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GERMANS ARE REPULSED BY FRENCH AND BRITISH

Allies Break up Assaulting Wave North of Montdidier—British Capture 109 Machine Guns Saturday—Attacks on Albert Fail Last Evening, French Announce.

By the Associated Press.
Montdidier, April 1.—The battle continued with extreme violence last night in the sector north of Montdidier, large bodies of troops being engaged by the Germans, the war office announced today.

The French and British troops broke up the assaulting wave.

Further south the fighting was no less violent, the Germans making frequent attacks in an effort to capture Grivesnes. The French maintained possession of the town and inflicted heavy losses on the Germans.

BRITISH REPULSE ATTACK

By the Associated Press.
London, April 1.—The Germans made two attacks on British positions in the western outskirts of Arras last evening and in both cases were repulsed, the war office announced.

South of the Somme the enemy persisted in his attempts to advance in the Luce and Sore valleys, but was repulsed.

A number of machine guns captured by the British on Saturday was lost.

FLYING SQUADRON HERE THURSDAY NIGHT

The Hub Theatre will likely be crowded Tuesday night to hear the speakers sent here by the treasury department, and known as the Flying Squadron. Mr. Gilbert T. Scarborough, who will be remembered as one of the speakers who came here with Captain Fallon a short time ago, will be one of the squadron.

The meeting will open at 8 o'clock, United States time, and everybody is invited to be present, women as well as men. This is a really wide movement, and representatives from all over the county are expected.

KU KLUX MESSAGE RECEIVED IN HICKORY

Manager R. J. Foster today was shown a local representative of a K. K. K. message, but nobody was found who would sign for the telegram. Many people believed it was an April fool, but Mr. Foster insisted that it was a regular message, had come here prepared and would be delivered to anybody who would assume responsibility.

He brought it around to the home office, but although there was a lot of curiosity in the shop, there was not enough to make anybody sign for the "Ku Klux" telegram.

If you want it, call on Mr. Foster and sign up.

LIQUOR SOLD SUNDAY IN WOODS NEAR RHODISS

Deputy Collector P. P. Jones and Assistant C. A. Moser visited the woods of Burke county near Rhodiss Sunday afternoon in search of liquor and found where it was being sold. Three men had a gallon jug and a pint bottle and Mr. Jones said they had been dispensing the fluid all day, as far as he could learn. They did not have a sufficient quantity on hand to justify the federal officers to make arrests, but it was a clear case for the state.

The officers went on a raid Friday, but did not catch anything.

More Fighting Expected Soon

By the Associated Press.
Washington, April 1.—Germany has staked its fortune on the spring campaign, says the war review today, and the allies and the United States must be prepared for fresh attacks at new points if the Teutons fail here, the war office announced in its weekly review today.

"As the German higher command is apparently determined to force a decision or prove to its own satisfaction that it is unable to do so," continued the statement, "we must be prepared to push major operations in another field, if he fails here."

"But in spite of successes obtain-

BURKE COUNTY MAN HAS EAR REMOVED

Dock Pugh, a young white man of Burke county, was slashed most artistically about the neck and body at Hildebran Saturday night, but when he came on to Hickory to have the gashes sewed up, he not only declined to tell who did the job, but refused to give his name. This was learned later. Pugh lost part of an ear, received a gash in the neck and his clothes were cut almost into strings.

Just how the affair happened nobody will say. These were about 15 in the party. It seems that a crowd of seven started to Hickory in an automobile from above Hildebran and when they reached the store, there was some contrary opinion expressed to another bunch of seven or eight. Somebody brought out a good knife, and Pugh received wounds that looked bad. He pulled off the part of the ear that was severed.

Mean liquor played a large part in the scrap.

WARNING ISSUED THE PUBLIC TO BE CAREFUL

New York, April 1.—Warning to the public "to be most careful in the future when eating bread, rolls, cakes and pastry" because "jagged bits of glass have been found in flour, bread and bread wrappers," was issued by the federal food board here.

