



HUN ADVANCE IN FRANCE IS CHECKED BY ALLIES

BATTLE HALTS AS BOTH SIDES BRING UP MEN AND ARTILLERY

Germans Preparing For Desperate New Attack on Allied Lines on Picardy or Flanders Front

FEAR FOCH'S RESERVE ARMY WILL STRIKE

Huns Still Have Many Divisions to Throw Into the Fight to Make Up For Appalling Losses

Active fighting operations have halted for the time being while each side prepares for the next onslaught. It is not improbable the Germans again will attack either in Picardy or in Flanders-Artois, while over every move they make hangs the menace of the allied reserve army and a counter offensive.

Unfavorable weather has settled on the northern battlefield but up to the present the Germans have selected mist and rain and cold periods as opportune for striking and the lull in their attacks is due more probably to their appalling losses which in the past ten days have caused such depletions in organizations that offensive tactics must wait the arrival of new troops. The enemy is moving up new troops and supplies along the Lys river and these are being bombarded heavily by the British.

Many Reserves Left Germany probably still has many reserve divisions and there is little doubt that her masters will use up the last division in their attempt to crush either the British or the French. The British have borne the brunt of the present campaign which will end its first month today and their line is unbroken. The enemy has not been able to pierce it and roll up one side as he apparently intended.

Facing them to-day on the western front the Germans find British, French, American, Belgian, Portuguese and Italian troops. The number is increasing constantly while the Germans are being pushed up their veteran divisions in the battles of the past month.

Cannot Stop Now The German cannot halt now if they would attempt to crush the allies while they themselves yet have strength. Field Marshal Haig's Flanders tactics have been more than a match for the strong head-on rushes of the Germans. In a month of the heaviest fighting of the war the Germans have gained nothing the allies could not afford to lose when, at the same time they could inflict losses more than commensurate with the value of the positions sacrificed. In fact the allies now are in a better position for an overpowering offensive more than they were on March 21.

In Flanders and in Artois north of Arras the opposing groups are active, the Germans especially so north of Meriville, the apex of the northern salient. On the Picardy front the German artillery fire has been lively between the Somme and Montdidier.

On the right bank of the Meuse probably on the American sector south of Verdun, American and French troops have carried out a small raid into the enemy trenches. Several casualties were inflicted on the Germans but their positions were found unoccupied. The German artillery is reported active in this region.

