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AMERICAN SOLDIERS GET THEIR REVENGE

American Infantrymen Ambush German Patrol

BOYS ARE GETTING
SOME REAL FIGHTING

Patrol of United States Soldiers
Lay In Wait For Huns and
Get Their Revenge.

With the American Army in France, Nov. 14.—American infantrymen exacted a part revenge for a trench raid during a recent night, by ambushing a large German patrol in No Man's Land, killing or wounding a number of the enemy.

The American patrol in which there were some Frenchmen, arranged the ambushade near the German lines on a shell-ridden farm.

After lying in the mud nearly all night the patience of the watchers was rewarded by the sight of a large German patrol, its number more than double that of the Franco-Americans.

The Germans were permitted to pass, when the Americans and French on their flank opened a hot fire from shell craters and other shelters where they were secreted.

The Germans were taken completely by surprise and bolted carrying with them their men who had been hit.

The number of dead and wounded Germans is uncertain, but none of the men in ambush was hit by the bullets the Germans later sent in from a distance. There were congratulations all around when the Americans and French re-entered their trenches.

Patrol work on both sides is becoming more active, as is also the artillery fire. The Germans during one 24 hour period of a recent day sent over at least three times as many shells as on the first days during which the Americans were entrenched. One night the firing in the back areas against the approaches of the communication trenches reached the proportion of drum fire. It was evident the Germans thought an American trench relief was taking place. As a matter of fact, no relief was in progress and no material damage was done.

During the last two nights the Germans have continuously used machine guns in the direction of the American line. Sniping is becoming more active on both sides. American sharpshooters are working close to the German lines, especially when the nights are clear.

The activity by enemy snipers thus far has resulted in one American casualty. A non-commissioned officer was hit in the head and killed.

BUY COTTON SEED CAKE IN SMALL QUANTITIES, SAYS U. S. FOOD BOARD

Washington, Nov. 11.—"Purchase cotton seed cake in small quantities; do not buy your winter supplies now;" is the advice of the food administration today to the cattlemen of the drought-stricken areas of the Southwest.

The food administration warning says that, owing to the embargo on its exportation, the supply of cotton seed cake will be ample and that buying in large quantities at present will serve only to send prices to high levels.

BRIDGE CLUB.

The regular meeting of the Bridge Club will be held at the home of Mrs. Lewis Perrin next Wednesday, Nov. 21, at 4 o'clock.

A GLANCE OVER THE COUNTRY

News in a Condensed Form to Be Read By the Busy Reader.

Idle steamers will be used for shipping foodstuff to the neutral nations.

It is hard for Austrians to secure dynamite under the new restrictions ruled by Secretary Lane.

The demand is greater than the supply in coal. Munition factories need great quantities of fuel.

Prohibition was the topic at a spirited debate at Episcopal Convention in New York. A new topic should have been discussed.

Lloyd George may be forced to step down, is the headline, on account of the formation of International War Council.

The second detachment of American soldiers have returned to their billets. The third detachment went into the trenches on a bright starlight night.

Lieut. Resnati an Italian army aviator, made the trip from New York to Newport News in less than four hours with nine passengers in a Caproni biplane.

Mayor Dabney of Meridian, Miss., is going to enforce the blue laws for Sundays. It will include the hotels, restaurants, and newspapers with other establishments from doing business on Sunday.

Three soldiers lost their lives in an accident at Fort Worth. They were in a tunnel, an old grave pit about four feet below surface when it caved in.

A dispatch says: "Officers at Tornea, Finland, say that Siberia has declared its independence and proclaimed former Emperor Nicholas as Emperor Cossacks have occupied Kiev."

SURGICAL DRESSING CLASS.

The class in surgical dressings had their fifth lesson Wednesday morning.

Monday will complete this course of seven lessons. The classes have been interesting and well attended throughout, every place being taken.

