



HAIG STRIKES GERMAN LINES TELLING BLOW

British Army Reaches Important Waterway Between St. Quentin and Cambrai; Gain Ground Along a Wide Front; Three Villages Fall Farther North Leaving English Troops Within Three Miles of Railway Center

HINDENBURG PUT FORTH SUPREME EFFORT TO PREVENT ANOTHER GREAT RETREAT UNDER FIRE

Battle Wages Fiercely With Machine Guns and Field Artillery Taking Terrible Toll of Both Sides; Situation Behind Teuton Lines Remains Dubious and Uncertain; Berlin Forces Strike Leaders Into Fighting Ranks

While continuing to deliver hard blows upon the German lines in the Scarpe river region, east of Arras, where their offensive was resumed yesterday the British have pushed home a telling thrust in another sector of the great battlefield.

Striking south of the Bapaume-Cambrai road, General Haig's forces gained ground last night along a wide front. Of greatest moment, however, was the success of the drive in reaching the important waterway between St. Quentin and Cambrai, the St. Quentin canal.

The canal was cut at a point east of Ephy near Venduville. In reaching it here the British pressed to within approximately two miles of Le Catelet, a railway junction point on the canals to the south towards St. Quentin.

Pushing along the Peronne-Cambrai railway farther north, General Haig's troops captured the villages of Beaucamp and Villers-Pouch which places them a bare three miles from Marcoing, another important railway center 3 1/2 miles southwest of Cambrai.

What is apparently the bitterest fighting of the present Anglo-French offensive is raging along the Wotan line, the hastily organized position east of Arras to which the Germans retired when the northern end of the Hindenburg line was turned by General Haig. The Germans are putting forth a supreme effort to hold this vital portion of their defenses, the crumbling of which would expose Douai and Cambrai and bring into prospect another great retreat.

British Drive Wedges

The British have driven two wedges into the German positions forming sharp salients in the region of the Scarpe river and north of the Bapaume-Cambrai road. The head of the first salient has been thrust within four miles of Vitry, the most important point on the Wotan line, but the tenacity and power with which the Germans are fighting leaves the issue for a time in doubt.

Battling in France Is Fiercest Yet Seen in War; Germans Rush Up Reserves

The fighting now proceeding is the fiercest seen in this war. The Germans have thrown in large reserves and have brought up a great number of fresh guns.

"They probably realize that the battle now developing may assume a decisive character and they are resisting desperately. They are doing just what we want. The German army is only too anxious to be broken by hard fighting and the recent movement of the enemy justified some doubt as to whether they would stand further hard fighting. They certainly are doing it now and accepting battle in the open. So far we have gained a good deal and have lost nothing."

THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Partly cloudy and mild, with weather to-night and Wednesday. For Eastern Pennsylvania: Overcast and continued cool weather to-night and Wednesday; fresh northeast wind.

Berlin Departs French From Districts Wrested From Them by Allies

Amsterdam via London, April 24.—A semi-official statement issued in Berlin says the deportation of the inhabitants in the evacuated districts between Arras and Soissons has been accomplished without hardships to the civilians. The statement adds:

"The transport of their belongings even delayed the transport of important war material. For this reason it was impossible in many cases to remove felled fruit trees, the wood of which represents important material for our war industry. The trees were cut down in order that their leaves in spring and summer might not afford cover to marching columns against our armies."

"The male and female population between the ages of 15 and 60 were reported to the Germans with children under 15 remained with their children. The entire population of St. Quentin was transported to the rear. As far as possible they were allowed to choose their own places of abode. Objects of value were taken in charge by the German authorities."

Representative Swartz Puts in War Measure

Mr. Swartz, of Dauphin, introduced in the House today a bill to permit all corporations, created under State laws, to invest surplus funds in government war bonds. The bill is one of the several emergency measures presented in the past week.

Capitol Park Ejectment Cases Are Up in Court

An all-day session of argument court was held today. On the list were eleven cases, including two in which the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania was interested.

