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BRITISH RESTORE LINE SOUTHWEST OF KEMMEL

No Change in Positions During Night, and Germans Start Attack Elsewhere—French Shoot Down Germans as They Try to Approach Their Defenses

By the Associated Press.
London, April 18.—Southeast of Kemmel Hill on the northern battle front the German forces pressed the British line slightly, but the position was restored by counterattacks by the war office announced today.

During the night there was no change of the British positions. In the Baillieu sector the Germans made three attacks before dawn yesterday and in each attempt were repulsed.

The Germans opened a heavy bombardment of the British positions in the southwestern part of the battle front between Locon and Robecq last night. The bombardment was in progress at dawn today.

ARTILLERY STOPS HUNS

By the Associated Press.
Paris, April 18.—After a preliminary bombardment, strong German attempts were made to advance toward Locon, Corbeny on the Aisne front. Today's official statement says the attack was broken up by the British fire.

The statement follows:
In the region of Corbeny the British caught under their fire and repulsed a strong German detachment which attempted to approach the French line after artillery preparation.

The Germans undertook several attacks in the Champagne, especially in the Meuse in the Corrieres wood. All of the enemy's efforts were repulsed and prisoners remain in our hands.

Northwest of Roize in Lorraine the Germans in several incursions crossed German lines and took a certain number of prisoners.

FRENCH ENGAGED

By the Associated Press.
Paris, April 18.—The French are heavily in action on the northern area in France, according to a Roper cable from London.

BOND SALES REACH TOTAL OF \$8134,450

The first National Bank today ran a record bond sales up to \$134,450, an increase since the list was published at \$72,000. The list today follows:

Miss Katherine Allen, Miss Louise, E. E. Anderson, W. R. Anderson, Miss Rosa Lee Dixon, Miss Frances H. Dixon, S. R. Deitz, Miss Marie M. Dixon, Dudley Shoals, J. M. Mills, Falls Manufacturing Co., The Mills Mfg. Co., H. W. Barker, Hickory Community Club, Hickory Electric Co., Hickory Mfg. Co., J. Henry Hill, J. W. Page, P. C. Stone, Estate of A. A. Shuford, Mrs. E. A. Smith, W. L. Stacy, F. M. Thompson, A. A. Whitener, Mrs. A. A. Whitener, Miriam A. Whitener, Miss A. Whitener, Howard E. Whitener, Julian G. Whitener, L. J. York, Mrs. B. D. Williams.
Total reported -----\$111,559.00
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TO MAKE UKRAINE GERMAN PROVINCE

By the Associated Press.
Washington, April 18.—In carrying out their plan to make the Ukraine an Austro-German colony, the central powers intend to dissolve the Ukrainian rada and install an Austro-German government, a report to the state department today said.

The Germans already have cut off all communication between the Ukraine and Russia. It has been established that Ukraine money has been driven out and Austro-German money substituted.

The latest dispatches on the situation contain the statement that the arrest of all the entente officers in the province has been ordered.

BEN FRANKLIN HELPS MARINES TO RECRUIT

New York, April 18.—The United States marines have enlisted the services of Ben Franklin to aid in their recruiting campaign here.

The occasion warranted ceremony. Soldiers of the sea from the navy yard and a band paraded. Mayor Hylan spoke.

The marines did not doubt that the famous patriot would help their corps if he were alive. So without hesitancy they established a recruiting tent in front of the Franklin statue at Nassau street and Park row.

ANOTHER BIG BREAK IN COTTON MARKET

By the Associated Press.
New York, April 18.—Another big smash occurred in the cotton market today, prices dropping about \$8 a bale. The break was attributed to talk of price-fixing.

AMERICAN TIN DEPOSITS

New York Tribune.
A report upon the tin deposits in the Kings Mountain district of North and South Carolina has been issued by the United States Geological Survey.

This region has oxide of tin in many places, and has been rather extensively prospected, with attempts at mining. In at least one place, in Gaffney, placer mining was temporarily profitable.

