

WAGING FIGHT TO BE REOPENED

Senate Advocates Say Ultimate Adoption of Universal Service Assured

VOTE NEW REGISTRATION

Youths Who Reached 21 Since June 5, 1917, Eligible for Draft

GENS. BELL AND WOOD PASS PHYSICAL TESTS

Both Army Officers Now Eligible to Resume Former Commands

SMALLPOX CASES HERE A "SCARE," SAYS KRUSEN

Not Serious, According to Health Director—3000 More Vaccinated

SCOTTISH EDUCATOR TO BE DINNER GUEST

Sir George Adam Smith, of Aberdeen University, Will Discuss War Aims

8-HOUR DAY AND WAGE RISE IN PACKING PLANTS

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If You Love Your Country Reduce Your Flour Ration

State Food Director Heinz has made the following statement regarding the imperative necessity of householders conserving wheat:

Beet Sugar Men to Help Loan

Chicago, March 29.—The United States Sugar Manufacturers' Association has passed a resolution providing for a committee to assist the Liberty Loan among beet sugar interests.

Finest for Enemy Aliens

Chicago, March 29.—Agents of the Department of Justice are at work on the cases of several dozen enemy aliens and profitemen who were among the hundred or more persons arrested several days ago in connection with the celebration of the German drive.

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The basic eight-hour day was ordered in the nation's packing industry by Federal Judge Samuel Alchuler's award in the packing arbitration today.

Wages Increased on the Working Hours

The award, which affects about 200,000 employes throughout the United States in 99 per cent of the working hours of the country, was regarded as a sweeping victory for the workers.

Double Time for Sundays and Holidays

Double time and one-fourth for the first two hours over the basic eight hours on weekdays and time and one-half for all time after ten hours. Between January 14 and May 5 overtime pay was paid at the rate of time and one-half after ten hours on weekdays and double time for Sundays.

Equal Pay for Male and Female Employees

Equal pay for male and female employees doing the same class of work was provided in the award.

The Employes' Demand for a Weekly Guaranteed Minimum of Forty Hours was Granted

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Reports that Captain of Detectives is "in bad" politically, and that he is to be asked to resign, are completely denied by Captain Tate, who characterized the report as an "April fool joke."

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Night Worker Wins an Hour by Daylight Saving Plan

The fellow who goes to work at 6 o'clock tonight and is due to work until 5 o'clock tomorrow morning gains an hour on his boss through the daylight-saving plan.

Incidentally, how will those who work at much per hour arrange this?

It can be easily settled by arbitration among employers and workers who don't lose their heads over mathematics.

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city of Mezieres, far within the Germans' line near the Belgian border.)

FRENCH OFFICIAL REPORT

The Paris official communique received here this afternoon indicates a renewal of Hindenburg's attempt to drive the German wedge further past Montdidier. The battle in that region has been resumed with extreme violence, the statement says, on a front extending from Moreuil, north of Montdidier, to beyond Lassigny, east of Montdidier. The communique declares the French are holding this line firmly. The report is as follows:

The battle was resumed late last night with fresh violence on a front of forty kilometers (twenty-four miles) from Moreuil to beyond Lassigny.

French troops supported by continually arriving reserves are stubbornly resisting powerful assaults.

Despite the bad weather French aviators continued their attacks, dropping bombs and pouring machine-gun fire on the enemy's battle-front concentrations. About 31,000 pounds of projectiles have been thrown on the Noyon, Guisard and Ham region.

Thirteen German machines have been brought down.

(Moreuil is an important city about nine miles northwest of Montdidier, in the direction of Amiens. The front mentioned, therefore, extends for more than twenty-four miles, running south from Moreuil, veering sharply eastward at a point west of Montdidier and extending east of Lassigny.)

A dispatch from the front announces that the Germans are digging in in some sections.

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Similarly, Arras, which was yesterday's immediate objective, with Vimy, remains in the hands of the British. The Kaiser's storm troops were checked by the withering fire from machine-guns and artillery.

FOCH MAY HOLD AMERICANS FOR USE AT LATER DATE

Washington, March 29.—General Foch's decision whether or not to use American troops in large numbers in the present combat will probably depend on the magnitude of the counter-offensive that is planned against the Germans.

If the Allies decide to attempt to bring the war to an end by overwhelming the German armies in western France, then every possible source of strength must be thrown into the battle and General Pershing's full force will participate.

But if a counter-offensive with strictly limited objectives is considered the wisest course at this time, General Foch may think it inadvisable to use the American troops for the present.

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If the Allies' major offensive in answer to the present German thrust is not to be delivered immediately, General Foch may desire to keep the Americans for the principal role at a later date.

Major American offensive toward the Rhine, for instance, instead of western France, might not only curtail the German drive, but also shorten the campaign by abandoning much of the territory he has just won.

Such a retirement under threat of an American invasion of Germany would certainly have a far more depressing influence on the Kaiser's subjects than a limited counter-stroke by the Allied forces along the Oise, Somme and Aisne.

Questions such as these must be fully considered by General Foch before he makes his decision, which ought not to be influenced by impatient and frivolous home demands for immediate action.