The warning added that "complaints of this character have been sufficiently frequent to warrant the board in publishing this warning, much as it dislikes to be put in the position of seeming to unduly alarm the public."

According to the board, no organized attempt to work injury by placing glass in bread has been found, but such acts are attributed to malicious persons engaged in the bakeries and factories affected.

"Housewives should examine bread after it has been cut and made ready for the table," says the warning.

EASTER MONDAY IS OBSERVED AS HOLIDAY

With the exception of the crowds that came down street today to read the war bulletins, Easter Monday appeared as much like a holiday as any day in the year. Low-hanging clouds and indications of rain early in the morning kept many people at home. Most people had planned to work in their gardens, and there were few picnic parties announced. All the stores were closed.

A ball game this afternoon at 2:30 between Lenoir College and Davidson was expected to draw a large crowd unless the weather was against it.

If today was threatening, Sunday was the reverse. A prettier day could not have been desired. The sun was warm throughout and there was not too much wind. Many Easter bonnets made their appearance.

PEARL WHITE AT PASTIME

A thrilling rescue marks the opening of episode two of "The House of Hate" at the Pastime theatre today. Gresham (Antonio Moreno) rescues Pearl Waldon (Pearl White) from being crushed to death in the yard of the Waldon War Works, where she was placed by the masked confederate of the Hooded Terror.

PAGEISWATCHING VIOLATORS OF LAW IN GAMBLING CRUSADE

Raleigh, April 1.—Dealers in foodstuffs in North Carolina are beginning to find that the food control law and the orders and regulations have teeth. A reputable wholesale house in North Carolina was guilty recently of violating a rule of the food administration which prohibits resales within a trade. Food Administrator Page gave the firm a hearing to show cause why its license should not be revoked. The dealers were apparently honest in their belief that they had done no wrong. Mr. Page did not see it that way, but upon a tender of \$200 to the Red Cross he let the firm off with an admonition instead of the revocation of its license.

J. Habit, a Syrian grocer of Edenton, was not just clear as to what control the food administration had over his business, and he sold some sugar for more than 10c a pound and some flour without the accompanying cereal substitutes. Habit was given a hearing and a "black list" order was issued against him. Facing the gradual disintegration of his business, as his present stock was exhausted, Habit woke up to the fact that every individual in this country has some responsibility to the country and to humanity in the present emergency. Becoming deeply penitent and making promises of earnest and effective cooperation with the food administration, Mr. Habit has been allowed to contribute \$100 to his local chapter of the Red Cross and the "black list" order has been withdrawn.

A small number of other merchants, millers and other handlers of food commodities in North Carolina have erred and investigations and hearings are in process or are pending. Marce Henry is on the job and willful violators of the orders, rules and regulations of the food administration need expect no mercy at his hands.

MADE ASCENT OF MONT BLANC

By the Associated Press.
London, Feb. 21.—The Rev. A. S. W. Young, who has just died at his home on the Thames, was the last survivor of the mountaineers who won the attention of the world in 1866 by making the first ascent of Mount Blanc without a guide. On their return journey they fell 2,000 feet over a precipice, one of them being killed but the other two escaping practically unhurt.

The three brothers Young, athletes and experienced mountaineers, announced their intention of climbing Mount Blanc at the most dangerous season of the year. All endeavors to dissuade them failed, and in view of the great danger of the enterprise the main streets of Chamonix were thronged with spectators and telescopes were much in demand.

Towards eleven o'clock the three brothers were discerned looking like pygmies far up on the loftiest terrace of the Grand Plateau, climbing with remarkable vigor. They disappeared in the "Corridor" and were lost to view for an hour, when they reappeared and were seen standing together on the extreme summit of Mount Blanc. They remained there for a few minutes and then commenced the descent.

