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GENERALS HAIG AND PETAIN CONTINUE TO PUSH OFFENSIVE

After Driving Into the Hindenburg Line Sunday Morning Northwest of Bullecourt the British Resume Their Attack—French Resume the Advance in the Champagne, Capture Trenches and Take 800 Prisoners—All Important Observation Posts in Hands of French.

(By Associated Press.) General Haig and Petain are again pushing ahead their offensive in Northern France and today both report new gains. After driving into the Hindenburg line along a mile front yesterday morning on the sector northwest of Bullecourt the British resumed the attack last evening and captured a support of trenches behind the position just taken. The firmness of the British hold on this section of the Hindenburg line is seriously threatening the Quent-Drecoit switch protecting Douai is attested by the failure of the Germans to cut General Haig's well maintained initiative and bit by bit the forces of Germans are giving ground. Not only did the British prove themselves able to hold the gains this morning against heavy counter attacks but were able to resume the offensive the same day and push further ahead, maintaining a second advance also against renewed counter attacks. The French resumed the advance in the Champagne and have struck northward on the Moronzillieres heights. Several lines of German trenches were captured in these operations and some 800 prisoners taken. All important observation posts in this section of the front are now in French hands, facilitating their further advance in the drive calculated to flank the German salient in the project toward Rheims. German Main Position. Berlin via London, May 21.—The Germans on the Arras front yesterday maintained their position except in one demolished trench, evacuated according to plan during the British attack Sunday on an 8 1/2 mile front, says the official statement issued today by the German army headquarters staff. Wheat Deposed as Grain King. Chicago, May 21.—Wheat was deposed today as the king of the grain trade and oats took first place for the time being. Pending expected action of Washington control of prices and exports wheat trading was virtually confined to liquidation of old contracts and downward tendency to values. After opening 3 to 10 cents lower with July at \$2.30 to \$2.35 and September at \$2.14 prices rallied to nearly Saturday's finish and then underwent a fresh sag to about 3 or 4 cents beneath that level. The Reports of Over Sunday Fighting. With Bullecourt firmly in their possession, the British troops are giving the Germans no chance for rest and have started another offensive with the idea of bringing their forces to the north of Bullecourt in alignment with those within the village. Sunday saw Field Marshal Haig's men again strike the German line hard in this region and carry German positions over a front of more than a mile between Fontaine Lez Croisilles and Bullecourt and hold them, notwithstanding furious counter-attacks. The fighting here again was of a sanguinary character and the British war office reports that heavy casualties were inflicted on the Germans. Although London makes no mention of the fact, the Berlin war office reports an offensive by the British along a 15-mile front, extending from the region of Acheville to Queant, which means that again the entire front of the Droocourt-Queant switch line is being hammered. The army of the German crown prince continues ineffectually its efforts to crack the French line along the Chemin des Dames. After a shell fire of great intensity by all calibers of guns, and not excepting asphyxiating gas projectiles, the Germans Sunday endeavored to come out of their trenches and attack in force. With their display of expert marksmanship, however, the Frenchmen at most places held the Teutons under their trenches under a reciprocal artillery fire. Wherever the Germans were able to come into the open and dash toward the French trenches they were met with a withering fire and suffered heavy losses. Only at one place, northeast of Cerny, did they succeed, after the payment of a heavy price in killed and wounded in penetrating the French positions. At this point advanced elements on a front of about 200 yards were captured. Again comes news from the Russian front, that the Germans probably owing to the betterment of the internal situation in Russia have attacked the Russian lines. Last week

they essayed an offensive in the Volhynia sector, but met with no marked success. Now the offensive has been switched to the north in the vicinity of Mitau, where they threw an attack against the Russians, but were stopped by the fire of the Russian artillery. In Rumania there also has been the semblance of an attack against the Russians east of Kovelka, but here again the Teutons were dispersed by the Russian guns. North and east of Gorizia the Italian troops are continuing their successes over the Austrians, either in fresh advances or in holding back counter-attacks launched with huge effectiveness. In the former region dense formations of the Austrians endeavored to wrest from the Italians positions captured on the Vodic, but were driven back with sanguinary losses. A number of guns and large quantities of arms and ammunition were taken by the Italians. East of Gorizia the Austrian lines were pierced in an attack by the Italians who took 524 prisoners. In Macedonia artillery duels and isolated infantry engagements continue. Still further hope for the solidarity of Russia in the prosecution of the war together with her allies was had from the public statements of three of her highest officials. "Russia cannot hand down to future generations a dishonored reputation," said Premier Lvoff. "The country must speak its imperious word, and send its army out to fight." "So long as I am minister of war," said M. Kerezhko, "no attempt at a counter-revolution is possible. Our new regime has for its soul complete union with the allies." Foreign Minister Tereshtenko, asserted that in free Russia there was no party capable of carrying on a propaganda in favor of a separate peace.

WEDDING AT SPENCER.