The following dressings and bandages have been made by the class during these lessons:

- 5 compresses 9x9.
 - 30 compresses 4x4.
 - 25 gauze sponges.
 - 18 gauze rolls.
 - 18 folded gauze strips.
 - 60 gauze squares 9x9.
 - 18 absorbant pads 8x11.
 - 36 Irritation pads 16x24.
 - 18 Scultetus or many tail bandages.
 - 21 Triangular bandages or slings.
 - 18 abdominal bandages.
 - 18 head or four tail bandages.
- Those who are taking the course are:

Mrs. F. E. Harrison, Mrs. James Sherard, Mrs. Otto Bristow, Mrs. A. B. Morse, Mrs. Ella Latimer, Misses Caro Morse, Mary Aiken, Maggie Latimer, Leila Link, Onie Morse, Mrs. Annie Harris, Mrs. W. W. Bradley, Mrs. C. H. McMurray, Mrs. L. C. Parker, Mrs. Ellen Norwood, Mrs. C. C. Gambrell, Miss Emma Harris, Miss Edna Shearer.

ACTIVE SERVICE FOR NEW OFFICERS

All Who Qualify Will Be Assigned to Active Service

SOME WILL BE PUT
WITH THE TROOPS

Others Will Go to Service Schools
for Further Training Until
Call in Spring.

Washington, Nov. 14.—All men who qualify in the officers' training camps will be given commissions and practically all of them will be assigned immediately to active service either with troops or at service schools. Secretary Baker announced today that restudy of the situation had disclosed that it would be unnecessary to place any considerable number of the camp graduates on the inactive list.

The announced intention of the department to assign to active service only a small percentage of the men who will complete their course in the second series of camps this month caused a flood of protests from friends and relatives. The plan had been to commission many of the students as reserve officers and allow them to return to civilian status until needed.

Places for many of those commissioned now are to be provided by creating divisional organizations among the regular regiments in the United States. The remainder will be assigned either to various staff corps where additional officers are needed or be attached to various army units as supernumerarians for further training.

Since it is practically certain that 313,000 more National Army men will be called out by spring the officers will be needed at that time and officials have decided that it would be better to keep them actively employed.

The regular army now has been virtually fully expanded but aside from the overseas contingent under General Pershing no divisional organization has been provided. The regiments are in dependent units. No provision has been made in the regulars as yet for adding the three lieutenants to each company required under the new plan of 250 men to a company unit. They remain at the old system of a captain and two lieutenants.

It will require more than 4,000 of the second camp graduates to fill up the officer personnel of the regular regiments. Another 1,000 will be needed in the organization of divisional units. It will be necessary also to provide material for corps and army troops attached to the headquarters units of large tactical organizations.

In all probability 6,000 officers are necessary for service with the regiments under this plan and the needs of the staff corps outside of this provision will absorb many more second camp graduates.

MR. BAKER'S TURNIPS.

M. W. Baker has our thanks for a sack full of turnips. They were the largest we have seen in some time. Two were larger than dinner plates and measured about six inches through from the top to the bottom. If each one of our subscribers would bring us just one turnip we would have a sufficient supply for the winter.

JUDGE JOHNSON.

Judge Johnson of the Federal Court, spent a night with his nephew, Mr. Herbert Allen, this week.

COTTON MARKET

Cotton ----- 29.20
Seed ----- \$1.08

REGISTERED MEN TO BE CLASSIFIED

Every Man Who Is Registered Must Answer Questions

PRISON PENALTY FOR THOSE
NOT REPLYING AT ONCE

Government Questionnaire Made
Public Will Determine Status of
All Men Between 21 and 31.

Men Who Fail to Qualify in Class
One May Never Get Chance to
Fight.

Washington, Nov. 14.—Men placed in other than class one under the new selective service rules will probably never be drawn for service war department officials said today.

"We almost certainly won't get beyond the middle class of class two anyway," said an official, adding that if the 400,000 boys who have become twenty-one since the selective service law became effective are taken in by legislation of the coming congress, class one undoubtedly will be the only one used. He estimated that 1,000,000 men will be put in class one.

Officials want congress to select the 600,000 newly twenty-one men "because they are not indispensable industrially, have no dependents, and make the best fighters because of their enthusiasm, enterprise and stamina."

THE SERVICE LEAGUE.

