

DESPERATE GERMANS STIFFEN RESISTANCE TO BRITISH

South Bend Men Win "Straws" at Ft. Harrison Tuesday

COMMISSIONS AWARDED TO 13 LOCAL MEN

Second Officers' Training Camp at Fort Harrison Closes Tuesday With Graduation Exercises.

The official list of Indiana men commissioned at the second officers' training camp, Fort Benjamin Harrison, is made public in two divisions. The first was announced today. This list will be found on page 11. The remainder will be announced Wednesday by the camp commander.

News-Times Special Service: FORT BENJAMIN HARRISON, Ind., Nov. 27.—Sixteen hundred happy men were today commissioned officers in the United States army at the close of the second officers' training camp.

- EMANUEL S. FERRIAS—1st Lt.—Inf., N. A. FREDERICK CLYDE BAESKE—1st Lt.—Inf., O. R. C. J. H. JONES, Jr.—2nd Lt.—Inf., O. R. C. JEWELL A. LONGLEY—2nd Lt.—Inf., O. R. C. ARTHUR R. MAC DONALD—1st Lt.—Inf., O. R. C. ROBERT PAUL M'DONALD—2nd Lt.—F. A., O. R. C. HUGH B. MVICKER—2nd Lt.—S. O. R. C. ELVIE L. POTTER—1st Lt.—Inf., O. R. C. OTIS S. ROMINE—Capt.—Inf., O. R. C. GAAL W. SEYBOLD—2nd Lt.—Inf., O. R. C. JOHN L. SLICK—2nd Lt.—Inf., O. R. C. CHARLES N. STEDMAN—1st Lt.—Inf., O. R. C. HENRY M. THOMAS—2nd Lt.—S. S., O. R. C.

The "graduation" exercises began at 9 o'clock and from noon on special trains carried hundreds of men to their homes in Pennsylvania, Chicago, West Virginia, Kentucky and Indiana for brief visits before going into active service. Some of these commissioned will be called into active service only as the occasion requires.

Cheers for Read. Lieut. Col. Read, commander of the camp, was given a rousing cheer at the close. Under his direction the Fort Harrison camp became known as one of the best in the country. Three thousand one hundred men entered the camp; only 1,800 were commissioned today.

2,907 THROUGH AT SHERIDAN. FORT SHERIDAN, Ill., Nov. 27.—Reveille sounded at 8:30 o'clock today for the soldier career of 2,907 officer students at the Fort Sheridan training camp. At the same hour taps sounded for the second reserve officers' training camp.

Generals Report on Tour of the Fighting Fronts

International News Service: WASHINGTON, Nov. 27.—Six major generals, in command of national guard divisions, reported to Acting Chief of Staff Biddle at the war department today on the things they saw in a six weeks' tour of the French and British fighting fronts in France and Belgium. The officers arrived at an Atlantic port yesterday. After a few days spent at the army war college in Washington they will return to their commands.

AMERICAN NAVY HIGHLY PRAISED

British Admiralty Commends Work of U. S. Flotilla Against U-boats.

International News Service: WASHINGTON, Nov. 27.—The work of the American naval flotilla in European waters again has been warmly commended by Vice Admiral Bayly, the British officer in charge of general submarine operations reaching here today states that the British vice admiral has sent to Admiral Benson, now in Paris attending the inter-allied conference there, a lengthy communication reciting notable work by various units of the American squadron and praising by name Vice Admiral Sims and a number of his subordinates.

