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### GERMAN DRIVES YIELD NO FURTHER GAINS

#### BRITISH STILL HOLDING YPRES SALIENT; GERMAN ADVANCE STOPPED

Special to the Nugget by Associated Press:

LONDON, April 27.—Continuing their counter attacks east of Amiens, the allies have gained further advantages on the Hangard-Villers Bretonneux sector east of Amiens by wresting away a large portion of the territory recently captured by the Germans along that front, according to the official War Office reports this morning.

In addition to the improvement of their positions on the Somme front, the allies also brought the German drive against the Ypres salient to a complete standstill yesterday afternoon after a battle of almost unprecedented violence in which the attacking Teutons sustained huge losses of men, including a large number of prisoners.

The reports indicate that the British are still holding the Ypres line, although compelled to a short retirement by the capture of Kemmel Hill yesterday.

The report of the British commander announces that the French forces on the Ypres salient have recaptured all lost positions from the vicinity of Loere to the village of Lactyite, west of Kemmel, in the course of bitter fighting in which the Germans sacrificed large numbers of men in desperate efforts to retain the captured positions.

As a result of the determined allied resistance north of the Lys, the severe German advance has been stopped at all points north of the river and huge losses have been inflicted on the enemy forces.

The Teutons attacked heavily along the front south of Ypres yesterday afternoon with the bulk of the German attack centering around the small village of Voormezele, two miles south of Ypres. Although hard pressed by the terrific German drives, the British managed to retain possession of the village and also took hundreds of prisoners during the course of the fighting.

The retention of Voormezele by the British appears to have proven the turning point of the battle as the Teutons were unable to make further progress at any point north of the Lys following their failure to dislodge the British from that position.

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#### Germans Forced To Reorganize Forces on Flanders Front

WITH THE BRITISH FORCES IN THE FIELD, April 27.—After futilely hammering the Franco-British positions around Kemmel hill for hours yesterday afternoon and evening, General Von Arnim, Commander of the German forces on the Ypres sector, paused in his drive last night and no large infantry activities developed along that section of the front during the remainder of the night.

The German artillery continued to hammer the allied positions during the early morning hours, however, indicating that the Teutons are expecting to continue their efforts in that region.

No fresh German offensive had started up to date this morning but a renewal of the fighting is expected hourly.

Military observers say the pause in the German drive was undoubtedly due to the necessity of reforming and reorganizing the Teuton forces before the attack can be continued.

#### French Frustrate German Attack Near Thannes.

PARIS April 27.—The morning report of the War Office announces that the French forces broke up a heavy German attack near the village of Thannes in the region southeast of Amiens inflicting severe losses on the attacking forces.

The Germans are continuing their artillery activities today and a heavy artillery action is in progress between Hangard and Villers Bretonneux this morning.

#### Loss of Kemmel Fails to Disorganize Allies.

DATELESS (SUMMARY BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)—Reports from the front today disclose that the loss of Mount Kemmel evidently failed to disorganize the allied resistance in the Ypres region as the British and French are still holding the Ypres salient, having fallen back only a trifle along the lower Ypres front.

Reports reaching the British War Office indicate that instead of being disorganized by the Teuton capture of Kemmel, the allied line seems stiffened thereby instead of being weakened. This seems determined by the utter failure of the Teutons to make further headway along the Ypres sector. After striving with the utmost desperation yesterday, the Teutons were held everywhere along the Ypres line and failed to take any of the flanking positions in the regions east and west of Kemmel which were made the later objectives of the German offensive.

Although driving against the Franco-British lines with great vigor, the Teutons failed to take Loere, west of Kemmel and also failed to dislodge the allies from their hold on the village of Voormezele, two miles south of Ypres. Terrific fighting raged around both places yesterday afternoon but the German efforts to capture the two positions failed completely.

Military observers yesterday seemed disposed to forecast the abandonment of the Ypres salient by the allied forces as a result of the fall of Kemmel but the British War Office states that abandonment is not necessary as the allies are maintaining a stiff hold at all points along the Ypres sector today.

#### LIBERTY LOAN NOW TOTALS 3,113,998,350

Special to the Nugget By Associated Press

WASHINGTON, April 27.—As a result of the increase of public enthusiasm created by the Liberty Day celebration yesterday, the total loan subscription has passed the two billion dollar mark and is well started on the way to the three billion dollar return asked by the government at the beginning of the drive.

With the Liberty Loan sales yesterday not completely reported as yet, the total subscription figures issued by the Treasury department today place the amount of money subscribed at \$2,113,998,350.

This represents an increase of \$157,221,700 over the preceding day.

#### Twelfth District Reports Total Sixty Seven Millions

SEATTLE, April 27.—Liberty Loan returns reported by the loan headquarters for the Twelfth Reserve district today are as follows: A total of 706 Honor Flags have been awarded in the Twelfth Federal Reserve district to date. Total subscription returns for the district are \$67,959,350. Idaho and Hawaii and also Southern California have "gone over the top" by filling their quotas, Washington and Nevada are also oversubscribed, making a total of six states of the district which have filled their quotas. The town of Ketchikan, Alaska, has been awarded an Honor Star for oversubscriptions.

