



GERMANS WILL STARVE BALTIC PEOPLE TO MAKE THEM VASSALS

NEBRASKA UNIVERSITY BOY IN LAST CASUALTY LIST FROM FRENCH LINE

Keith Graul of Lincoln Reported Wounded; Three Iowa Men Among Sammys Killed on French Front; Fifteen More Are Injured in Battles With Germans.

Keith Graul of Lincoln, Neb., formerly a student at the University of Nebraska, is reported slightly wounded in yesterday's casualty list received from General Pershing.

Graul attended the university last year, but left school when war was declared to join Uncle Sam's forces in France.

He is a member of the Alpha Sigma Phi fraternity.

THREE IOWANS KILLED. Des Moines, March 14.—(Special Telegram).—Three Iowa men are included in the list of dead and 17 in the list of wounded on the French front, received here late today. List follows:

DEAD: Corporal Albert E. Behmer, Sioux City. Private Cecil M. Conley; father, O. C. Conley, Atlantic. Private Fred H. Turner; father, R. R. Turner, Atlantic.

THE WOUNDED. Private Lyle W. Barnes, mother, Mrs. Kate Barnes, Quimby; Private Lloyd Culp, father, G. W. Culp, Oregon, enlisted at Atlantic; Private J. O. Fudge, father, J. O. Fudge, Atlantic; Private Harold Kjar, father, Jens Kjar, Atlantic; Corporal O. Marcher, thought to be George O. Marcher, Alta, Ia.; Private Robert G. Petty, mother, Mrs. Petty, Carson; Private Albert L. Rudig, father, D. G. Rudig, Griswold; Private Ralph Rutherford, headquarters company; Corporal Joseph G. Swanson, father, J. C. Swanson, Red Oak; Private Percival Winning, father, M. W. Winning, Woodbine; Private John P. Telfer, father, Alex. Telfer, Red Oak; Private Fred J. Robinson, mother, Mrs. W. H. Robinson, Storm Lake; Private Edwin L. Jarvin, mother, Mrs. Bessie Jarvin, Creston; Private Otto Franzen, father, Carl Franzen, Red Oak; Private Leslie Johnson, father, John Johnson, Riverton; Private Loren L. Goddard, father, S. E. Goddard, Fairfield; Private Henry H. Fall, mother, Mrs. John Fall, Red Oak.

Official Casualty List. Washington, March 14.—General Pershing's casualty list cable today carries the names of 70 soldiers, four of them killed in action, two dead of wounds, one dead of an accident and nine of disease; 14 wounded severely and 40 slightly wounded.

The list gives the names of two officers, both of whom were reported slightly wounded. They are Captain Hugh H. Barber and Lieutenant Horace L. Smith. Lieutenant Bernard Vant Hot was reported severely wounded.

Killed in action: CORPORAL ALBERT E. BEHMER. SERGEANT FRANK O'CONNOR. PRIVATE CECIL M. CONLEY. PRIVATE FRED D. TURNER. Died of wounds: SERGEANT JOSEPH L. CIP. PRIVATE FRED C. BRUMMETT. Accidentally killed: PRIVATE HARRY WATKINS. Died of disease: SERGEANT CLARENCE G. BAILEY, septicemia. CORPORAL OSCAR W. AHLBERG, pneumonia.

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The Weather

For Nebraska—Fair Friday and Saturday, warmer Friday. Temperatures at Omaha Yesterday. Hour. Deg. 5 a. m. 31 6 a. m. 30 7 a. m. 30 8 a. m. 32 9 a. m. 33 10 a. m. 34 11 a. m. 35 12 m. 37 1 p. m. 38 2 p. m. 38 3 p. m. 38 4 p. m. 37 5 p. m. 35 6 p. m. 34 7 p. m. 34 8 p. m. 33

Table with columns for Station and State, Temp., High, and Rain. Rows include Cheyenne, Davenport, Des Moines, Dodge City, etc.

Americans Make First Permanent Advance on Enemy BULLETIN.

With the American Army in France, March 14.—American troops in the Luneville sector have occupied and are holding enemy trenches northeast of Badonvillers, which they forced the Germans to abandon through recent raids and concentrated artillery fire.

NONPARTISAN MEETING HALTED; MEMBERS BEATEN

Organizers Are Escorted Across Nebraska Line and Put on Train for Norfolk; Given Third Degree.

Sioux Falls, S. D., March 14.—A nonpartisan league meeting, scheduled to be held at Gregory, S. D., yesterday was prevented and five league organizers were beaten and driven out of Gregory county across the Nebraska line, according to the five men who arrived here tonight. The meeting was stopped, despite assurances of Governor Norbeck that the sheriff of the county would protect the league members, the men asserted.