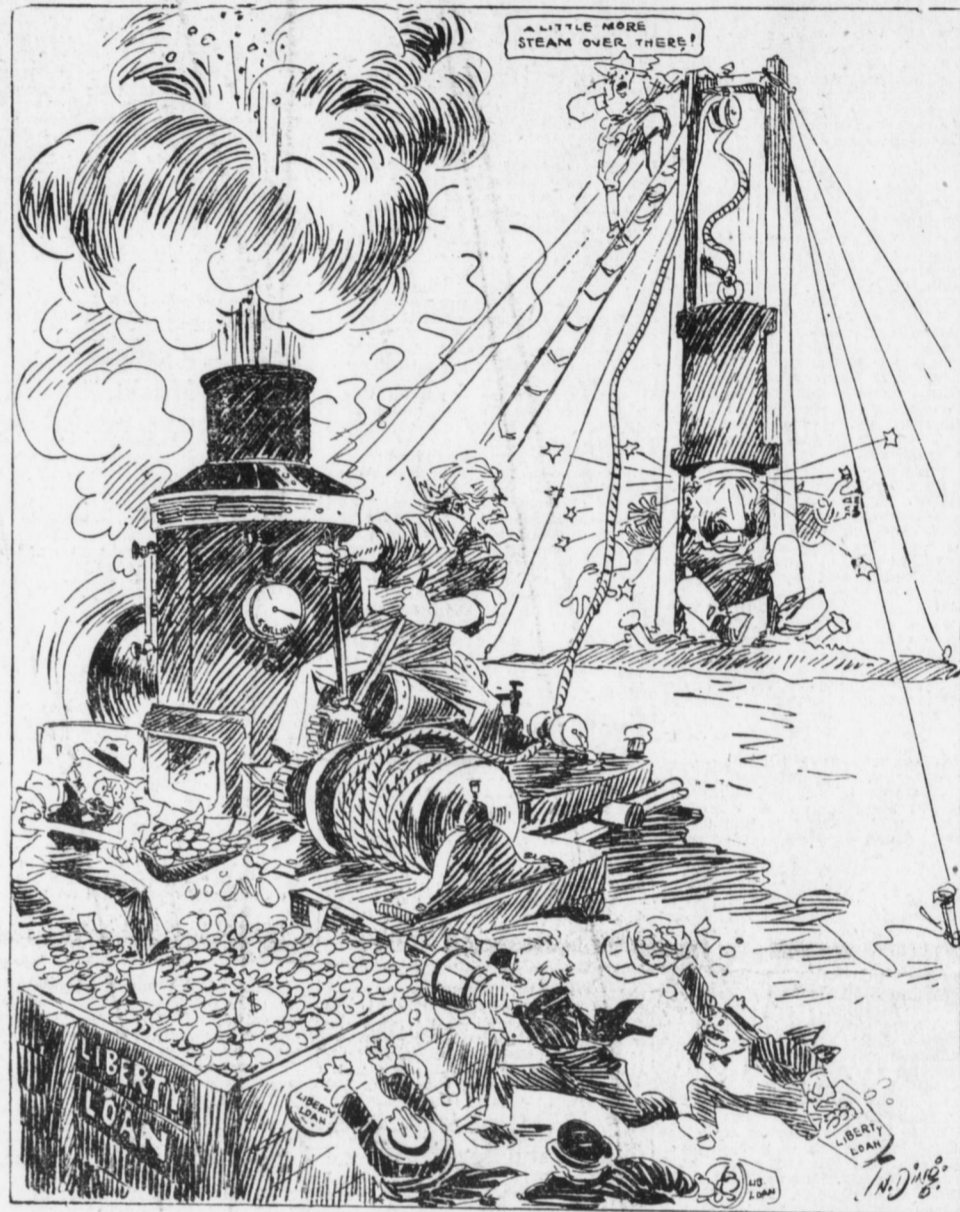
WAR STAMPS

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THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Rain to-night and Sunday; slowly rising temperature, lowest to-night about 42 degrees. Temperature 8 a. m., 42. River stage 1.2 feet above low-water mark. Sun: Rises, 6:21 a. m.; sets, 7:34 p. m. Yesterday's Weather: Highest temperature, 56. Lowest temperature, 46. Mean temperature, 51. Normal temperature, 52.

Come On, Keep the Bin Full



WITNESS TELLS COURT HE WAS SENT FROM CITY

Judge Kunkel Forecasts Action on "Criminal Interference With Procedure"

Declaring he had been taken to Philadelphia by Jacob D. Shick, of Reading, so that he could not appear here yesterday to testify in the James Woodward nominating petition contest, John H. Barnish testified before Judge Kunkel he had been paid to get signatures to the Berks county papers and had been given \$2 to buy tickets to Philadelphia on Thursday evening.

Court Calls For Testimony Judge Kunkel ordered the court [Continued on Page 2.]

Police Save Disloyalty Suspect From Noose

Collinsville, Okla., April 20.—Henry Rheimer, suspected of disloyalty, was hanged by a crowd of fifty men here last night, but after he had swung until he had become semi-conscious the police persuaded the would-be executioners to cut him down on the promise that he would be given a trial by the county council of defense to-morrow.

Seventh Grade School Does Much For Red Cross

Pupils of the seventh grade of the Reilly school building continue to set the pace for the other grades in the building in the manner in which they contribute their bit toward winning the war. With an enrollment of thirty-two pupils they have done a splendid amount of knitting since the beginning of the war. Even the boys of the room take an interest in knitting. More than \$80 has been spent for yarn which is knit into scarfs and sweaters. The room is one hundred per cent in the Junior Red Cross and has even helped pupils of other rooms to join. Through the school savings bank they have deposited more than \$170 in money, much of this amount is used to buy baby bonds. A number of the pupils have relatives living in Europe, some of whom are fighting in the German army. Miss Annie K. Laurie is teacher in the room and through her efforts these results have been accomplished.

CITY AROUSED BY PATRIOTIC WAR APPEALS

Sunday Parade to Be Followed by Monster Mass Meeting

PATRIOTIC WEEK

The city's patriotic program for the week, which has never been surpassed, follows: Parade of Central Iron and Steel Works this afternoon. "Parade of Flags" and memorial service in Market square 4:30 tomorrow. Monster mass meeting Chestnut street hall Monday evening. Rally of church organization Board of Trade Monday afternoon.

Anti-Booze rally for war workers, Technical High School, night Friday evening. Patriots have until Thursday night to buy Liberty Bonds.

All arrangements have been completed for to-morrow afternoon's "parade of flags," in which the service flags of 2,500 Harrisburg and Dauphin county soldiers and sailors will be carried through the principal streets of the city.

The parade moves from State and Third streets promptly at 4:30, following this route: From State out Third to Broad, to Second, to Foster, to Front, to Market to the Square.

On the square the bands, the pa- [Continued on Page 3.]