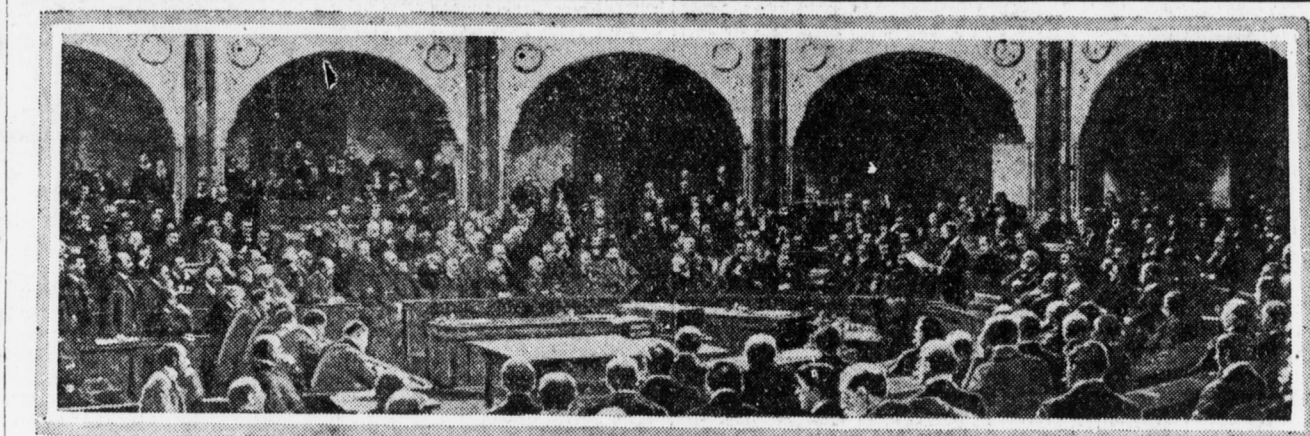
DIED ON HER 75TH BIRTHDAY

Mrs. Elizabeth A. Mowry, aged 75, died this morning at her home, 1127 Capital street, after an illness of several months. This was Mrs. Mowry's seventy-fifth birthday. She is survived by her husband, Napoleon B. Mowry and three children by a previous marriage, Mrs. G. H. Fleck, of York; Mrs. John Maeyer, of Pennsylvania; and Fred M. Tritter, of this city. Funeral arrangements have not been completed.

HOUSE IN NIGHT SESSION

The House will hold its first Tuesday night session to-night. Less than half a dozen bills were considered today and the night session will be devoted to third reading bills. The House adjourned at 1:15 p. m. until 8 p. m.

HUNGARIAN PARLIAMENT SAID TO BE TIRING OF WAR



Much interest centers now in the Hungarian parliament because of the apparently well-informed rumors that the Hungarian people are growing weary of the sacrifices made in the war. For days the government has censored so closely all dispatches from the dual monarchy that suspicion is growing that the situation is really worse than the reports from border countries say. It has been pointed out that virtually the same condition prevailed in Russia before the Duma deposed the Czar and his government.

SECOND DRUGGIST IS ARRESTED FOR SELLING "DOPE"

W. E. Marshall Held Under \$5,000 Bail For Federal Court

William E. Marshall, proprietor of Marshall's Drug store, 629 Boas street, at a hearing before United States Commissioner Wolfe, was held under \$5,000 bail for his appearance at the May session of the Federal court. He is charged by Emilie Koos, Federal narcotic expert investigator with falsifying narcotic order forms and failing to keep records as required by the Harrison act.

Marshall was arrested this morning by Detective Hyde Speese. It is also charged by Koos and admitted to by Marshall that he furnished his brother, Dr. Leslie Marshall, with blank forms which is also a violation of the law. Yesterday H. E. Parson, druggist, was also held under \$5,000 bail.

Koos produced innumerable forms filled in originals but not in duplicate. In this way, Koos said, druggists were able to obtain and dispense drugs without accounting for them to the government inspectors.

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May 1 Fixed as Last Day Upon Which Bills May Be Read in House

The House of Representatives today fixed May 1 as the last day of the session of 1917, upon which bills can be introduced. There are over 1,600 bills on the House list now. The resolution to fix a time was presented by Mr. Lewis, Jefferson, and an unsuccessful effort was made by Mr. Shaffer, Columbia, formerly of Harrisburg, to substitute May 7.

Fixing of a final day for new bills is a prelude to the close of the session.

RUSS ANGRY AT LOSS

London, April 24.—Dispatches from Petrograd to-day state that the Russian Socialists are greatly exercised over the sinking by a German submarine of the steamer Zara, which was taking home a number of Russian refugees. The Zara sailed on April 11 and was torpedoed in Northern waters two days later.

