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ENEMY GETS FOOTING ON KEMMEL HEIGHTS

FOLLOWING ALL DAY BATTLE THE MOST IMPORTANT HEIGHTS IN FLANDERS FOOTING TO THE ENEMY BUT INSECURELY HELD

VON ARMIN'S ARMY SUSTAINS BIG LOSSES

(By United Press)
With the French armies afield, April 26.—The Germans are continuing their attack against Amiens with increasing violence, aiming anew to effect a separation of the French and British forces.

London, April, 26.—The German forces have secured a footing at Mont Kemmel, one of the most important heights in Flanders, following an all day battle along a ten mile front, reports Haig, who also states that successful minor operations west of Messines resulted in the capture of fifty enemy prisoners and three machine guns.

From Lys to Givenihy artillery firing was continuous.

South of the Somme hostial posts holding positions south of Villers Bretonneux were cleared out.

The enemy has been actively using gas shells.

Berlin, via London, April 26.—General von Armin's army is engaged in battle for Kemmel heights, and official statement issued by the German war office Thursday night declares.

In the neighborhood of Dranoutre, Kemmel and Verstraat the fighting still continues.

ONLY ONE CASE OF GLASS IN FOOD

(By United Press)
Washington, April 26.—The frequent and widespread publication of statements concerning the presence of ground glass in foodstuffs has led the Committee on Public Information to inquire into the authenticity of these reports. It has been advised by the Food Administration that thorough investigations of more than 200 of the cases has disclosed only one instance in which ground glass was found in the foodstuffs inspected.

BRITISH BOMB ZEEBRUGGE MOLE

(By United Press)
Copenhagen, April 26.—British airmen bombarded the Zeebrugge Mole while the Kaiser was inspecting the results of the British raids. German newspapers declare the Kaiser remained on the Mole to complete his inspection while the bombardment was going on.

POLES REFUSE TO FIGHT ALLIES

Moscow, April 26.—Germany is steadily withdrawing troops and sending them to France. Polish citizens refused to enlist in the proposed Poles corps to fight against the allies in Flanders

FRENCH TROOPS SURROUNDED ON MOUNT KEMMEL

(By United Press)
* With the British Armies in *
* Flanders, April 26.—The *
* French troops are almost *
* entirely surrounded on Mount *
* Kemmel. They are still *
* fighting. *
* After eight hours of fighting *
* the German storm troops *
* finally wedged their way between *
* the French and British *
* flanks and crossed the Kemmel-Ypres road, where a terrific allied fire held them up for two hours. *
* They turned southward *
* and poured down the valley *
* west of Kemmel hill, surrounding the French who are still fighting at the top of the heights. *
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CHAMP CLARK DECLINES TOGA

Washington, April 26.—Champ Clark, speaker of the house of representatives, has declined to accept the Missouri senatorial appointment to succeed the late Senator William G. Stone.

ALLIES LOANED \$5,288,850,000

(By United Press)
Washington, April 26.—A further credit of three million two hundred and fifty thousand dollars has been extended to Belgium which brings the total loan to that country up to \$107,850,000, and the total loaned the allies to \$5,288,850,000.

If any one doubts the ability of the women of this country as fighters they are reminded that just now these women are successfully prosecuting three great wars: They are doing yeoman service in whipping the kaiser, are successfully prosecuting a war for political recognition, and are whipping John Barleycorn to a standstill.

GROIX DE GUERRE DECORATE FLAG

(By United Press)
With the American army in Lorraine, April 26.—A French general decorated with the Croix de Guerre the colors of the American regiment which defeated the attack by picked German troops northwest of Toul two weeks ago. Individual members will be decorated, the citation and ceremony scheduled for next Sunday. This is the first time an American regiment has received the French war cross.

YPRES SECTOR REPORTED WEAK

(By United Press)
Washington, April 26.—Army men view the north end of the western battle line as presenting more dangerous elements that the struggle in the Amiens sector, since reinforcements, sufficiently strong, have been thrown into the Amiens battle, but there appears to be more weakness along the British front to the north. The fact is the lines about Amiens have yielded but little thus far, which fact has been most encouraging and has offset the news of the withdrawal in the Bialliul Wyscheate sector.

