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BRITISH SMASH GERMAN LINES

TEUTONS LAUNCH HEAVY GAS ATTACK **AGAINSTAMERICANS**

Fifteen Thousand Mustard Shells Followed By Intense Artillery Fire; Enemy Airplanes Appear at Same Time: One Brought Down and Another Damaged By Anti-Aircraft Guns.

(By Associated Press.)

With the American Forces on the French Front, May 6 .-The Germans launched a heavy gas attack against the American troops on the Picardy front during the night. Early in the evening they sent over 15,000 shells, composed chiefly of mustard gas, within a brief period. These shells were followed by an intense artillery fire at midnight. Several hundred gas shells were dropped into the American lines.

SOLD; TO BECOME

PUBLIC MARKET

Rosoff Brothers to Install

Market Modeled After

One in 'Frisco.

Omaha soon is to boast a new pub-

and vegetables will be on sale the

This is the announcement made by

Jake Rosoff, who, with his brother,

now operates the public market in

This new public market will cover

the entire lower floor of the Millard

hotel which was yesterday bought

from Rome Miller for \$150,000 by

Weiner Bros., Epstein Bros. and the

The Millard hotel has a ground

in remodeling the new property, which will be handy for the use to

which it will be put. It is located on

the corner of Thirteenth and Doug-

Modeled After Frisco.

Jake Rosoff, manager of the Public

Market, says that he is so taken with

will be glad to go with their market

Washington, May 6 .- An agreement

the bottom of present eligible lists

The conferees also adopted an

opposed, requiring registration of

men already in the military service

who have attained their majority since

With the American Army in France,

May 6.-One American officer and

three privates were awarded the cross

of war at a hospital near Verdun last

night for gallantry displayed in the

recent raid by German shock troops

on American positions. The soldiers

Lieutenant Harry J. Kelly, Ottawa, Ills.; Private Dewey D. Smith, Steens,

French Cross of War

Four Americans Awarded

Draft Law Amendments

Agreement Reached on

baskets.

was retained.

last June 5.

decorated are:

the First National Bank building.

year around.

PLANE BROUGHT DOWN. Enemy airplanes appeared over the American lines about the same time. Anti-aircraft guns brought down one German machine and damaged an-

The extreme activity of the artillery and aviators, the rifle fire and night flares and the reported movements behind the enemy lines in this sector may torecast a new infantry attack, but General Pershing's men are ready for any emergency. They are countering the enemy preparations blow for blow, keeping up a harassing arrillery, rifle and machine gun fire and are actively patrolling. IN GOOD SPIRITS.

The spirit of the Americans is excellent. They are eager to fight and a typical expression is: "Let Fritz start something. He'll get all that is coming to him.

A young French captain who trained the men now in the Picardy lines told the Associated Press today he never had seen finer material. "All are of one mind," he said, "to fight fast and hard and to finish the war quickly."

Penetrate

Low visibility prevailed over the Rosoff brothers. Luneville and Toul sectors, as well as south of Verdun, today, restricting operations by both sides. There was wirtually no activity during the day-light hours, but during the night the enemy heavily bombed the lines in the direction of Seicheprey and those northeast of Toul, while south of Verdun the Germans displayed great las and has trackage in the rear. nervousness, throwng up many flares.

It has been established that the troops in that section came recently from Flanders. Along the lines near Luneville the American patrols have been active and have penetrated the market baskets to make purchases for enemy lines once more. They found the family. Various stalls will handle that the enemy had not reoccupied every commodity needed in the home. raided portions of their positions and that the town of Anservillers, with do with the operation of the hotel, the exception of one stone house, had which will be managed by the others. been completely demolished by the American artillery fire. Many German dugouts under the buildings had the success of the present venture been made useless. Prisoners cap- that he is sure it is just what the tured from an observation post di- people want, only on a larger scale, vulged much useful information and and no expense will be spared in said they had just come to this front making the market a place where all from Russia.

