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ENTIRE U. S. REGIMENT AWARDED WAR CROSS

Sammy Gets Excited at Big Honor

French Laud Americans for Heroic Resistance Against Strong Enemy Attacks

IS THRILLING SCENE

BY FRANK J. TAYLOR
United Press Correspondent
WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN LORRAINE, April 28.—The 10th regiment and 12th Massachusetts men received the croix de guerre today on a hillside a few miles from the trenches, for bravery and valor in repelling the German attack on Apremont (Toul sector) during three days in March. This was the first American regiment to receive the French war cross. All the traditions of Bunker Hill, Lexington and Concord were upheld by these modern "Minute Men."

It was an inspiring sight as the regiment, during the ceremony, formed three sides of a square, leaving vacant spaces for their fallen comrades. The regimental band played "The Star-Spangled Banner" and the "Marseillaise."

The crosses were pinned on the men by French and American general officers, who shook the hand of each recipient. The entire regiment then marched by the hill crest, with the band playing and Old Glory waving.

"It's the best flag in the world, boys," exclaimed a young lieutenant. "It was a dull day in the trenches, so far as infantry was concerned, but the dull boom of the American and German guns furnished a fitting obligato for the impressive ceremony."

Doughboy Faints
The French general, while pinning crosses on the men's tunics, spoke to each of them.

"Smile; it's nothing against you," he told one doughboy. The man was so excited he fainted. Rev. J. B. Des Valles, of Worcester, a chaplain, was among those decorated. He carried some wounded men back under shell fire.

The citation read: "This regiment showed, during the battles of March 19, 12 and 13, the greatest audacity and a fine spirit of sacrifice."

"Subjected to very violent bombardments and attacked by very important German forces, it succeeded in checking a dangerous advance and retaking positions at the point of the bayonet, taking prisoners and a few demolished trenches from which it had fallen back in the first assault."

YANKS FIGHTING WITH FRENCH ON NORTHERN FRONT
BY FRED S. FERGUSON
United Press Correspondent
WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN NORTHERN FRANCE, April 29.—American forces are now fighting beside the French in Northern France, holding a sector in the heart of the world's greatest battle.

The War Situation Today Is Serious, But Not Alarming

BY C. C. LYON
Star Reporter With Gen. Pershing's Army

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, April 28.—The general military situation is serious, but not alarming. It is inconceivable that Germany can strike any harder blows than she has already struck on the Western front. The allies have withstood them, and their will to win is indomitable.

It is the opinion of military experts who know a good deal more about this war game than I do that this world conflict either will end within a very few months or else will drag on for a long time—perhaps a year or two more.

Germany's sole idea of putting on the greatest offensive of the entire war was to crush the British and French armies at a single blow and put them out of business before the full strength of America could be thrown in to the balance on their side.

SUFFERING IS KEEN AMONG GERMAN PEOPLE
The morale of the German people was such that the German military machine was forced to strike when it did. Every report out of Germany points to the keenest suffering among the civil populations; a dire shortage of food, scant clothing allowances, improper medical attention, widespread sickness and an alarming death rate.

Russian and Rumanian peace brought only partial returns. It will be months before either country can begin furnishing Germany with an appreciable quantity of food. The only immediate result favorable to the central powers was to release vast bodies of troops for service on the Western front.

The German people are sick and tired of the war, and victories over weaker foes, such as Russia and Rumania, raised their spirits only momentarily, because they always came back to a realization that the war would not be won until their armies had conquered the British and French.

THE BIG OFFENSIVE HAS NOT CRUSHED THE ALLIES. Every day sees them in better shape to withstand any additional blows that Germany may strike.

A year from now Germany may have less chance of succeeding in a big offensive than she has now.

MILITARY MACHINE FAILS TO DELIVER PROMISED VICTORIES
Many wise observers of the situation profess to believe that Germany, having failed to put over a knockout on the allies, will very soon be seeking peace thru diplomatic channels. Overtures might be expected to come at any time. The German military machine has failed to deliver to the German people, who are longing for peace, the great military victory it has been promising them for so long.

STRIKE AMONG TELEGRAPHERS LOOMING HERE
Six Western Union telegraphers have been locked out because they attended a union organization meeting in Arcade hall Sunday, according to James Duncanson, secretary of the Central Labor Council.

