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Enemy Attack on the French Sector of Great Battle Front Has Stopped Although Artillery Fire is Being Kept Up on the Avre

London, April 6.—Along the whole front below Avette in the sector north of the Somme the struggle continued with violence until late yesterday evening.

The British position south of the Somme was improved to some extent by a counter-attack in the neighborhood of Hangard late yesterday, the war office announces.

Paris, April 6.—The German attack along the French sector of the battle front has ceased, to-day's official statement says. There was violent artillery fighting last night north and south of the Avre, but there were no infantry actions.

DENSE WAVES OF GERMANS ADVANCED ON CORBIE TO-DAY

London, April 6.—The Germans at daybreak this morning attacked the little town of Corbie in the valley of the Somme. Reuter's correspondent at the British headquarters reports that the enemy advanced in dense waves.

The British improved their positions east of Fonquevillers, north of the Somme, in a successful attack yesterday morning. The weather has improved.

FRENCH IMPROVED POSITIONS.

They Forced Germans Back South of Amiens.

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"Our troops have vigorously counter-attacked the enemy and have succeeded in improving their positions at several points, notably in the region of Mailly, Raineval and Cantigny, the north and west outskirts of which town are in our hands."

"The activity of both artilleries between Laassigny and Noyon have been continuously violent. A further gain of ground was realized this afternoon north of Mount Renaud."

"Aviation: On Wednesday we brought down five German airplanes and one captive balloon was destroyed by fire. During Tuesday night and Wednesday our bombing squadrons made numerous sorties and 23,000 kilograms (more than 25 tons) of projectiles were dropped on cantonments, stations and enemy establishments. Fires were caused, notably in the stations at Laon and St. Quentin. It is confirmed that from March 31 to April 3 five other enemy airplanes were destroyed by our pilots."

CLAIM 90,000 PRISONERS. Germans Also Assert They Have Captured 1,300 Guns.

Berlin, via London, April 6.—Ninety thousand prisoners and more than 4,300 guns have been captured by the Germans in their offensive on the western front up to the present, says the German official communication issued yesterday.

The communication adds that the Germans gained successes south of the Somme and on both sides of Meuse on Thursday, and that British and French reserves were repulsed in storming attacks.

"After a hard struggle we have taken between the Somme and the Luce rivers, Haenel and also the wooded districts northeast and southeast of Villers-Bretonne and the Castle and Mailly on the west bank of the Aves."

"We attacked yesterday south of the Somme and on both sides of Meuse and threw the enemy out from his strong positions. English and French reserves advanced against our troops. Their storming attack broke under our fire."

HEAVY GERMAN CASUALTIES. Were Sustained in Their Attack on Baucouy.

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MONTPELIER

Charles Randis Died Last Night After Long Illness with Cancer.

Charles Randis, who had been employed for 11 years as an engineer at the Pavilion, died at Heaton hospital during the night of cancer, after a long illness, having been taken to the hospital early in January. He was 59 years of age and came here from Brattleboro soon after T. J. Hooply bought the Pavilion and had been employed at the hotel all the time. He is survived by his wife, and a brother who lives in Chicago. The funeral will take place, it is expected, Monday morning.

At the meeting of the board of control held in Brandon Thursday the members of the board inspected the home for feeble-minded, suggesting some improvements which they considered necessary. They considered many matters pertaining to state affairs, which included the printing contracts for the different stations in the size of the report this year and the preliminary draft of the reports was provided. Some \$6,000 will be saved in the printing of the reports it is expected. The matter of assignment of the rooms in the new building was left until the board could meet here because it could not be done without being in the building under consideration.

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PARIS AGAIN REACHED.

German Long-Range Guns Are Finding the Target.

Paris, April 6.—The long-range bombardment of Paris was resumed this morning.

Everett Swasey Somewhat Improved.

Waterbury, April 6.—Word from the hospital in Montreal to-day stated that Everett Swasey, who was injured at the plant of the Canadian Explosives company, is more than holding his own, so the report is considered favorable. It seems that the accident happened 11 days ago.