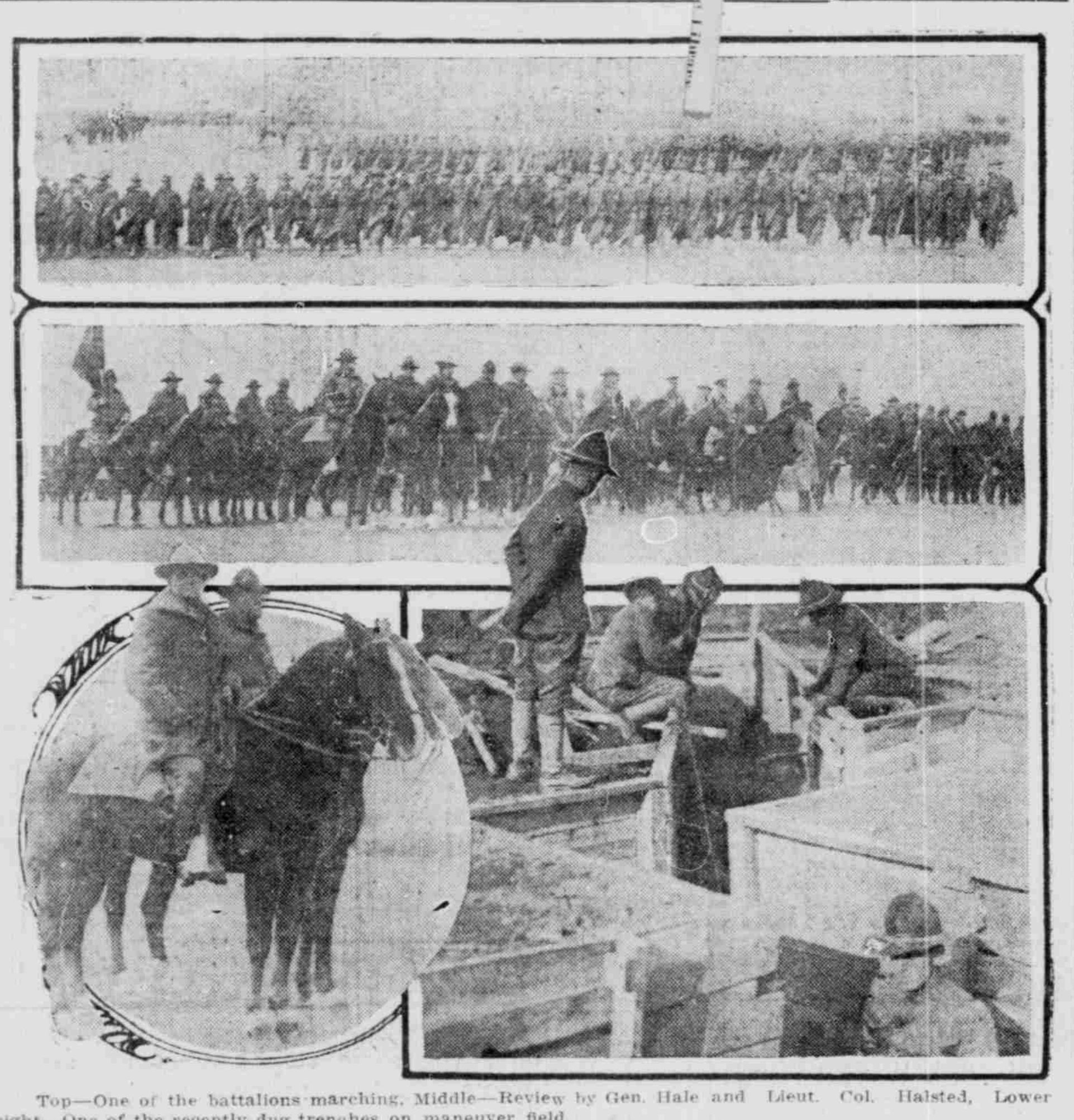
Carry on Aggressive War. The American-British-French anti-submarine squadrons now are carrying the war directly to the submarines. They have adopted new plans which officials here said today are most effective. As a result the German U-boats no longer find an open lane to the Atlantic and several of them have recently been driven into shallow waters and destroyed.

REFUSE TO CHANGE COKE FREIGHT RATE

International News Service: WASHINGTON, Nov. 27.—The interstate commerce commission today refused to disturb the rate of \$1.95 a ton on coke from Connellsville, Pa., and Fairmont, Va., to Bucyrus, Crestline, Gallon and Marion, O., and dismissed the complaint of the Gallon Iron Works and Mfg. Co. that the rate was too high.

