

## FRENCH LAUNCH NEW OFFENSIVE

Counter Attack on Exposed Flank of Enemy Begins, Bringing Immediate Success.

## BRITISH BEAT FOE BACK

General Haig Reports Bitter Fighting Along Entire Fifty-Five Mile Front With Heavy Losses to Enemy.

London, March 30.—The French have launched a counter offensive against the long exposed flank of the German army with immediate success. This operation carried out from Lassigny to Noyon, is against the key positions of the German army and further successes by the French may jeopardize a large part of the gains made by the forces of the German crown prince in their recent operations.

**Dent German Lines.**  
The battle on this sector continues fiercely the Germans fighting with all ferociousness. The French attack is aimed at the center of the wedge that the Germans have driven into the Allied lines. The Paris war office announced that an advance of nearly a mile and a half on a six mile front had been registered by the French. Thus the French have forced a wedge of their own into the German wedge.

French reserves are reported to have been thrown into the action.

**British Beat Germans Back.**  
The battle raged north and south of the Scarpe all day. General Haig reported the British forces had beaten off the Germans with heavy losses to the enemy.

General Haig also reported that heavy fighting had continued along practically the entire 55-mile front. Different localities changed hands frequently in the fighting the British commander reported. Capture of innumerable German prisoners was announced.

**Previous Gain By Foe.**  
Paris, March 29.—Striking with almost unexampled fury against the Allied front near the point where the French and British lines connect, the Germans have driven a deep wedge to the west and forced the French out of Montdidier, 10 miles west of Roye which the Germans had previously taken.

**Maintain Line Firmly.**  
The threat against Amiens in the north seems to be well held by the British along their front north of the Somme where they have maintained their line firmly at all points and even have advanced it in places.

Prisoners and machine guns have been captured the London war office reports.

Repeated attacks were made by the enemy along the valley of the Somme in the neighborhood of Beaumont-Hamel, Pulestux and Moyenneville. They were repulsed.

In the Noyon and Lassigny regions and along the Oise to the east, the French are likewise preventing the Germans from getting an opening. The force of their drive was thus diverted to the west of the Roye region and the forward push there developed probably the fiercest fighting of the present battle.

**Foe Pays Dearly for Gain.**  
Paris characterizes the encasement as of "unheard of ferocity." The French regiments, however, made the Germans pay dearly for every bit of ground they covered in their desperate push for an outlet, the French finally retiring in good order to the heights west of Montdidier. News dispatches from the front reported the line in this sector to be holding well.

**Teutons Strike Near Arras.**  
The Germans, apparently wishing to protect their right wing from a flanking attack, have developed a threat on the extreme north of the present front in the region east of Arras. London reports the beginning of a heavy bombardment of the British lines in this sector followed by the development of an attack.

## RAIN WOULD BE TRAP FOR FOE

Would be Caught and Could be Destroyed at Leisure.  
An Atlantic Port, March 29.—"If rain should come the great German army thrusting through on the Baume-Noyon line would be caught in a terrible trap of mud and could be destroyed at leisure." This was the contingent prophecy made by Lieutenant F. H. Whiteman of the British Royal Flying Corps, who was a passenger aboard a British boat arriving here.

## More Securities Issued.

Washington, March 29.—Continuing his preparation for the third Liberty Loan, Secretary McAdoo has announced the issuance of another block of \$500,000,000 certificates of indebtedness, bearing 4 1/2 per cent interest, payable July 9, and dated April 10, when subscription books will close. These certificates carry the same terms as others issued in anticipation of Liberty Loan collections. This is the fifth block of certificates offered in advance of the Liberty Loan, making a total of \$2,400,000,000.

## AMERICAN SOLDIERS IN FRANCE DRAWING THEIR FIRST PAY



American soldiers in France, the best-paid in the world, are here shown drawing their first pay since going over there. Most of them used the money in buying souvenirs to be sent back home.

## GERMANS LOSE ODESSA

Driven From City by Bolsheviki And Ukrainians.

Naval Forces Take Part in Bloody Battle, According to Moscow Dispatch.

London, March 29.—According to a Moscow dispatch from the semi-official news agency Odessa has been recaptured by the Soviet and Ukrainian troops after a bloody battle in which naval forces took part. An official announcement says that Bolsheviki troops have been successful in fighting the Austrians in southern Ukraine, the cities of Nikolayev, Kherston and Zmananka having been recaptured by the Russians. This was stated in a dispatch from Moscow.

**Kornilov Surrounded.**  
The forces of General Kornilov have been surrounded by Bolsheviki troops, according to a Reuter dispatch from Petrograd.  
General Kornilov, the former commander in chief, allied himself with the Don Cossacks against the Bolsheviki and has been operating between Moscow and Rostov. Several times he has been reported defeated and near capture, but always managed to elude the government troops.