A special meeting of the union operators has been called for Monday night to discuss the situation. A strike may be called that will tie up the wires.

Approximately 100 operators of the Western Union joined the Commercial Telegraphers' Union of America Sunday.

All postal operators were already needed. Many declare they are ready, with others throughout the country, to strike for the right to organize and bargain collectively.

Western Union officials could not be reached Monday morning to confirm or deny Duncanson's statement that six men had been locked out.

The Modern Red Riding Hood



MORMONS PLAN HUGE CAMPAIGN FOR POLYGAMY

NEW YORK, April 29.—A tremendous drive for world-wide polygamy will be made by the MORMON church immediately after the war, according to Dr. E. L. Mills, superintendent of the frontier department of the home mission work of the Methodist Episcopal church, who has just returned from several years' work among the Mormons at Salt Lake City.

"Just as soon as the war is over," Dr. Mills asserts, "they are going to make a tremendous drive to spread polygamy, because they realize that the tremendous surplus of women over men in all the belligerent countries will offer such an opportunity for their propaganda as they never had before."

"It is easy to find evidences of preparation on their part for a world campaign on a new scale. For the first time in their history they are branching out as a world religion. This year they will finish two new and elaborate temples—one in the Hawaiian islands and one in Alberta, Canada."

"Another evidence that the Mormons are preparing for a world campaign on a vastly larger scale than ever attempted, is to be found in the activity of their press bureau, which is hard at work sending out items designed to break down prejudice against Mormonism and to familiarize people with the idea of polygamy."

A campaign of unusual vigor in behalf of the Mormon church has also manifested itself in Seattle recently. Several street corner meetings have been held.

CALLAGHAN ON TRIAL BEFORE JUDGE FRATER
James J. Callaghan, King county charity commissioner, went on trial before a jury in Superior Judge Frater's department Monday morning, charged with graft. The morning and a portion of the afternoon was required for the empanelling of the jury.

Callaghan is charged with having issued fraudulent orders on a grocery store belonging to Lester Gannon, which is named as a defendant in the trial and is said to have been aware of the charity commissioner's alleged defalcations. The state has called 28 witnesses to testify against Callaghan. Many of them are charity workers of the county who had direct dealings with him.

The court room was packed at the opening of the trial, many people being unable to get seats.

Attorneys John E. Dore and Wm. R. Bell are appearing for Callaghan. Deputy Prosecutors Frank Hebell and Sam Brackett are appearing for the state.

ALLY LINE IS ROCKED AT YPRES

WASHINGTON, April 29.—Two American transports were damaged in a collision at sea, the navy department announced. Both vessels have returned safely to an Atlantic port, and no lives are reported lost.

The German drive in Flanders has been resumed, after a lull of 24 hours. After a complete cessation of infantry operations on the entire battle front, following the fighting of Friday, Hindenburg struck northward against Ypres Saturday afternoon.

The official statements of yesterday show the British still holding the enemy at Voormezele, two miles south of Ypres, while the French are successfully defending Loere.

The only progress made by the Germans was a voluntary retirement by the British east of Ypres, cited in yesterday's official statement of the German war office. This retirement evidently was made on a front of about four miles, extending from Langemarck southward to Zollebeke, and is only a slight recession from the former retirement along this line. The Germans claim to have occupied Hooge, a mile and a half due east of Ypres.

South of the Somme there is artillery activity from Villers-Bretonneux southward to the Luce river.

AMERICANS IN BATTLE
The French war office reports the repulse of German attacks following heavy bombardments in the Chemin Des Dames, St. Mihiel and Lunville sectors. American troops hold positions in each of these sectors.

An unnamed French officer is quoted as declaring that Foch is satisfied with the rate at which the allies are killing Germans and is not yet ready to strike. The officer said the allies "have the boche where we want him and there is no doubt we can keep him there a great deal longer than is healthy for him."

Foch told Clemenceau as much as a month ago to "wait," the officer said.

A United Press dispatch from the British front bears out Foch's belief that Hindenburg is suffering tremendous losses. The dispatch said that the Germans already have used 155 of their 200 divisions on the west front; that the 1919 class already is in the line and that the 1920 class is awaiting the call.

ENEMY STRIKES ON FRONT OF 10 MILES
LONDON, April 29.—The Germans were striking on the entire Flanders battle front today, Field Marshal Haig reported today.