Harrisburg Women Asked to Organize Land Army

Cards for the registration of women in the Woman's Land Army of America have been received at Red Cross headquarters in the basement of the Public Library, and information and cards may be secured at the registration desk. The plan is to have women take their places as farmers, doing work on the land while the men do their work in the trenches and in the munitions plants. The new organization is being organized under the auspices of the Woman's Committee of Council of National Defense.

CLASS 1 MEN TO INCREASE ARMY OF THE FUTURE

From 2,000,000 Names, Including Youths of Age, Calls Will Be Made

Washington, April 20.—Under the classification of men for selective draft service Provost Marshal General Crowder has advised the Senate Military Committee approximately two million will be placed in Class 1, from which it is expected all future calls will be taken. These two million, according to General Crowder, are exclusive of between 500,000 and 1,000,000 more annually, it is estimated, who will be made subject to military duty under the bill now in Congress subjecting to registration youths reaching their majority.

From the 2,000,000 in Class 1—nearly twenty per cent of the total registration in the country—and the additional number secured by new legislation, General Crowder has advised Senators it would be impracticable to call up more than 21 years of age under the new legislation, it is believed, at least ninety per cent would be placed in Class 1.

MAYOR HAS PLAN TO SCARE CATS OUT OF WAR GARDENS

Fourteen-Year-Old Boy Gets First-Hand Information and Will Try Scheme For Patriotic Reason

The following letter from a 14-year-old war gardener who is trying to do his bit by raising food presents a new problem for municipal officers. The answer of the Mayor to the young gardener might be of interest to many other war gardeners in the city.

"Mayor Kelster: "Uncle Sam wants every boy and girl to plant a war garden this year. I have planted one but at night the cats scratch the seeds-out of their places and I can't hardly see the rows. "If you will kindly tell me what to do to get rid of them I would thank you very much.

"GILBERT N. BACKENSTOSS, "1249 Kittittany Street, P. S.—Don't let your secretary see this. It is my uncle.

The Mayor's answer follows: "My Dear Gilbert: "I have your letter complaining about the cats destroying your war garden and I am at a loss to advise you just what to do in the matter. Permit me to suggest, as your father I am an artist, that you have him paint a picture of a bulldog on a board, stand this in your garden at night and see if this does not have the desired effect."

ENEMY EJECTED FROM ADVANCED LINE BY ATTACK

Haig's Men Win Ground by Sharp Drive South of Scarpe River

HUN EFFORTS REPULSED Machine Guns, Trench Mortars and Prisoners Are Taken

London, April 20.—Nine machine guns, a trench mortar and prisoners were taken by the British in a local operation yesterday south of the Scarpe river, the war office announces. A German counterattack was repulsed.

The British gained all their objectives in their counterattacks in Flanders, advancing their defenses at Givency and Festubert and re-establishing their positions.

In sharp fighting southeast of Robecq the British drove back German attacking parties. On the Flanders battle front the British ejected the Germans from advanced positions gained by them in Thursday's attack in the region of Givency and Festubert.

The statement follows: Repulse Counterattack "As a result of a successful minor enterprise carried out by us yesterday south of the Scarpe river (in the region of Arras) we captured a few prisoners, nine machine guns and a trench mortar. Early in the night the enemy launched a counterattack in this locality, and was repulsed.

"During the night a successful counterattack by the first division threw out the enemy from points in our advanced defenses around Givency and Festubert gained by him on the eighteenth instant at the cost of heavy losses. The magnificent gains and the position here was re-established. "Local attacks against our positions southeast of Robecq led to sharp fighting, at the end of which the enemy was driven back. "Beyond artillery activity on both sides at different points along our front there is nothing further to report."

Ray W. Heagy Dies After Being Ill but Short Time

Ray W. Heagy, junior member of the firm of Heagy Brothers, died at his home, 1624 Fulton street, at 1:15 this morning. His death, which was caused by pneumonia, followed an illness of two weeks.

Mr. Heagy came to this city April 15, 1911, from Lebanon county. Besides being engaged in business as a member of the motorcycle firm of Heagy Brothers, he was a member of the Keystone Motorcycle Club and an active member of the Kiwanis Club.

He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Franklin P. Heagy. He will be buried from the Hill Church, Lebanon county.

Thousand Workmen Parade For Third Liberty Loan

Despite overhanging clouds and cold winds, almost 1,000 employees of the Central Iron and Steel Company paraded the streets of the city in interest of the Third Liberty Loan drive this afternoon. The men carried numerous banners with appeals for the people to buy Liberty Bonds.