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TANK LEADS PARADE IN BOSTON STREETS

Greatest Procession Ever Seen in That City Inaugurated the New England Campaign for Third Liberty Loan.

Boston, April 6.—The greatest parade ever held in the city passed through the Back Bay and downtown streets to-day to mark the first anniversary of America's entrance into the war and the start of the third Liberty loan campaign. The parade was made up chiefly of mercantile and industrial workers. Many bands and floats were reviewed at the State House by Governor McCall and the Polish mission to the United States.

The parade was headed by the British tank Britannia.

SURPRISING RESPONSE. Banks All Over New England Are Overwhelmed with Applications.

Boston, April 6.—Banks and trust companies in all parts of New England were overwhelmed with Liberty loan subscriptions to-day. The largest reported here was \$4,000,000 from the John Hancock Life Insurance company.

SOLDIERS MARCHED AT BALTIMORE

Twelve Thousand of Them Were Reviewed by President Wilson.

Baltimore, Md., April 6.—Twelve thousand men from Camp Meade paraded to-day in celebration of the opening of the Liberty loan campaign. The procession was reviewed by President Wilson.

TO INTERN MUCK FOR PERIOD OF WAR

Though He Claims Swiss Citizenship, the Department of Justice Saw Fit to Hold Him in Imprisonment.

Washington, D. C., April 6.—The internment of Dr. Karl Muck, former leader of the Boston Symphony orchestra, for the period of the war was ordered yesterday by the department of justice. Dr. Muck declared to be an alien enemy in spite of his claim of Swiss citizenship, will be turned over to the military authorities, who will decide where he shall be imprisoned.

The department holds that under the espionage law a "denizen" of Germany may be regarded as an enemy alien. Under this interpretation the fact that Dr. Muck's father, a German, was naturalized in Switzerland, while Dr. Muck was a minor, would be outweighed by Dr. Muck's record as a native of Germany and a resident of that country most of his life.

GUAY L. CHATFIELD.

Berlin Man Died in Burlington Hospital Friday Afternoon.

Guy L. Chatfield, a resident of Berlin for a long time, passed away at the Mary Fletcher hospital in Burlington yesterday afternoon. He was taken there on March 21 for an operation for ulceration of the stomach but he was not strong enough to sustain the operation. Since that time he has been steadily failing. The body was brought to the home of his parents in Berlin to-day, and the funeral will be held there Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, with interment in the cemetery at Berlin Corners.

Mr. Chatfield was born in Roxbury March 3, 1878, being the son of Lewis and Eda E. Chatfield. He moved to Berlin with his parents when he was eight years of age and was brought up in that town. He married Winnie Avery, and they went to live on a farm in Middlesex. Recently they returned to Berlin. He leaves, besides his wife, a daughter, Ruth; his parents, a sister Mrs. Ralph B. Demay of Montpelier, and a brother, Clyde Chatfield, who lives in Berlin.

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TORPEDOED ONCE, WRECKED TWICE

B. T. Gile Writes a Very Interesting Account of His Experience with German Submarine—His Vessel Sank with 21 Men.

The experience of a former Plainfield boy while shipping aboard the S. S. Alcedo is graphically told in a letter which B. T. Gile writes from France. The letter, mailed late in February, has been received by the young man's grandmother, Mrs. Helen M. Batchelder of Liberty street, and will be read with interest by the sailor's friends in this part of Washington county. His story runs as follows:

