



BRITISH LAUNCH ATTACKS

BATTERING ARMY OF KAISER FLUNG BACK IN MASSES

Teutons Continue Plunging Tactics, With Operations Rapidly Developing Into Re-enactment of Great Verdun Battle; Allies' Front Stands Like Iron Wall; Clemenceau Expresses Confidence.

(By Associated Press.)

The Germans are continuing their plunging tactics in the Amiens battle area, with their operation rapidly developing into a greatly magnified Verdun.

The similarity with the classic example of a German attempt to beat down an enemy by sheer force is daily growing. This development obtrudes itself because of the narrowing of the arm involved in the attack, and the practice of hurling great masses of troops at the defenders of a narrow front, regardless of sacrifices.

STRIKE AT CENTER.

Saturday, the main attack was delivered on the allied center, after the blow launched south of the Somme on Thursday, and that driven into the north of the river on Friday, had spent themselves.

Saturday's big plunge appears to have had its starting point just to the south of the Somme. Apparently aiming at the Albert-Amiens railroad in the vicinity of Corbie, about ten miles east of Amiens, the enemy threw heavy masses of troops toward the opposing line from Vaivre wood, east of Corbie. The battle seemed likely to develop into one of importance as affecting the tenure of what remained to the entente allies of the wedge-shaped piece of ground in the angle formed here by the Somme and the Ancre.

BRITISH HOLD FIRM.

The Germans did not renew their attacks against the French south of the Somme Friday night. The attack launched against the British in the region of Albert and northward on Friday, however, was kept up well into the evening, but its continuation gave the enemy little if any additional advantage.

The weather on the battle front was reported improving Saturday, but the aviators were still handicapped by low visibility.

Premier Clemenceau has added to French confidence in the outcome of the great battle by an explanation of the situation to the parliamentary military committee, in which he told them the situation might safely be left in the hands of France's admirable army. His statement supplements General Foch's "All is going well" in his remarks on the state of affairs in the battle area.

The anniversary of the entry of the United States into the war was made the occasion abroad of celebratory functions in London, Paris and Rome and the sending of numerous messages of felicitation by allied leaders. A notable utterance was that by Premier Lloyd George, in which he predicted that during "the next few weeks" the United States would "surprise the Prussian military junta the surprise of their lives."

Disorders in Siberia Increase; Loot Houses

Harbin, Manchuria, April 7.—Disorder is increasing in Siberia and the Bolsheviki are using every effort to overthrow General Pleshkoff, whom Lieutenant General Horvath, military commander at Harbin, recently appointed chief of the Russian forces in Siberia and Manchuria. In Harbin there has been wholesale looting in the business district. The Chinese police, however, have succeeded in suppressing the looters. Many Bolsheviki agents are arriving here. Houses and business districts are under heavy guard.

Elevator Fire at Wilber Endangers Much Wheat

Wilber, Neb., April 7.—(Special.)—A fire was discovered in the upper part of an elevator here Friday night and before it was stopped the roof and upper part destroyed. The grain was not damaged. Seven thousand bushels of wheat was in the bins below the fire.

The Weather

For Nebraska—Fair, not much change in temperature.

Table with 2 columns: Hour and Temp. Data for 8 a.m., 9 a.m., 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 12 m., 1 p.m., 2 p.m., 3 p.m., 4 p.m., 5 p.m., 6 p.m., 7 p.m., 8 p.m.

Comparative Local Record. Official record of temperature and precipitation compared with the corresponding period of the past three years.

POWER OF U. S. DECIDES WAR FOR VICTORY

Dr. Violette Says America Is Fighting Whole German Nation and It Must Soon Be Realized.

"I witnessed today the most inspiring, the most impressive parade I have ever looked upon," was the opening statement of Dr. E. E. Violette, director of the speakers' bureau of the tenth federal reserve district, in his speech on behalf of the third Liberty loan at the Auditorium Saturday night.

"I shall always remember that spectacle of 50,000 men, women and children marching and counter marching through the streets of Omaha. The complaint was made to me that they did not keep step. 'No, their feet did not, that is true, but that huge concourse kept step by heart throbs.'"

JOLTS FOR THE KAISER.

Although his subject was supposed to have been "The Evolution of Democracy," Dr. Violette asserted that a speaker should learn not to stick to his subject, but to stick to his audience, and he believed it to be an occasion on which to hand the kaiser a few verbal jolts.

And he did. He was frequently interrupted by applause and cheers from an audience of more than 2,500 people.

"Get aboard the Liberty loan limited. It will spell doom for the Hapsburgs and Hohenzollerns for all time. Hates Name Germany. 'I would rather take the I. O. U. of a common gambler than a peace treaty signed and sealed with the blood of Bill of Potsdam. I hate the name Germany. If I go to France in June, as I hope to, I will lay aside God and religion and grab a gun to shoot the Hun. God and Germany cannot be thought of at the same time.'"

"When that prince of patriots, President Woodrow Wilson, said good bye to autocracy, he made but one mistake. He said that we were not fighting the German people, but the kaiser. I want to say that we're fighting the bloody Hun. That crowd in the parade today sang my favorite song, 'To Hell With the Kaiser.' I wish the people in my congregation in Kansas City would insert it in their hymn books.