Every employee of the plant, including a large number of foreign birth are proud possessors of Liberty Loan buttons, a sign of honor because they have purchased bonds in the drive. The men formed at the plant and headed by a band began the parade. At the end of the "walk-around" the men listened to a talk by Mayor Daniel L. Kelster. The Mayor praised the paraders for the example which they have set for the other plants in the city and vicinity in getting into the honor roll of one hundred per cent class.

GERMANS FAIL TO SEPARATE ALLIED ARMY

Period of Sreuous Struggle Ahead, Minister of Blockade Tells People

OPTIMISM MIGHT HURT Teutons Show No Change in Policy of Annexation, Indemnities and Autocracy

By Associated Press

London, April 20.—Before the present German offensive began German officers in neutral countries were prepared to wager that the Germans would succeed in dividing the forces of the Allies within a fortnight. Lord Robert Cecil, Minister of Blockade, declared in a speech last night in Hitchin he has been informed.

Battle Not Ended "A month has passed and the Germans have not succeeded," Lord Robert Cecil said. "We must not underestimate our enemy, who has the great advantages of fifty years of preparation for war, favorable geographical position and united command."

Lord Robert did not think the enemy's formidable advantages would decide the battle in his favor, but the Allies must not come under the sway of too easy optimism.

No Teuton Change of Policy The Minister also referred to the revelations of Prince Lichnowsky, former German Ambassador to London, and other proofs showing Germany was unshaken unchanged since she strove to lull the world to sleep by talk of peace, planning this attack. Since this battle has begun nothing has been heard but talk of German annexations, indemnities, increase in the power of the German military caste and the slavery of the rest of the world.

Beautiful New Catholic Church Dedicated With an Imposing Ceremony

Beginning at 10 o'clock this morning and lasting until noon, very solemn services were held in the consecrating of the new St. Lawrence Roman Catholic Church, in State near Front street. The Right Reverend Bishop McDevitt, of this diocese, officiated and the pastor of the church, the Rev. F. S. Huegel, was master of ceremonies. A large audience was present, many of whom had never witnessed the elaborate ceremonies attendant upon an occasion of this kind.

The magnificent Gothic architecture, was artistically lighted, illuminating the beautiful art works, the statues and particularly the decorated cross with a bronze figure of Christ which is suspended in the sanctuary arch. Bishop McDevitt was assisted by Deacons Very H. C. Christ, Lancaster, and L. A. Reuter, McSherrytown; chanters, the Rev. George Breckel, York, and Leopold Schneider, Scranton; relic bearers, the Rev. W. Dudley Harrison, of Thurford, and the Rev. W. Huygen, of Steelton. Others who assisted were Fathers Carey, Feaser, Gladek, Murphy and Rice, of Harrisburg; Blaislein, Herzog and Howarth, from out of town; Fr. Thompson, of Steelton, acted as notary. After the ceremonies Bishop McDevitt was celebrant at a high mass.

Sproul Outlines Plans For Primary Campaign

Senator William C. Sproul made this statement upon his plans for the primary campaign in Philadelphia yesterday, taking the position that this was not a time for noisy factionalism.

The people of Pennsylvania, with the rest of the United States, are concerned with things too tremendous and vital to ask them to listen to the petty details of factional politics. I don't think it is in good taste at such a time as this, when all our thoughts are wrapped up in the national aims. When we wake up in the morning and feel the exhilarating effects of the early spring day, it is only for the moment until the consciousness of the war and its horrors take their prevailing place in our minds.

"Under such conditions you cannot ask people to take an interest in political partisanship. Our people are in a stern and serious mood. They will decide this thing of the Government of Pennsylvania because it is a question which must be decided in the day's work, but they will want to decide it soberly and along broad lines. I, for one, do not intend to obtrude upon them and ask for their attention to any personal claims. While I will make some speeches before the primaries, they will not be factional political speeches, but attempts on my part to contribute what I thought I may on the broad issues of the day."

Blind Girl Leads Mates From Blazing Building

New York, April 20.—Rosa Cohen, 9 years old and blind, saved the lives of sixteen other blind children at the Blind Babies' Sunshine Home in the Bath Beach section of Brooklyn early to-day. Awakened by smoke from a fire which started in the kitchen of the home, she groped her way through the girls' and boys' rooms and aroused each sleeping child. Officials of the home were not awakened until the children, led by little Rosa, were passing out of the blazing building. Two floors of the home were burned out.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Paul G. Hendler, Manheim; and Emma I. Herr, Buchmannsville; Joseph M. Heard, Mechanicsburg; and Hazel W. Hobough, Berwyn; Joseph P. Goodyear, Harrisburg; and Anna M. Waite, Steelton; Arthur C. Smully, Tussockton, Adm.; and Margaret E. Spang, Lebanon; Robert R. King and Martha E. Wagner, Harrisburg; Joseph N. Sostor and Isabel Kuntz, Steelton; John H. Paekler and Lillie E. Deimler, South Hanover township.