In the main, however, mining work has been done at a loss; yet the conclusions are that operations thus far neither prove nor disprove the value of some of the deposits.

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HEALTH IS GOOD AT ALL ARMY CAMPS

By the Associated Press.
Washington, April 18.—The health of all troops in the United States continues good, the war department announced today in a report ending April 12.

Both hospital admissions and death rates were lower than in the previous week. The highest death rate was from pneumonia.

The total number of deaths at all camps was 285, as against 290 the week before. Pneumonia continues in all northern camps, with some increases in other diseases was reported.

LIBERTY MOTOR'S GOO DWORK

New York Evening Sun.
The successful flight of a great bomb-carrying biplane from Langley field, Virginia, to Mineola, a distance of 325 miles, a about three hours, seems to prove that the Liberty motor will do its work well, at least in this kind of service.

Maj. Brown who piloted it, reported that the motor did not miss fire once and showed an unusual absence of vibration. The machine was not built for speed, but weight; indeed it is claimed to have a greater capacity in this respect than any other type yet developed.

And a speed of 100 miles an hour does not seem exactly slow.

The Liberty motor has been the target of so much criticism that such a test as this will be universally greeted, as a welcome indication of efficiency. It is good as this showing implies let us have more of them and as soon as possible.

NEW YORK COTTON

By the Associated Press.
New York, April 18.—A further advance met renewal of more or less general selling and was responsible for a decline. The market subsequently rallied. Offerings became very heavy and the break was accompanied by renewed talk of price-fixing of some sort in the goods market.

The close was steady.

	Open	Close
May	30.29	28.82
July	29.78	28.39
October	28.61	27.13
December	28.05	26.40
January	27.94	26.72

HICKORY MARKETS

Cotton	30c
Wheat	\$2.40
Corn	\$1.75

LYS BATTLE LINE FIRM MARSHAL HAIG REPORTS

British Front Intact After Yesterday's Great Fights—Germans Now Try to Take Bethune and Hazebrouck, Two Important Railway Points Behind Positions

By the Associated Press.
London, April 18.—Field Marshal Haig today reports his line on the Lys battle front standing intact last night as it existed yesterday morning following the British retirement east of Ypres, no ground having been lost in the fighting yesterday.

Checked for the time at least in some of the strong positions dominated by Kemmel hill on the northern portion of this front, the Germans are turning their attention to the southward in an effort to take Hazebrouck.

A heavy bombardment of the British positions here between Locon and Robecq was reported in progress this morning.

The enemy is finding himself cramped on the southerly side of the wedge he has pushed into the British lines and seems in an effort to widen it out here.

Further on at Locon the Germans are only three miles from Bethune, an important railroad center, and at Robecq are a short distance from Hazebrouck.

The British have been holding this sector of the front as strongly as they have the northwesterly edge of the salient, where they have held up German attacks to take Hazebrouck, as was indicated anew in the repulse of fresh German attacks last night in the Merris sector along the Baillieu-Hazebrouck railway.

It seems not unlikely that the entente higher command has forecast a possible larger German purpose to drive determinedly southward, envelop Bethune and push on to the point where they can compel the British to fall back from Givenchy and the region north of Arras, where the dominating Vimy ridge is the commanding factor.

The development of the enemy demonstration on the Locon-Robecq line, however, will be followed with the greatest interest. In the Arras region and the line south of Albert the British have held up the enemy push to Amiens.

K. OF P. MEETING TO BE ENJOYABLE

Arrangements have been completed for the K. of P. celebration to-night. State Grand Chancellor Byron Clark, D. D. of Salisbury will be the principal speaker while quite a number of short addresses will be made by local speakers. There will be quite a number of out of town K. of P. on hand besides quite a number of invited guests.

The entertainment committee have planned for an attendance of 150. It will be an open meeting for all K. of P. and their friends to celebrate the growth of the lodge for the past year. A general good time is promised all who attend and no one can afford to miss this the biggest K. of P. gathering of the year.

EARL OF DERBY IS SPECIAL MINISTER

By the Associated Press.
London, April 18.—Official announcement was made today that the Earl of Derby has been appointed ambassador extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary to France to succeed Lord Balfour.

