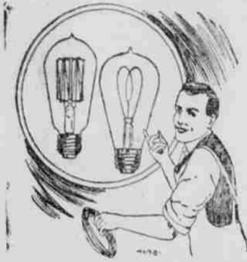


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PARIS CONCEDES GERMANS ON DEAD MAN'S HILL

Berlin Has Long Claimed Possession of Heights

36,000 FRENCH PRISONERS

Berlin Dispatch Insists That French Were Driven Out of Bethincourt.

London, April 12.—The battle of Verdun still goes on, first on one side of the Meuse and then on the other. The French official report admits that the Germans have obtained a footing in a few small trenches on Dead Man's Hill, west of Meuse. The Germans long since claimed the possession of this hill, but the French have not admitted it, and the height is apparently a part of the new French line that runs from Avocourt to Cumieres, in the center of which was the Bethincourt salient, from which the French recently withdrew.

A dispatch from Paris last night said that there was a cessation of the German infantry assaults to the west of the Meuse yesterday, although the bombardment of the French lines between Le Mort Homme and Cumieres continued, according to last night's official communication. A powerful attack, however, was delivered against the French trenches between Douaumont and Vaux east of the Meuse. The Germans at this point succeeded in gaining a foothold in some of the advanced trenches, but were driven out by a counter-attack.

Since February 21 the Germans have captured more than 36,000 French in the fighting about Verdun. The Overseas news agency announced at Berlin yesterday, "West of the Meuse about 25 square kilometers of ground has been occupied," the announcement says. "German newspapers point out that the French now say Bethincourt was evacuated in accordance with plans previously made. Nevertheless, it has been ascertained that an order was issued stating: 'This important place must be held in all circumstances.'" The fact that more than 700 unwounded French prisoners were taken and that the French losses in killed or wounded were far greater is proof that the French plan of evacuation could not be carried out as intended.

NEW YORK PICTURE MAN

Vermonters Chance to Act in the Movies. Ralph Newman is in town looking for prospective candidates for the big movie contest he is conducting for The Vermont Advance, a weekly newspaper published in Burlington. Mr. Newman's contest is very unique and ought to be very successful. It is not often that any one, except professional actors, gets a chance to take part in a movie, but that chance is now offered to all the people of Vermont by The Advance.

A moving picture will be made throughout the entire state, and will be acted by Vermonters, only. This picture will not consist merely of scenes of Vermont, but will be a real movie play with a plot, you know, hero, heroine, villain and all that sort of thing. Mr. Newman says there will be plenty of thrill also, and he ought to know.

He is going to write the scenario, which will be known as "A Vermont Romance."

This contest is creating much comment all over the state and many candidates have already entered. There will be 42 acting parts in the picture and every actor will be paid in cash.

After the picture is finished it will be seen in all Vermont theatres. If you are ambitious to act in the movies, here is your chance.

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H. J. COLE FINDS RELIC

Business Card of Charles G. Cole 43 Years Old Comes to Light.

A business card 43 years old, duplicate of which is printed in today's clothing advertisement of the Cole store in this paper, was brought to Mr. Cole's store this week by a patron. It was practically the first form of advertising which this enterprising concern put out.

The Cole clothing business was first opened in a stand which the Western Union telegraph office now occupies. A year later the founder, Charles G. Cole, who died in 1895, moved the business around the corner to the site of the Putnam house bar. From there the business was moved to the spot now occupied by the Wood Jewelry store. From there it went to the old Chandler building, the Chandler general store being taken over by Mr. Cole when the proprietor, Louis Chandler went west after the panic of 1873. The business was gradually simplified to clothing only and occupied other stands where Woolworth's store now is, and later where Mrs. Barney's millinery establishment is located. The present site in the opera house block dates back to 1893 when the partnership of Cole & Burt was dissolved and J. Oliver Burt opened a separate store. The present proprietor went to work for his step-father at about the time it was opened and succeeded to the management of the business on Mr. Cole's death. He has built up the business until at the present time it ranks as one of the leading clothing houses in Vermont.

SOCIALISTS IN A FIGHT

Schenectady Partisans Clash in Dr. Steinmetz's Laboratory.

Schenectady, April 11.—A meeting of the Socialist General County Committee called by Mayor George R. Lunn's lieutenant, D. J. Sweeney, and held at Dr. Charles P. Steinmetz's laboratory here tonight, ended in a free-for-all fight, which may lead to war riots being sworn out tomorrow.

EIGHT MORE SHIPS SUNK

Six British, One Spanish and One Norwegian. London, April 10.—The sinking of six more British steamships was reported today, as well as a Spanish steamer and a Norwegian steamer.

Lloyds announced early in the day the sinking of the British steamers Silksworth Hall and Glenalmond. The Captain and thirty men from the Silksworth Hall were landed. Three men were reported missing. The crew of the Glenalmond was saved.