## SLACKERS DEFENDED BY MOB

Quebec Police Come to Rescue of Dominion Officers.

Quebec, March 29.—Serious disorders occurred here when a squad of Dominion police, engaged in apprehending deserters under the provisions of the military service act, was attacked by a crowd of civilians.  
The disturbances rapidly assumed alarming proportions. City policemen were ordered to the assistance of the Dominion police, and with unsparing use of their clubs battered their way through the densely packed throngs and succeeded in reaching them. A hard time was experienced by the policemen in reaching the police station with their prisoners, as the crowd impeded them at every turn.

## TROOPS TO QUELL RIOTERS

Asked to Take Charge at Kansas City — 6 Hurt in Disorders.

Kansas City, March 29.—Adj. Gen. Harvey C. Clark was expected here to take charge of the situation following a night of rioting by strikers and sympathizers. Four men and two women were injured, one man hurled fatally, and half a dozen laundry plants and restaurants were wrecked. Mayor Edwards asserted the police were unable to cope with the situation and asked assistance of Col. Bryson Jones, commanding a home guard company federalized two days ago. Infantry dispersed a mob of 3,000 strikers engaged in wrecking a downtown restaurant.

## ORGANIZING NEW SLAV ARMY

Both Young and Old Men Enlisting Rapidly.

Moscow, March 29.—According to the Izvestia of Petrograd, enlistment of former officers as new army instructors is progressing successfully, young as well as old men enlisting. This leads the Bolsheviki organ to the conclusion that the attitude toward the Soviet government is changing.

## Calls Attack Act of Revenge.

New York, March 28.—James E. West, chief scout executive of the Boy Scouts of America, today replied vigorously to charges filed against officials of that organization in Washington yesterday by John D. Gluck. Mr. West said the charges were merely in retaliation for action brought by him against Mr. Gluck and his associates in the United States Boy Scout, in which Mr. West charged that funds were raised by false pretenses and misappropriated by the men who are attacking him.

## NEXT LOAN FOR \$3,000,000,000

Third Liberty Issue to Be at Four and One-Quarter Per Cent Non-convertible.

## TO ACCEPT FIRST ISSUES

Secretary McAdoo Makes Announcement of Third Liberty Loan Issue to Open April 6—Issue Less Than Expected.

Washington, March 27.—Three billion dollars will be the amount of the third Liberty Loan, to open April 6. The interest will be 4 1/4 per cent and all oversubscriptions will be taken. Bonds of the first loan, bearing 3 1/2 per cent interest, and of the second loan at four per cent, may be converted into the new bonds, but those of the third loan will not be convertible into any future issue.

This announcement is made by Secretary McAdoo with the comment that "the great events now happening in France must fire the soul of every American with a new determination to furnish all the dollars and all the material resources of America that are needed to put an end to the execrable atrocities of German militarism."

**Sinking Fund is Planned.**  
In connection with the loan, the Secretary plans to establish a sinking fund to purchase back bonds of the third loan thrown upon the market, to aid in keeping them at par.

Maturity of the bonds is yet to be determined, but it was officially stated that they would be long term, probably between 20 and 30 years.

Other features which are to be settled are the length of the campaign and the terms of payments on the bonds.  
Deduction of government expenditures and Allied loans below the former, estimate is responsible for the loan size, Secretary McAdoo explained. He said the bonds were made non-convertible to put an end to expectations of higher interest rates in the future, indicating his purpose to maintain the 4 1/4 rate for future loans.

## SAYS PREPARE FOR LONG WAR

First Duty is Winning of War Says Roosevelt in Speech.

Portland, Me., March 29.—There is but one way to get a righteous and lasting peace, and that is to beat Germany to her knees, Colonel Roosevelt declared here last night in a "key-note address" before the Republican state convention.

Preparations for a third year's war, the training of an army of 5,000,000 men, preferably through adoption of a system of universal military training and the rushing of ship construction were urged by the former president as most vital of America's "first duty—the winning of the war."

## Three Italian Steamers Sunk.

Rome, March 29.—Losses of Italian shipping through submarine attack during the week ended March 23 were three steamers of more than 1,500 tons, two sailing vessels of less than that tonnage, it officially announced. One steamer was unsuccessfully attacked.

## Third Son in Family Enlists.

Winona, Minn., March 29.—When Stance Kustelski, 21 years old, read of continued advances by the German army in France, he came to Winona from his farm in Hillsdale township and enlisted in the field artillery. He is the third boy in the family to enlist. "A young man's duty is plain," said the recruit. "There is no greater call for him than in the service." The oldest brother, John, enlisted last May in the navy and a second boy, Vincent, is in the cavalry, training at Fort Douglas, Ariz.