Follow the "Truth About Germany" By Marie Bonini Brown See Page 6

Lincoln Division, Camp Zachary Taylor, Passing in Review



Top—One of the battalions marching. Middle—Review by Gen. Hale and Lieut. Col. Halsted. Lower right—One of the recently dug trenches on maneuver field.

HOLD WOMAN ON LARCENY CHARGE

Anna Raffleman Believed Connected With Robbery of Blacksmith's Savings.

Mrs. Anna Raffleman, of Chicago, was bound over to the circuit court grand jury on charges of grand larceny and conspiracy to commit larceny in connection with the theft of \$4,000 from Himan Silberman, a blacksmith, on Tuesday, Oct. 9, by Judge Hammerschmidt in city court Tuesday morning. Bond was fixed at \$5,000.

Have Counterfeit Outfit. Vexed charges that Silberman had drawn the money from the banks in order to use it in a counterfeiting scheme were made by the defense. A black leather handbag, found on the Silberman premises the day following the disappearance of the \$4,000, was introduced as evidence by the state, and was found to contain a number of small bottles, which had at one time contained liquids of different colors, several rubber finger-protectors, two iron clamps, and other paraphernalia, said by the prosecuting attorney to be part of a counterfeiter's outfit.

Talk With Thieves. The evidence of the state brought out the fact that Mrs. Raffleman had been seen and heard talking with the two men believed to have stolen the blacksmith's money. The names of the two men, according to the story Silberman told the police the day after the robbery, were Rudolph and Gordon. Mrs. Raffleman was arrested in Chicago a few days after the robbery, at the request of the local police department, who got her name from Silberman. She has been out on \$5,000 bond since her arrest.

"SLOW WASTAGE OF ENEMY FORCES BY OFFENSIVES WILL WIN" —BAKER

Secretary of War Says Germany Took Offensive in Italy to Divert Allies' Attacks in West But Success of British at Cambrai Dashes Their Hopes.

International News Service: WASHINGTON, Nov. 27.—Declaring that "the week just closed has been one very favorable to the allied arms," Sec'y of War Newton D. Baker in his weekly review of war conditions, today paid high tribute to both the British and Italian arms. Germany, he declares, took the offensive in Italy to extricate herself from the increasingly difficult position in which the German arms find themselves on the west front. This has failed, the secretary says. Summing up the result and the outlook: Mr. Baker says:

"It is the wastage of the enemy forces, the slow, yet relentless sapping of the man power by continued and sudden offensive thrusts, which must eventually result in the softening of his line in the west. This is the ultimate objective of the series of intensive offensives so successfully pursued by the allies during the past six months, and is even more important than the gain in territory." The complete review as made public by the secretary is as follows:

MARTIAL LAW TO RULE IN HARBORS

Atlantic Ports Will be First to be Put Under Precautionary Guard.

International News Service: WASHINGTON, Nov. 27.—All harbors on the Atlantic coast capable of docking a 500-ton ship soon will have their water fronts put under martial law. The department of justice today is receiving detailed information regarding docks and piers from all Atlantic seaport towns. Drafting of regulations will be undertaken at once and regular troops soon will be on hand to challenge all those seeking to approach water fronts where docks or piers are located. After Atlantic water fronts have been put under martial law, the plan will be extended to gulf ports and then to the Pacific coast and the great lakes.

"GOOD WILL" WORKERS GET FINE RESPONSE

Scattered Reports Indicate Probable Success of Campaign For City's Charity Federation.

A total of \$628 had been reported to the Federation headquarters in the Chamber of Commerce building before noon today as having been collected by the canvassers of the "Good Will" fund of \$44,000 to be raised in the city for the 12 civic organizations. Including the \$10,000 or more that had been subscribed to the fund before the opening of the campaign, more than one-fourth of the quota had been collected. The amount reported before 12 o'clock today was but a fraction of the total, as many of the 350 canvassers continued working through the noon hour without making any report to headquarters.

