



HAIG GIVES WAY BEFORE NEW ATTACK

Germans Switch Attacking Forces From Picardy to Flanders, Where Dense Masses of Men Are Thrown Against British Positions; Hans Gain Footing on Kemmel Hill by Assaulting With Superior Numbers

London, April 26.—A footing has been obtained on Kemmel hill by the Germans in their attacks on the northern battle front, the war office announced today. The fighting still is continuing in this region. The allied forces were engaged all day yesterday with greatly superior enemy forces along the front from Baillieu to Hollebeke (a distance of about ten miles) and finally were compelled to give ground.

Flanders is again the scene of the full tide of battle. Against Mont Kemmel and the other hills forming the protection bastion to the plain east and north of Ypres the Germans are hurling the thousands of troops. Standing on their second defense line and with Mont Kemmel still in their possession the British are fighting tenaciously.

Unable to make appreciable progress against the defense of the British, French and American troops on the line south of the Somme, in Picardy, the enemy swung his attacks to the northern battle ground. As on Wednesday his first assaults on the seven mile front from Baillieu to Kemmel to Wyttschaete were successful and the allied troops were compelled to give up their first defense line.

Hun Scheme an Old One The tactics of switching attacks is not new to the Germans and was persisted in by them in their vain attempt to capture Verdun two years ago. After the first successful lunge on both sides of the Meuse the enemy tried to gain his objective by attacking first on the right bank and then on the left. Apparently the Germans are now trying the same method of attack by alternating between Picardy and Flanders to reach Amiens and wipe out the Ypres salient.

It is not improbable the Germans may be making strong attacks on vital sectors in an endeavor to cover preparations for an effort some place else but it is significant that they have attacked on the most important sectors, on either bank of the river.

American Wounded Arrive South of the Somme the Germans have been driven from the high ground and village of Villers Bretonneux by the British with the loss of six hundred prisoners. Further south they hold Hangard. On this front heavy artillery duels are in progress.

American wounded in the fighting on the French sector from Hangard to Castel are arriving in Paris.

Heavy fighting still is in progress to-day along the ridge line of the Flanders front where the peak of Mount Kemmel is the German objective.

This peak evidently is yet disputed ground, but with the German threat against it more menacing as it is conceded by the British official report that the enemy has secured a footing on the hill.

Face Superior Force

Although faced by a superior force in the ten mile sector between Baillieu and Hollebeke, the Anglo-French troops holding this line battled stubbornly all day yesterday, giving ground only when compelled to by weight of numbers.

The line seems to have held fairly well to the southwest of Mount Kemmel, which is virtually impregnable to frontal attack, but to the northeast the Germans apparently were able to push forward far enough in the neighborhood of Vierstaat to enable them to approach the height on the flank.

May Force Retirement

The allied effort naturally will be to concentrate against this enemy wedge and drive it back again sufficiently to ease the pressure on the easterly side of Mount Kemmel. That they have not conceded the height to the Germans is evident by the wording of the London official statement which admits only an enemy footing there and reports the battle still continuing.

Definite possession of Kemmel hill by the Germans might mean the British would have to abandon the Ypres salient according to correspondents at the front.

Somme Front Again Quiet

The fighting on the Somme front has died down to artillery fire following the successful execution of the British troops which reclaimed the village of Villers Bretonneux from the Germans. The British troops last night completed their operation here for the time being by cleaning out hostile posts. This once more establishes the British well on the high ground in this sector.

In the Westveer near Remieville, which is five miles northeast of Seicheprey, where General Pershing's men were attacked heavily Saturday.

If you Buy a Thrift Stamp Every Day It Rains you will be surprised And you'll have money, too.

THE WEATHER For Harrisburg and vicinity: Probably rain to-night and Saturday; not much change in temperature, lowest to-night about 45 degrees. River The Susquehanna river and all its branches will continue to fall slowly this afternoon and probably to-night. Rain, indicated within the next thirty-six hours, may cause some streams to rise Saturday. A stage of about 6.0 feet is indicated for Harrisburg Saturday morning.

