

FIGHTING ON HUGE SCALE NOW IN EAST

Teutons Concentrate Forces and Beat Back Russian and Rumanian Menace

BIG BATTLE FOR IMPORTANT RAILWAY

Entente Appears to Have Best of The Fighting in Macedonia—Turks Report Victory Over Russians—Greece May Be On Threshold of Entering War.

Fighting on a huge scale is in progress along the eastern war front, whose center of interest shifted following the letup in the heavy allies attack along the Somme.

Evidence is accumulating that the central powers are devoting their main attention to the campaign in the east, concentrating large forces against the Rumanians and putting all possible available men in the field to stop the Russian advance on Lemberg and the menacing drive of the Russians and Rumanians in the Carpathians and Transylvania.

Both Berlin and Sofia report development of a great battle on the line the Russians and Rumanians have taken up in Dobruja, to defend the railway route into the interior of Rumania. The engagement, they declare, is turning in favor of the forces of the central powers. Latest reports from the fighting in Galicia and Volhynia show that the Teutonic forces are engaged and claim a decided advantage over the Russians.

As has frequently been the case when decisive developments are pending, Petrograd today is silent regarding operations along the Russian front, reporting merely that there has been no important happening.

The Turkish troops, which appear to have played an important part in stiffening the line of the Teutonic allies in the recent fighting in Galicia, Constantinople announced today. A forty-eight hour battle with superior Russian forces resulted in the Turkish troops maintaining their position.

In Macedonia the trend of the campaign appears to favor the entente armies. The Serbians are reported in a continued advance along the western end of the line.

Greece again appears as probably a new factor in the military field in the Balkans. She is reported to have sent an ultimatum to Germany demanding the return of the Greek troops taken prisoners at Kavala, by the Bulgarians and sent to Germany for internment.

Comparative quiet prevails in the Somme region, Paris sends news of a German attack on Hill No. 76, north of the river, which the French repelled.

TIGHT RACE IN MAJOR LEAGUE

Boston Farther to The Front and Brooklyn Has Best in National

Chicago, Sept. 20.—A game and a half still separate Boston and Chicago today in the American league race while Detroit is a half game ahead of Chicago and a full game behind the leader. Detroit and Boston have two more games at Detroit and Chicago plays Philadelphia today and tomorrow. The percentages are Boston 52, Detroit 57, Chicago 56.

In the National league Brooklyn is today two full games ahead of Philadelphia, having won from Cincinnati yesterday while Philadelphia lost to Chicago. Boston is two and one-half games behind Brooklyn and one half game below Philadelphia. Brooklyn's 16 remaining games are at home while three of Philadelphia's 17 and 11 of Boston's 20 are abroad.

REPORTS ENORMOUS ALLIED LOSSES

Berlin, Sept. 20, (Via wireless to Dayton)—British and French losses in the battle of the Somme have reached about 500,000, the Overseas News Agency estimates.

PEOPLE TO JOIN SINGING PRAISES OF MR. WILSON

Declares Chairman McCormick About Eight-Hour Day Railway Law

WILL MEET THE HUGHES ATTACK

President Plans to Have His Entire Program Enacted. No Further Speech Dates Announced

Long Branch, N. J., Sept. 20.—President Wilson and Chairman Vance McCormick mapped out here today a program for meeting the campaign attacks of Charles Evans Hughes on the railway eight-hour law.

Asserting that the Democrats would show that the President had placed before congress a complete program to meet the recent threatened strike, Chairman McCormick said that Mr. Wilson is preparing to urge strongly during the next session of congress the enactment of this program.

When the entire plan is fully understood by the people of the country they will join in praising Mr. Wilson, the chairman said. The Republicans, he declared, seem to ignore everything in the program except the one item passed by congress. Mr. McCormick added that it will be shown clearly, however, that the President's plan is to minimize the possibility of a repetition of the threatened railroad strike which arose recently.

The chairman was not ready today to announce any additional speech arrangement for President Wilson, but said that correspondence would be begun regarding several engagements. He plans to return here next Tuesday for another conference.

CONFERENCE MEETS IN CHARLOTTE

Officials of Y. M. C. A. of Carolinas Hold Session Beginning Tomorrow

Charlotte, Sept. 20.—The conference of the employed officers of the Young Men's Christian Association of North and South Carolina will be held here Thursday and Friday of this week.

The conference will be a general one but different times will be allowed each department in which to discuss things pertaining to their affairs. The object of the conference however, as a whole will be to standardize the work of the Association in the two Carolinas.

Quite a number of prominent Y. M. C. A. workers will be present and will make addresses and the officials are looking forward to a most successful meeting.