From Meteren to Voormezele, a distance of more than ten miles, infantry attacks were developing under cover of a terrific bombardment of high explosive and gas shells.

The southern part of the Flanders theatre from Givenchy to Nieppe forest, a ten-mile front, was also under heavy artillery fire.

At the same time the enemy began shelling the British lines on the ten-mile front between Lens and Arras, constituting about half of the sector separating the Flanders and Picardy battlefronts.

"A heavy bombardment with heavy explosive and gas shells was opened by the enemy this morning on the whole front from Meteren to Voormezele," Haig said. "Infantry attacks are developing."

VOTE FOR FUEL ADMINISTRATOR

Who ought to be the new fuel administrator for this state? David Whitcomb, who retires from this position to become executive secretary to the national fuel administrator, Dr. H. A. Garfield, is a lawyer, a large realty owner and a capitalist.

John C. Higgins, fuel administrator for King county, is a corporation lawyer.

David Botting, district representative of the fuel administration, was secretary of the Coal Operators' association until he secured the present appointment.

The Star suggests that, under these circumstances, the new fuel administrator ought to come from the ranks of the average consumer, who is not now officially represented in the fuel administration of this state.

How would you vote on this proposition? Herewith is a ballot. Fill it out and send it to David Whitcomb, secretary of the United States fuel administration, who will remain in Seattle for the next few days.

It will be Whitcomb who will probably have the naming of his successor.

Hon. David Whitcomb, 1918.
Sec. U. S. Fuel Administration, Arcade Bldg., Seattle.

Dear Sir: For fuel administrator of the state of Washington, I vote as follows: (Mark a cross for your choice.)

For a corporation lawyer.....
For a mine owner or operator.....
For an average consumer.....

SHELL CYCLONE SWEEPS FRENCH LINE IN NORTH

BY WILLIAM PHILIP SIMMS
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WITH THE BRITISH ARMIES IN FLANDERS, April 29.—The French in the Kemmel region, who were heavily shelled all last night, reported a violent bombardment, beginning early today.

Later an S. O. S. signal, indicating an attack and calling on the artillery for support, went up from this part of the line.

Two similar calls were received from the region of Ypres and later from Loere.

At 3 a. m. the Germans began a hurricane bombardment of the British and French lines from Ypres south to the Lys.

Various allied divisions sent up S. O. S. rockets.

At 5 a. m. the shelling became extraordinarily intense. The Germans were opening fire by sectors, beginning at the north.

As this is cabled, it is too early today to describe any of the developments.

ENROLLMENT OF BOYS FOR U. S. SERVICE IE ON

Enrollment of the boys of Seattle and King county in the United States Boys' Working Reserve, which is part of the Public Service Reserve, began Monday and will continue for two weeks. The boy power of this district will be organized into a regiment of patriot youth between the ages of 16 and 21, under the U. S. Department of Labor. They will help the nation where most needed to win the war.

Along with this is included a parallel organization, the Junior Boys' Reserve, for those between 13 and 16 years of age. The term "working reserve" does not pertain necessarily to agricultural or industrial work, but applies to anything that is done in the spirit of patriotic service directly or indirectly of aid to the nation's war program.

Pledge Boys' Energy
Every boy will be pledged to use all his time to the utilization of his energy and power, wherever it may be, to help the nation.

When the boys enroll they will be given an opportunity to express how they feel best able to assist. If they (Continued on page 9)

FORMER CZAR'S SON ON THRONE IS NEW RUMOR

COPENHAGEN, April 29.—While no telegrams have been received from Petrograd for several days, reports from Finland say that there is serious rioting in the Russian capital.

There are also persistent rumors that Grand Duke Alexis Nikolaevitch, son of the former czar, has been proclaimed emperor, with Grand Duke Michael Alexandrovitch, his uncle, as provisional head of the government.

SAYS GERMANY NOW PLANNING INDIA INVASION
SAN FRANCISCO, April 29.—Followed in her plan to foment a revolt in India, Germany now is planning to invade that territory via the Caspian sea with an army of 100,000 men, according to Lieut. Col. I. Thord-Gray, of the British army, who was in San Francisco today.

The Germans are working on the assumption that the anti-British element in India would join the invading army.

Help make this the last battle of the war. Buy Thrift Stamps.