Viscount Milner becomes secretary for war and J. Austen Chamberlain a member of the war cabinet.

WILL MEET FRIDAY

The Mothers' Club of the North building will meet tomorrow afternoon at 2:45.

WEATHER FORECAST

For North Carolina: Probably occasional rains tonight and Friday. Cooler tonight in the interior. Much cooler Friday, light south winds becoming north.

AT BROOKFORD CHURCH

A very interesting series of services have been conducted at the Reformation church at Brookford this week by Rev. W. W. Rowe. Tomorrow night will close the meeting and there will be communion on Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

MEN ARE WANTED TO LIST THEIR NAMES

The local board has received instructions to list men of draft age into the various branches of the service for which they are best fitted and in which they would rather serve.

Among these occupations are auto-mechanics, chauffeurs, brakemen, carpenters, clerks, commissary store-keepers, concrete foremen or workers, cooks, engineers, electricians, inspectors car (railroad), linemen (telegraph or telephone), machinists, motorcycleists, painters, plumbers, section hands, (railroad), sheet iron workers, soldiers, tinsmiths, stenographers, surveyors, teamsters, telegraph operators, telephone operators, who can speak German, wagon makers, etc.

Many other occupations are listed and a man who is skilled or has a knowledge of any of the various occupations would not only fill the need of the army today but would have an opportunity to receive material personal benefit, which will aid him in advancement in his army career and in after life. This opportunity is only open to men within the draft age. Apply to your local board at the earliest possible moment for full information. This offer will expire April 27.

AN EXHIBIT OF SPIDER WEBS

American Museum Journal.
Notwithstanding the fact that a spider web is so fine and delicate that unless covered with dust or sparkling with dew it is almost invisible, the American Museum of Natural History is now displaying a series of these webs, 12 in number, so mounted on dark backgrounds as to be plainly visible. The spiral construction, widening gradually from the center outward, is easily traced. The webs are accompanied by colored plates of the spider which spun them.

Some spiders live in the web they spin; others spend only the nights there, hiding during the day in retreats often some distance away with a single thread leading to the web. One of the larger spiders, Aranea trifolium, for instance, spins a thread from the center of its web to a tent made of leaves and silk. Sittings in his tent, the spider holds the thread in such a way that it knows when the web is shaken by its insect prey.

GERMAN EMPEROR VIEWS HIS WORKS

By the Associated Press.
Amsterdam, April 18.—Emperor William recently made a visit to the battle field near Quant, west of Cambrai, the war correspondent of the Berlin Lokai Anzeiger writes.

"His majesty's silence was broken only once," he said, "when he remarked to an officer who stood beside him: 'What have I not done to preserve the world from these horrors!'"

WAKE STILL LEADS IN BOND CAMPAIGN

By the Associated Press.
Raleigh, April 18.—Total subscriptions to the third Liberty Loan as reported at noon today showed \$5,546,750. Among the individual counties Wake still holds the lead with \$598,780, followed by Forsyth with \$582,860.

Of the total subscriptions reported approximately \$1,000,000 by the Women's Liberty Loan committees.

CHINESE DIVORCE

In China when a couple seeks a divorce they must break a pair of chopsticks in the presence of witnesses, and the thing is done. But that is not all. Divorces are allowed in all cases of criminality, mutual dislike, jealousy, incompatibility of temperament and too much locality on the part of the wife!

In Siberia the man can just please himself as to whether he shall divorce his wife. For the most trifling act of his wife he tears a cap or veil from her face, and that constitutes a divorce.—Exchange.

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ALL ARE HEROES IN BIG FIGHT

By the Associated Press.
With the American Army in France, April 18.—Commanders of units who participated in the several days of fighting last week in company with the French in the Apremont sector are finding it difficult to pick out men who distinguished themselves in the operation. One commander said every man acted like a hero.

Twice within 24 hours an American company has assisted French troops in a neighboring sector to regain trenches taken by the Germans. "It is a matter of honor, don't waste them."