

GERMANS ABANDON TRENCHES BEFORE FIRE OF AMERICANS

"Peace in July" Says Letter Taken From Body of Dead German; Whole United States Front In Fever Heat at News of Great Offensive.

With the American Army in France, Sunday, March 24.—For the third successive day German artillery today bombarded heavily with gas shells a certain town within the American lines.

Today's bombardment was made in two periods, each a half hour in length. Many gas shells and a few high explosive shells fell on the American positions.

American artillery on the Toul sector continued today to shell effectively enemy first line and communication trenches, the town, St. Baussant, and the billets and dumps north of Boqueteau.

Many of the American shells have fallen in the German trenches and the first two lines in, at least, one place have been virtually abandoned.

One American patrol freely inspected this point in the enemy line without molestation last night, and this morning and remained there several hours. There have been no contacts between the infantry during the last 24 hours.

Bombs Rain Down.

An enemy airplane early this morning cut off its engines at a great height over the American lines, north-west of Toul, and planned down. When close to the ground it dropped a quantity of bombs. Some were of a new variety, which explode in mid-air with a blue-red flash and give off a cloud of mustard gas. Being heavier than the air, the mustard gas quickly descended toward some of our battery positions and a road.

After the machine disappeared the German gas shell bombardment began. Another enemy airplane hovered over the town, while the bombardment with gas shells was in progress.

Drive Off Enemy Planes.

The weather was especially suitable today for aerial work and the Germans took advantage of it. On one

BIG GERMAN GUN ROUTS ALL PARIS FROM BED EARLY

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sation was the new battle of the Somme, which is generally compared with Verdun.

It is to be hoped that the gun which shelled Paris will very shortly be silenced, says the Figaro, which gives the following quotation from a man who was said to be in a position to know:

Hunt Monster Weapon.
"The 380-millimetre gun which bombarded Dunkirk two years ago from a distance of 25 miles, was located by our airplanes and soon put out of action. The same methods will be adopted with regard to the 240-millimetre gun which has been bombarding Paris for the last two days. Since Saturday our airplanes have been looking for it and the fact that it stopped firing is due, perhaps, to their arrival. It will not be long before the gun is definitely placed; then its career will soon be over."

The military authorities, according to another morning newspaper, are convinced that the Germans are using two new guns, while Richard Arap, the military expert of L'Ouvreuve, believes there is a whole battery of them.

Peace In July.

"We are being told now that peace will surely come in July or August. Everybody was highly elated when the news of the Russian peace was received."

The entire American contingent from generals to privates eagerly awaits news from the British front. All are confident that the Germans eventually will be defeated severely, even if they should strike hard at the outset.

The German offensive is the sole topic of discussion on the American sector. Official communications are caught by wireless operators and newspapers are circulating rapidly along the front.

Drive Off Enemy Planes.

You can secure a maid, stenographer or bookkeeper by using a Bee Want Ad.

FIVE DEAD AND ONE PRISONER ON PERSHING'S LIST

Twelve Americans Severely Wounded in Fighting; Missing Sammie Known to Be in German Prison.

Washington, March 25.—General Pershing's casualty list, which reached the War department late last night, is as follows:

Died of disease: PRIVATE ANTHONY ROMANOSKI.

Privately killed: SERGEANT JULE HAUSTON, PRIVATE FRANKLIN COOPER, PRIVATE JOSEPH F. COVERT, PRIVATE ERNEST L. STAFFORD.

Wounded severely: Private Jacob Brosz.

Wounded slightly: Lieutenant Royal Tharp, Corporal Arnold Carico; Privates Carter A. Dillingham, William Dunsmuir, Charles L. Fuller, Albion O. Gross, James McDanielson, Mark A. Resnick, Dan Sanders, Major M. Shelton, Harry Shepherd, Burton L. Thorburn.

Previously reported missing, now reported as prisoner: Private Christian A. Sorenson.

M'ADOO SAYS LOAN TO BE 3 BILLION AT 4 1/4 PER CENT

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throughout the United States in the same manner as the proceeds of the Liberty loans.

"I am sure that the people will respond to the third Liberty loan with the same loyalty and enthusiasm that characterized their support of the first two loans. The great events now happening in France must fire the soul of every American with a

No. 15 Trilbys Exempt Men from War Service

Dallas, Tex., March 25.—While some exemption boards have been weighing the claims of objectors to military services who had received long forgotten dependents two Texans willing to serve have received honorable discharges because the army decided it would put too great a strain on the United States government to keep them in shoes.

The recruits recently were discharged from Camp Travis at San Antonio because of the high price of leather. Both were negroes from the Texas bottoms and both were valiant in their wishes to "get" the German emperor. If either could have stepped on him it would have ended the war.