BEELGUM BORROWS \$3,250,000 Washington, April 26.—Belgium was granted another credit of \$3,250,000 by the treasury to-day, making her total borrowings from the United States \$107,850,000 and credits to all the allies \$5,288,850,000.

CITY AGAIN GOES COVER TOP IN LIBERTY LOAN CAMPAIGN

Try Looking at Yourself in This Perspective For a Change



JAS. WOODWARD, OF ASHLAND, MUST GET OFF BALLOT

Judge Kunkel's Decision Will Prevent Confusion of Voters

The nominating petition filed for James Woodward, of Ashland, Schuylkill county, for the Republican nomination for Secretary of Internal Affairs, was to-day declared invalid by President Judge Kunkel, of the Dauphin county court, who upheld objections filed to it by James F. Woodward, of McKeesport, candidate for the same nomination. The papers for the Schuylkill candidate were entered a few minutes before the close of the period for filing at midnight of April 11 and if upheld would have given the Schuylkill man a higher place on the ballot than the legislator from McKeesport.

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CITY SEES ITS SELECTED MEN OFF TO CAMP

Rousing Sendoff Given 113 Draftees, Representing Six Districts

One hundred and thirteen men from Harrisburg and Dauphin county entrained at noon to-day at the Pennsylvania station for their trip to Camp Meade, where within a few hours they will be a part of the great National Army. The men who left to-day constituted one of the finest quotas this part of the country has yet given, and if what those boys said to the crowd that accompanied them to the station, and if what the expressions on their faces showed as they boarded the train that carried them to camp, is carried out, Uncle Sam's army will hear of those boys when they begin to earn their promotions. Enthusiasm ran high at the station.

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CITY TAKES HALF DAY OFF TO AID LIBERTY'S CAUSE

Men and Women Who Own U. S. Bonds Have Cause For Rejoicing

Harrisburg observes a half holiday this afternoon in celebration of "Liberty Day." Workers in offices, stores and business places laid their work away to celebrate and buy bonds. Those who have already purchased Liberty Bonds are celebrating and bringing home the need of purchasing to those of the city who do not own Liberty Bonds. Office workers, clerks, merchants and many of the city's workers are celebrating Harrisburg's going over the top in the Liberty Bond sale. Proclamations of President Wilson, Governor Brumbaugh and Mayor Keister have set the day apart as a holiday.

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Loan Rally Bulletins

Rabbi Haas, of Ohev Shalom Temple, pronounced the opening benediction, a fervent and impressive prayer. The most untiring worker of the loan drive was John C. Jessupp, Jr., who got a big hand at the rally. Postmaster Sites made a big hit by turning the letter carriers of the city over to the loan committee. They did great work and earned the commendation so freely given. Henderson Gilbert, of the stunts committee, went to the platform and called for members of the Harrisburg Rotary Club. About fifty responded and led by C. Linford Scott and band accompaniment, they sang "What Are You Going to Do to Help the Boys," making a big hit and scoring an encore. The choir sang "Keep the Home Fires Burning" and the audience joined in the chorus. A feature of the meeting was Miss De Lint— a vaudeville actress from the Majestic theater—who in the uniform of an American soldier sang a patriotic song, which was enthusiastically encored. The loan committee was so confident of going over the top that it had its honor flag all ready for the parade. The band, too, was engaged and on hand to lead off. Chairman John W. Phillips got by the committee in "Good-by Kaiser Bill" and having started the music he had a hard time getting the enthusiastic band rosters to stop. Ralph W. Dowell, a volunteer with a Burroughs Adding Machine. [Continued on Page 24.] Big Drive Starts With Total of \$1,956,776,650 Washington, April 26.—Liberty Day opened with a total of \$1,956,776,650 subscriptions already raised for the nation's third big war credit, or within \$42,200,000 of the \$2,000,000,000 mark which will be passed before night.

EARN \$3,500 A YEAR BUT WON'T BUY WAR BONDS

Employe of State Health Department Has His Own "Ideals" INVESTIGATE SLACKERS Grocer and Woman Clerk Are "Insulted" When Asked to Aid U. S.