A Reuter dispatch from Malta told of the sinking without warning of the British steamer Yonne, formerly the Kastalia. The crew was rescued. The British steamship Eastern City, a vessel of 4,342 tons gross, later, was reported sunk. According to information received at Lloyds the vessel was not armed, neither was any of the other British steamers reported sunk earlier in the day.

The British steamship Zetra also has been sunk, according to Lloyds report. A Lloyds dispatch from Cardiff, Wales, says the British steamship Libra has landed the Captain and crew of the Norwegian steamer Sjolyt, a vessel of 397 tons, which was sunk without warning by a torpedo from a German submarine at a point twenty-five miles north of the island of Ouessant, off the French coast, northwest of Brest.

NORTH BENNINGTON

The Woman's Missionary society of the Baptist church will hold their April meeting at the parsonage, Thursday afternoon at 2:30. Mrs. Edwin Hart has the program in charge.

After this date the local barbers will charge 25c. for hair cutting, the price for shaving, remaining the same. The barbers of North Bennington have kept their shops in a sanitary condition at all times, always using a fresh laundered towel for each customer, and they think they are entitled to the extra 5c. charge over the old price. They know of no other place where hair cutting has been done for 20c.

FOR BENNINGTON COUNTY DEVELOPEMENT AND BETTERMENT

This Department Edited by Secretary Willard W. Bartlett of the County Improvement Association

Popular subscription to build roads. During the time the money was being secured for the Bennington west road the question was raised as to the desirability of raising money for road purposes by popular subscription. The thought being that this divides the burden unevenly.

Yes, it does divide the burden, (let us say opportunity,) it divides the opportunity unevenly. You and I bear more than our share, but I am proud of the fact that I can sometimes bear more than my share and so are you. Few things do more for the whole life and spirit of a community than to have large numbers of citizens group together and give for some public purpose, give with the spirit of helping, without thought of personal return or advantage, give just because they love to help along things that are good.

There exist good citizens in every community who cannot give, who, because of inability to earn money or because of inability to deny themselves anything desired, can do no more than look after their personal interests. Then no one object can expect all to contribute to it, no one can meet every request; we must choose the ones we believe in the most, and if it seems that we are doing more than our share, remember that others are doing more than their share for things that benefit us. But probably the greatest single thing which keeps us from giving as we might is because we have never formed the habit.

Many of us have never formed the habit of trying to give as generously as possible and to as many good objects as possible. Every year we waste much money on personal trifles and whims which are of almost no consequence, when we might give this money to public purposes where it would count tremendously.

The securing of the money for the west road in Bennington has been a wonderful thing. Contributions, large and small, came from all sides, rich and poor, interested and not interested. The spirit shown will be felt in the community for a long time. The habits formed will aid many other public movements. Far better to vote a tax of \$2,500 and give voluntarily, without thought of duty or return, than to vote a tax of \$5,000. Let us be proud that we had a part in this undertaking, let us be proud that we can earn enough and manage well enough and that we have the habit of giving. Let us see how much we can earn (fairly and unselfishly), how low we can keep our personal needs, let us be satisfied with slowly accumulating savings, and then let us give, give, let it be the pride of our lives to see how many good things we can stand back of and how generously we can give to them.

NAME WESTERN DELEGATES

Democrats of Kansas and Oklahoma Extol President Wilson. Hutchinson, Kan., April 11.—Kansas Democrats, meeting in State Convention today, elected delegates at large to the St. Louis Convention, re-elected W. F. Sapp of Galena National Committeeman, and adopted resolutions extolling the Administration of President Wilson.



War Blind Relief

An effort is being made in this county to raise funds for a permanent blind relief fund.

Charles H. Dewey, treasurer of the Bennington County savings bank, has consented to act as treasurer for the fund in this section and will receive contributions, small or large, and forward them to the central office in New York.

The war is sure to leave thousands of blind victims who will need help, at least until they can be trained to become self-supporting, and this charity should appeal to all generous people. CHAS. H. DEWEY, Treasurer Forward gifts promptly.

RICHARD HARDING DAVIS DEAD

Famous Author Died Suddenly Late Last Night.

New York, April 12.—Richard Harding Davis, famous author and correspondent died suddenly last night at his home at Mount Kisco. He returned recently from Greece where he spent some time at Saloniki.

COUNTESS HAS RECOVERED

Former Gladys Vanderbilt, Who Had Smallpox, Seeks Return to Front.

London, Wednesday, April 12.—The correspondent of The Daily Express at Geneva says news has been received at Zurich that Countess Szehenyi, formerly Gladys Vanderbilt, who recently was decorated by Emperor Francis Joseph for Austrian Red Cross work, has recovered from a recent attack of smallpox and now wants to go with the Red Cross to the front lines.

BENNINGTON BRIEFS

News of the Town and Village Told Briefly for Busy Readers

Opera House tomorrow, America's favorite co-stars Herbert Kealey and Edie Shannon in a five-part masterly production of an unusual modern drama, "The Sphinx".