Each would have worn No. 15 shoes if the army could have supplied them. It was estimated that shoes would have to be made to order for them at a cost of \$7 a pair, and so they were sent back to the farms.

new edetermination to furnish all the dollars and all the material resources of America that are needed to put an end to the execrable atrocities of German militarism. Defeat faces the kaiser. Let us hasten it by asserting America's might with increased vigor in concert with our gallant comrades."

Aurora Schools Report Big Sale of Saving Stamps

Aurora, Neb., March 25.—(Special.)—The total subscriptions to the war savings campaign in Hamilton county will aggregate about \$350,000. The quota for the county is \$271,000. At the school house meeting in Aurora Friday afternoon, \$61,000 was subscribed. This outside school districts have uniformly reported larger amounts than their quota.

The second school entertainment for the benefit of the Red Cross, given last Friday evening at the opera house, was a success. More than \$100 was obtained for the Red Cross work.

Unless Hamilton county has rain within the coming week, the wheat crop will again be a failure. Farmers are reporting their fields dead already. Some have already started to plant spring wheat in the winter wheat fields.

Would Permit Tick-Infested Cattle to Be Taken Across

Washington, March 25.—The bill by Senator Shepard of Texas to permit importation of tick-infested cattle from Mexico and South American countries as well as from islands in the Gulf of Mexico, provided they are slaughtered at once, was reported favorably today by the senate agriculture committee. The purpose is to increase the meat supply.

U. S. Soldier Dead.

Rockford, Ill., March 15.—Private Andrew Anderson of Seattle, causal company, 324 engineers, died at the camp yesterday of pneumonia.

Oshkosh Farmer Dies After Auto Accident

North Platte, March 25.—(Special Telegram.)—Patrick Donnelly, a farmer, aged 56 of Oshkosh, died at a local hospital yesterday, from injuries received in an automobile accident two miles south of town Saturday evening.

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For a Man

A new silk shirt and an appropriate tie are both more than desirable for Easter. Likewise silk hose, fancy if you prefer or a silk handkerchief perhaps with a touch of color. The Men's Shop is decidedly up-to-date in its presentation of new furnishings. See the new arrivals while they are really new.

To the left as you enter.

For the Baby

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Billy West in "The Stranger."

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Mary Pickford
Conway Tearle
—in—
"STELLA MARIS"

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SALLE FISHER ALAN BROOKS
—in—
"The Choir Rehearsal"
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Today—Thurs.—Fri.
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—in—
"The Turn of a Card"
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40th and Hamilton
Today—Chapters 12 and 13
"VENGEANCE AND THE WOMAN"

LOTHROP

24th and Lothrop
MAE MARSH—EDWARD LYNCH
in "FIELDS OF HONOR"

NEWPORT (to left)—Extremely handsome. Wooltex designing and tailoring at its best. Of silvertone colour in beige, peacock, dove—fully lined with peau de cygne. No. 3125.

PASADENA (center)—Note the clever throw collar on this Velour de Kashmir model. Smart effect also when open at neck. You can see this in such ultra shades as chinchilla, peacock, ermine. No. 3120.

PLAZA (to right)—Ultra smart bustle suggestion in the double ripple effect—the latest style touch, always found in Wooltex designing. Of fine serge—in black, navy, infantry or tan with over-collar of peau de soie. No. 3910.

Could Anyone Ask More?

HERE is an important announcement, not only to the woman who has keen style judgment, but to one who is not afraid of the straight truth about garment values.

Today, in one of the very best stores in town, there is a special exhibit of Wooltex Tailored Coats and Suits. This is not merely an offering of Spring styles, but is intended to bring to an issue the whole question of: "What does a woman really get for her clothes money?"

You have read about the scarcity of wool, the difficulty in getting skilled tailors in war time, the critical dye situation. And, knowing these things are so, you have been willing to pay a fair advance in price.

But it is not these things that destroy real garment value half so much as certain hidden abuses right in the garment trade—abuses that too few women have even had a hint of.

Take, for instance, the fact that nearly two-thirds of all medium-priced Coats and Suits are cut and sewed by untrained and obscure needle-workers in the unhealthy slums of the great cities. No standards of tailoring or fabrics are, or can be, preserved.

Thousands of these ignorant workers are held to their sweatshop tasks by so-called "manufacturers." Garments made under such deplorable conditions need much pressing and stretching before they are presentable even for first appearance. You may be buying these slum-made garments without knowing it at the time—many a supposedly reputable store will sell them to you if they can.

How can a woman avoid such garments? Where is she to go for her Spring clothes?

We can tell you of one store in this city which has now on display Coats and Suits that are designed by America's foremost fashion artists and are tailored exquisitely of all-wool fabrics in the happy, sun-lit factories of The H. Black Company, of Cleveland.

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The Store That Sells Wooltex in this city is:

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