#### BRITISH WAR LOSSES COMPARATIVELY LIGHT

Special to the Nugget by Associated Press:

LONDON, April 27.—That the total British war losses for the past week of intense fighting are far below the casualties sustained in the British drive of last year is disclosed by the official casualty list published by the War Office today showing that in spite of the heavy fighting of the past seven days, the losses are far below those attending the 1917 offensive.

The total casualties for the week are placed at eighteen thousand three hundred and sixty nine. Three thousand and sixty nine of this number were killed in action or died of wounds received in battle.

The report demonstrates conclusively that in spite of the almost unprecedented severity of the fighting, the British casualties are only just beginning to approach the high figures of last year when the British took the offensive.

As compared to the huge losses sustained by the Germans in their massed drives, the British losses are considered of trifling dimensions by the military critics.

#### CLOSING OUT

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COPPER MAGNATE CHOSEN TO REORGANIZE AVIATION PROGRAM.

Special to the Nugget by Associated Press

WASHINGTON, April 26.—Earlier prophecies to the effect that President Wilson intended to place a man in charge of the reorganization of the government airplane program who had not hitherto been connected with the administration's aero activities, were fulfilled today with the announcement that John D. Ryan, the widely known copper magnate and railroad man, has been named by President Wilson as the director of the army aircraft production program and has been given full authority to reorganize the American aviation section of the Signal Corps.

The appointment of Ryan is in keeping with the apparent intention of the president to place the direction of government war activities under the control and direction of business men whenever possible.

Recent statements of the President indicate that he has been profoundly impressed by the results obtained in England through the action of the government in placing business men of established reputation in charge of the government war production activities and immense benefits achieved thereby. Ryan is the present president of the Amalgamated Copper Co., the United Metals Selling Co., International Smelting and Refining Co., and many other large concerns.

### GERMAN DRIVE CAUSING UNEASINESS IN ENGLAND

Special to the Nugget by Associated Press:

LONDON, April 27.—That the progress of the Germans in the drive on the French Channel ports is causing considerable uneasiness in England is well indicated by the tone of press comment.

Morning newspapers commenting on the Flanders battle and the long-

continuance of the present undetermined situation are impressing upon the people of England the necessity for putting forth their utmost efforts in preventing the Teutons winning a way to the French coast, particularly in the matter of furnishing more men to supply the wasting entailed in the severe and ceaseless fighting attending the present German drive.

Several of the papers adopt a pessimistic tone regarding the situation the News stating in open terms that the situation has changed seriously for the worst during the past two days on the Flanders front and declaring that the German drive toward the English Channel is becoming a matter for serious concern.

A majority of the papers intimate the view that the resources of the British nation must be drawn upon to the ultimate degree if the Germans are to be prevented from reaching their objectives on the coast.

The failure of the allies to develop the expected counter offensive has apparently caused a considerable depression in the public mind through arousing a fear that the allies are unable to turn the tide of battle against the Germans.

Military critics point out, however, that the Teutons are fighting with superior forces of men and profess the opinion that an attempt to inaugurate a counter offensive under such conditions is inadvisable at the present time.

"IF MY FOLKS KNEW I WAS PLAYING IN THE EAGLE MINSTREL SHOW, THEY'D DIE OF SHAME. (THEY THINK I'M A SHOP-LIFTER)"

EASTMAN JURY REPORTED UNABLE TO AGREE . . . . .

Special to the Nugget by Associated Press:

NEW YORK April 27.—The trial jury in the case of the government against Max Eastman and other associated with him in the publication of the Socialist journal, The Masses, is reported unable to agree.

Eastman and his associates are charged by the government with publication of seditious articles of a highly treasonable character.

#### CLOSING OUT

MENS \$5.00 STETSON HATS—NOW \$2.50 AT THE NONPAREIL

#### THRILLING INCIDENT OF ZEEBURGGE RAID

Special to the Nugget by Associated Press:

DOVER, England, April 26.—A thrilling incident of the British raid on the German submarine base at Zeebrugge, Belgium, Sunday, was the rescue by American built launches of nearly two hundred members of the crews of the two blockading ships which were sunk at the entrance of the Bruges canal in an attempt to bottle up the German divers within their sheltered retreat in the canal basin at Bruges.

According to eye witnesses of the daring attempt to block the entrance to the diver base, the feat of the American boats was one of the most thrilling character. The launches dashed to the rescue of the crews under a heavy fire from the enemy batteries and succeeded in picking up a majority of the men aboard the two vessels. The work of taking the crews from the sinking ships was accomplished in remarkable time, the actual transfer from the blockading ships to the launches being accomplished in less than five minutes. The launches then sped swiftly back to the ships of the raiding fleet with the shots of the enemy throwing dashes of water over their occupants.

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BLUE BUTTON