Harrisburg men who refuse to subscribe to the Third Liberty Loan to-day were "bombed out" by a squad of men who called on them after they had refused to do anything to aid the nation in its fight against the Hun. Confronted with the question "why," most of the moral slackers could give no good reason. There were plenty of excuses, however, as to why they wanted to hold onto their money.

The "bombers" decided not to make public the names of the men for the time being. It was made plain also that no one who cannot afford to do so was asked to subscribe to the loan. The worst "turn down" was found in the Capitol. Earning \$3,500 a year as an attaché of the State Health Department this man does not own one bond.

He Has Ideals "Why," asked the solicitor. After much explaining he said he had his "ideals to look to." These, "ideals" he further explained he got from a religious, a non-fighting sect, although he is not a member. He has contributed \$100, he said, to this order's war relief work in France.

A North Sixth street grocer, who has no bonds and has refused point blank to invest in them sneered at the Liberty Bond buttons the solicitors wore. At first he was furiously indignant but calmed down later. He wouldn't buy, however, because he didn't want to.

Easily Insulted Reports to the effect that a woman working in the same store urged the grocer not to purchase a bond, were investigated and it was found that while she denied having opposed the purchase, she refused to buy a bond from the solicitor because he had "insulted" her by the questions. "I told you I wouldn't buy a Bond, and I won't," was the woman's final remark.

Investigation of other cases where bond salesmen were refused without reason and without courtesy, is being made, and it is expected that in several cases action will be taken.

Americans Victors in Trench Raid on Verdun Front; French Harass

With the French Army in France, Sunday, April 21.—American troops to-day made a successful trench raid near the heights of the Meuse, in the vicinity of Vaux Les Palameix (on the front below Verdun, nine miles north of St. Mihiel). Their French comrades harassed the enemy in the same way at a number of places in Lorraine and in the Vosges.

The sector along which the Germans made their heavy attack against the Americans yesterday is situated among a very broken, hilly country about seventeen miles eastward of the important St. Mihiel salient, on the road between St. Pizier and Metz. The town of Seicheprey is surrounded by hills about 800 feet high. The line of the allies passes 2,000 yards north of Seicheprey and a few hundred yards from the edge of Renneville wood. The Germans were able to seize this wood and a strip of ground 1,000 yards long and half a mile wide, lying to the west of the wood, on Saturday morning and the attack on the American sector in the vicinity of Seicheprey was a sequel to this action.

Savings Since 1907 Go to Buy Children Four Bonds

Just to show that they wanted to help the Yankees beat those Huns, the four children of Ira P. Romberger, 2223 North Second street, have invested their savings in Liberty Bonds. A team worker brought a big cigar box filled with dimes, quarters, nickels and pennies to headquarters this morning and purchased four \$50 bonds with the \$200 in savings. This represents the children's savings since 1907, and the money was taken from their four small banks. The names of the children are: Ira P. Romberger, Jr., Mildred S., Margaret and Elba J. Romberger.

TWO MORE HARRISBURGERS WIN ARMY COMMISSIONS

Russell B. Haller, 215 Verbeke street, and George Kinter, 1402 State street, have qualified as second lieutenants in Camp Meade, Maryland, letters to friends here advise. Both are popular in the younger circles of the city and they are well known here.

THIRD CALL TO FILL NATION'S WARCHEST MET SUCCESSFULLY

Workers Wildly Enthusiastic at Wonderful Response Given by Patriotic Citizens in All Ranks of Life; Rich and Poor Alike Open Purses For Democracy; District Raises Its Quota of \$6,500,000; Small Towns and Boroughs Do Themselves Proud by Surpassing Best Previous Efforts

Harrisburg went over the top in its Third Liberty Loan drive this afternoon and the event was celebrated by a jollification that exceeded anything of the kind in the history of the city. The enthusiasm that followed the announcement to the workers in Chestnut Street Auditorium this afternoon was all the more marked because in the past twenty-four hours the committeemen were called upon to raise nearly a million dollars and it was only by constant and most heroic work on the part of the volunteers, some of whom scarcely took time for meals or sleep, that the big sum was realized and a surplus piled up to help out any of the outlying districts that may fall short, as it is feared a few of them will.

