

RED CROSS MEN UNDER FIRE AID FLEEING PEOPLE

Paris, Thursday, March 28.—The entire civil population in the region of the German advance has been taken out, Edward Eyre Hunt of the American Red Cross, reports to Red Cross headquarters here. Quakers of the Smith college unit and Red Cross workers from the Philadelphia unit labored for a week under shell fire, Mr. Hunt says. When the evacuation began, the Red Cross, co-operating with the French and British authorities, established a chain of relief stations for refugees, Floyd Van Kepron of Denver, Colo., was placed in charge at Amiens. Dr. W. B. Jackson of Florida, and Dr. Hohne Baldwin of Baltimore, together with a staff of nurses from the children's hospital at Nesle and a group of Quakers from Smith college, were at Montdidier and later at Beauvais. Haine R. Hinshaw, a Quaker from Emporia, Kan., was at Lassigny. Dr. Henry C. Greene, with five Quakers and the Philadelphia unit at Villers-Aumont, installed an emergency dormitory at Noyon. Harry S. House of New York was at Soissons. Reserve stores of food at Red Cross warehouses were turned over to the British soldiers.

London Editorials Look On Situation as Grave

London, March 29.—Editorials in the morning newspapers today comment in grave, but confident tones on what the majority characterize as a fresh crisis in the battle. The Daily Mail, alluding to the new enemy thrust at the French says: "The question is whether the French can beat back this new and terrific attack. Southeast of Montdidier they recovered nearly two miles of ground yesterday by a dashing counter-strike, but Montdidier still remains in the hands of the Germans. "The new German advance not only threatens the southern flank of the Amiens position, but menaces Paris also and endangers the stability of the whole line. The task of the allied armies will be to try to hold the Germans to the utmost. "Emphasizing that the Germans continue to hold Montdidier and are apparently astride the main railway line from Amiens to Paris," the Daily Express says: "This is serious if the advantage can be held; yet it is of great importance that the French line is still unbroken. It would be as great a folly to take a too optimistic as a too pessimistic

GERMAN SHELL HITS PARIS CHURCH KILLING 75 PERSONS

(Continued From Page One.) A German prisoner who was interrogated today said the German troops were greatly surprised at the small number of British dead found on the battlefield. Thought British Annihilated. They had been told the British in front of them had been annihilated. It was evident small groups had fought gamely to the last, giving the impression that large forces were facing them. The same prisoner said the Germans had formed a special corps whose duties were to advance behind the fighting troops and strip all clothing from the dead. The bodies, he said, were buried without any covering and the clothing thus obtained was served out again. Reports from other parts of the front seem to indicate that elsewhere the line is being held by mediocre divisions brought from the Russian front, the best troops having been withdrawn to participate in the battle. Everyone of the divisions which has been identified since the offensive began had been already classified as effective. Among them are three of the famous guard divisions and some of the Bavarians. Whether the Germans will hurl more divisions into the furnace is of course unknown. It is considered possible that they still have approximately 40 divisions which may be used to replace those that have suffered the most heavily in the recent offensive.

British Hold Ground. London, March 29.—On the Somme the British have maintained their positions and gained ground in places by successful counter-attacks, the war office announces. After holding their line all day in the face of repeated assaults by numerically superior enemy forces, the British retired a short distance from their advanced positions at some points. The Germans again suffered exceedingly heavy losses. The British took prisoners. The statement issued by the war office says: British Take Prisoners. "Further strong attacks were made by the enemy yesterday afternoon and evening at several points along the battle front. North of the Somme our troops have maintained their positions and have gained ground in places by successful counter-attacks. A number of prisoners and machine guns were captured by us in this fighting. "The enemy again suffered exceedingly heavy casualties. His frequent attacks, which were pressed with great determination throughout the day, gained only our outpost line, after several hours of severe hand-to-hand fighting. "His reserves were then sent forward against our battle positions and were everywhere thrown back with great loss. Our machine gun, artillery and rifle fire did great execution upon his ranks. "South of the Somme also heavy and continuous fighting took place un-

Enemy Will Not Break Through, Says French Premier to Lords

Paris, March 29.—"The enemy will not conquer our resistance," said Premier Clemenceau when surrounded by Deputies at the Bourbon palace upon his return from the front this afternoon. "I do not wish to pose as a prophet. That is not my habit, but come what may, they will not break through." Anecdotes showing the wonderful morale of the French troops were related by the premier. A battalion of territorial troops, arriving at the front line yesterday were found awaiting the order for a counter attack sitting unconcernedly in a mud field within range of the German shells, which were breaking in the immediate vicinity. "What are you doing here?" said M. Clemenceau. "We are at rest," responded a soldier quietly.

til late in the evening. Our troops, after maintaining their line all day in the face of repeated assaults by superior enemy forces, have withdrawn a short distance from their advanced positions. British Press Back. London, March 29.—Heavy fighting has taken place south of the Somme, in which the British have been pressed back to a line running west of Hamel, Marcelcave and Demun, says this evening's war office announcement.

