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WEATHER FORECAST.
LOCAL RAINS TONIGHT.

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ANGLO-FRENCH FORCES PRESSING GERMANS AT POINTS FIRST ATTACKED

British Troops Are Battering Third Line of German Defenses in Vicinity of Loos.

FRENCH MAINTAINING CHAMPAGNE OFFENSIVE

Indications Are That Allied Leaders are Determined to Push Successes to Decisive Issue.

London, Sept. 29.—British troops are battering the third line of the German defenses in the vicinity of Loos. The French are maintaining their offensive in Champagne. The Germans in the Argonne apparently have been unable to make any important gains and have refrained from infantry attack. This sums up briefly the western battle front situation as it is seen in London today.

No great changes in conditions are shown, but England attaches much importance to indications that the offensive movement of the French and British is not to be relaxed. A short breathing spell has been succeeded by hard pressure on the Germans at points that had been weakened or shattered by the allies' rush.

That it is the intention of the allies to maintain the pressure is indicated by a telegram from Field Marshal Sir John French to the Lord Mayor of London, thanking him for a message of good will. General French added that the message had encouraged his troops to "push their immediate success to a really decisive issue."

The latter statement leads the public to believe that there will be no statement such as followed the battle at Neuva Chapelle, but that with new British forces in the field and an ample supply of ammunition Field Marshals Joffre and French plan a real test as to whether the German resistance in France and Belgium can be broken.

Paris, Sept. 29.—The German casualties resulting from the French and British offensive on the western front, including killed, wounded and prisoners, are given officially by the French war office as in excess of the strength of three army corps—more than 120,000 men.

There has been no interruption in the fighting in Champagne. Progress for the French troops in the Artois region in northwestern France, continues, the report says.

North of Massiges, the war office reports 1000 Germans surrendered.

Russians Slowing Up. The Russians have not been doing so well for the last day or two. The Austrians have returned the Russian advance in South Poland and have retaken Lutsk. The Germans are renewing their great movement against Dvinsk.

The British forces have won an important success in Mesopotamia, and the Turks are in full retreat toward Bagdad, with the British troops in pur-

Anglo-French Commission In Chicago for Two Days

Chicago, Sept. 29.—The four members of the Anglo-French credit loan commission reached Chicago yesterday and were greeted by a committee of prominent bankers and business men. Among the latter was J. Ogden Armour, the packer. Others of the committee were James B. Forgan, president of the First National Bank; George M. Reynolds, president of the Continental and Commercial National Bank and John W. Scott, president of the Commercial club, the host of the visitors.

The foreign commissioners are Baron Reading, Sir Edward H. Holden, Basil Blackett and M. Ernest Mallet. They are accompanied by Thomas W. Lamont of the firm of J. P. Morgan and company. The formal gettings took place at an exclusive hotel, where rooms for the commissioners had been reserved. Although the visit was announced as purely social, the luncheons, dinners and rides on the program for the two days' stay of the commissioners will allow opportunities for the discussion of any subject.

suit, according to an announcement made in the house of commons by Austin Chamberlain, secretary of state for India.

Bulgaria Threatened.

London, Sept. 28.—"If the Bulgarian mobilization results in Bulgaria's assuming an aggressive attitude on the side of our enemies, we are prepared to give our friends in the Balkans all the support in our power in a manner that will be most welcome to them, in concert with our allies, without reservation and without qualification," declared Sir Edward Grey, British foreign minister, in the house of commons today.

Think German Plans Spoiled.

Petrograd, Sept. 28.—Although the Russians had a series of important tactical successes along almost the entire eastern front, military authorities lay stress on the greater success of the British and French forces in their new campaign in the west.

Russian officials calculate the movement in the east is equivalent to three German army corps withdrawn from active service in the east. The authorities expect the allied offensive will spoil the German plans both as regards Russia and Serbia.

The Russians have made gains at several points which would ordinarily be regarded as considerable but they are not allowing their attention to be distracted from Dvinsk, which the Germans continue to attack with energy and which the Russians are endeavoring with equal determination.

Indian Troop Ship Sunk.

Athens, Sept. 28.—The Greek government has released the Sikhs and Gourkas who are survivors from the British transport Ramavar, which was sunk by a submarine. They were sent immediately to Malta. Many had no opportunity even to obtain clothing.

