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FOCH PUTS VALUE ON LIVES OF MEN

Master Strategist Knew What He Was Doing In Hun Attack.

(By Robert S. Doman. Paris, June 25 (By Mail).) Exhausted by fatigue his head fell upon his maps. Premier Clemenceau could have paid no greater tribute to General Foch, the man upon whom the fate of civilization depends in the great battle now approaching its culminating phase.

American officers who saw General Foch at work during the great German rush toward the Marne and the subsequent about face toward the line of the Ourcq all testify to the great affection which Foch's fellow officers have for him.

Master Conservator.

For Foch is a master conservator of human life. When the Germans were rushing across the Aisne Canal, the River Aisne, were passing the Vesie toward the Marne, he placed his finger on his map and said, "They will go so far and no farther."

There are Socialists in the French Chamber who believe that Foch should have sent his reserves in three days before he did. But Foch knew what he was doing. Up to a certain point the loss of ground meant little in his scheme of strategy in comparison with human life.

With admirable finesse he tricked his reserves at the strategic points, inflicting the maximum of losses with the minimum wastage of allied life.

"Give ground, but save your soldiers," is his motto. Other generals of the Ulysses S. Grant type may succeed him. General Mangin, of Verdun fame has been compared to Grant, but while attending the time when the American army is in line and the defensive gives way to an allied offensive, General Foch is considered to be the right man in the right place.

Used Consummate Skill.

No one except those who worked with him in the anxious hours which began on May 27 will ever know with what consummate skill Foch met the German onrush. With a thin screen of troops and by the judicious employment of a part of his reserves he converted what at first looked like a rout into stabilization on exactly the front which he had chosen. And when the moment came for a firm stand allied reserves were there to bring the assault to a jolting halt.

There are some who say that Foch invited the German rush forward into a war of movement in which he is a past grand master. Time will tell. The German press says the allies reserves are banked solidly from Montdidier to Chateau Thierry. They admit that a last frontal attack toward Compiègne from Noyon will be a costly affair with the advantage accruing to Foch, who can maneuver his reserves within the arc before Paris. In defending Paris the allies at last will have the advantage of fighting on the inside of the arc.

Faints and big scale diversions may come elsewhere as they did at Bethune after the Amiens push. Verdun, Rheims, the channel ports may be threatened, but such pauses will only dissipate in minor operations the fast dwindling German reserve. The only appreciable result will be that Germany will have just so much more ground to fight back over when the great American offensive starts.

LATE HOUR WEDDING.

Weddings, like births, are not respecters of the hours of the night, as was illustrated here Thursday night, when Mr. M. S. Bartlett and Miss Cora B. Smith, of the Taffy community, appeared at Judge Cook's residence at eleven in the evening to have the nuptial knot tied. Mr. Bartlett and Miss Smith ostensibly started to church and, giving their friends a slip, came on to Hartford to get married. They came to the Clerk's office, procured the necessary license,

and accompanied by the clerk proceeded to the Judge's residence. On account of the lateness of the hour the Judge assumed it was only some gentleman calling on business and appeared at the door in his pajamas, when Mr. Blankenship directed him to retire and dress for company. After the necessary preparation of the affairs of the household the couple were invited in and the ceremony performed in the parlors of the Judge's residence.

EDUCATIONAL BOARD MEETS

The Ohio county board of education met at the office of the county superintendent Saturday.

The following teachers were elected: Mrs. Gertrude Funk, Clearrun; Mrs. Grace Tilford, Aetnaville; Monnie McDaniel, Olaton; Kate Swinhart, Palo; Sadie St. Clair, Cedar Grove; Arma Purcell, Mt. Moriah.

Leslie Bratcher was elected trustee for Leach district.

The board raised the High School tuition from three and one third to three and one half dollars a month.

The Superintendent asked the board to raise about ten thousand dollars, by borrowing, to supplement the salary fund for teachers. Owing to the unexpectedly low per capita for this school year the Superintendent would be unable to have some of the smaller schools taught unless the salary fund was in some way increased. The board will meet the first Monday in August to pass on the matter.

FIRST HOME BOY FALLS.