At the request of the local Chairman of the Red Cross Charter, the Abbeville Branch of the National League for woman's Service has undertaken.

Abbeville allotment of 112 Christmas packets to be sent to our soldiers and sailors. Approximately one-third of this allotment had to be sent not later than November 15th. These packets to go to the men aboard. The committee appointed to do this work consists of Mrs. J. L. McMillan, Mrs. Lewis Perrin, Mrs. Davis Kerr, Miss May Robinson, Mrs. A. B. Morse, Mrs. J. C. Hill, Mrs. Lila Mabry, Mrs. C. D. Brown, Mrs. S. G. Thomson and Mrs. D. R. Riser.

This committee met at the home of Mrs. W. A. Harris Monday afternoon and in a few hours the forty packets were ready for shipment.

The Service League is working in close co-operation with the Red Cross and was glad of the privilege of furnishing these packets. However, as the League calls for no dues or fees it will be readily seen that the money must be raised through contributions by individuals for this special purpose. Those wishing to help give our soldiers and sailors Christmas cheer may do so either by seeing or phoning any member of this committee.

Each packet contains one tablet, package of envelopes, pencil, package of tobacco and cigarette papers, package of Nabisco's, package of hard candy, package of milk Chocolate in tin foil, and chewing gum. The packages were then wrapped in a large khaki handkerchief, tied with one inch red ribbon and a Christmas card bearing the greetings of the chapter was placed under the bow. The parcels were again wrapped in heavy manila paper and tied securely with red cord and American flags were used as seals.

The mint candy and half of the pencils were given by Mr. A. B. Morse.

FUNERAL SUNDAY AFTERNOON

The remains of Mrs. Virginia Gambrell Zimmerman will arrive this afternoon on train No. 6 on the Seaboard. Funeral services will be held Sunday afternoon at half past two o'clock at Melrose cemetery.

PRESIDENT WILL USE HIS POWER

HONOR ROLL OF CITY SCHOOLS

Following is a List of Honor Roll for Month Ending Nov. 9.

Primary Department.

Grade I.—Coline Phillips, Teacher—Oscar Clark, Henry Power.

Grade I.—B. Epting, Teacher.—Louise Beauford, Mary Chalmers, Emily Morse, Sarah Perrin Smith, Sarah Thomson, Edna White, William Thomson, Rivers Mabry.

Grade II.—Flora Timmons, Teacher.—Charlie Cox, Robert Johnson, John McMurray, Mable Bradley, Agnes Eakin, Nell Flynn, Julia Owen, Mary N. Perrin, Minnie E. Swetenburg, Sara Wilson.

Grade II.—Olive Brock, Teacher.—William H. Goode, J. Ralph Link, William J. McComb, Adair M. Aiken, Josephine F. Barnwell, M. Estelle Lyon, Jean W. Milford.

Grade III.—Miss May Robertson, Teacher.—Henry Culbreth, 92; William Deadwyler, 94; Ellen Carter, 90; Elizabeth Corley, 95; Alma Gaston, 94; Anna Jones, 92.

Grade III.—Miss Richards, Teacher.—Pat Howie, 94; Frances Ferguson, 93; Irene McMahan, 93; Margaret Stallings, 93; Sara Cowan, 92; Ethel Casey, 91; Margaret Flynn, 91; Thelma Bauknight, 90; Games Graves, 91; Thomas Raines, 90.

Grade IV.—Miss Edwards, Teacher.—Mildred Deadwyler, 91; Marthan Mann, 91.

Grade IV.—Etta L. Allen, Teacher.—Danner Cann, 91; James S. Cox, 92; Willis Harrison, 98; Thos. D. Howie, 98; Ena Cunningham, 94; Edna Dawson, 94; Catherine Gibert, 91; Margaret Harrison, 99; Rubie Hughes, 91; Rachel H. Minshall, 98; Pauline E. Welch, 93; Elene Williams, 96.

Grammar School Department.

Grade V.—B. Tarrant, Teacher.—Ellis Poliakoff, 95; Anthony Tennant, 92; Jack Thomson, 91; Frances Rose, 90.