Oversubscribe Here The Harrisburg district went over the top by \$3,556,000 to-day and the drive is still on. The quota for Harrisburg was \$3,500,000 and the exact amount subscribed when the city's drive closed this afternoon was \$1,042,050. The quota for Harrisburg and

Dauphin county district, including Section, outside of the city, was \$1,200,000, and the district subscribed a total of \$1,263,650. The total subscriptions for Harrisburg Dauphin county, for which the total quota was \$4,800,000, are \$4,819,675. The committee on the district of Dauphin county behind its quota, but with Steelton, already having sold more than \$400,000 worth of bonds, are sure of putting the district over by subscribing a total of \$600,000. Steelton has done exceptionally well and the drive is still on. Electricity in the Air After the walk-around by the committeemen last evening most of them went back to the work of soliciting and kept at it until near midnight. They were on the job early to-day and when they assembled for the final luncheon in the Chestnut Street Auditorium at noon there was an air of subdued expectancy and the atmosphere was charged with the electricity of success. The members were a little slow in getting together, many of them working up to the very last minute and not a few subscriptions having

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LATE NEWS

GERMANS TAKE KEMMEL HILL LONDON—THE GERMANS IN THEIR ATTACK ON THE NORTHERN BATTLEFRONT HAVE OCCUPIED KEMMEL HILL, GENERAL DELMA RADCLIFFE, CHIEF DIRECTOR OF MILITARY OPERATIONS AT THE WAR OFFICE STATED THIS AFTERNOON.

ONE LONG-RANGE GUN DESTROYED Paris—One of three German long-range guns which have been bombarding Paris has been destroyed, according to Deputy Charles Lehoucq, who talked with the general commanding the sector where the big guns are stationed.

REPORTS LIEUTENANT GERMAN PRISONER Washington—In addition to seven officers named in the casualty list another Lieutenant Julien N. Dove, previously reported killed in action, was reported a prisoner in Germany and suffering from a severe wound.

WAR HEROES OF CASUALTY LIST Washington—Those killed in action in the casualty list of 75 made public by the War Department are the following: Sergeants Harry T. Corbin, William R. Knapp, Corporal Louis M. Holmes, Private Harry J. Askins, Delmar J. Warner, Joseph Demarco, Charles G. French, Joseph F. Gaudette, Ralph Palumbo.

BIG GUNS SHELL FROM "JOY HILLS" Paris—Photographs taken in the sector near which the long-range guns bombard the French capital show the guns send their shells from near what is known as "Joy Hills."

RAISING THE ST. PAUL An Atlantic Port—The work of raising the American liner St. Paul which sank at her pier here yesterday was progressing rapidly to-day. Aside from damage to the machinery and furnishings the loss will be confined to the cost of salvaging operations. The vessel lies with her starboard side above water. Three of the 350 men said to have been aboard the liner are reported as missing, while the list of injured will not exceed twenty. The St. Paul was returning to her pier from a drydock when she was caught in a strong ebb tide and water poured into her. It was said to-day that an ash port had been left open.

RACE CARNIVAL OPENS Philadelphia—The twenty-fourth annual relay race carnival of the University of Pennsylvania, opened this morning at Franklin Field, with athletics in attendance from all over the United States.

MARRIAGE LICENSES Clinton Ray White, Highspire, and Gertrude May Bolton, Harrisburg; Lewis Weinburger, Canton, Ohio, and Rose Sherman, Harrisburg; Boyd S. Crumlich and Mary Jane Nelson, Steelton; Harry Kelly and Mabel Snyder, Wiconisco; Stanley G. Walker, Ruth E. Hamford, Harrisburg; Christian Hausman and Myrtle H. Beck, Harrisburg; John Spickler, Herr, Housheim, and Anna Mabel Aucker, Millersburg.