## U. S. WARRIERS PRAISED

Fight Like Best Veterans in Battle of Somme.

Wounded French Army Captain Refuses Attention Until Yankee Comrades Are Treated.

Paris, March 30.—According to La Liberte, a wounded French captain who has been brought back from the front, said: "Entirely new in this warfare the Americans worked like the best veterans in the battle of the Somme."

Two of the Americans, officers who were wounded, were brought back with the French captain, a member of the dragoons. Each American wore a French war cross conferred on the battlefield.  
The French captain refused to receive attention until the Americans alongside him had been treated. "They are the ones who should be congratulated," he said, calling upon the women of the Red Cross to look after the Americans.

## LINE UNDER GROWING FIRE

Increased Activity Noted in Territory Held by Americans.

With the American Army in France, March 29.—Increased activity continues along the enemy line. Enemy wiring parties have been at work and much traffic has been observed in the rear of St. Baussant where quantities of iron material have been unloaded. The road between St. Baussant and enemy areas was so heavily traveled in the last few nights that deep road cuts are now visible from the American lines.

American 37s fired 25 rapid shots into a large enemy work party and scattered the enemy, who left a number of dead on the ground and carried away some wounded. American anti-aircraft guns have driven off numerous airplanes. Enemy batteries have again been subjected to gas shells.

## GERMAN HOSPITALS FILLED

Endless Trains of Ambulances Carrying Wounded.

Amsterdam, March 29.—Enormously long ambulance trains are passing through Liege and Namur, Belgium, on their way to Aix La Chapelle and other parts of Germany with wounded men from the French battle front according to the Telegraaf frontier correspondent.

Commenting on this fact the Telegraaf says that while the German communications speak of the slight German losses it is significant that even in the most out-of-the-way places in Germany wounded are arriving.

## U. S. HAS LAUNCHED 188 SHIPS

Number Put in Water Since Country Entered War.

Washington, March 29.—Exact figures on the progress of shipbuilding in the United States were made public by the Shipping board as a result of a debate in the Senate during which officials said statements had been made based on inaccurate information.

Since the Shipping board began its work 188 vessels have been launched, of which 103 have been completed and put into service.

## Britain To Shorten Training Period.

London, March 29.—Discussing means of replacing the losses of man power in France, the Daily Mail suggests it probably will be found necessary to shorten the period of training for recruits and to send to the front the younger classes at an earlier age than heretofore. All physically able Russian subjects in England, this newspaper says, are being called to the colors, the authorities having canceled the recent order which temporarily suspended the summoning of these men into service.

## PROBE STARTS IN AIRCRAFT DELAY

Senate Acts Quickly Following Charge That German Spies Infest Curtiss Factory.

## TO BE STRICTLY SECRET

Senator Overman Makes Startling Statement and Produces Evidence of Most of Enemies of Government.

Washington, March 30.—Following the charge made by Senator Overman of North Carolina in a dramatic speech in the senate that German spies in American factories are blocking the government's aircraft program, immediate action by the military affairs committee was taken. A secret investigation into the airplane program was started at once.

Maj. Gen. George C. Squiers, chief of the signal corps, summoned before the committee, was examined behind closed doors.

Greatest secrecy was thrown about his testimony. By solemn agreement of the committeemen it was pledged that nothing should be disclosed.

The Curtiss airplane factory was specifically named by Senator Overman as being infested with spies. Three officers, he said, had German names.

**Would Clean Out Factory.**  
"If I were President, or secretary of war," he said, "I would replace them with loyal Americans."

The charges made by Senator Overman were emphasized by the exhibition to the Senate of a bracket taken from an airplane, showing evidence of having been tampered with. The bracket is used to hold the stay wires running from the body of the plane to the wings. Holes had been driven in the steel frame and these holes filled with lead. As soon as the bracket was subjected to strain it snapped in two.

Senator Overman declared that the crippling of the airplane part had been done in the Curtiss factory at Buffalo. The broken frame was given to him by a detective named Leigh, employed in the intelligence bureau of the War Department. Discovery of the tampering was made, he said, by a British officer who is an inspector in the plant.

Senator Overman said that work on the contracts held by the Curtiss plant had been delayed two months as a result of these disclosures. Every machine had to be examined and many of the parts had to be re-made.

**Spies Infest Plant.**  
"I do know that spies are in that plant and they have delayed the furnishing of these machines to Pershing's army," he said.  
"If we had shipped airplanes manufactured like this abroad," he said, "every man who went up in one would have fallen to the ground."

## ANOTHER ARGENTINA CRISIS

Diplomatic Break With Germany Draws Nearer.