The following contributions were reported this morning: W. K. Lampert, \$25; C. O. Maus, \$5; Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Neidhardt, \$10; Engman-Matthews Range Co., \$50; Harry A. Engman, jr., \$50; H. S. Cover, \$10; Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Frederick, \$20. C. E. Lee, \$25; Thomas A. Olney, \$40; W. W. Austin, \$50; J. C. Ellsworth, \$100; D. E. Cummins, \$40; H. M. Sanders, \$50.

Mrs. Marian C. Sawyer, \$2; Mrs. Elizabeth Clenny, \$1; Mrs. Sarah Irwin, \$10; Mrs. K. C. DeRhodes, \$15; Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Duncan, \$10; Dr. H. E. Vitou, \$5; H. M. Kauffman, \$25; Beltner's Sons, \$50. Manager is Confident. Fred Wiedman, general manager of the campaign, stated Tuesday noon that the few reports made up to that hour showed better success of the canvassers than of the previous year, and that subscriptions were being obtained this year from sources unknown to have subscribed for the same cause heretofore. He is confident that the full quota of \$44,000 will be reached by the canvassers at the completion of the campaign tonight.

Divide City Into Sections. The city was divided into sections, making blocks, precincts and wards the units, with a general for each ward, and a captain for each precinct, all to be under the general supervision of Mr. Wiedman, the general manager.

The expenses of conducting the one-day "drive" for the \$44,000 fund have been cut in every possible way. Noonday lunches for the workers were eliminated, and the workers continued their canvass right on through the noon hour. This was done for two reasons. It cuts out the expense of luncheon for the workers, and it does not take them from their work for an hour during the middle of the day when such valuable work can be accomplished.

Use Pledge Cards Today. The canvass today was made through the means of pledge cards on which the giver indicates the amount of his or her donation, and the manner in which the payments are to be made. The following are 12 civic organizations included in the Federation for Social Service and the amounts being asked for them in the \$44,000 "drive" today:

- Anti-Tuberculosis league, \$1,000. Associated Charities, \$5,500. Children's dispensary, \$5,000. Circle of Mercy day nursery, \$9,200. Epworth hospital, \$5,000. Florence Crittenton circle, \$900. Humane society, \$500. Orphans' home, \$2,500. St. Joseph hospital, \$5,000. Salvation army, \$1,500. Visiting Nurses' association, \$2,000. Y. W. C. A., \$5,000.

Major Narrowly Misses Death in Heavy Shelling

International News Service: WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, Nov. 27.—An American major general, who has been visiting the British and French front had an exciting experience near Arras, while accompanied by an aide. The Germans violently started shelling the position being visited, three projectiles falling very near the party. The general and his aide were ordered into a dugout by their escort where they remained for 15 minutes until the cannonading became less violent.

MRS. DE SAULLES' STORY UNSHAKEN

Defendant in Murder Trial Stands Cross-Examination Unperturbed.

International News Service: MINEOLA, L. I., Nov. 27.—Unperturbed and unmoved Mrs. Blanca DeSaulles, charged with the murder of her husband, Jack DeSaulles, went through cross-examination today as placidly as though attending an afternoon tea. Try as he might, Dist. Atty. Weeks found it utterly impossible to get her confused. She repeated dates, names and occurrences as authentically and quickly as though her trouble were but of yesterday. She recalled all—all but the shooting and the day following which she spent in the Nassau county jail. Smilingly confident, the colorless defendant also denied remembering a conversation she had on the day following the shooting with the district attorney.

Recalls Nothing of Day. She recalled nothing on that day—nothing until the day following when her present counsel, Henry Uterhart, called on her. The witness denied she had given details of her married life to her counsel so that he in turn could give out interviews to the New York papers. The interviews had to do with the alleged gay life of Jack DeSaulles.

Mrs. DeSaulles could not, or did not recall of having secured the services of Mr. Uterhart, or of her attending physician, Dr. J. S. Wright. She said she "supposed someone else took care of those things." Confesses She's Tired. Occasionally she smiled. The thin lips widened into a straight line, and her big dark brown eyes dispelled, at least during the smiles, any suggestions of apathy. In those instances she was again the beautiful Chilean girl.