Ambassador Page Visits Italian Field Headquarters

Italian Army Headquarters, Thursday, March 28.—Ambassador Page has arrived here from Rome and with General Swift and other members of the American military mission, visited General Diaz at headquarters, where they were entertained by the Italian commander and his staff. Former Representative Lens of Ohio, and Major Edward Toner also have arrived on the front. Major Toner is understood to be representing the governor of Indiana. James Davis of Pittsburgh, chairman of the American Moose war relief, has arrived also, and he and Mr. Lens and Major Toner were conducted along the Piave and mountain fronts at a time when a spirited cannonading was proceeding.

Then Silence Reigned. "Ma," roared Mr. Jagoby, "where in the bow-wow is my hat? I can't keep a thing about this house. It's a shame the way things disappear without any apparent reason. I would just like to know where that hat is." "So would I," replied Mrs. Jagoby, coolly. "You didn't have it on when you came home last night," Birmingham Age-Herald

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BILL EXTENDING SELECTIVE LAW PASSES SENATE

(By Associated Press.) The resolution extending the selective draft to men reaching the age of 21 years since June 5, 1917—the first registration day—was passed tonight by the senate without a record vote after a futile attempt had been made to add to it a provision for training youths from 19 to 21 years old. It is estimated that about 700,000 men will be added to the registration this year by the resolution which is one of the pieces of legislation on which the War department is waiting before announcing complete plans for the next draft. It now goes to the house for consideration there with the bill to base draft quotas on the number of registrants in class one instead of on population, another of the administration measures already passed by the senate. Vote is Close. The proposal to require training of boys over 19 and under registration age was in the form of an amendment by Senator New of Indiana, which the

senate rejected 36 to 26, after a debate of several days. A number of senators who favor universal military training as a peace-time policy voted against the amendment. As adopted the resolution provides that all male citizens of the United States residing in this country, attaining their majority since June 5, last, shall be subject to registration under regulations prescribed by the president; shall present themselves for registration on a day proclaimed by the president and shall be liable to military service. There was no opposition to the resolution itself, controversy being over the new amendment. Universal Training Possible. Opponents of the plan argued that training youths would hamper urgent army enterprises and take the labor from farms and factories, without providing soldiers for immediate needs at the front. Strong sentiment for universal, compulsory military training was apparent, however, and today's vote was not regarded as foreshadowing future action on Senator Chamberlain's universal training bill. Principal opposition to Senator New's proposal came from the democratic side of the senate, although four democratic members, Chamberlain of Oregon, King of Utah, Gerry of Rhode Island, and Myers of Montana, voted for its adoption. Five republicans, Borah of Idaho, Gronna of North Dakota, Jones of Washington, Norris of Nebraska, and Townsend of

Michigan, joined with the democrats in rejecting the amendment. Senator Hitchcock voted against the amendment. During the debate Chairman Chamberlain of the military committee declared 5,000,000 men would be in training for the army if he "had his way" while Senator Kirby of Arkansas, another military committee member predicted that 5,000,000 men would be in the army and 10,000,000 in camp before the war ended. Opposing the new amendment, Senator Borah said he did not believe it met the situation in the right way, and that it would place the powers to inaugurate the system into the hands of one who has publicly opposed the plan of universal military service, Secretary Baker. Agricultural districts are already experiencing a labor shortage, he said and he opposed any action that would make that change more acute. Senator Sterling contended there are three or four months in each year when men are not engaged in work on the farms when they could as well be engaged in military training. Norris Would Wait. Senator Norris, of Nebraska, said the question of universal training should not be determined definitely until the kind of a peace that is to follow the war is ascertained. If it is to be a peace where large armies and navies will be unnecessary, he said, then military training will not be needed. Senator Fall, of New Mexico, sup-

ported the amendment, declared some such plan must be adopted to meet the nation's military requirements. "If I had my way about it," the New Mexico senator said, "I would have a law passed drafting all persons, both male and female; between the ages of 18 and 45 years, and assign them to their place in the winning of this war." Senators Williams, of Mississippi and Gronna of North Dakota, argued that compulsory training would establish a military caste and system similar to Germany's autocratic military despotism. British Correspondent At Front Very Optimistic. London, March 29.—A hopeful view of the situation is given by the Morning Post's correspondent at the front, telegraphing Thursday night: "The greatest crisis is thought to be over," he says. "Fresh troops are coming up steadily and new batteries are laying the foundations of a formidable protective barrage. "There are signs that the enemy is being pushed for reserves. He has thrown in one of his naval divisions which has not been done heretofore unless caught short-handed." Smooth Work. "There goes a chap who started on a shoe-string and now he's independently rich." "He must be a man of great business ability." "Not particularly. He married money. The dainty boot of an heiress came unloosed one day and he was Johnny-on-the-spot." Birmingham Age-Herald

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