

FRENCH FORGE AHEAD

DESPITE THE RESISTANCE OF A STUBBORN FOE.

Joffre's Army Assuming General Offensive in Alsace and Along the Lorraine Border — Twenty-Five Miles From The Rhine.

Paris, April 20.—The activity of the French arms in Alsace and along the border of Lorraine is gradually increasing to the proportions of a general offensive, which has as its object the occupation of the lost provinces. The German defence of this region, as elsewhere, is stubborn, but in the face of it the French forces are making headway.

Further progress has been made in the region of Schepfenreith Kopf the capture of which was announced yesterday. The scene of this fighting is about 25 miles southwest of Colmar, a city on the Lauch River, towards which two, and possibly three, offensive drives seem to be converging.

A little to the north of Schepfenreith Kopf, on the other side of the Fecht River, there has been an attack by the Germans on the trenches on little Reihacker Kopf. The attack, says the War Office, which was repeated three times, has been repulsed and the enemy driven back. This locality is but a short distance from Muenster, a town which guards the principal highway from the west to Colmar.

Further north, at Orbe, a village only fourteen miles from Colmar, there has also been fighting which, according to to-night's communique, resulted in severe losses to the Germans, who were forced to retreat, leaving many dead before the French trenches.

Colmar, which is an important centre for traffic leading to Strassburg, some fifty miles away, is only ten miles from the Rhine. It will thus be seen that the French activities, which seem to be developing Ordey, Little Reihacker Kopf and Schepfenreith Kopf, are removed from the Rhine by only twenty-five to thirty miles, an hour's ride by automobile.

The night communique tells of a Lorraine, reported to-night by the War Office, has apparently been provoked for the most part by German attack. The localities where fighting is recorded are just inside French territory. St. Martin is about 2 miles from Blamont, a town on the high road to Sarrebourg, an important city in Lorraine. Mouracourt is a little more than two miles from the boundary and the other two towns mentioned are not much further.

The night communique tells of a German attack in the Valley of the Aisne, in the Saint Mar Wood, was stopped by artillery fire. The German advance having been checked the French troops charged with

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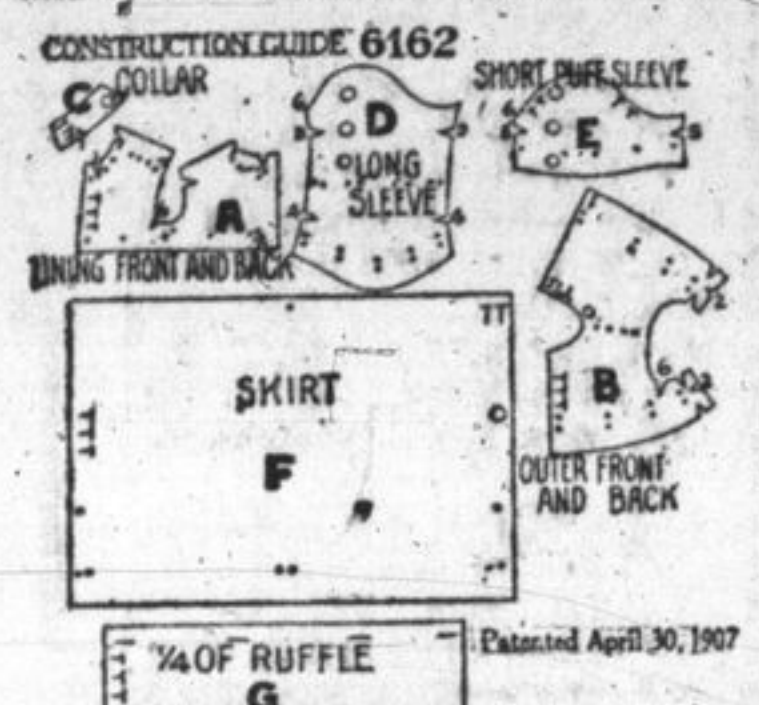
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"o" perforations at shoulder together and tack. Stitch gathers near lower edge of outer waist to position on lining, upper row along small "o" perforations.

Close back seam of skirt from large "o" perforation to lower edge, finish edges above for opening. Turn hem at lower edge on double "oo" perforations. Close back seam of ruffle; turn under upper edge on slot perforations, gather 1 inch from folded edge. Gather skirt, centers even; stitch gathers along crossline of single small "o" perforations. Gather upper edge of skirt between double "TT" perforations. Adjust skirt, stitching gathers to position underneath waist along lower row of gathers, bringing small "o" perforation to under-arm seam.

Close sleeve seam as notched. Gather on crossline of small "o" perforations and draw gathers to the required size; stitch tape under gathers. Gather upper edge between double "TT" perforations. Sew in armholes, seam at notch in front. If lace is used on the waist and skirt trills it will, of course, be repeated at the neck and on the sleeves.

ference in the detonations was very evident. The French gun made a sharp booming sound, while the German guns exploded with a deeper sound. One German shell exploded 50 paces from where they were standing, but the soldiers around them took absolutely no notice of it. They were told that in a very short time the men became accustomed to being under fire.

the bayonet and the losses to the Germans were heavy. Otherwise the day seems to have been a quiet one except for gains made in the Champagne District where 60 metres of German trenches were re-captured.

ON ARGONNE FIRING LINE

Journalists Visit Battlefields At Joffre's Invitation.

Paris, April 20.—A correspondent has just returned from a forty-eight-hour trip to the firing line, where he went in the company of three French journalists. The party was invited by General Joffre to go to the Argonne battlefields under the guidance of an officer of the General Staff from Paris.

Before reaching the concentration point, they passed through villages terribly devastated by the Germans, among them Sermaize, Sommelles and Clermont, where barely a stone was left standing. Yet these villages were already showing signs of resurrection.

In the country districts women, aged men and children were seen tilling the fields. They live in cellars, cheerfully awaiting better time.

General Sarrail, who is in command of the Third French Army in the Argonne, and who is one of the victors of the Battle of the Marne, acted as their guide along the second line of the battlefield. Thanks to him they were carried past sentries in automobiles.

They expressed a wish to get as near as possible to Vanoules, where the French offensive is beginning to brilliant a forward march.

From a hilltop they were able to see the position of the enemy and to note the progress made by the French. During their stay at this point an artillery duel took place between the French 75-centimetre guns and German howitzers. The dif-

George H. Weatherhead, one of the Brookville's leading citizens, and a man connected with the mercantile life of the Island City for many years, passed away on Thursday, at the residence of his son, Dr. G. Forrest Weatherhead, in Winkler, Man., aged seventy-four years.

The death is reported at Clayton, N.Y., on April 14th, of Mrs. Emma L. Ball, wife of William Ball, aged thirty years.

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THE BICYCLE PLAYING A BIG PART IN WAR.

A German bicycle squad carrying their wheels over an embankment in Poland. The bicycle corps of the German army has proved to be most efficient. The scouts can move from place to place quickly and much equipment can be carried.

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