MT. STROMBOLI IN ERUPTION

(By United Press)
Rome, April 26.—Mount Stromboli is in violent eruption and falling lava has set fire to the vineyards, and it is believed, some lives have been lost.

MAXIMUM COKE PRICES FIXED

(By United Press)
Washington, April 26.—The maximum coke set by the fuel administration affect coke made in Tennessee, Alabama, West Virginia and New Mexico. The new prices becomes effective today.

GERMANY PLANNED TO INVADE UNITED STATES

MUST COME FROM UNDER THE CAMOUFLAGE THAT AMERICA IS FIGHTING BRITAIN'S BATTLE, BUT HER OWN INSTEAD

THIRTY YEARS AGO PLANS WERE LAID



MRS. O. B. HOWE

Society Woman on Trial Charged With Murder

Mrs. O. B. Howe, wife of a salesman of the National Cash Register Company once prominent in society of Oakland and San Francisco, has been on trial for her life on the charge of murdering W. H. Brooks in a hotel in Porterville, Cal. She declared that he had persecuted her and had been the cause of the separation of herself and her husband.

NEW SWINDLE GETS PARENTS

(By United Press)
Washington, April 26.—Parents of soldiers in camps are warned by the war department of a swindle which has been successfully operated in various camps. A telegram is sent informing that the soldier has a furlough, home, waiving identification. The rest is a mere matter of detail. Parents and friends should be warned of this game and of the similar one where the telegraphic request is to mail money to the soldier, care general delivery.

FRENCH BREAD ALLOWANCE CUT

(By United Press)
Washington, April 26.—The latest bread allowances in France, placing the ration at about two-thirds of that heretofore maintained, limited maximum consumption, per day, as follows: Children less than 3 years old 3 1/2 ounces. Children from 3 years old, 7 ounces. Persons from 13 to 60 years old 10 1/2 ounces (hard workers in this age class may receive 3 3/4 ounces more.) Persons over 60, 7 ounces.

Winston-Salem, April 26.—"Germany continues to furnish proof that an invasion of the United States has been her plan for more than thirty years," says today's bulletin from State Headquarters for War Savings. The bulletin says further that every development since our entry into the war has justified and proved the wisdom, the imperative necessity, of America's participation in the war for self protection. "An American student at a German University over thirty years ago has said that nearly every student of military science in Germany of that time was required to submit a plan for the invasion of the United States as a part of his training. While the idea at that time seemed fantastical to him, he says now it has come to have a very sinister meaning, and the United States should take into serious consideration, at once, that Germany has many well laid plans for the invasion of all South America and the U. S., disposing in the archives of the German General Staff. She may be sure he says, that they are worked out to the last detail ready for use the moment there is any chance of carrying them out successfully.

The bulletin would make it clear that the United States is no longer fighting England's battles or defending the lives of Belgians, Frenchmen and Italians, but that it is fighting to protect her own shores, her own homes and her own people. Every German success and every German failure has shown how necessary to our own welfare and peace, how necessary to the safety and peace of the world, the defeat of Germany is. Every foot of ground has been forced to give up, every foot of land she has seized, has demonstrated the absolute necessity of defeating that sinister intolerable thing called Prussianism.

Again the bulletin says, "We must come from under the camouflage that America is fighting someone else's battle and not for her own life. We must get away from the delusion that the war will soon be ended that as it is now we are winning. Germany is not yet defeated and unless we defeat her this year it will be a harder task next year or the next. We must withhold nothing from the support of the Government. We must see that the Treasury of the United States does not fail. When the Treasury fails, Germany wins. Loans invested in War Savings Stamps or Liberty Bonds will support the Treasury and will win the war."

COTTON MARKET.

	Open	High	Low	Close
May	26.51	26.64	26.64	26.64
July	26.40	26.45	26.91	26.45
Oct.	25.82	25.82	25.57	25.80
Dec.	25.50	25.57	25.35	25.57
Jan.	25.40	25.45	25.15	25.45

Local Market Normal

Railroad, Training Girls To Act As Dispatchers