PRICES FORCED UP BY WESTERN MEAT PACKERS

Hold Products in Storage; Beef Costs Ten Cents Per Pound More

While officials of the State and Nation are making efforts to prevent the shortage of foodstuffs, there is a shortage here in Harrisburg especially in meats. Chicago and western packers are reluctant to make shipments here and when shipments are made they are from two to three days late, local dealers say.

The largest butchers in the city admit that the retention of beef and other meats in Chicago has created a shortage. G. S. Vogt, a local dealer, said:

Speaker Clark Opposes Selective Conscription

Washington, April 24.—Speaker Clark today opposed the selective draft and predicted it never would pass Congress, in receiving a delegation from the National Security League. Several hundred petitions, bearing a million names, asking Congress to adopt the administration plan were laid before the speaker.

GEO. S. REINOEHL HEADS BOY SCOUT CAMPAIGN MOVE

Well-Known Bell Phone Official Chairman of Citizens Committee



GEORGE S. REINOEHL, Chairman of Boy Scout Campaign Citizens' Committee.

George S. Reinoehl, division manager of the Bell Telephone Company, and one of the best-known men in Central Pennsylvania, has accepted the chairmanship of the citizens' committee that will have charge of the campaign to put the Boy Scout movement on its feet in Harrisburg for a three-year period.

The selection of Mr. Reinoehl inspires the "pep" and "ginger" that is necessary to make a campaign of the kind the success that it promises to.

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VOLUNTEERS COST ENGLAND MUCH IN MONEY AND MEN

British Democracy Is Now Fanatical Over Universal Military Service

"War," said General Bridges, "is no longer a war of expeditions but is a case of nation against nation. Men, women and children are equally drawn into its vortex, the women and children being forced into industry and fed on half rations in order to supply the men at the front. War has become an immensely

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Representatives of Slovak League Will Endorse Stand of President at Meeting

Resolutions endorsing President Wilson for his stand in the present crisis and pledging allegiance to the United States will be passed at a meeting of representatives of the Slovak League of America at Jednota near Middletown, Thursday and Friday.

About 500,000 Slovaks in this country are represented by these four men.

Mr. Bergner, of Chicago, secretary of the Bohemian National Alliance of the United States; Ivan Daxner, of Pittsburgh, secretary of the Slovak League of America; Melvin Getting, of New York, editor of the Slovak Sokol, the largest paper in the United States representing this nationality; and Joseph Husek, editor of the Jednota publication, are the representatives who will convene to take action on the resolutions. This is the first time these representatives have held a joint session and the immediate purpose is pledging their support to the government.

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RED CROSS OPENS GREAT PERSONAL MEMBER CANVASS

House-to-House Drive Starts in Supreme Effort of Local Campaign

The "Spring drive" of the Red Cross campaign for 10,000 new members began this morning.

At a council of war held last night in the headquarters of the Harrisburg chapter, 206 Walnut street, plans were perfected for the whirlwind house-to-house canvass, and early this morning the army of solicitors spread out over the city. By Saturday night not one house in the entire city will have been missed.

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Sweden Cuts Off Sale of Distilled Liquors

Stockholm, April 24.—The sale by retail of all distilled liquors is forbidden throughout Sweden from April 21 to May 12. While it is not admitted officially, there is reason to believe that the order has a connection with the great May Day labor demonstration planned by the unions.

The official explanation of the ban on liquor is that the excise authorities desire to make an inventory of the available spirits in the kingdom. It is stated that the government wishes to estimate the amount likely to be produced next year with a view to further restrictions on liquor sales.

Roosevelt Division May Yet Be Sent to Front

Washington, D. C., April 24.—Feeling that the offer of former President Roosevelt to furnish and command a regiment of volunteers ought to be accepted, Senator Harding, of Ohio, yesterday introduced a bill which would authorize the President to raise by voluntarily enlistment four infantry divisions, none of the regular army, and one who would be subject to draft under the terms of the army measure.

A restriction that no unit smaller than a division shall be accepted for Federal service, virtually limits the entire amendment to Colonel Roosevelt, as he is believed to be the only man not in the army who could raise so large a force. A division is 20,000 men or more.