IS BENNINGTON COUNTY MAN

Lucius E. Wilson Who Speaks at the Board of Trade Banquet.

Among other things Bennington county can claim the foremost man of the country in advance movement along board of trade lines. Lucius E. Wilson, the founder of the American City Bureau, has a summer home at East Dorset and last summer when this bureau established a summer school for the training of young men to take positions as secretaries of boards of trade in different cities in which this bureau was active, the first session of the school was held at East Dorset. It is hoped that this will become a permanent feature of Bennington county and every summer increasingly large numbers of young men will come to East Dorset for the board of trade activities.

Mr. Wilson first made his mark in the world eleven years ago when he was secretary of the Greater Des Moines committee. It was while he was secretary there that what is known as the Des Moines plan of city government was adopted. This is a form of commission government for cities on which all later commission plans have been modeled. Next he conducted a campaign for the board of commerce in the city of Detroit, which made it second in income and membership in the United States, the Boston Chamber of Commerce being first. Afterwards he conducted a campaign in Dayton, Ohio, which gave that city a city manager. It was an undertaking of great difficulty, but the results more than justified the effort.

OFFICIALS VISIT ELKS

Officers Installed and Initiation of Candidates Last Evening.

District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler J. G. Brown of Montpelier made his official visit to Bennington lodge of Elks last evening and about 50 Elks were present at the installation of officers for the ensuing year and the initiation which was held. With the district deputy were also Grand Esquire Charles Pennington of Rutland, Exalted Ruler C. V. Poulin of Rutland and Arthur Chisholm of the Brooklyn lodge whose headquarters are now at Burlington.

The officers of Bennington lodge and past exalted rulers entertained the guests at dinner at the Putnam house at 6:30, about 15 being present. The lodge convened for work at 8:30 and following the work a dinner was served by the retiring house committee composed of George E. Donnelly, H. Harry Sharpe, William P. Hogan, and Dr. P. S. Braley.

The officers installed were: Exalted ruler, Thomas F. Fitzgerald; Esteemed Leading Knight, Joseph A. Evans; Esteemed Loyal Knight, Edward I. Sibley; Esteemed Lecturing Knight, Albert T. Schwartz; Secretary, H. Harry Sharpe; treasurer, George P. Graves; Tyler, L. Alden Graves; trustees for three years, E. H. Holden. At the conclusion of the work, District Deputy Brown commended the manner in which it was put on. Later a lunch was served.

BORDER STIRRED BY RUMOR THAT VILLA IS DEAD

His Capture, if Alive, Expected Within Forty-Eight Hours

HAS BEEN SHOT THREE TIMES

American Aviators Convinced That Bandits Wounds Were of a Fatal Nature.

El Paso, Tex., April 12.—The pursuit of Francisco Villa probably will be brought to a conclusion within 48 hours, according to information received here yesterday, by an American mining concern with large interests at Parral and Torreon. The "message" stated that the report Villa was dead was current throughout southern Chihuahua and northern Durango and, while it was far from confirmed, it was expected that definite news would be received within the next few days.

The villa of Santa Rosalia, about 60 miles northeast of Parral, was attacked and sacked by about 100 Villa bandits two days ago, according to reports received by Gen. Pershing and brought to Columbus by aeroplane by Lieutenants Barge and Gorrell. Carranza forces and Villa bandits clashed about 50 miles south of Chihuahua City last Friday, the Villa forces being defeated.

"There seems no doubt that Villa was wounded," said Lieut. Barge, "conversations with natives and with physicians having convinced me that he was shot through both legs, one of them being broken by a bullet, while another shot lodged in his stomach. A man in that condition, without medical attention, could scarcely live long."

"BENNINGTON BIRD LIFE"

Program Arranged by Mrs. Ross for Next Fortnightly Meeting.

The annual meeting of the Fortnightly at the Congregational chapel Saturday afternoon will close the twenty-fourth season with a very fine program on "Bennington Bird Life" arranged by Mrs. Lucretius H. Ross, which will include music both vocal and instrumental. Mrs. Arthur J. Holden will play selections whose motives have been suggested to the composers by bird songs or by verses written upon such themes, and the songs will also be of this class. The music of the afternoon will be of especial interest as the club will use a beautiful new cabinet grand piano which will be shipped from the Ivers & Pond factory for this meeting.

It is hoped that a large number will attend, not only on account of the attractive program, which also includes a social tea, but also to show interest in the annual election, at which will be elected four new officers, president, vice-president, treasurer and assistant treasurer.

It is expected that the club treasury will show a balance large enough to allow the usual contributions, and several matters of interest to all members will be presented for formal vote.

During the social tea which closes the afternoon, there will be music and a pleasant opportunity offered for an informal reception to the new officers and to those retiring from several years of active service to the club.

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