Grade V.—Miss Kennedy, Teacher.—Jeanie White, Kathleen Lomax, Mary Swetenburg, Lucile Welch, Ralph Bauknight, Gus Smith.

Grade VI.—Miss Tennant, Teacher.—Willie Bowie, Ray Swetenburg, Caroline Chalmers, Madge Ferguson, Mary S. Gilliam, Mary Jones, Elizabeth Lyon, Annie Mabry, Grace Milford, Deborah Owen, Besie Shaw, Irene Starnes.

Grade VII.—Lillian Swetenburg, Teacher.—Emmie Haigler, Thelma Seal, Elizabeth Thomson, Clayton Shirley, Willie Eakin, Celia Chalmers.

High School Department.

Grade VIII.—Miss Magill, Teacher.—Elizabeth Gambrell, Helen Milford, Florence Neuffer, Mary White Hal Moore.

Grade IX.—Miss Lynch, Teacher.—H. Bruce Fant, Everett Hughes, Ralph Lyon, Helen Eakin, Catherine Faulkner, Mary H. Greene, Margaret Swetenburg, Mary Stevenson.

Grade X.—Miss Leila Woods, Richard Swetenburg, Nina Bauknight, Margaret Cox, Grace Dawson, Lois Ferguson, Alpha Graves, Helen Haigler, Mary Hill Harris, Mary Reed Moore.

Grade XII.—Mr. Lever, Teacher.—Elizabeth Faulkner, Fannie Dupre.

Soldiers are passing through the city almost every day now. We cannot get our thoughts collected enough to write much, therefore we are glad we haven't a wedding and dog fight to write up at the same time.

President Is Ready to Use His Power to Prevent Strike

BELIEVES BROTHERHOODS
WILL NOT BE UNPatriotic

Will Confer With the Railroad
Brotherhoods But Will Use
Force If Necessary.

Washington, Nov. 15.—Once again President Wilson has undertaken personally to prevent a general railroad strike. He has called the heads of the four great railroad brotherhoods to meet him in conference November 22, and will insist that patriotism be put ahead of private interest; that there be no attempt to handicap the operation of a vital part of the nation's war-making machinery.

The president is confident that nothing unpatriotic will be done, but if the necessity arises he is prepared to take the required steps to prevent a tie-up of transportation.

In announcing today the coming conference with the union chiefs, Judge William L. Chambers, chairman of the boards of mediation and conciliation, made public a letter from the president, which said:

"It is inconceivable to me that patriotic men should now for a moment contemplate the interruption of the transportation which is so absolutely necessary to the safety of the nation. The last thing I should wish to contemplate would be the possibility of being obliged to take any unusual measure to operate the railways and I have so much confidence that the men you are dealing with will appreciate the patriotic motives underlying your efforts that I shall look forward with assurance to your success."

At the time of the threatened strike averted by the eight-hour law last year, it was understood that the government had developed plans for emergency operation of the railroads, if that became necessary. At that time the United States was not at war.

"President Wilson's letter was sent to Judge Chambers two weeks ago, before the mediation board chairman left for Cleveland, Ohio, to confer with the union leaders. It is understood the conferences held there were productive of substantial agreements, but that the engineers, conductors, trainmen and firemen were unwilling to commit themselves unconditionally to arbitration, although welcoming mediation.

An adjustment at the White House conference next week is hoped for which will dispose of the possibility of a strike, at least for the duration of the war, either by an agreement to submit the difficulties to an arbitration board whose findings would be binding, or by postponing a wage contest until the enemy overseas has been defeated.

The switchman's union of North America has agreed to arbitration and it is understood the Order of Railroad Telegraphers also is willing to put their case in the hands of an impartial tribunal.

The new demands by the railroad workers would add \$109,000,000 yearly to their pay envelopes, according to calculations of the railway managements.

AT THE A. R. P. CHURCH.

The pastor, Rev. M. R. Plaxco, will fill the pulpit of the A. R. P. Church at the regular hours of service next Sabbath. In the morning at 11 o'clock and in the evening at 7:30 o'clock. You are very cordially invited to attend these services.