County Board Member

Accused of Sedition Lincoln, May 6.-Attorney General

Reed announced today that he had on the bill extending the selective mailed to Thurston county, this state, draft law to youths 21 years of age a complaint charging Christopher C. since June 5, 1917, was reached today Frum, a member of the county board by the senate and house conferees. of that place, with violating the state The amendment of Representative sedition law by attempting to dis- Hull of Iowa providing that the addicourage farmers from planting wheat, tional registrants shall be placed at

May Temperature Record Broken in New York City amendment which General Crowder

New York, May 6.-Today was the hottest May 6 in the history of the city's bureau. At midday the official thermometer registered 84, breaking four degrees the record established May 6, 1896.

The Weather

For Nebraska: Generally fair Tuesday and Wednesday; cooler Tuesday. Temperatures at Omaha Yesterday.



Normal temperature...... 59

Reports From Stations at 7 P. M.

Biation and State Temp. High-Rain of Weather. 7 p. m. est. fall-Cheyenne, part cloudy . 64 66 / .00 Davenport. rain . 60 70 40 Denver, cloudy . 64 72 72 Des Moines, clear . 76 76 22 Dodge City, pt. cloudy . 80 82 .00 Lander. part cloudy . 62 68 .00 North Platte, pt. cloudy . 62 68 .00 North Platte, pt. cloudy . 83 84 7 Indicates trace of precipitation.

L. A. WELSH, Meteorologist.

To Readers of The Bee:

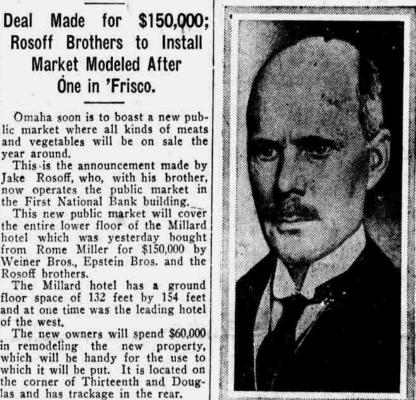
Following out my practice of keeping our readers informed of changes in The Bee organization that may be of outside interest, I wish to announce that the position of managing editor of The Bee will be filled by Thomas F. Sturgess as successor to Monroe Reeves, who has resigned. Mr. Sturgess has been connected with The Bee organization in various capacities for many years, more recently as editor and manager of the Twentieth Century Farmer, which is now being merged with the Nebraska Farmer.

Victor Rosewater

WILSON ORDERS AIRCRAFT GRAFT **CHARGES PROBED**

Sculptor Borglum Reiterates Assertions That Pro-German Intrigue and Criminal Liability Can Be Established.

(By Associated Press.)
Washington, May 6.—Talk of graft and mismanagement in the national airplane construction program, heard or months in senate debate and



MAJOR GENERAL SQUIER,

The public market will be modeled after the San Francisco market house, capitol lobby gossip, culminated today where housewives come with their in a presidential order for an investigation by the Department of Justice. Almost simultaneously it became known that Major General Squier, Rosoff Bros. will have nothing to chief signal officer and until recently



Gutzon Borglum

Noted American sculptor, who prefers serious charges with respect to air service.

Miss.; Private George A. Hopkins, in direct charge of army aviation, had Baltimore, Md.; Private Aloysius demanding a military court of inquiry. Brown, Brooklyn, N. Y. (Continued on Page Five, Column Three.)

Two of Bold Robber Gang Taken By Police After Gun Battle

Following a gun battle last night All were negroes.

Police think this gang has been terrorizing North Twenty-fourth street citizens, for two weeks, Holdups, have been reported from this neighborhood nearly every night during the period.

The four men entered an automobile belonging to Commissioner Joseph B. Hummel, parked at Twentyfourth and Seward streets, and attempted to drive it away. Harry sioner, nearly a block away, rushed shooting, with attempt to kill.