DISTRICT AWAKE TO DUTY, BUYS LIBERTY BONDS

Industrial Plants Come to the Front With Heavy Purchases

BUTTONS ARRIVE SOON Twelfth of Income of Each Patriot Should Go Into Bonds

By Associated Press

Pennsylvania Railroad (Dauphin Co.) \$101,000 Philadelphia and Reading 41,000 Central Iron and Steel 141,250 Pipe Bending employees 200,000 Pipe Bending Co. 74,450 Elliott-Fisher employees 48,000 Light and Power employees 12,500 Harrisburg Silk Mill employees 23,000 Harrisburg Railway employees and Co. 33,000 Central Construction Corporation 21,000

Counties Are Coming Cumberland county \$800,000 Dauphin county \$74,450 Harrisburg, Steelton 289,100 Perry county 189,100 Juniata county 60,400

The employees of the various departments in the State Capital are buying that they are not slackers. The story had been circulated that some of the hill folks were telling in Harrisburg that they bought bonds in Harrisburg. Just how untrue this story is was proved conclusively this morning by Flavel Wright, who reported total subscriptions of 149 out of 150 employees have bought bonds. Particular attention is being paid the 150th employee by the other

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CITY ASHES MAY BE USED IN LIEU OF FERTILIZERS

Chemist to Analyze Household Collections to Determine Value

FINISHING THE CLEANUP Work Progressing Rapidly Under Direction of New Municipal Bureau

By Associated Press

To determine whether ashes collected from the thousands of backyards in the city may be of any value as a fertilizer since the price of this article has advanced so much, H. F. Sheesley, chief inspector of the Bureau of Ash and Garbage Inspection, has arranged to have a chemical analysis made. Preliminary work has been started by a chemist in the city and as soon as he makes a report to the inspector the result will be announced. H. G. Niesley, county farm agent, when informed about the plan, expressed much interest in it because of the advance in price of the usual fertilizers sold to farmers. As hundreds of tons of ashes are collected in the city each month the value of this refuse may be enough that they can be used to improve soil instead of fill on the many dumps on the outskirts of the city.

Despite the inclement weather of [Continued on Page 2.]

Dead Body of Air Expert Found on Road to Peronne

Washington, April 20.—Col. R. C. Bolling, of the Signal Corps Reserve, recently reported as missing in action in France was killed in action on or about March 29. A dispatch from the American embassy at Paris received yesterday by Assistant Secretary of State Phillips brother-in-law of Colonel Bolling, said the officer's body had been found on the road to Peronne with a bullet wound through the heart.

A widow and four children who survive Colonel Bolling live at Greenwich, Conn.

AMERICAN STEAMSHIP SINKS

NEW YORK—THE AMERICAN STEAMSHIP FLORENCE H. FORMERLY A GREAT LAKES VESSEL, HAS BEEN SUNK WITH LOSS OF LIFE NEAR A FOREIGN PORT, ACCORDING TO INFORMATION RECEIVED IN SHIPPING CIRCLES TO-DAY.

JEWES MEET ON MOUNT OF OLIVES

Jerusalem—Four thousand Jews held an open air meeting on the Mount of Olives yesterday and listened to addresses by the British Zionist Commission.

WILL DRAFT WOMEN FOR WAR

London—A resolution to extend the military service to all unmarried women between ages of 19 and 30 is to be submitted to the House of Commons.

DENY BRISTOW COURTHOUSE

Ellsworth, Kas.—County Commissioners last night refused to allow Former United States Senator Bristow to make an address in the court house here because of his attitude on the war.

WILL RELIEVE GOETHALS

Washington—Lieut. Colonel Robert E. Wood, nominated to become a brigadier general is slated for appointment as acting quartermaster general of the army, it was learned to-day, relieving Major General Goethals of the detailed work of that office.

ANTI-JAPANESE OUTBREAK

London—Owing to increased anti-Japanese demonstrations at Vladivostok where Japanese and British marines recently were landed it has been necessary to arrange for reinforcements, telegraphs the correspondent at Tien Tsin of the Exchange Telegraph Company.

BLAME PLACED ON MONT BLANC

Halifax, N. S.—Blame for the collision between the Norwegian steamer Imo and the French munitions ship, Mont Blanc, in which 1800 lives were lost on December 6, was placed on the Mont Blanc by Judge Drysdale in the Admiralty court.