The official session will start Thursday morning at 11 o'clock and Friday night at the closing of the last session a banquet will be held at which time a number of the most important branches of the work will be discussed.

The banquet as well as being connected with the regular session will be a farewell one to Mr. E. G. Wilson, prominent Y. M. C. A. worker who will leave within the next few weeks for Europe where he will take up the same work among the belligerent countries.

FUNERAL OF GENERAL MILLS HELD TODAY

Washington, Sept. 20.—Military honors were accorded Major General Albert L. Mills, late head of the military affairs bureau, of the War Department, at his funeral held here today. The pall bearers included a number of prominent military and civil officials.

Burial will be made tomorrow at West Point where the cadets will participate in the ceremonies.

ATTACKS ON CARS CONTINUING IN NEW YORK CITY

No Plan In Sight For Averting Giant Sympathetic Strike

BUSINESS MEN AGAIN IN CONFERENCE

Unions Give Until Tomorrow Night For Decision—Rioting on Increase and Many Arrests Made

New York, Sept. 20.—Despite attempted intervention of a committee of business men there seems to be little prospect of averting a general strike in sympathy with the street railway employees.

Labor leaders assert that the proposed general walk-out will involve about 700,000 workers.

A second conference of business men, with Mayor Mitchell, and the chairman of the public service commission, was called today, but it was the feeling of those concerned that the situation has reached a virtual deadlock. Union leaders promise to withhold the order for a sympathetic strike until after Thursday and, in the meantime, the city authorities and business men will endeavor to find some way to prevent extension of the labor war, which threatens to tie-up a considerable part of the city's industries.

An attempt to operate surface cars last night resulted in the worst rioting since the strike began but officials of the transit companies say the service in the daytime is improving steadily.

Throughout the night elevated trains and subway trains, at points where they ran on elevated structures, were subjected to bombardments of both bottles and bricks, car windows being smashed and a number of passengers injured.

Today there were several attacks by strikers and sympathizers on surface cars and the police reserves were repeatedly called out.

During the forenoon attacks on surface cars continued intermittently. The last 24 hours have witnessed the most extensive disturbances of the strike. Police reports today show the arrest of 20 men declared to be former employees. Fifteen of these are accused of felony in attacks on trains and cars.

TRYING TO CORNER THE CROOKS

Washington Takes Up Investigation of Chicago Black-mailers.

Chicago, Ill., Sept. 20.—Investigation of the operations of the alleged blackmailing syndicate, accused of swindling wealthy persons in various parts of the country out of large sums of money, was transferred to Washington temporarily today by the department of justice. H. G. Clabaugh, local agent of the department of justice went to Washington to consult with Attorney General Gregory.

William C. Woodward, wanted by the government in connection with the alleged swindle, surrendered last night and was released on \$2,500 bond. Three of those arrested were discharged yesterday on account of lack of evidence. The four others are still being held and will be given an examination before a United States commissioner next Friday.

Rags Burning—Rags burning at the home of Mary Moore, colored, No. 804 North-Seventh street, this morning at 8:45 o'clock caused the fire department to be called from box No. 114. No damage was reported.

HAS GREECE SENT AN ULTIMATUM?

Athens, Greece, Sept. 19, (Via London, Sept. 20, Delayed).—There is reason to believe that the Greek government has sent an ultimatum to Germany and Bulgaria, expiring Wednesday night, demanding the immediate return of the soldiers taken prisoners at Kavala.

BAKERS WANT AN EMBARGO PLACED ON THE WHEAT

Ask That Special Session of Congress Deal With The Question.

TWENTY CENT LOAF IS NOW ON WAY

Flour Will Go Up to \$14 a Barrel Unless Something Is Done, Declare The Bakers

New York, Sept. 20.—President Wilson will be asked to call a special session of congress to declare an embargo upon the exportation of wheat and feeders, and State investigation of the increased price of flour will be demanded by resolutions adopted by two hundred bakers of Brooklyn yesterday.

It was asserted that flour will be sold at \$14 a barrel and bread at 20 cents a loaf next spring, unless an embargo is imposed.

WILL REBUILD HIGH SCHOOL

Baptist Institution at Winterville to be Replaced by Modern Building

Kinston, Sept. 20.—It is understood here that the Baptist High School, that was destroyed by fire some time ago, that was caused by lightning will be rebuilt in the near future. According to the report the new building will be thoroughly modern in all details and will cost approximately \$25,000.

The State High School at Pink Hill has opened with the necessary pupils to make it a government institution and many other pupils are expected during the week. At the opening session several addresses were made by prominent educators in this section.