GENERAL STRIKE MAY BE CALLED IN KANSAS CITY

Kansas City, March 14.—Six hundred delegates representing more than half of the unions in Kansas City, voted early today to call a general strike of all labor unions in the city Monday, March 25, in sympathy with the strike of union laundry workers, which has been in progress several weeks. Only 16 votes were cast against the resolution.

PRESIDENT WILSON CALLS BOYS ABOVE 16 TO RESERVE

Washington, March 14.—President Wilson today called on all American boys of 16 years and over, not permanently employed, to enroll in the United States boys' working reserve. A national enrollment week beginning March 18, has been set aside by the Department of Labor.

Ralph T. Wilson, Omaha, Ex-Creighton Man, Drops 3,200 Feet in Balloon at San Antonio; Uninjured; Describes Thrilling Flight

Son of E. H. Wilson With Group of Flying Cadets at Time; Number Severely Hurt by Fall.

Ralph T. Wilson, 19 years old, son of Ellis H. Wilson, 3822 Marcy street, was in the balloon which fell 3,200 feet at San Antonio, Wednesday. The father received a telegram from his son Thursday, which says: "Dad, I had the greatest ride of my career today. Was in the balloon which fell 3,200 feet yesterday and never phased a hair, although some of it is grey now, I am told. We landed in a fifty-mile wind on Monday, and were dragged over the ground several hundred yards."

The story of the wild ride taken by several officers and cadets in the runaway balloon was printed in The Bee Thursday morning. The Associated Press story gave only the names of those injured. Wilson declares five other flying cadets were in the basket, and escaped serious injuries. Something went wrong with the valve in the top of the gas bag, when the balloonists attempted a landing.

Wilson says. The crew was unable to close the yawning chasm in the monster, and it started for the ground at the rate of 30 feet per second. As the bag neared the ground, the flying cadets, including Wilson, worked like beavers heaving overboard sand bags to check the flight of the dirigible, but apparently with scant success.



Ralph T. Wilson

Wilson's father, in telling of the accident, could not visibly suppress his emotion for the narrow escape of his son. He declared he read the story in The Morning Bee, but had no inkling that his own son was one of the officers to take the daredevil plunge. Wilson, according to his father, will return to Omaha in a few weeks. The newly appointed officer has been in the army three months, having been selected to enter the officers' school at Fort Omaha October 13. Prior to that time he was a student at Creighton university, where he received several medals for his ability as a scholar, having made the record of leading his class two years. Wilson was captain of Company A in the Creighton battalion previous to his enlistment. He was very popular with his associates and has an unusually large number of friends in the city.

U. S. OFFICIALS DISCOVER 4,000 VOLUMES OF BANNED PASTOR RUSSELL BOOK HERE

William Mack, Former City Employee, Arrested and Mrs. A. Setterquist Accused of Having Violated Espionage Law Under Federal Warrant From District Attorney's Office.

Federal officers yesterday afternoon raided the room in Labor temple, where the International Bible students hold their meetings and took possession of nearly 4,000 copies of "The Finished Mystery," a book which contains the Bible interpretations of the late Pastor Russell, head of the cult which has adherents all over this country and in England.

HARRY LAUDER SELLS POODLE FOR RED CROSS

Winds Up His Day in Omaha With "Dutch" Auction at Which He Collects \$1,340 for Relief Work.

Harry Lauder wound up his visit to Omaha by extracting \$1,340 for the Red Cross from the audience at the Boyd theater last night. He did it by means of a "Dutch" auction, with a white poodle dog as the object of sale. The dog was sold many times, with bids from \$5 to \$100 and lives to be sold again. The auction was the end of a busy day for Harry Lauder. He arrived at noon and was promptly routed from his car for interviews for the afternoon papers. Then he was hustled along to the Chamber of Commerce, where he spoke at a business men's luncheon and from there to the Boyd theater, where he gave a matinee performance. In the evening he repeated his show, concluding with some serious words about the war, and the auction for the Red Cross.

WARRANTS FOR TWO

Lincoln, March 14.—Federal warrants charging several persons of the "Sect of the Messiah" at Omaha with violating the espionage act by circulating copies of a book alleged to contain divulged matter were issued today under direction of United States District Attorney T. S. Allen. At the same time a search warrant was issued for the seizure of 20,000 copies of a book entitled "The Finished Mystery," reported to be stored in a building in Omaha, and said to contain statements encouraging resistance to the draft law.