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French Tactics Brilliant in Keeping Touch with Haig

With the French Armies in the Field, March 29.—Since General French, at Ypres, 1917, prevented the Germans from turning the British flank by stretching out his line until it was broken by the North Sea, the brilliant movement has been executed on the west front from the manner in which the French General Staff, night and day, kept up contact with the British army, doggedly retreating to the northwest.

The French steadily extended their lines from the region of La Fere to beyond Montdidier. This successful operation has definitely broken up what

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strong thrusting point against Paris and a route to the Channel ports and the North Sea.)

The battle shows that the Germans are fighting desperately on the northern and southern wings to prevent British reserves from the north and French re-enforcements from the south coming to strengthen the British center against the thrust toward Amiens.

The Germans increased the weight of that thrust, and the battle is therefore a race between Franco-British reaction along the Montdidier-Noyon line and the German movement against Amiens. Here Hindenburg is only twelve miles from Amiens.

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AMERICAN ENGINEERS VALOROUS IN SUPPORT OF FIGHTING ALLIES

With the American Army in France, March 29.—Fresh British and French troops are constantly arriving on the Picardy battle front to take up the battle when the proper moment arrives, according to information received here today. The exhausted German soldiers are resorted to digging themselves in and consolidating their positions.

The information given out by the British war office that American troops are fighting shoulder to shoulder with French and British refers to American railway engineers and American officers who are confident that the superior American engineering and technical skill is being put to the test.

It is said that the valorous performance of the engineers who received their baptism of fire at Cambrai, and who, since that time, have been carrying out their volunteer duties with the greatest bravery.

The Americans are more optimistic since the latest official statements, even the Germans themselves admitting that they had been stopped. On every side the question is raised whether the drive is collapsing or whether it is still in progress.

The Americans unanimously believe that a resumption of the battle on a great scale is imminent before the operations stagnate again into trench warfare.

It is said that the superior French generalship and British doggedness will smash the enemy, who has already lost heavily from his last troop. The present breathing space is regarded as temporary, while the enemy brings up supplies and reorganizes his shattered divisions.

FRENCH PLANES DROP 65 TONS OF EXPLOSIVES

With the French Armies in the Field, March 29.—French bombing planes have dropped sixty-five tons of explosives on German communications and depots during the enemy offensive.

Also, for the first time, French aviators successfully participated in a night battle, bombing troop concentrations both on the fighting line and in reserve.

Prisoners captured the German army is accompanied by special "howl squads" whose duty it is to strip Allied and German dead of all clothing, shoes and equipment, which are extremely scarce in Germany. Some of these groups, taken prisoners, admit their surprise at the small numbers of French dead and wounded.

PATROL LEADER FORMER BALTIMORE NEWS MAN

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Lieutenant Redwood formerly was a member of the staff of the Baltimore News and is widely known in newspaper circles.

Pro-Germans Hoarding Wheat

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As a result of the meeting the following message of cheer was sent by the United States food administrator to Victor Buret, French Signor Crespi, Italian and Lord Rhonda, British ministers of food for the Allied governments:

WOMEN NOW INCLUDED UNDER ESPIONAGE LAW

Senate Adopts House Amendment, Making Them Equally Liable With Men

Washington, March 29.—Without debate, the Senate passed a House bill amending the espionage law to make it applicable to enemy alien women as well as men. The House is expected to adopt minor amendments inserted by the Senate, thus obviating the necessity of sending the measure to conference. One of these amendments would exempt the American women living in the United States whose husbands are enemy aliens.

Enactment of this legislation has been urged by officials of the Department of Justice whose investigation of enemy activity in this country has disclosed the fact that many women agents of Germany are at work here. Under the law women would be required to register with the authorities and those regarded as dangerous would be interned.

Woman Killed by Fall

Lossing her balance while cleaning a second-story window, Mrs. Fannie Katt, 517 North Douglas street, Mrs. Fannie Katt, fifty-three years old, fell to the cement pavement below at the woman's Homeopathic Hospital she was pronounced dead.

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PARIS UNDAUNTED BY KILLING OF 75

Nearly 100 Also Wounded When Long-Range Gun Hits Church

Paris, March 29.—The latest bombardment of Paris by the German super-gun, in which seventy-five were killed and nearly one hundred wounded, when a shell struck a church felled to terrify Paris today.

City Seethes With Anger and Hot Determination for Vengeance

Paris, March 29.—The spirit was revealed in the House of Deputies and in general demands everywhere for punishment of the Hun on the battlefield.

Among those killed was H. Strobel, counselor of the Swiss legation in Paris.

The same church was struck by a shell while high mass was being celebrated last Sunday, and many casualties resulted.

As long ago as last December the Allies had information from prisoners that the Germans had guns of unusually long range about ready for use, and other information followed.

In January there were said to be at least four and perhaps seven of these guns in existence. They were said to be of thirty-eight centimeter bore and lined down to twenty-one centimeters; that is to say, from fifteen inches to eight and one-quarter inches. They were, according to one informant, seventy-nine feet long, and in trials had carried seventy-five kilometers (46.5 miles). They were expected to carry 100 kilometers (62 miles).

Rain Helps Texas Crops

Dallas, Tex., March 29.—A badly needed rain, falling in the Texas Panhandle, reports in the afternoon from Amarillo were that more than one inch of rain had fallen. "It will be of inestimable benefit to the wheat crop, which was needing moisture badly," said a message from that city.

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