One of the features of the fair that is to be held there this fall will be the old time tournament such as was held last year with such startling successes. Chief Marshal Harvey C. Hines has written to over a thousand men in the surrounding country asking that they take part and it is thought that fully half of this number will accept and will be among the gaily caparisoned raiders in the tournament. The grand parade this year will be on a much more spectacular scale than was held last year and the number of floats that the different fraternal organizations and business houses are planning to put in will be an especially attractive feature.

The Republican campaign in Lenoir county was opened this afternoon at 2 o'clock, when J. J. Parker, candidate for attorney general, spoke here. Judge Manning, Democratic candidate for the same office, will speak here later in the month.

A number of old time fiddlers will next month, hold a fiddling contest here and the proceeds will go to the people in need of help in the county. Old time fiddlers from all over the State have been invited to participate and a score from this county have already signified their intention of doing so. Prizes will be awarded to the best fiddlers.

COOL WEATHER HAS HURT COTTON CROP

Washington, Sept. 20.—Cool weather in North Carolina and parts of South Carolina has caused some damage to cotton, but picking and ginning are progressing under favorable conditions in most Southern States, according to the weekly crop bulletin issued by the weather bureau today. The bulletin adds that most of the tobacco crop in Virginia, Kentucky and Tennessee has been housed and is being cured.

CARRANZA CHANGES THE ELECTION DATE

Mexico City, Mexico, Sept. 20.—A decree by General Carranza was published today changing the date for the election of delegates to the constitutional assembly from October 15 to October 22. The assembly will convene at Queretaro on November 20 and the first formal session will be held December 1.

COLONEL TAYLOR EXPLAINED PLANS REORGANIZATION

At Luncheon Given at The New Wilmington Today

THE CHAMBER MUST BE GIVEN SUPPORT

Idea in The Future Is to Treat All Members on Equal Basis, It Is Declared.

Declaring that it will mean stagnation and bankruptcy to the little merchant and perhaps the larger one, too, when crepe is hung on the door of the Chamber of Commerce, Col. Walker Taylor explained the plans of re-organizing the Chamber this afternoon at a get-together luncheon given at the Wilmington Hotel. That was the Colonel's answer to the little fellow who wanted to know what he was going to derive from this organization.

Colonel Taylor pleaded for a bigger and better organization. He declared that it was impossible for a city and a community to get results unless such an organization was maintained and when he explained the plans of re-organization he was accorded hearty applause.

The idea is to give every member an equal opportunity. Hereafter memberships are not to be had in the name of firms. When one wishes to join the Chamber one must join in his name. Col. Taylor told of the friendly battle that is being waged every day by the business men of the city and of the need of a place where they can assemble and discuss their differences. He explained that it was impossible to get together on anything during the busy hours of the day and that one wished to go home to one's family at night but he added that a Chamber of Commerce settled this.

The fact that every member is to be given the same consideration regardless of whether he did a ten dollar or a thousand dollar a day business was one of the points Col. Taylor sought to drive home. "Every note in the organization must sound harmoniously," declared the colonel, "if the right kind of results are to be obtained."

The new idea is to change the same membership fees to all. Colonel Taylor declared that in this way every link in the chain would be of the same durability.

The officers of the organization are to be elected directly by the members. Any member is allowed to nominate whoever he cares to and when all the nominees are in the balloting is to commence. Colonel Taylor explained that this way is fair to everyone concerned, adding that if any member present could improve on the plan the committee would be glad to hear from him.

J. G. McCormick, Esq., vice president of the Chamber, presided over the meeting. Following Colonel Taylor's talk Mr. McCormick told the assemblage of the great and urgent need of a traffic manager. He admitted that the Chamber's traffic committee was good enough in its way but added that a traffic manager was the one thing needed. He declared that there was not a city anywhere of Wilmington's proportion that did not maintain such an office and he urged upon those present to see that such an office was created at once.

The luncheon was all that could be desired. The guests filed into the dining room of The Wilmington a few minutes after 1 o'clock and remained standing while prayer was offered by Rev. M. T. Pyle. The chef had ten at the inner meaning of the word food and the five courses served left the guests in an unusually pleasant frame of mind.

DURHAM NEGROES EQUAL QUAKER CITY

Durham, Sept. 20.—Negroes here are raising a fund that will go to the Fund that is being taken by popular subscription and already over \$800 has been raised. The members of the colored race here wish to equal the amount sent in by the Philadelphia colored people, which was \$1,000 and the leaders in the movement here state that the necessary amount over what they have already raised is practically assured.

The Durham Traction Company has authorized an extension of one half mile on its line that is to be extended to the plant of the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company's plant.