With drawn revolvers the quartet between Police Officer Harry Buford | rushed Hummel, who grappled with and four alleged footpads, Ernest the leader but was unable to hold Billingsly, 2626 Franklin street, and him. Officer Buford joined Hummel George Care, 2414 Patrick avenue, and they followed to Twenty-fifth and were arrested. Two men escaped. Patrick streets, where the four made

a stand. Billingsly surrendered upon recog nizing the policeman and the remaining three scattered. One of the men fired three shots at Buford and escaped down an alley when the officer stumbled over obstructions. Later Carr was arrested.

At the station Carr admitted shooting at Buford and that he had stolen things from Hummel's car. He was Hummel, chauffeur for the commis- charged with highway robbery and back before they could start the Identity of the other two men in I the gang is known.

Omaha Man, Naval Officer, GAINS SCORED BY Is on Duty at Vladivostok



D. C. Patterson, jr., lieutenant commander in the navy, and son of Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Patterson, sr., 303 North Thirty-eighth avenue, has sent a small photograph to his parents of crew being assigned to guard duty. himself and United States Consul John K. Caldwell, taken in Vladivostok, Siberia. Recent cables carried the information that the bolshevik demands that American and French consuls at Vladivostok be recalled has met no response.

The picture was taken on the United States cruiser Brooklyn, near the dock at Vladivostok two months ago, its Lieutenant Commander Patterson, who is flag officer under Admiral Knight, has been in the navy for 13 years. He visited his parents in Oma-

Meet With Division Offi-

cials From Chicago

for Conference.

The quota for Nebraska will be

Bruce D. Smith, Chicago, president

of the central division, said he was

Nebraska's War Record.

He said Nebraska has the record

ing for the Red Cross, and has fur-

Sergeant Baldwin, Canadian army,

tion of Lord Robert Cecil that Ger-

coming the allies is the latest means

whereby entente statesmen are seek-

people, whose belief in the justice of

Baron von Dem Bussche-Hadden-

foreign affans, in an interview pub-

nished 22 per cent of the whole.

given a great ovation.

ANOTHER BLOW **RED CROSS HEADS** IN SESSION HERE FROM GERMANS EXPECTED SOON HEAR YPRES HERO

Strength of American Forces and Are Likely to Seek Quick Action.

(By Associated Press.)

On the French Front in France, braska counties were in Omaha Mon-May 6.—The opinion is virtually day conferring with officials of the criticism of Smith. unanimous that the further great blow state organization and central group execute the promises made to the begins May 22 and ends May 27. German nation when the offensive was started, must come soon.

The great activity of the enemy will be \$200,000. along the Ypres sector is possibly a prelude to the opening of a new Ger-man rush there, or is intended to dis-noon. Bernard E. Sunny, Bell teletract attention from a formidable at- phone official, of Chicago, spoke, saytack elsewhere. There is, indeed, a ing that the national Red Cross headwidespread view that the next move quarters was proud of the enthusiasm must come from the German armies and efficiency of the Nebraska organiconcentrated under General von Be- zation. low, fronting Arras. Some of its divisions were borrowed by other German armies for attacks to the north confident Omaha and Nebraska would and the south, but these have since be among the first over the top in been replaced and the force gathered the next drive, as in their other war s very powerful.

Fear Americans.

Another factor in compelling them to seek a rapid decision is the transparent fear of the ever-increasing strength of the American forces.

ENTIRE BOND ISSUE TO BE DELIVERED WITHIN FORTNIGHT

Washington, May 6.-To supply Liberty bonds to subscribers promptly, extra shifts of printers were set to work today by the bureau of engraving and printing and it is planned to deliver all bonds within two weeks. About 18,000,000 bonds already. have been printed and more than 10,000,000 have been distributed throughout the Secretary McAdoo formally an-nounced that he would make allot-

ments of all subscriptions in full-The total subscriptions tabulated by the treasury tonight was nearly \$3, 500,000,000 and nearly a half million more probably will be reported before the total is announced, some time after next Monday.