Suddenly all three vanished and an instant later they appeared 2,000 feet below. One of the trio had slipped on the edge of a precipice, and the brothers, being roped together, were shot down an almost perpendicular slope of ice to a point where it joined the border of the upper glacier. Horrorstricken, the watchers below presently saw two of the men rise to their feet, and for two and a half hours they kept over the prostrate form of the third, who seemed inert.

Then the two one walking with great difficulty, began the laborious descent, leaving the lifeless body of their brother. It was dark before they reached the "Corridor," and they did not reach a safe stopping place until about three o'clock in the morning. A rescue party from Chamonix afterwards recovered the body of the brother, whose neck had been broken by his fall.

ATLANTIC CITY HAS BAD MORNING FIRE

By the Associated Press.
Atlantic City, April 1.—Fire originating in the Oliver-Guthridge four-story brick building in the center of the block, bounded by South Carolina avenue and Tennessee avenue on Atlantic avenue, the report main street, early today swept a half block to Tennessee avenue, gutting eight buildings and inflicting \$300,000 damage. The fire originated in cross wires in the rear of the Guthridge building.

MR. KENNEDY NAMED DEPUTY SHERIFF

Sheriff Isenhour today announced the appointment of W. J. Kennedy as deputy sheriff in Hickory to succeed Mr. Charles Hefner, resigned. Mr. Hefner will continue as constable for Hickory township, but wants to devote more of his time to his private business. Persons who have processes to serve will remember Mr. Kennedy in the proper office now.

By the Associated Press.
New York, April 1.—Several hours before the district attorney's office was to be informed by Harry Cohen, also known as "Harry the Yot" of the name of the man higher up in the prosecuting of the anti-gambling crusade, Cohen was shot and killed at 6:30 o'clock this morning. Deputy Commissioner Swann immediately ordered the arrest of Sam Schepp, who was one of the star witnesses against Charles Becker, the police lieutenant who was executed for the murder of Herman Rosenthal, gambler in 1912. Schepp, and six other men were taken into custody today.

They were hurried to the district attorney's office. The police said Schepp's place, established after the Rosenthal shooting and the conviction which resulted, has recently been under observation. Up to the time of his action, the district attorney withheld the reason for Schepp's arrest.

It was not claimed that Schepp was at the place of the shooting. Cohen, according to Assistant District Attorney Schmidt, had for several weeks been a secret informer. Against the advice of the assistant prosecutor, Cohen several times visited Mr. Schmidt's house with information which was considered valuable.

Mr. Schmidt received a note which read:

"Be ready to hit the mark," said "Harry the Yot," alluding to the gamblers. "I have got the goods on the main men."

The next Mr. Schmidt heard Cohen was dead at a small lobby in the west 92nd apartment where Cohen lived with his wife, Mr. Schmidt was informed that Cohen was killed by a man yet unidentified. A negro furnished Mr. Schmidt with a description of the man who did the shooting.

Mr. George Dietz of Camp Sevier, while at church last night, but his fevered attack of acute indigestion while at church last night, but his condition was improved today.

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By the Associated Press.
Jackson, Miss., April 1.—The first concrete evidence that German money is being used to encourage Mississippi negroes to dodge the draft law was filed today in a report of Frank K. Ethridge, special inspector of the local exemption board.

The report shows it has been practically impossible to get negro registrants to respond to the notices sent out by the Holmes county board and Inspector Ethridge said that a negro preacher in the "Church of God" has been preaching pro-German sermons.

Three weeks ago, according to the inspector's report, a foreigner conducted a meeting for a period of one week at this church. While in the town of Lexington, the foreigner received a message in code, which was filed with the report.

An investigation of the "Church of God" shows that it has headquarters in Los Angeles shows it is well supplied with money for last August it built a \$10,000 church, of which local negroes furnished only a small part of the building funds.

It is also shown that the pastor hitherto an obscure preacher, recently erected a \$25,000 residence in Memphis.