(By A. W. Hicks.) Spencer, May 21.—Spencer was given a genuine surprise Sunday afternoon when Mr. W. J. Neubling and Miss Mattie L. Haden were quietly married at the elegant home of Mr. and Mrs. Moses Holmes, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Luther Martin, the Presbyterian minister. Although it was strictly an impromptu wedding the home was hastily and beautifully decorated for the occasion. It was only last week that the wedding announcements were sent out and the marriage was expected in October. The groom, a son of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Neubling, of Reading, Pa., is a civil engineer of exceptional ability, and has for the past year been in the service of the Aluminum Company of America at Badin where he met Miss Haden. He is greatly liked by all who know him. The bride is a daughter of the late Jas. N. Haden, of Salisbury, a sister of Messrs. J. N. and J. D. Haden, of Spencer, and has a host of friends in this section. She has been making her home at Badin for the past year, and an acquaintance resulted in a marriage. Present to witness the ceremony were Mr. and Mrs. Moses Holmes, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Haden, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Haden and Master Jack Haden. The young couple went at once to Badin and will take a bridal trip later.

The body of Mrs. A. P. Kirkner, who died at her home in Spencer Sunday morning as a result of blood poisoning, was sent to Charlotte today for burial. It was accompanied by the husband, children and other relatives. The fatal malady developed from the picking of a pimple on the face only a few days ago and blood poison developed so rapidly that physicians could not check the trouble. Surviving is a husband, Mr. A. P. Kirkner, two young children and a mother, Mrs. M. C. Whitman, of Granite Quarrr.

- N. C. COAST ARTILLERY TO MOBILIZE JULY 15. Raleigh, May 21.—Orders for mobilization of the North Carolina Coast Artillery July 15th were received by the Adjutant General's office today from the War Department. The artillery will be called to the colors ten days before the time set in the call for infantry and other units.

THE POOR ORPHAN



TWO AMERICAN NURSES ARE KILLED ON AN AMERICAN SHIP SAILING FOR FRENCH FRONT

Misses Edyth Ayers and Helen Woods of Chicago Standing on the Deck Were Killed by Fragments of Shells Which Flew Back After Hitting the Water—Ship Sailed Saturday, Accident Occurred Sunday and Dead Bodies Came In to An American Port This Morning

SEVEN MILLIONS KILLED IN THE WAR

British Estimates Show That the Death Toll is Heavy and the Whole Loss is Frightful. London, May 19.—The number of men killed in the war thus far was estimated at 7,000,000 by Arthur Henderson, member of the war council, in an address today at Richmond. He estimated the total casualties of the war to be in excess of the population of the United Kingdom. (The population of the United Kingdom, according to the census of 1911, was 46,370,530.) Mr. Henderson said that after nearly three years of military effort which was unprecedented there was no immediate prospect of cessation of hostilities. The severe character of the war and its prolongation tempted some persons to ask why peace should not be attempted by other means. He would tell them, he said, it was because the challenge thrown down by Germany in 1914 still held good. The lust of world domination which dictated the policy of aggressive military action on the part of Germany continued to be supported by the German emperor and his Prussian advisers. Until the great act of liberation had been full achieved the allies could not falter.

RETURNS FROM FUNERAL. Mrs. T. P. Jonnston's Cousin, Charles W. Frew, Dies at Rock Hill, S. C., of Paralysis. Mrs. T. P. Jonnston has returned from Rock Hill, S. C., where she attended the funeral and burial of her cousin, Mr. Chas. W. Frew, who died of paralysis. Mr. Frew was known to a number of the older citizens of Salisbury. The funeral was held Sunday morning and Mrs. Jonnston went to Rock Hill Saturday afternoon by automobile, returning Sunday night.

THREATENING



Probably rain tonight; Tuesday fair.

CO. AGRICULTURAL BOARD TO ORDER CAR OF 30,000 CANS

Much Fruit and Vegetables Will be Canned in Rowan and Girls' Canning Clubs and Others Will be Supplied With Receptacles at Cost—Seven Tomato Clubs Formed in One Week—Urging Purchase of Home Canned Goods.

The newly created County Board of Agriculture met in the assembly room in the Community Building this morning at 10 o'clock with President J. S. Hall presiding and thirty members of the board present, all sections of the county being represented by both men and women. Mrs. J. H. Henly, in charge of the Home Demonstration Work, made an interesting and encouraging talk. She reports having organized since last Tuesday seven women's tomato clubs. Reports coming in from the different townships indicate that 15,000 cans are wanted by the farm women, and it is estimated that fully 20,000 will be used by the 150 or more club girls. To meet this demand the organization of the County Board of Agriculture will at once place an order for a minimum car of 30,000 cans, and these cans upon arrival will be delivered from the car at once. These cans come through the Department of Agriculture and cannot be had for speculative purposes. A resolution was passed at the meeting today asking all organized bodies, merchants, wholesale men and housewives to insist upon asking for home canned goods. This resolution was brought forth from the fact that there will be an abundant peach crop this year and the women are going to can much of this crop. This matter will be taken up by the proper committee of the agricultural organization. There was brief general discussion of several matters having to do with the food problem as it relates to Rowan county in particular. Much interest was manifested and those present showed that they were in earnest in planning and urging larger food crops in Rowan and the conservation of all food possible for the coming winter. Those present were representative farmers and farm women from various sections of the county and they were here for business. The meeting adjourned to assemble again at the call of the President.