The inevitable has happened. An Ohio county boy has fallen under the fire of the barbarian Hun. Private John O. Laws, a member of a machine gun battalion, was killed in action May 29. News of his death reached his mother Tuesday afternoon. Young Laws was a son of the late R. B. Laws, whose death from cancer occurred a few months ago, at his home a few miles east of Hartford. The long interval between the date of the young man's death and notice to his family indicates the possibility that other home boys may since have shared his fate. As long as this generation shall live to relate the story of the war it will be repeated that John O. Laws was the first of our dear boys to give his life for his country.

OCTOGENARIAN DEAD.

Mrs. Mariah Weinsheimer died of senility at the home of her daughter, Mrs. B. B. Collins, Saturday, and her remains were buried in Oakwood cemetery Sunday. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. R. D. Bennett, at the residence. Mrs. Weinsheimer was eighty four years old at the time of her death. She was born in Germany. Her first husband was Phillip Rial, father of Ben, Berry and Albert Rial and Mrs. Buck Collins. Her second husband was Henry Weinsheimer, whom she married about forty years ago. To this union was born one son, Henry, now of Denver Colorado.

ROAD GRADING BEGUN

The work of grading the section of the Hardinsburg road, beginning at Hayti and running three miles north, began Monday. The work is being done under the supervision of state road engineer, Minor, and Mr. Lon Ralph. Grading and draining will be completed this season, and the road bed made ready for paving next year. A number of men and teams are employed on the work.

DEATH NEAR ROSINE.

Mrs. Amanda Daniel, wife of Mr. J. W. Daniel, a farmer living near Rosine, died of heart trouble Saturday, and her remains were buried in the Midkill burying ground Sunday. Mrs. Daniel had been in failing health for several years. She leaves a husband and five children. She was about fifty eight years old, and was a daughter of the late Nathaniel Boswell.

MARRIAGE LICENSE.

Ernest Price, 27, McHenry to Mamie Shoulders, 21, McHenry. M. S. Bartlett, 42, Hartford Route 5 to Cora B. Smith, Hartford Route 5. Samuel P. Crowe, 24, Fordsville to Ava Westerfield, 29, Fordsville. Homer Leach, 29, Rosine to Pearl Probus, 17, Rosine. Ira Daugherty, 23, Renfrow to Flora Simpson, 16, Renfrow. Jesse B. Hedden, 22, Ellmitch to Mary W. Stone, 17, Olaton.

TIDE OF BATTLE TURNS.

After many weeks of weary waiting the tide of battle turns, and the allied nations are cheered with news of the triumphant march of their gallant armies against a receding foe. July 15 the German army started its third offensive, and there was some dread in taking the measure of its fierceness. But its opening guns carried a feeble sound, compared with former Hun ferocity, and after four days, during which the enemy made small progress, the allied armies, with redoubled effort, began to slowly push the enemy back, and after a week of terrific fighting, the allied advance continues. Everywhere advance is being made it is an allied advance. Around the German salient driven into the marne the French and American troops are fighting with the fierceness of a wounded tigress. The Crown Prince's army of many thousands of men is caught in a great horse shoe, and the allies are closing in at the calks. For the first time during the war the German morale is breaking under the fearful strain of our armies. It is too early to predict the final outcome of the battle, but it is cheering news to learn that for the first time since the entrance of the American army in the field the Huns are forced to fight on the offensive. The allied progress is not rapid, but it is a steady drive from day to day. It is an unbroken record of victories. The enemy has brought up all available reinforcements, and although it is making a stubborn resistance it is failing to hold its lines. For a whole week now the daily story of the successes of our armies varies only in the area advanced and the number of prisoners and guns captured. The conclusion seems warranted that this battle is to break the strangle hold of the Hun on the fair fields of France.

CHOOSING ROAD MATERIALS.

There are many inalienable rights of the individual with which neither friends nor enemies have any call to interfere. He may wed a wife with the brains of a dead haddock and we cannot say nay, nor may we use more verbal advice to prevent his early demise by eating "slip-on" that famous food of lower New York, consisting of a foundation of hot mince pie and a wearing surface of sizzling Welch rarebit. But when he takes advantage of the right he possesses in many places to select the kind of pavement laid in front of his property everybody has justification for raising strong objection. The road is for public use, and even when a considerable part of its improvement is paid by local assessment the community contributes the remainder of the cost and therefore should have a voice in determining its nature. The average taxpayer is not a road expert; the ability to drive an automobile over a slippery pavement without skidding does not make him one, although it may make him a helpful critic. It takes years of study and experience to develop a road expert. He must know not only the method of constructing types of roads under different conditions, but also the economical advantages of all these different types. Sooner or later he will be employed on every important road undertaking and the beginning of his service should be at the outset of the work, so his knowledge may be the guide for the selection of the type of construction. To wait until the contract is let, is to throw away a very large part of the help he can give. No engineer can be held responsible for the behavior of roads unless all the steps that must be taken in originating and carrying on the construction have his approval.—American Highway Association.