Autocracy Doomed. "The honor of autocracy went down forever, with the sinking of the Lusitania. The kings will have to move out. 'When we went to school, we were taught that the bite of a dying snake is more poisonous just before it passes away than at any other time. The serpent of autocracy is breathing its last. It has put all the poison of accumulated centuries into its last stronghold, the house of Hohenzollern.'"

Wilson Hampered. Dr. Violette urged patience with President Wilson. "Think what you would have done with such a house of misrepresentatives as he has had to deal with, men like Senator Stone, Senator Reed and Senator La Follette. (Cheers.)"

"If there is any man who thinks that America is not the best place to live in, let him obtain a passport, if he can, and get out. If he doesn't, an epitaph will be written on his tombstone similar to that of the man who was kicked by a mule, 'not dead, but kicked hence.'"

The speaker referred to Count von Bernstorff as the reincarnation of Judas Iscariot and said it was a pity some had not assassinated him as he sat enjoying President Wilson's hospitality.

Bravery of Troops.

High tribute was paid to the Americans now fighting "over there." To illustrate their bravery, Dr. Violette told of meeting a British army officer Friday night in Kansas City, who asserted that the Americans were the finest fighting men in Europe. "Why," replied Dr. Violette, "they could not be much superior to your splendid troops."

"Oh, but they are, you know. The difference between the American soldiers and the boys with whom I fight is that sometimes we miss a Hun, but those damned Americans never do."

Already Over the Top.

Before introducing Dr. Violette, John L. Kennedy read telegrams from Weston and Taylor, Neb., and Buffalo county, announcing that they would not wait for the 15th to subscribe for the Liberty loan, but had already gone "over the top."

"This has been a glorious day in (Continued on Page Two, Column One.)"

Buffalo County, in Nebraska, First in 10th to Oversubscribe

Kansas City, April 7.—(Special Telegram.)—The third Liberty loan campaign in the Tenth district, including the western Missouri counties, part of Oklahoma, all of Colorado, Nebraska, Kansas and New Mexico, opened this morning with reports of whirlwind drives in several counties, which significantly in stemming the German assault.

There is no mention whatever of the American troops reported hurrying to the front to join the British and French, though the department again mentions that several American transport sections have taken an active part in the battle, and that the American aviation service is operating with the British.

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The casualty lists have not been made public by the War department pending an interpretation by Secretary Baker, who is now in Europe, of his recent order that all news concerning the expeditionary forces must come from General Pershing's headquarters. Mr. Crowell announced, however, that should there be a report of great losses or a disaster of any kind before Mr. Baker's ruling is received, the fact will not be concealed, but the figures at least will be given out immediately.

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FEDERAL AGENTS ARREST 1,000 MEN IN MINNEAPOLIS

Minneapolis, April 7.—Approximately 1,000 men of military age who did not have their registration cards or other credentials with them were taken into custody here tonight when agents of the Department of Justice and members of the local home guards raided 197 pool rooms and dance halls in the city. All those arrested were loaded into moving vans, motor trucks and other vehicles and taken, under armed guard, to the assembly room at the court house. Some were marched through the downtown streets under armed guard.

Some Are Released.

Many were released when they satisfied officials they had registered and sent in their questionnaires. Others not so fortunate were held pending further investigation. Officials expected to work all night and perhaps all day tomorrow checking up the men's records. Shortly after 9 p. m. 700 picked deputies left headquarters in the court house and in small squads went to the halls. Guardsmen and deputies in uniform watched the front and rear doors, while agents of the Department of Justice went through the places and examined all the men inside. Those who appeared to be of draft age, but who had no cards, were taken, lined up and marched down the street.

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"In the course of the night the artillery of both sides displayed great activity between Montdidier and Noyon. West of Noyon a German detachment which had gained a foothold in the advanced French line, was ejected by a counter attack. A German attack on the French lines in the region of Grivesnes, northwest of Montdidier, was repulsed. Rheims was violently bombed by the Germans last night. The text of the statement reads: 'Last evening the French repulsed a German attack in the region of Grivesnes. Artillery Very Active. 'In the course of the night the artillery of both sides displayed great activity between Montdidier and Noyon. West of Noyon a German detachment which had succeeded in gaining a foothold in the advanced French trenches was immediately ejected by a counter attack. 'On the Oise front the Germans renewed their assaults in the region of Chaunay and Barisis. 'A German attempt to raid the French lines north of the Chemin Des Dames was unsuccessful. 'Rheims was violently bombed in the course of the night. Sunday night. London, April 7.—There was no resumption Sunday for the heavy fighting along the British front. The Germans, according to the report from Field Marshal Haig's headquarters tonight, stated two attacks at Bucquoy but were repelled. Paris Bombed. Paris, April 7.—Th: bombardment of Paris by the German long range gun' was resumed this afternoon at 3.30.

LITTLE LAD MAY DIE FROM BLOW FROM AUTO TRUCK

Thomas Byers, 12-year-old son of Mrs. Emma Byers, 3802 North Thirty-eight street, was struck and probably fatally injured by an automobile at Fifteenth and Farnam streets Saturday afternoon.

The automobile was driven by D. O. Read, mechanic, 2905 North Sixteenth street, who was arrested immediately and booked for investigation.

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