Aspyxiating Gas Injected Into Letters by Germans

Paris, May 6 .- Germans are credited, in reports received here, with in- to the statement of the British minisjecting asphyxiating gas into letters sent home by prisoners in their camps. A woman living in the village several days, after opening a letter from a French prisoner in Germany. his opinion. On the same day it is said another

oner in Bavaria,

of La Sicotiere recently was ill for offensive" on the western front would result in a great peace offensive in "Let the British people deal with perialistic aims of conquest for the

the failure of Germany's "knockout

ter of blockade last week.

In this statement Lord Robert said

"Peace Offensive" Branded

ing to stimulate the war ardor of their | Washington, continued:

the entente frequently missed the psychological moment for the conclusion of peace "The governments of the western powers are blamed because, as is well

As Fiction By German Leader

Amsterdam, May 6 .- "The "asser- destructive aims against our achieve-

many will undertake a 'peace offen- tained gigante successes. We can

sive if she loes not succeed in over- face the future with firm confidence."

their own cause is vanishing," says the German arms in the west, which

hausen, German under secretary for end, have made a tremendous im-

lished in Berlin newspapers in reply circles in Great Britain perceve that

known, the secret treaties concluded by them prove they have set up imwoman received a letter also contain-ing gas from her husband, also a pris-the German under secretary. "The the war until they have completely sword first has to speak. Our task is defeated their opponents."

AUSTRALIAN AND CANADIAN TROOPS

Anzacs Advance Between Ancre and Somme Rivers and in Arras Sector; Allied Infantry Keeps Up Heavy Fire In Quarters Where Enemy Is Assembling Guns for Big Battle.

(By Associated Press.) Australian and Canadian troops are in action on the British lines along the vital sectors of the battle front in France.

The Australians have struck the Germans near Morlancourt between the Ancre and the Somme rivers, east of Amiens, and have advanced their lines three-quarters of a mile as a result of two assaults on the Teutonic positions.

The Canadians have appeared in the Arras sector, further south than they have been since the battles in this region began March 1. This part of the line is most important as it defends Arras to the southwest and includes localities such as Neuville-Vitasse, Mercatel and Boisleaux-St. Mare, where there have been bitter struggles since the Germans launched their great

VOTERS DECIDE

Campaign Lively Until Last With Each Candidate Hustling to Get Under Wire in Good Form.

ha about a year ago, prior to leaving whirlwind finish. Some hired halls pelled again to abandon the place beon an Asiatic cruise. and others spoke at street corners fore superior forces of Turkish and beneath the stars.

> mates commended themselves and condemned their opponents, and the allied canddidates did likewise. The case has gone to the voters,

> who will today decide the question of who will serve the city for the next three years as commissioners. The mayor promised that, if re-elected, he will keep Omaha progress-

ng as it has during the 12 years of his administrations. The allied can-Huns Fear Ever Increasing Nebraska Campaign Directors didates declared that Omaha will progress in a better manner if they are elected.

Throw Fed Bombs. Personalities were freely indulged in during the evening. Speakers for the Jim Dahlman ticket defended the mayor in his attack upon Ed P. Smith Red Cross directors from 75 Newhile the all es uttered strong words against the mayor on account of his

Slates will be smashed today as they have never been smashed bewhich the German staff must inev- in regard to methods to be pursued fore. A man living in the Hanscom itably deliver, if it intends to try to in the next drive for funds, which park district last night showed a bunch of straw votes he had taken in his neighborhood and the evidence

was that no two were alike. \$1,300,000, of which Omaha's portion Organizations for getting the vote out have been recruited with care A luncheon was given the directors The administration forces, allied canlidates, Falconer for Commissioner club, Harry B. Zimman club, Church Federation and others will have workers out all day. The probable vote today has been estimated from 25,000 to 30,000, with 28,000 as a conservative estimate, anticipating favor-

able weather Zimman Is Confident. Harry B. Zimman concluded strenuous speaking campaign with feeling of quiet confidence that he will be elected.