WAR COMMISSION FROM FRANCE IS SAFELY LANDED

Most Notable Figures of French Republic on American Soil

HEADED BY VIVIANI

Marshal Joffre and Dean of Democracies Admirals in the Party

Washington, April 24.—The French commission has safely landed in the United States. This official statement was made early today by the government: "Department of State is advised of the safe arrival of the French commission." The commission which includes Marshal Joffre and former Premier Viviani, arrived early this morning.

Last Day For Enemy Aliens to Give Up Arms

New York, April 24.—The country's alien enemies in New York are notified that this is the last day of grace allowed them to surrender weapons, munitions of war, aircraft, wireless apparatus and other forbidden possession enumerated in the President's proclamation. United States Marshal McCarty made it plain, however, that there will be no seizure and search of persons or houses except when the federal officials have reason to believe an attempt has been made to violate the President's ruling.

Russia Places Further Restrictions on Sale of Intoxicating Liquors

Petrograd, April 24.—The provisional government has modified the rules governing the sales of alcoholic drinks by the introduction of the following regulations: "First: The sale of alcoholic drinks containing a percentage of alcohol in excess of one and a half degrees is prohibited throughout Russia.

"Second: Export to foreign countries of grape wines of every kind is permitted regardless of their percentage of alcohol.

"Third: In wine growing districts the sale of wines produced locally and not containing a percentage of alcohol in excess of 12 degrees is permitted. Sales of these wines outside of the wine growing districts is only permitted in towns and may be prohibited by the municipal authorities.

BRAZIL LOOKS FOR INSURRECTION AMONG ITS GERMAN SUBJECTS

RIO JANEIRO, APRIL 4.—TELEGRAMS RECEIVED FROM PARANA CONFIRMS REPORTS THAT THE GERMANS IN SOUTHERN BRAZILIAN STATES ARE CONCENTRATING IN THE STATE OF SANTA CATHEHINA. IT IS BELIEVED A GERMAN INSURRECTION IN THE SOUTH IS IMMINENT.

TREASURY CERTIFICATES SUBSCRIBED

Washington, April 4.—Announcement was made to-day that the issue of Treasury certificates offered through the reserve banks would be increased from \$200,000,000 to \$250,000,000 and that all of this sum had already been absorbed.

CAMP HILL AUTOMOBILE RUN

Harrisburg.—The annual Camp Hill Sociability Run will be held this year on June 2 and 3. The destination is Washington but the route is not finally selected.

STEAMER BEST GERMAN U-BOAT

New York, April 24.—A vivid account of a running fight in the Mediterranean between a German submarine and a British freighter in which the U-Boat was struck three times, resulting in an explosion on board the submarine and its probable destruction was related to-day by Captain James Cruick on his arrival to-day.

THREE KILLED IN POWDER BLAST

Birmingham, Ala., April 24.—Three powder workers were killed in an explosion to-day in the Coalburg plant of the Aetna Explosive Company. The cause of the blast is unknown. An investigation is under way.

U. S. OFFICERS MAY GO TO FRONT

Washington, April 24.—American army officers who are to command the new armies soon may go to battle fronts in France to study the business of modern warfare in preparation for the work they may do later.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Lester James Renner, Lewistown, Md., and Florence May Lytle, Dunbar, Pa.; Harry Carmen Pugliese, Reading, and Kathryn Lerew Rank, Middletown, Pa.; Edward Yenger, Shamokin, and Glen Viola Emerick, Shamokin, Pa.; John Joslyn Shindler, Wilkesboro, and Anna May Condit, Stroud, Pa.; Leslie L. Enders, Lykens, and Alma R. Hoffman, Carversville, Pa.

CANOEISTS FEAR GUARDSMEN WILL FIRE ON THEM

Will Assure Railroad Police 'They Mean No Harm to Bridges'

MEDALS AWARDED

Winners of Opening Excursion to Get Prizes; Completing Prizes

Following an enthusiastic meeting of the executive committee of the Greater Harrisburg Navy in the Park Department offices last evening, the committee in charge of the annual excursion down the Juniata and Susquehanna rivers from Mifflin to this city, has started to complete arrangements for this event which is similar to the annual opening of the canoeing season in this vicinity.

The executive committee of the Navy voted to offer three sets of medals to the three pair of canoeists who win the first three places in the

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