



GERMAN LEGIONS CONTINUE SANGUINARY BATTLE AFTER HAIG'S ARMIES FALL BACK

HUNS GAIN NEW LINES BY ASSAULT

London Admits Situation in Flanders Is Serious Following the Withdrawal From Ridges Which Dominated Northern Sector; Germans Able to Gain High Ground After Eight Days of Desperate Struggling

AMERICA ON WAY

LONDON, April 17.—Concerning the situation in Flanders, Premier Lloyd George told Parliament that the British, although giving up territory, had lost nothing vital.

By Associated Press

Having driven the British from Bailleul and Wytchaete, the Germans are battling desperately to gain other points on the high ground south and southwest of Ypres.

The situation it is admitted in London, is more serious than at any previous time since the German drive in the north began.

Allies Still Are Confident

Premier Lloyd George told the House of Commons he was hopeful, adding that General Plumer, British commander in the Messines area, and General Foch, allied commander-in-chief, were both confident.

With the Ypres salient in Southwestern Belgium menaced by the continued advance of the Germans on the Lys battlefield immediately to the south, the British have begun to withdraw from this advanced line.

To-day's official report from Field Marshal Haig's headquarters announce what is at least a partial withdrawal from the Ypres sector. The British forward positions east of Ypres have been given up and a new line to the west occupied.

Back to Old Battle Line

Apparently the retrograde movement is pivoting on the Wytchaete sector where London to-day reports a successful counterattack carried out upon the Germans who yesterday captured the town of Wytchaete, near the highest point of the easterly Messines ridge and who presumably pushed out somewhat beyond the town.

St. Eloi is on the old battle line as it existed before the British began their offensive last year taking Messines ridge and later

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BRITISH WITHDRAW TO NEW POSITIONS

Heavy Casualties Inflicted on German Infantry and Some Points Are Retaken in Counterattacks

London, April 17.—The British have recaptured Meteren, on the northern battlefield by a counterattack. British positions before Ypres have been withdrawn to a new line.

The British made a successful counterattack in the neighborhood of Wytchaete. Repeated German attacks north of Bailleul were repulsed, the Germans suffering heavy losses.

Successful Counterattack The statement follows: "Yesterday evening we delivered a successful counterattack in the neighborhood of Wytchaete. At Meteren also our counterattacks restored the situation and the village remains in our hands.



CURB MARKET IS GAINING FAVOR WITH OFFICIALS

Councilmen Ready to Consider Plans For Roping Off Street Three Days a Week

Council probably will be asked in a week or two to pass an ordinance providing for a curb or street market to be held Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday of each week.

Increase For Railroad Men Awaits McAdoo

Washington, April 17.—The railway wage commission completed its recommendation for wage increases for railroad employees and a report will be submitted to Director General McAdoo upon his return from a Liberty Loan speaking tour.

City Responds to Plea to Eat Potatoes, Save Wheat

Immediate response to the request of the Food Administration that citizens use potatoes in larger quantities and eat less wheat is being given.

BIG PRICES ARE PAID FOR BOXES TO THRIFT SHOW

Bid Heavy For Seats at Rotary Club's Patriotic Performance

With W. P. Starkey bidding the maximum amount allowed, \$330, the bids for the boxes at the Orpheum theater for April 23 when the Rotary Minstrels will hold their closed yesterday by George S. Reineck, director extraordinary in charge of the auctioneering.

Dauphin County Drafted Men on April Call Will Go to Camp on April 26

Harrisburg drafted men under the April call will leave the Pennsylvania railroad station April 26 for Camp Meade, according to railroad schedules issued to-day, together with men from the county districts, who will meet them here.

GET UP, DEAD MEN, AND FIGHT!

IN A FRENCH trench a shell exploded, every man in that trench went down, save one—the young officer in charge. That man stepped up onto the firing bench and looked out and saw coming toward him a charge of German soldiers.

PARADE OF FLAGS ON SUNDAY IS TO BE SOLEMN EVENT

Patriotic Memorial Service For Soldiers in Square to Follow

SUNDAY'S PARADE

Starts at 4:30 o'clock. Line of March—Forming in State street, the procession will move out Third to Broad, to Second, to Forster, to Front, to Market to the Square.

BRITISH ADMIT ENEMY PROGRESS IS NOW SERIOUS

Germany Brings Up Fresh Divisions From Russia to Throw Into Battle

MEET LOSSES FRANKLY Growing Weight of Hun Pressure Is Viewed With Some Alarm

By Associated Press London, April 17.—There is no inclination here to minimize the seriousness of the loss of Bailleul and the possibility that it may lead to the necessity of evacuating Ypres and Passchendaele.

Advocates Withdrawal The Daily Graphic thinks it would be wise to withdraw the British troops from Ypres and Passchendaele to "avoid the risk of their being cut off and compelled to surrender."

Valley Railways Plan Erection of Big Terminal in City in Near Future

The first step in the erection of a terminal in Walnut street on the property recently purchased by the Commonwealth Trust Company, is the organization of the Valley Railways Terminal Company.

WANT TRUTH KNOWN

"These unpleasant reverses must be faced steadily," says the Times. "Their significance must neither be minimized nor exaggerated.

DEATH AND ILLNESS INVADE COURT

Philadelphia—Rendered short handed by the death of Justice Potter and the illness of Justices Mestrezat and Stewart, the State Supreme Court reconvened here to-day. There were no decisions.

BOLO PARTAKES OF COMMUNION

Paris—Before acting forth from the prison Bolo Pasha, killed as a traitor, asked to be permitted to partake of communion. The body was returned over to Bolo's family.

DROWNED MAN IDENTIFIED

Harrisburg—The body of a man found in the Susquehanna River on Monday was to-day identified as that of G. Bradley a Chambersburg man who has been working in this city for Murphy & Son, the Penn-Harris Hotel contractors.

37 PERISH ON BURNING STEAMSHIP

At Atlantic Port—Thirty-seven lives were lost when fish steamer, War Knight, collided off the British coast with another fish steamer, War Knight, which had been on the British vessel and were burned to death by blazing gas and oil.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Samuel First, Harrisburg, and Flora D. Rowe, Mt. Zion; Percival Campbell and Lizzie Miller, Williamsport.

THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Showers to-night and Thursday; cooler Thursday. Temperature: 5 a. m., 56. Sun rises, 6:24 a. m.; sets, 7:35 p. m. Moon: First quarter, 12:07 a. m. River Stage: 12 feet above low-water mark.

Yesterday's Weather Highest temperature, 72. Lowest temperature, 41. Mean temperature, 56. Normal temperature, 51.

EVEN THE DEAD SUBSCRIBE

Harrisburg—Captain George F. Lumb, of the Industrial Liberty Loan committee, to-day reported the sale of \$5,000 worth of bonds to the Harrisburg Cemetery Association. "Even the dead subscribe," he said.

DRAFT CALLS 3610 MORE

Washington—A supplementary draft call for 3,610 men for the signal and engineer corps to report between May 1 and 9 was issued to-day by Provost Marshal General Crowder.

TEUTONS DESTROY FAMOUS LEANING VIRGIN

London—The famous leaning Virgin at the top of Albert Cathedral, now behind the German lines, was shot down by German artillery, says a dispatch to Reuters Limited.