VILLA TROOPS MAY BE ON THE ATTACK

LATEST IN SKIRTS FOR THE GIRLIES

Fashion About to Decree More Flaring Garments and With No Less Cost

New York, Sept. 20.—Longer and less flaring skirts are indicated by fall fashions, says the semi-annual report of the Silk Association of America. Skirts will be ankle length, made of plaits requiring as much or more material than last season, is the prediction. Paris fashions it is asserted, have not favored extremely short, almost freakish skirts that have been worn here this year.

The wearing of those skirts, unquestionably has increased the demand for silk hosiery, both fancy and plain, says the report of the experts.

EXCITEMENT WAS CAUSE OF DEATH

Official of Greene County Suffered Fatal Stroke of Apoplexy

Snow Hill, N. C., Sept. 20.—William H. Williams, sheriff of Greene county, died at a hospital here early today, as the result of a stroke of apoplexy suffered last night after arresting William Sasser, an 18-year-old negro, charged with firing upon and wounding, with bird shot, four white persons in a automobile near here.

Sasser was arrested but the deputy having him in charge did not report immediately. Sheriff Williams, it was said, became uneasy, hearing that the prisoner had been taken away from the officer. It is believed that the stroke was induced by the excitement incident to the arrest of the negro.

Mrs. Cleon Jones, Miss Blanche Jones, Zebulon Jones and Troy Dail were in the car fired upon. None was seriously injured. The negro, it was said, bore a grudge against Dail.

SAILORS' STORIES ON THE WAY OVER

Consul General Skinner Reports Two American Seamen Were Saved

Washington, Sept. 20.—Consul General Skinner, at London, cabled the state department today that two American sailors were saved from the British steamer, Strathgairn, torpedoed by a submarine Sept. 6, in the English Channel. Whether the steamer was attacked without warning was not stated. Definite information on this point will be sought before any inquiry is addressed to Germany.

It is assured by the official that affidavits by the American seamen are on the way to the state department. The way to the state department, New York for Havre and early report of the sinking said the entire crew was saved.

NEW CASES SHOW A DECREASE TODAY

New York, Sept. 20.—Eighteen new cases of infantile paralysis in the epidemic, a decline of 17 since yesterday's report was issued, was shown in the department of health bulletin covering the 24 hours ending at 10 a. m. today. There were ten deaths, the same number as yesterday.

BRITISH GAIN MORE GROUND

London, Sept. 20.—British troops south of Arras yesterday captured 200 yards of German trenches, says the official statement issued today by British army headquarters.

Reported That Bandit Chief-tain Has Taken Chihuahua City From Carranza.

FUNSTON EXPECTS SOMETHING TO HAPPEN

Thinks That Villa May Already Have Severed Communication and Garrisons Better Look Out—Outlaw's Forces Have Grown—Tales Brought to General Bell.

El Paso, Texas, Sept. 20.—Rumors current here today that Chihuahua City was captured by Villa in a second attack last night. Mexican officials at Juarez declared the rumors without foundation.

According to the rumors the attack was preceded by mutiny of a large part of the garrison. The bandits, it is said, occupied the municipal and Federal palaces, the penitentiary and two hills.

In Juarez it is maintained that although the wire communication has been hampered that messages received early today indicated quiet in Chihuahua City.

Funston Says Villa is Active. San Antonio, Texas, Sept. 20.—Belief that Francisco Villa will soon cut the Carranza line of communication between Chihuahua City and Juarez, if he has not already done so, was suggested by Major General Funston today, after he had read report on Villa's Chihuahua City engagement received from Brigadier Gen. Bell at El Paso.

Stories gathered by General Bell from persons reaching El Paso from the interior indicate that General Trevino's forces were driven out of Chihuahua City in the Villa attack Saturday. They took station on a large hill, outside the city, from necessity and not from choice, as previously reported, it was said. From the hill they succeeded, by the use of artillery, in dislodging the Villa forces. General Funston refused to give out all the details of General Bell's report, but he said it confirmed previous accounts of the battle and indicated a more serious condition than was admitted by Carranza officials. General Bell reported that Villa's forces last Saturday were estimated at from 600 to 1,700 men.

General Funston believes that this force has grown since the Chihuahua City battle. He said that in this case the logical step for Villa was severing the line of communication between Chihuahua City and Juarez. This would give him control of the Mexican Northwest Railway and the General added: "The garrisons to the north would have to look out."

Mr. A. H. Beard of Washington, D. C., has accepted a position as sign painter with the Southern Sign Shop, of this city. Mr. Beard has already entered upon his duties.

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