GERMAN MONEY USED TO BUY NEGROES

By the Associated Press.
Paris, April 1.—The bombardment of Paris by long range German guns was resumed this afternoon.

By the Associated Press.
Washington, April 1.—President Wilson today accepted an invitation to open the Liberty Loan campaign in Baltimore Saturday, the first anniversary of America's entry in the war. While in Baltimore President Wilson will also review 18,900 troops at Camp Meade.

Secretary Daniels will speak at the cantonment tomorrow night and during the next few weeks the speaking list will include other cabinet members.

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HOPE TO SETTLE CARPENTERS' STRIKE

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Washington, April 1.—Efforts looking to a conciliation of the strike at Norfolk are being made by a special mediation board representing the war and navy departments and the department of labor. Hope was expressed that a settlement would be made.

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WEATHER FORECAST

For North Carolina: Generally fair tonight and Tuesday; colder tonight in west portion, light variable winds.

SPECIAL SERMON TO KNIGHT TEMPLARS

Rev. C. T. Squires of Lenoir preached a special sermon at the Presbyterian church yesterday afternoon to the Hickory chapter of the Knights Templars, of which he is a member. Mr. Garth, in a few words of welcome to the Knights Templars and Mr. Squires referred to the fact that this was also a farewell address as Mr. Squires would soon leave for his new charge at Laurens, S. C.

Mr. Squires took the 37th chapter of Ezekiel as his scripture lesson, showing that by the resurrection of the dry bones the dead hope of Israel was revived; that in the darkest hour of our travail the spirit of the Almighty is ever present as an everlasting hope. Referring to the present war, the preacher said we should certainly pray for our enemies, but that it would not be honest to pray for a victory for them, unless it would be they accomplish a victory over themselves, and rid themselves of that pagan obsession that might makes right, a belief diametrically in opposition to the teachings of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The members of the local chapter, as well as some out of town visitors, attended the church in full regalia, and made a fine appearance as they marched into the church.

Easter Sunday is one of the few days in the year when the Knights Templars are permitted to appear in public uniform.

HOW THE CHINESE ARE OVERCOMING FAMINE

By the Associated Press.
Peking, February 6.—"But, daddy, it's cold," said the little girl, when her father brought her to a hole in the ice and told her to jump in.

"Never mind, you must get in," replied the father. So he put her in and returned home, with one mouth less to feed.

This, says the Peking Daily News, is typical of what is happening in Anping and adjoining districts, fifty miles south of Paoitifu in Chihli village. The mother was traced to another part of the village. She explained that her home was in ruins, there was no food, her husband had gone away some four years ago at a previous flood time, and she had already thrown this baby into the well twice, but it had been rescued by neighbors.

On December 14 the Pu-taoho river in this district caused a great flood owing to the blockade of ice. The villagers suddenly found water pouring into the streets and into the houses. The men had all they could do to rescue their women, children and old folks getting them on the roofs of the houses.

There, on the roofs, in bitter cold, they lived and slept for three days until the ice was frozen solid. Now they have got back into the houses where the ice under their feet is one or two or even three feet deep. Most of their belongings are buried in this ice. They are eating a watery concoction of dead leaves. When the frost breaks the river is a mass of ice to overflow again. The ice in the houses will melt. Within and without, all will be water. The houses will dissolve and collapse. Destruction awaits these people unless they can be removed beforehand to safe places.

In this district of Anping there are over 100,000 people in distress owing to the floods. One hundred and eighty villages are affected, but it is only a small number that have suffered from this last calamity of ice. About 40 villages are in extreme distress. The people are reduced to burning the timbers of their houses and their fruit trees. There has, of course, already been wholesale slaughtering of animals throughout the flooded areas, so that it is a serious question how crops can be sown in the spring.

GERMAN'S GREAT DRIVE IS AT STANDSTILL TODAY

Allies Stem Onrush in Severe Fighting—Assaults Last Night Repulsed—London Papers Approve Appointment of General Foch as Generalissimo.