With a smile that reflected throughout the courtroom, Mrs. DeSaulles told the prosecuting attorney that she was growing very tired. "Do you mean that I become tiresome to you as I ask you these questions?" asked the attorney. "Yes," she said, smilingly, "very much so." The court then recessed for the noon hour.

Find Aerial Bomb in Detroit, Hurl it Into River

International News Service: DETROIT, Mich., Nov. 27.—John Boyle, former for the Consumers Gravel Co., found a perfect aerial bomb, fitted on one end with a percussion cap that would have detonated the explosives it contained on the Grand Trunk railroad track in Chelsea, near the river, this morning. Police after examining the bomb, declared it to be highly explosive and threw it in the Detroit river. No clue has been found to show where it came from. SCHOOLS CLOSED THURSDAY. The schools throughout the city will be closed on Thursday and Friday for the Thanksgiving holidays. Many of the teachers will go to their homes for the vacation.

"HOLD CAMBRAI AT ALL COSTS," HINDENBURG

Counter Attacks by Germans in Bourlon Wood Repulsed, However, and British Consolidate Gains.

International News Service: LONDON, Nov. 27.—Reforming their shattered forces, the Germans renewed their counter attacks in front of Cambrai during the night, but all were repulsed, the war office announced today. British positions at the north-west corner of Bourlon wood were heavily assaulted, but the attacks were crushed by the terrific fire of British artillery and machine guns. Bourlon wood, which was the scene of violent fighting on Sunday, lies less than two miles west of Cambrai and just north of the ruins of what was once the village of Fontaine Notre Dame. It rests upon high ground which dominates the German stronghold of Cambrai and so long as they retain it the British can rake Cambrai with their fire.

Furious Fight in Wood. Bourlon wood is the farthest point that the British lines have been advanced in the encircling movement against Cambrai and the Germans are struggling furiously but fruitlessly to dislodge them. The wood is slightly less than three miles from the Arras-Cambrai road and when this highway is cut Field Marshal Haig's forces will have opened the way for a drive behind the defenses of Queant. Field Marshal von Hindenburg, the driving force of the great German war machine, has ordered that "Cambrai be held to the last man," according to statements made by prisoners captured in the fierce struggle raging around Bourlon wood. As the German line in the west stands today the fall of this stronghold would be a strategic calamity to the Germans, and the divisions battered into wrecks by the British drive against the Cambrai defenses are being reformed and sent back into the fray as fast as the officers can perform the task.

Artillery Hushed to Front. German artillery, held in reserve at the base of Lille, has been rushed to the front and is now posted behind Cambrai, Queant and Bullecourt shelling the British lines. That Field Marshal Haig has the German guessing is shown by their nervousness. Dispatches from the front today said that German batteries all along the front from Lens to St. Quentin keep a steady shower of star shells lighting up the field from sunset to dawn, not knowing where the next thrust will be made.

The Germans apparently fear the British tanks more than they do the infantry for the tank attack delivered on the first day of the attack did more than anything else to smash the Hindenburg line and they have put a wholesome fear into the hearts of the Teutons. In front of Cambrai the British have continued to launch their chief pressure northwest of Cambrai, attempting to drive between the German base and Queant and thus get in the rear of the German defenses along the Droocourt-Queant switch a series of positions supporting the northern end of the Hindenburg line.

The big objective of the British, which lies behind all of the offensive operations in northern France since the opening of the attacks in the spring is to break through to the French coal fields and industrial district which lies behind the Hindenburg line. Military experts express the opinion that the fighting will continue through the winter, in spite of inclement weather and muddy terrain. GRIEF DRIVES HER TO DEATH. International News Service: CLEVELAND, Ohio, Nov. 27.—Mrs. Walter Couse, 47 years old, ended her life by leaping off a 20-foot cliff on the rocky shore of Lake Erie this morning. Grief over the death of a daughter is believed the cause. She was attacked only in a nightmare.