by George Von L. Meyer, former secretary of the navy, who informed the colonel that the Roosevelt republican committee, an organization with memberships in 26 states, has been formed for the purpose of working for T. R. in their convention. In his reply, the colonel named over the principles which he favored, and said: "They are the principles you are organizing to support, with all my heart I welcome such support."

What Henry Said

Topeka, Kan., May 23.—Henry Allen, temporary chairman of the progressive state organization, told the Kansas convention today that Theodore Roosevelt would be nominated in the Chicago convention after a vain attempt to nominate other candidates.

Missouri Likes Hughes

St. Louis, Mo., May 23.—That sentiment for Justice Charles E. Hughes in strong in Missouri was evident today when the republican delegation to the national convention in Chicago next month met here.

Hadley's Boom Hit

St. Louis, Mo., May 23.—Herbert S. Hadley, former governor of Missouri, lost all hopes of heading the Missouri delegation to the republican national convention and using that office to help his vice-presidential boom today when Otto Stifel beat him out by a vote of 20 to 7.

Market Irregular All Stocks Sagging

New York, May 23.—The New York Evening Sun's financial review today said: "The increasing irregularity of the market today was the natural reflection of heavy profit taking and distributive selling which invited the recent advance. Initial trading was characterized by general advances and wide openings occurred in Reading, Union Pacific, the two conspicuous leaders in railroads."

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THE WEATHER

Oregon: Tonight fair, frost; Wednesday fair, northerly winds.