The polls will be open until 8 p. m in 154 voting districts. The spirit of the commission form of city govern-ment in this tate is to vote for seven of first place in the central division in manufacture of hospital garments, notwithstanding importunities from surgical dressings and refugee clothvarious quarters to vote for less. Election Commissioner Moorhead

has received a few returns from absent soldiers who are registered who saw 15 months' service at the voters. Some have been received front, and lost his left leg at the bat- from Newport News, Va. Yesterday tle of Ypres, was introduced and Mayor Dahlman received telegraphi information that the ballots had not "No one knows," he said, "the depth | been received by the Omaha soldiers and nature of the love that one soldier at Camp Funston and Fort Riley, but (Continued on Page Five, Column Two.) the election commissioner stated that (Continued on Page Five, Column One.)

to break with hard steel our enemies

ments and integrity. We have at

The baron, who was formerly sec-

"It is known that the successes of

have not by any means come to an

pression in entente countries. Wide

retary of the German embassy at

AMERICANS UNDER FIRE.

American troops, on the French front not far from Montdidier, have been under a storm of shells for the last couple of days, projectiles containing high explosives being mingled with those charged with poisonous gas fired into the lines held by General Pershing's men.

Along the rest of the tront in France there have been no engagements of unusual character, nor has the Italian front been attacked as yet by the Austrians who have assembled

The British forces which have. been holding the town of Es Salt, east The candidates brought their cam- of the Jordan and northeast of Jeripaign to a close last night with a cho, for about a week have been com-Mayor Dohlman and his running ever, are still maintaining their confurther south.

Heavy Fighting Forescen.

From the official reports and special dispatches filed by correspondents at the front there come intimations that heavy fighting may be re-sumed at any time. The fact that heavy rains are falling may have a great deal to do with the delay in the German drive, but the allies hold high ground, from which they can observe the German positions, which are gen-erally in the lowlands, and have kept up a heavy artillery fire in sectors where the Germans have been assembling or have been at work in bringing up guns for the battle which is

virtually certain to come. There is a feeling along the French front that the Germans may attack in the Ypres. Arras and Amiens sectors at the same time. These blows, while carried on independently, would really be phases of a new attempt to cut through the lines in the Somme sector, eliminate the Arras sector and carry the high ground to the southwest of Ypres.

Strong Forces Menace Arras. It has been pointed out by observ-

ers that an attack on the Arras sector, either on the apex between Arras and Lens or on the sides of the allied lines as they stretch back from those cities, must come before the Germans can hope to carry their advance in either Flanders or Picardy much further. It is reported that heavy forces are being assembled before Arras for the expected attack. Little relative to the international

situation in Austria has come over the cables, but from Serbia sources it is learned that on at least two occasions there have been clashes between the Slovenian population of hat country and the Germans. The methods by which the German

military authorities have dealt with the Ukrainians have been denounced in both Berlin and Vienna by socialist

Two U. S. Generals Relieved Of Positions in France

With the American Army in France, May 6.-Brigadier General Benjamin Alvord, adjutant general of the American expeditionary forces, and Brigadier General A. E. Bradley, chief surgeon, have been relieved of their positions on account of ill health and are returning to America. Lieutenant Colonel Robert C. Davis

will act as adjutant general and Col. Merritt W. Ireland as chief surgeon.

Flier Dies of Injuries From Airplane Crash

Fort Worth, Tex., May 6.-Lieu-tenan: Fred E. Keep of East Milton, Mass., flying instructor at Taliaferro field, died today from injuries received last week when his machine

He had been located here since November, coming to Texas after having received his commission at a Canadian field. This was his second ac-

Two Women Executed

In France as Spies

Nantes, France, May 6 .- Two women spies, Josephine Alvarez and Victorine Faucher, condemned to death by court-martial January 25 were executed this morning