Torpedo Victim Ends Letter on Solid Earth

Minneapolis, Minn., March 13.—"I didn't finish this letter for a few days because, dear mother, I stayed out all night," ends on clean, crisp paper a letter received here today by Mrs. Hattie C. Wiggins from her son, Sergeant Gilbert H. Wiggins; a letter which begins on crumpled, stained sheets. Sergeant Wiggins is a member of the 20th engineers. The letter was mailed "Where the grass is green, and it is like a little bit of heaven." It was a swimming party which interrupted his letter writing a swimming party in the north channel. He thrust the sheets into his pocket and they were there as he floated about waiting for one of the boats which came to the rescue of the Tuscania to pick him up. That is why they are stained. "I have had some wonderful experiences and I am enjoying them all," says Sergeant Wiggins

CONCRETE SHIP GREAT SUCCESS; BUILD 54 MORE

Great Moulded Affair Takes Water and Rides Like Buoy; Epoch-Making Event, Engineers Say.

A Pacific Port, March 14.—So completely successful was the launching here today of the world's largest reinforced concrete ship that her builders announced they immediately would begin construction of 54 similar ships of larger size and expected that all would be completed within 18 months.

WOMAN MAKES HIGHBALL

Fashionable Bootlegger Is Said to Carry Own Supply of Booze to "Spike" Soft Drinks. OF HARMLESS GINGER ALE

Omaha "booze hounds" are keen on the trail of a "society bootlegger." Frequent reports have been made of her appearance in the better class hotels and cafes, but no evidence has been produced that would tend to identify her. Only the better class of cabarets and cafes are visited. She is carefully dressed in the latest costumes and is always accompanied by a male escort. Ginger ale appears to be the favorite beverage of the "society bootlegger." Following the receipt of the popular soft drink she slyly brings forth a small bottle. A little "shot" and the soft drinks becomes

WOULD BRING NEUTRAL NATIONS UPON KNEES TO TAKE GERMAN YOKE

War Trade Board in Statement Unfolds Deliberate Plan for Cutting Off Northern Nations of Europe From Food Supplies to Gain Political and Economic Dependence.

Washington, March 14.—Germany's latest campaign of ruthlessness against neutral shipping is attributed by the war trade board in a statement tonight to a deliberate plan for cutting off the north European nations from America, and allied food supplies, and thereby reducing them through starvation to a political and economic dependence upon the Teutonic war lords.

MILLION TONS OF DUTCH SHIPS TO AID ALLIES

Move Is of Tremendous Importance; Will Take Effect March 18; Entente Hand Forced by Germans.

Washington, March 14.—A million tons of Dutch shipping, now held in ports the world over, through Holland's fear of Germany's threat to sink them if they venture out, will be brought into the service of the United States and Great Britain on March 18. Unless the Netherlands government braves the menace of Germany's pressure and voluntarily accepts an agreement under which the ships would be put in trade to the United States and Great Britain will take them over under international law, availing themselves of a sovereign right which Germany itself has hitherto exercised under the same authority.

Formal notice has been presented to The Hague by the American and British diplomatic representatives of the allied governments' intention. As a result the Netherlands minister, August Phillips, acting under instructions of his government, made a final and personal appeal to President Wilson to at least modify the decision. The Associated Press is enabled to state that the president saw no reason for altering the decision and that unless the ships are turned over by next Monday a presidential proclamation would be issued taking over the ships in American ports, of which there are about 80. Many more, however, are in British or other allied ports. From the American official point of view, the action is one into which the allied governments have been forced by the German dress of Holland, which may now see its ships in trade again, and can point out to Germany that they were taken through no will of her own.

Will Help Tremendously. Coming at a time when the dire need of the allied cause is for ships, this acquisition of 1,000,000 tons is of tremendous importance. Every arrangement has been made for the compensation of the Netherlands for the ships. They will be insured and armed and if any be lost they will be replaced, besides material compensation for their use and the United States will permit the export of breadstuffs and cattle foods which Holland needs sorely for its own people, and in addition will restore the interrupted trade of Holland with its colonies by guaranteeing bunkers for its ships in that trade. Under this arrangement Holland still is left enough ships for its own needs and has been notified that plentiful supplies of food await it if it sends bottoms to carry it. By this arrangement, officials point out, further responsibility for food shortage in the Netherlands rests on Germany. American and allied officials have no fear that the move will force Holland into the war.

MANY BELIEVED DEAD IN WRECK BURIED BY SLIDE

Harrisburg, Pa., March 13.—Pennsylvania railroad train No. 19, the Cincinnati, Indianapolis and Chicago express, west bound from Philadelphia was wrecked east of Elizabethtown near here early today. It is reported to have been buried under a landslide. A relief train with nurses and physicians will start from Harrisburg for the scene as soon as it can be made up. Two cars were derailed. One was upset and the other is lying across the tracks. The train is said to have been running at the rate of 60 miles an hour when a boulder in the Elizabethtown "cut" struck it in the middle.

Presbyterians of North And South Refuse to Merge

Atlantic City, N. J., March 14.—The commissions on union of the Presbyterian church north and the Presbyterian church south failed to agree upon a plan for the proposed merger of the two great church bodies at the final session of their joint conference here tonight.