COMPLICATING CRIME.

Everett Maddox, of near Reynolds, a sixteen year old boy, is in jail, charged with the crime of having carnal knowledge of a female under sixteen years of age. Wymond Brown, of the same community, is under a similar charge, but fled precipitately when an arresting officer approached him. The girl involved is Veola Temple an orphan girl, who has been making her home with John Bellamy. A warrant has also been issued for Bellamy, charging him with subornation of perjury. It is said that men, other than the two mentioned, have had illicit relations with the girl. She came to the Reynolds community from Hancock county several months ago. The girl stated to the officer issuing the warrant that she was advised by Bellamy to make certain statements to the officer, and is was for this charge warrant was issued for Bellamy. The girl will become a mother as a result of her immorality. It is a deplorable situation, and the county officials will make a strong effort to increase the membership of the criminal club at Eddyville.

Have you seen Mr. E. P. BARNES, the MAJESTIC range demonstrator? He will be here all week. Have him show you the greatest improvement ever put on a range. E. P. BARNES & BRO. Beaver Dam.

prominent woman. The note warned the woman to leave Whitesville within ten days. The note was signed, but it is not thought that the person whose name was signed to it had anything to do with the act. It is thought that an investigation will be made of the matter, and legal proceedings may result.

A WAR WEDDING.

Jesse Hedden reported at Hartford Wednesday to answer the call for army service, and leave with the bunch for Camp Taylor yesterday morning. Young Hedden brought his fiancée with him, and Judge Cook did the rest. Hedden started on his way to France at nine o'clock yesterday morning and the young wife returned to her relatives to await with impatience her soldier-husband's return from the gory fields of Europe. Mr. Hedden is a son of Mr. Eleazar Hedden, of Ellmitch, and had recently been employed in the transportation department of the M. H. & E. railroad. Miss Stone, the war bride, is a daughter of Mr. Roscoe Stone, of Olaton.

AUTO TURNS OVER.

Friday, Dr. Henry Godsey, of Narrows, had the misfortune to have the car he was driving turn over, painfully injuring his wife and daughter, who were in the car with him. Dr. Godsey was climbing the Duke hill, about five miles out of town, when his engine went dead. His car was at a steep point on the hill, and his brake failed to hold, the car backed into a ditch and overturned. The car was not seriously damaged, and the Doctor righted it, and completed the trip home.

DESTRUCTIVE LIGHTNING.

During the electric storm, late Tuesday afternoon, lightning struck the barn of Mr. Elbridge Bennett, a farmer living near Fordsville and burned the barn and four mules and two milk cows. The loss is a heavy one for Mr. Bennett, as we understand he carried no insurance on the property. A barn on the same spot was burned by lightning some years ago.

HENRY FORD'S BOY KEPT OUT OF WAR

Henry Ford's boy, Edsel Ford, was refused exemption by the local and district boards, but was released from military service by Presidential exemption. Thus Henry is still enabled to sing the Democratic campaign hymn of 1916: "I did not raise my boy to be a soldier," and can truthfully repeat the slogan: "He kept us out of war." Just what the effect of the transaction will be upon the mothers and fathers of Michigan boys, who not being favored with an influential ancestor, are called upon to make the supreme sacrifice in behalf of country, remains to be seen. There have been several cases of exemption of this kind. Two of them kept young men of the Scripps family out of war. The Scripps family owns a string of newspapers which whooped it up for the Democratic party on the pacifist platform in 1916 and which have been whooping it up on different grounds ever since the last election. Edsel Ford and the Scripps boys are no better than the rest of the boys in this country, no matter how many newspapers and automobile plants their dads own, or how many senatorial booms they may have concealed about their persons. If one of the two Fords is essential to the conduct of the flivver industry, let Henry stay at home and let Edsel go to the front, instead of having Edsel stay at home and Henry go to the Senate, by command. Edsel doesn't exactly sound like a warrior's name but it is probable that he will make as good a soldier as his father would a statesman.—National Republican.