LATE BULLETINS

- CAMP SITES LOCATED. Washington, May 21.—A second training camp site was designated by the war department in Atlanta today, making the second for that city. It was officially announced that Columbia had been selected as one of the sites for such a camp. In addition to this the department has designated a site for Greenville, S. C., and Amityville, Long Island.
- SETTLEMENT SOON REACHED. New York, May 21.—A settlement is expected this week between the National conference of the railways and the head of the four brotherhoods in all points at issue over putting the 8 hour day into operation, it was announced today. The conference has been in session for two weeks.
- HOTEL WILL CUT MENU. New York, May 21.—On a food conservation basis a "war menu" will be placed before patrons of the big New York hotels as soon as can be arranged by the hotels. This announcement was made today by Hotel Men's Association. The number of courses for dinners and banquets will be reduced and the most expensive dishes will be eliminated entirely.
- SELLING LIBERTY BONDS. New York, May 21.—A volunteer force of five hundred salesmen started out to canvass the financial district for subscribers to the "Liberty Bonds." At the same time the big retail stores started out to sell a \$50 bond to every man, woman and child in New York city. In each store a salesman will be stationed to sell the bonds from a booth. In a majority of the stores the arrangements is made for the clerks to buy the bonds on the installment plan.
- ELKS WILL NOT PARADE. Boston, May 21.—The customary parade of the Elks will not be a feature of the meeting this year. The Excited Ruler has written to the convention committee approving of its plan to dispense with the parade, and suggests that instead the convention give its attention to considering means of helping in a patriotic way.
- SOUTHERN BAPTIST ARE ABOUT THROUGH. New Orleans, May 21.—Delegates to the Southern Baptist convention, which has been in session here since the 16th, are planning to leave tonight following an adjournment of the convention. Many delegates left last night as most of the important business had been attended to. A patriotic and prohibition mass meeting is fixed for tonight.
- IRELAND'S FUTURE GOVERNMENT. London, May 21.—It was announced by Premier Lloyd George in the House of Commons today that the government proposed to summon immediately a convention of representative Irishmen in Ireland to submit to the British parliament a constitution for the future government of Ireland.
- DESTROYING SPAIN'S SHIPS. New York, May 21.—James F. Case, an American business man who arrived today on a steamship from
- Spain, said one-sixth of that country's merchant marine had been destroyed by submarine and that Spanish shipyards were unable to replace the losses.
- SPECIAL RECRUITING TRAIN. Chicago, May 21.—A special navy recruiting train was run over the elevated railway of Chicago today. One car followed after the battleship Pennsylvania while others carried models of submarines and submarine chasers. A fourth was used as a recruiting office. A one-pound gun was fired at intervals and stops were made at every station.
- DECIDED AGAINST RAILROADS. Washington, May 21.—Federal laws prohibiting railroads giving free passes, the Supreme Court today decided, do not exempt them from liability to live stock attendants injured while traveling on "drover's pass," issued under the "unitim free stock contract." The court affirmed a verdict for \$1,500 secured by W. C. Chat-ham, of Hertford, N. C., against the Norfolk-Southern Railway.
- PRESBYTERIANS VOTE TO UNITE. Dallas, Texas, May 21.—The Presbyterian General Assembly in the United States of America in session here today voted unanimously in favor of the reunion of the two branches, the Northern and Southern. A copy of the resolution was ordered sent to the Southern Assembly now in session in Birmingham.
- RAISE NEGRO REGIMENTS. Raleigh, May 21.—Thos. P. Chest-ham, former congressman from the 2nd district, now superintendent of the negro orphanage at Oxford, today transmitted to the adjutant general's office an offer from the negro citizens of Vance, Franklin and Granville counties to organize a regiment of negro troops for active service.
- ORANGE COUNTY FARMER KILLED. Durham, May 21.—Lee Laws, a farmer residing ten miles northeast of Hillsboro, was shot and killed Sunday with a pistol said to have been held by Phil Lee, a relative. The weapon was discharged while being cleaned and the ball penetrated Lee's right breast.
- DONATES AMBULANCE. Durham, May 21.—George W. Watts, a Durham millionaire, announced yesterday at a patriotic mass meeting here that he and Mrs. John Sprunt Hill would provide funds for a Red Cross ambulance. The meeting was attended by more than 2,000 people.
- WOULD TAX COTTON. Washington, May 21.—A proposed amendment to the war revenue bill by representative Moore, of Pennsylvania, to tax raw cotton \$2.50 a bale was ruled out on a point of order in the House today after prolonged and heated debate.
- Mr. Richard Roberts, of Pensacola, Florida, is in the city the guest of his sister, Mrs. Charles Price on North Fulton street.