SEVENTEEN CONFIRMED AT REFORMED CHURCH

The Easter services at the Reformed church yesterday morning were ushered in by everyone being prompt at Sunday school, even here showing their patriotism in the keeping of the new time. Holy Communion and confirmation services were held at 11 o'clock. It was one of the largest communions ever witnessed in the church. The music was inspiring and the decorations of the church were tastefully arranged and such as to receive great praise from all. It was a very beautiful scene to stand at the church door and look into the large and handsome auditorium and meditate upon the Easter flowers. Seventeen were added to the church at the confirmation services which were very impressive. The confirmation service of the Reformed church is simple, but one that is loved by all. The pastor stated that it was not his custom to preach a sermon on the communion occasion—but he thought that the seriousness of the occasion demanded that he say a few words. He referred to the fact that conditions were so different now from what they were one year ago. Many of the boys who were with us then are absent today. But amidst it all we still rejoice that Christ is risen from the dead. The remarks of the pastor on the subject, "Now is Christ Risen," were noted for their simplicity of style and also the ease with which he presented same. The little talk was the occasion of much favorable comment.

At night the large auditorium of the church was comfortably filled to hear the exercises of the children. It was a very beautiful service and the happy little faces could not but bring cheer to us older ones while our hearts are heavy with the great struggle that is on in the world. It was a very beautiful service. Mrs. H. C. Menzies superintendent of the primary department had charge of the service assisted by Miss Lillian Fields, and Mesdames J. L. Murphy and S. L. Whitener. The offering was for the orphans.

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HICKORY HAS TAKEN OVER 25 PER CENT

City of Hickory is running true to her past record. The city's allotment of War Savings Stamps is \$81,752 and over \$25,000 or a little over thirty per cent have already been sold and there are nine months within which to sell the remaining seventy per cent. The actual sales and pledges will total at least fifty per cent of the city's allotment. Hickory township is not doing so well, its sales being fifteen per cent of its allotment of \$203,000. However, the farmers are beginning to realize the value of and necessity for investment in this class of security and they are investing and increasing their purchases each day. Watch the farmer this fall.

UNION CARPENTERS STRIKE AT NORFOLK

By the Associated Press.
Norfolk, April 1.—Union carpenters employed in construction work at the army and navy bases and government structures for higher wages. They are demanding an increase from 58 to 62 1-2 cents per hour. Government men were unable to estimate the number of men who had laid down their tools on important war work.

It was learned, however, that approximately 65 per cent of the naval carpenters, employed at the naval base refused to report this morning and that numbers failed to report at Lambert's Point.

London Papers Praise Foch

By the Associated Press.
London, April 1.—Unanimous approval is given to the appointment of General Foch to be generalissimo of the allied forces in France by the morning newspapers, including those which have been loudest in their opposition to the move. Many columns are devoted to the details of the French general.

"The appointment," says the Daily Mail, "secures complete unity and means that the movements of Field Marshal Haig and General Petain will be directed by a single head."

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LADIES TO HOLD PATRIOTIC MEETING

Every patriotic woman in Hickory is urged to be present tomorrow afternoon at 3:30 in the Chamber of Commerce to take part in a patriotic mass meeting to discuss ways and means of woman's part in selling the third Liberty Loan and to discuss ways and means of reaching every person in Hickory. Mrs. A. A. Shuford, Jr., chairman of the women's section of the county, has called the meeting.

Patriotic talks will be made by Mr. Self, Mrs. Cline and others, and a good program has been arranged. It is hoped that the women of Hickory will attend in large numbers. There will be plenty of chairs. The cause is worthy.

This was election day in Hickory and at 10 o'clock seven persons had cast their ballots. Mayor M. H. Yount and Councilmen J. L. Cillee and Eubert Lyerly had no opposition and the polls were so quiet that one had to be told that the formality of voting was in order. They were nominated in the primary a week ago.