

U. S. SOLDIERS SUSTAIN RECORD OF VALOR IN WAR

Baptism of Fire For Yankees on Front South of the Somme River

With the British Army in France, July 8.—All the traditions of the United States Army for valor were brilliantly sustained in the successful attack made against the Germans south of the River Somme, when for the first time American infantrymen took their stand beside their British cousins and fought shoulder to shoulder with them against the common foe.

It was a baptism of fire for the Yankee soldiers on this front, and they came through with flying colors, proving fitting comrades for the Australian warriors whom they were assisting. The Americans fought like lions, they did all of that. They were magnificent, and the folks at home may be proud of the part their boys took in this unique Fourth of July celebration in the shell-torn valley of the winding Somme. They were fighting over ground already stained with the blood of thousands of brave soldiers, but no better troops ever charged across the rolling fields than the pioneers of the American Army. Along with this it is possible to make the general impression that their casualties were very small, according to the latest reports. Virtually the entire body of Americans came through unscathed. This was probably due to the weak resistance which the Germans offered to the Anglo-American onslaught.

Staff Officer Tells Story

Then he told the story of his part in the battle and here is the way it ran: "We all were very anxious to do well and we were ready to fight to a finish. We knew there was trouble for us over there in No Man's Land. None of our boys had been in the line the day before the attack all the men of my company got together and shook hands and said good-by, for, you see, we did not know if we should meet again. "I had worked very hard to learn to be a good soldier, for I wanted to be a credit to the folks back home. I guess I must have learned some things, for my commander gave me twenty-four of our caps to lead over the top as corporal. And my men fought well, and I was proud of them. He paused, his face glowing with pride, and then continued: "At midnight Wednesday we went forward and laid out in the open waiting for the signal to advance. Then about daylight came the barrage. It was a pretty big thing—the biggest we ever heard. It was just like a real Fourth of July celebration. The time came for the charge and we pushed out. "A few of our boys were too anxious and they got so close to the barrage that they were hurt. My pal was struck by a shell beside me. "Again he stopped and this time there were tears in his eyes and a lump was working in his throat. There was silence for a moment, then he went on: "We were advancing toward Hamel village and had to go over one slope, then down into a little valley and up another hill. We got along all right, but down in the valley there was a lot of barbed wire that held us up some. I know I got caught, but not for very long. "Our men were fighting like anything and killing a lot of boches who were in the trenches and shell holes. A good many of the Germans were yelling 'Kamerad,' and surrendering to us. "Two of the boches came running up to me with their hands over their heads. I didn't know what to do with them, but an officer came along and sent them to the rear. "Wounded, but killed two. "Then we went on and had about reached our objective when something hit me in the leg and I went down. I tried to get up but my leg wouldn't let me and I was dizzy. While I was on my knees I saw two boches charging at me with fixed bayonets. I had the butt of my rifle resting on the ground, my finger on the trigger, and I fired when they were about ten yards away. One of them fell over dead, but the other kept on coming and was on me before I could throw in a fresh cartridge. "Then I knew I had to fight him with the bayonet like a man. So I got to my feet somehow, and as he jabbed at me with his bayonet I parried it with my rifle and then swung the rifle to his head as hard as I could. The blow broke his skull and he went down. "That's all I remember until I woke up and found a chum beside me. He had gone out and brought me back. "That finished the personal story of this boy who had fought and killed and been wounded, but he had something else which was much on his mind. After much hesitation he finally came out. "I wonder if my little girl at home is happy," he said anxiously, referring to his sweetheart in Chicago. The correspondent told him she certainly would be very happy and proud to know how well he had done. "I hope she will be," he responded thoughtfully, and then added: "Would it be too much trouble for you to drop her just a line to let her know that I am all right? I don't know when I shall have a chance to write." That letter will go immediately, but pending its arrival the girl in Chicago should know that he is wounded, but, as he himself says, all right. Apparently his wound is not serious.

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made. The Rev. J. E. Breneman, former pastor of the local church, is pastor of the Camp Hill congregation. CHORUS IN SONG SERVICE New Harrisburg, Pa., July 8.—Last evening in the Methodist Episcopal Church thirty-five members of the chorus of the Camp Hill Methodist Episcopal Church came here to hold song service. Several addresses were made.

SMALL FIRE AT LEMOYNE Lemoyne, Pa., July 8.—Considerable excitement accompanied Lemoyne's first fire alarm this year, which was turned in last night about 10.30 o'clock. The blaze was at the home of Albert Zeigler, in Herman

avenue, and was extinguished before much damage was done. The fire was started when a lace curtain blew over a gas jet. The curtains and some bed clothes were destroyed. SPECIAL COLLECTIONS Marsyville, Pa., July 8.—Yesterday in each Sunday school in the county special collections were lifted by the school officials to raise their respective school's share of the \$500

budget asked for expenses by the Perry County Sabbath School Association. Each school was asked to raise four and one-half cents per capita on its membership. CORRECTS EXCESSIVE THIRST Hersford's Acid Phosphate Relieves the parched throat and mouth, and prevents the dry feeling due to heat. Substitute for lemons. Advertisement.

More Fine Values to the Fore in Harrisburg's Greatest Sale Event, Tomorrow

KAUFMAN'S SEMI-ANNUAL CLEAN SWEEP SALE. 100 Dozen Boys' Romper & Play Suits. 75 Dozen Pairs Women's Fibre Silk Boot Hose. 29c, 39c pr.

The preparations which we have made for the Clean Sweep Sale are evidence of the UNDERSELLING POLICY of KAUFMAN'S and the practical manner in which we strictly adhere to the methods which have built this store to its present large size. That the people of this section of the state appreciate these values is well known by the way they attend the sale. Last Friday and Saturday were days to be remembered, not only because the crowds came but because war time has set a new standard of values in the markets of the world and Kaufman's finds the ways of economy which are passed on to the customers of this store in a steady stream, day in and day out. The extra values for to-morrow will see the store crowded as it always is in the Clean Sweep Sale.

BROOM COUPON For Tuesday, July 9 Bring Coupon With You. 39c. Includes a grid of clothing items and prices such as Kimonos, Petticoats, Chemise, Night Gowns, etc.

Friends Glad to Know Sailor Landed Safely



Word has been received by Mr. and Mrs. George Trullinger, 241 North Fifteenth street, of the safe arrival overseas of their son, William T. Trullinger, second-class machinist mate in the United States Navy. The sailor graduated from Technical High School, class of 1917, and worked at the Bethlehem Steel Company works at Steelton as an electrician before enlisting. He left Harrisburg on April 19, 1918, for League Island, Philadelphia. His present address is U. S. Naval Training Barracks, Base Six, Europe; c/o Postmaster, New York City.

WHERE IS PARKWAY?

KAUFMAN'S BARGAIN BASEMENT AT CLEAN SWEEP PRICES. Household goods including tea pots, scrub brushes, step stools, garden hose, water glass, mop and oil, wall dusters, electric fans, dinner plates, etc.