BEULAH SEEKS FREEDOM.

Beulah Evans has filed suit in the Ohio circuit court for divorce from the bed and board of her consort, Willie Evans. Beulah says that she and Willie were married in Daviess county Mar. 22, 1916, and lived unhappily together until February 22, 1917, when on account of the cruel and inhuman treatment of her Willie she was forced to leave him. She says her maiden name was Ransom, and prays the court to restore her maiden name, along with her freedom from the bondage of matrimony.

WOMAN WARNED.

Much excitement was caused in Whitesville on Saturday morning when it became known that a bundle of switches, accompanied by a note, had been found on the door step of a

37 OHIO COUNTIANS OFF FOR CANTONMENT

Left Here Yesterday, Ten Negroes To Leave Monday.

Thirty-seven additional Ohio county boys left Hartford for Camp Taylor yesterday morning. Every man called answered the roll and none of the alternate list was used. The boys left in charge of Charlie Ellis, of Reynolds. They went by the way of Owensboro. As is usual with the departure of a quota of boys for the army camp, a good crowd was at the depot to bid them god-speed on their journey and a safe return. There is little demonstration now at the departure of the boys. The war has come to be regarded as a serious business rather than a matter of enthusiasm, and their going is looked upon as a necessary event in a great world business. The boys themselves so regard it. They display little enthusiasm for the task before them but look upon it as a duty to be borne with resignation. Those leaving were:

- Calvin L. Stevens, Olaton.
- Jesse Daniel, Hartford.
- Hammie A. Cardwell, Pekin, Ill.
- Vasco C. Baird, Hartford.
- Byron F. Iglehart, Centertown.
- Alva Evans, Fordsville.
- Roy Plummer, Drakesboro.
- Roscoe Bullock, Central City.
- Vernon Baughn, Narrows.
- Alva C. Chancellor, Rockport.
- Bob Davidson, Reynolds.
- Wilbur Davidson, Fordsville.
- Lawrence R. Lanham, Fordsville.
- Harold Coleman, Beaver Dam.
- Wames B. Burton, Olaton.
- Everett J. Bratcher, Horse Branch.
- Bee Carpenter, McHenry.
- Leonard V. Curtis, Rockport.
- Ira Daugherty, Renfrow.
- David M. Barnes, Bowling Green.
- Willie Embry, Balzertown.
- Alva T. Kirk, Hartford.
- Owen Daugherty, Balzertown.
- James L. Flener, Cromwell.
- Sanford M. Gilstrap, Select.
- Lincoln Geary, Echols.
- Nacie Crowder, Beaver Dam.
- Armit Greer, Hartford.
- Ernie Roach, Olaton.
- Gilbert T. Wright, Horton.
- Jesse B. Hedden, Fordsville.
- Grannon Daugherty, McHenry.
- John W. Smith, Hartford.
- Charlie Taylor, Reynolds.
- Noah Lee Rowe, Hartford.
- Elbert Gregory, Rockport.
- Woodie D. Foreman, Narrows.

Colored Men To Leave.

The following colored men have been selected to leave in the next quota and will entrain for Camp Taylor, Monday, July 29:

- Eugene Coleman, Boonville, Ind.
- John H. Brookins, Central City.
- Mose Hines, Hartford.
- Jesse Collins, Hartford.
- Horace Chinn, Beaver Dam.
- Earl Talbert, Hartford.
- William Render, McHenry.
- Henry Rucker, Beaver Dam.
- Birch Chinn, Beaver Dam.
- Carl P. Mosley, Hartford.

REFITTING THE BASTILE.

The county bastille is being refitted with modern caging and equipment. New caging of the highest grade prison steel is being installed, and when the work is completed no equipment of saws and crowbars would avail a prisoner in an effort to escape. The steel cages will be put in on the ground floor, and the upper floor will be fitted up for female, and child prisoners. When the improvements now in progress are completed Ohio county will have one of the most secure and sanitary jails in the state.

DRAFT REGULATIONS.

Advices from Washington, apparently authentic, are that it is very probable that the registrants in classes other than in class 1, will never be called for service. The authorities apparently are contemplating changing the draft age from the present limits, 21 to 31, to from 18 to 46, and out of the great number of eligibles available from this addition it is believed enough class 1 men may be had to create an army as large as our physical resources will support in Europe, although the war lasts for years.