On the evening of Nov. 4, 1917, we and three other yachts left the French coast for the sea. The time, I believe, was 4 o'clock, and the late afternoon was a fine one. We fell into line and were still there when I came up from the watch below at 8 o'clock. Being somewhat tired I decided to take a bath and turn in for a good night's rest. The night was very dark and little could be seen. At times the moon ventured from behind a cloud and one could make out the black hulks of the other ships. The sea was calm and I had no trouble in keeping my feet and was soon in my bunk. Whether I snored or not I cannot say, but anyway, I sure slept sound once I hit the hay. It did not seem that I had slept very long before I was awakened by the shipmate that slept over me, and I heard the general alarm going Booo-Booo-Booo Bang! One foot was out of the bunk, but at the explosion I was thrown out and my head struck an iron stanchion which rendered me almost unconscious for the fraction of a moment. When I came to, I senses I was lying on the deck, and the water was sloshing over my body. Of course I did not lose any time getting to my feet and swinging myself to the deck above through the hatch. We were sinking fast and had a bad "list to port."

I noticed that the forward mast had been blown off and decided that by diving overboard and swimming out, I would find it and it would at least hold me up and many more. So I dove over and swam aft and in the course of 10 or 11 strokes was sitting astride of it. And in this position I watched the men leaving her as she gave one final scream from her siren as of a diving animal, and went under. That may be an old expression, but it is the way it seemed to me as I floated alongside of a raft upon which were three comrades and one was in the dory bailing it out. I climbed in over the stern sheets and started to bail with a hat that one of the men on the raft had. Someone came swimming alongside and one of us hollered and asked who it was. "Kaiser Bill," was the calm reply. "Let me say here that all the men were themselves throughout the trouble and no one was heard to whimper. We were soon in the dory and ready to pull the oars when who should pop into sight! "Come alongside," came the command. Of course we had no choice and did as requested, or commanded.

"Alcedo!"

"None. Running light for New York."

"How many guns?"

"Two."

"Vott tonnage?"

"Nineteen hundred."

"How many men?"

"One hundred and twenty-eight!"

The sub then started off and we asked the commander the way to land. He said go east by south, and then said, "No, go due east, it will be nearer"; so we started to row at about 2:30, and were picked up a mile off the coast by a French fishing smack, and there were two dory loads, numbering 20 in all. A wheat boat and a dory had pulled toward the northeast and were picked up by a French destroyer. We were welcomed by the French people and given clothes and food and beds for the night of the 5th.

The Alcedo was a yacht owned by Drexel of Philadelphia. She was torpedoed on the morning of the 4th of November at 1:37 and sank in four minutes. She carried a crew of 85. Twenty men and one officer were lost, a total of 21 men. We were picked up at 1:30 on the afternoon of the 5th, after about 12 hours of steady rowing. We were about 50 miles off the coast.

After a rest of about 20 days without any money for personal comforts, we were sent to other ships, and mine was the ill-fated Guinevere, which foundered on the rocks on Jan. 28. I then went to the U. S. S. Douglas and on the first trip out we hit the rocks, and slipped off in safety in the morning, for the third time, I think. We had a cat on board the Guinevere, that had jumped overboard from another ship just before she hit the rocks and went down, and she jumped overboard the day we hit the rocks. So when the Douglas hit the rocks, the captain said to me "Between you and that cat, you will sink the whole fleet!" There are good grounds between me and the cat to warrant superstition on the part of the superstitious ones.

Please excuse poor writing, as by the address you will see that I am in the hospital, but nothing serious. Must close now, as I am very tired. B. T. Gile.

MEADOW BROOK GOLFERS. Elected Joseph Fraser President at Meeting Last Evening.

The Meadow Brook Golf club, which conducts a much-frequented course on Brook street, held its annual business meeting in the Dan Gordon hall last evening and elected officers for the ensuing season. Despite the fact that calls to national service have made a heavy demand on the Meadow Brook golfers, the outlook for a successful season is excellent. The officers are: President, Joseph Fraser; vice-president, W. D. Gellatley; secretary, A. W. Frase; executive committee, Messrs. Fraser, Gellatley and A. W. Frase; exc. officer, A. Murray; J. Palmer, George Laing, and John Durand; handicaps committee, A. W. Frase, J. Miller, J. Frisland, W. Gellatley and Joseph Fraser; auditors