Buenos Aires, March 29.—Argentina is on the eve of another diplomatic crisis with Germany, more critical than any of the former ones. This is the general opinion in political circles and is based on the torpedoing of the Argentine steamer Ministro Irriendo in the Mediterranean, Jan. 26.

The Argentine ambassador at Madrid has been called home and is expected to arrive this week. It is believed his coming is in connection with the attack on the Ministro Irriendo.

## 9th DISTRICT QUOTA FIXED

\$125,000,000 is Allotment for Third Liberty Loan.

Minneapolis, March 29.—Minneapolis will raise \$17,000,000, St. Paul, \$12,500,000; Duluth, \$8,500,000; Minnesota, \$71,500,000, and the entire Ninth Federal District, \$125,000,000 in third Liberty Loan apportionments announced by Chairman A. R. Rogers of the Ninth District executive committee.

North Dakota's quota is \$6,500,000; Montana's, \$9,000,000; Wisconsin, \$8,900,000, and South Dakota \$22,000,000.

## TO CALL GERMAN CRIMINALS

Those of Military Age to be Pressed Into Service.

Amsterdam, March 29.—Field Marshal von Hindenburg and Chancellor von Hertling have decided to call up for military service the German criminals of military age, according to advices received here.

## U. S. Restoration Work Destroyed.

With French Armies in the Field, March 29.—Many towns and villages in which Smith college girls, Anne Morgan, Elsie De Wolfe and numerous other American charity workers spent hundreds of thousands of dollars, succoring the populations and restoring the devastation, are again the center of a battle field and renewed devastation. All restoration accomplished in these places has been re-destroyed. There is every reason to believe the workers have had ample time to evacuate.

## NOW RAISES 600 CHICKENS

After Being Relieved of Organic Trouble by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Oregon, Ill.—"I took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound for an organic trouble which pulled me down until I could not put my foot to the floor and could scarcely do my work, and as I live on a small farm and raise six hundred chickens every year it made it very hard for me."  
"I saw the Compound advertised in our paper, and tried it. It has restored my health so I can do all my work and I am so grateful that I am recommending it to my friends."—Mrs. D. M. ALBERS, R. R. 4, Oregon, Ill.

Only women who have suffered the tortures of such troubles and have dragged along from day to day can realize the relief which this famous root and herb remedy, Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, brought to Mrs. Alters. "Women everywhere in Mrs. Alters' condition should profit by her recommendation, and if there are any complications write Lydia E. Pinkham's Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass., for advice." The result of their 40 years' experience is at your service.

**Daily Thought.**  
Degrees infinite of lustre there must always be, but the weakest among us has a gift, however seemingly trivial, which is peculiar to him and which, worthily used, will be a gift also to his race forever.—Ruskin.



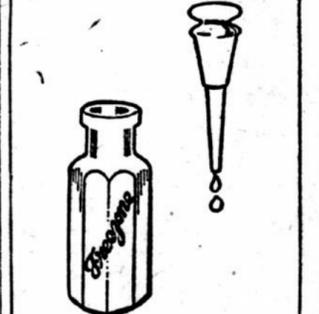
## IN THE SPRING

will be the great test of a life and death struggle on the Western front. In the everyday walks of life, it is the spring time that brings ill health. One of the chief reasons why the run-down man finds himself in a bad state of health in March or April, is because he has spent nearly all his hours for the past four or five months penned up within the walls of house, factory or office. It is the reason for our diminished resistance—that is, lack of out-door life, coupled with perhaps overeating, lack of good exercise, insufficient sleep, and constipation. In other words, we keep feeding the furnace with food but do not take out the "clinkers," and our fire does not burn brightly. Always keep the liver active. There is nothing better for health than taking an occasional mild laxative, perhaps once a week; such a one as you can get at any drug store, made up of May-apple, jalap, aloes, (sugar-coated, tiny, easily taken), which has stood the test of fifty years of approval—namely, Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets. But for the "Spring Fever," the general run-down condition, the lack of ambition, the "blues," one should take a course of treatment every spring; such a standard tonic as Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, now to be had in tablet form in sixty-cent vials. Watch the people gadding along the street. There's no spring no vitality. A vitalizing tonic such as this vegetable extract of Dr. Pierce's gives you the power to force yourself into action. The brain responds to the new blood in circulation, and thus you're ready to make a fight against stagnation which holds you in bondage. Try it now! Don't wait! Today is the day to begin. Gain a little "pep," and laugh and live. Gain vitality as the natural out-pouring of a healthy body. It does not spring up in a night. Try this spring tonic, and you gain the courage that comes with good health.

**Forced to Falsehood.**  
"I like a truthful man."  
"And yet," commented Miss Cayenne, "you wouldn't have any esteem for a dentist who owned up at the outset that he was going to hurt you terribly."

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