Corps Destroyed.

London, Sept. 29.—The Times' Petrograd correspondent says: "A report which has been confirmed from a good quarter is that the Forty-first German army corps was overtaken by the flooding of the Pink marshes, and being unable to escape, nearly the whole of the corps perished."

COMMISSION TO MEET SOON TO ARRANGE FOR WORLD SERIES CONTEST

Chicago, Sept. 29.—Details for the world series baseball games will be arranged at a meeting of the National Baseball commission this week, according to Sam Johnson. The date will not be set until the races in the two leagues are definitely decided.

CHILD IS GIVEN TO MR. AND MRS. HANEY

By an order signed by Judge B. F. Long in Superior court at noon today, Daisy Fore, aged 15, is taken from the custody of Mrs. Thomas Nash and given to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Haney. Several weeks ago habeas corpus papers were taken out by the Haney against Mr. and Mrs. Nash for the possession of the child and Judge Long set today as the time to make a final disposition of the case. Mr. and Mrs. Haney, through their attorney R. M. Wells, made no resistance to the order today. Frank R. Brown represented the Haney.

JACKSON OPENS PATROLS AWAIT EXPECTED RAID

Many and Excellent Displays Indicate That Jackson Co. Is Abreast of Country's Progress.

1000 PAID ADMISSIONS ON THE OPENING DAY

Program Started With Stirring Address by Prof. Olin Dean and Great Parade In Sylva Streets.

(T. M. Greenlee). Sylva, Sept. 29.—The sixth annual Jackson county fair opened yesterday with a great parade through the principal streets of this town, headed by the Carnival band, to the fair grounds, where the program was started by a stirring address by Prof. Olin Dean of Cullowhee college.

The weather was ideal, and more than 1,000 paid admissions speaks well for the first day. This promises to be the best fair ever held in Jackson county.

Fairs and expositions are regarded as the measures of progress. They record the county's advancement, stimulate the energy and enterprise and intellect of the people and quicken the human genius; they broaden and brighten the daily life of the people; they open storehouses of information to the citizenship.

The Jackson county fair in these respects has done its work thoroughly, presenting in its exhibits evidence of the highest skill and illustrating progress in western North Carolina. This portion of the state has no cause for humiliation for the part it has performed in the march of progress. No one can tell the new thoughts that have been awakened, the ambitions fired, and the high achievements that will be wrought through the fair. This fair is designed and maintained for the above purposes. They have endeavored to make a place for everything, in an equitable and judicious manner. New buildings have replaced those destroyed by fire since the last fair.

This is not the county where the man built a grist-mill, and then had to buy a bushel of corn from another county to try his mill. For in the agricultural department we see displays of fine corn and the exhibits of Briggs' Poultry, Cocks Improved, Hickory King, Westley's Improved and Boone County; and the premiums are enough to encourage the farmer. This department is managed by J. P. Reed, and the wheat varieties are excellent and premiums are liberal also. W. L. Cowan is superintendent of the horticulture department; and here are fine displays of apples, peaches, grapes, pears, etc.

MASS MEETING AT THE FIRST BAPTIST TONIGHT

The first of the union mass meetings of people of Asheville, preparatory to the Chapman-Alexander campaign will be held at the First Baptist church tonight. The meeting will begin at 8 o'clock and will be held in the church auditorium.

Rev. Dr. Calvin B. Waller, chairman of the general committee, will preside at the meetings. Rev. Dr. R. F. Campbell, pastor of the First Presbyterian church will conduct the devotional exercises. The address of the evening will be made by Rev. C. L. Everitt of the Chapman-Alexander party. This meeting is open to the public.

Fire on Warship.

Paris, Sept. 29.—A dispatch to the Havas agency from Brindisi says: A fire which was followed by an explosion has occurred on board the Italian battleship Benedetto Brin. Eight officers and 379 marines have been saved so far.

"Rear Admiral Rubin de Cervin is among the dead. "The fire was purely accidental. "The battleship Benedetto Brin was a vessel of 12,427 tons and in peace times carried a complement of 720 men. She was completed in 1904 at a cost of \$5,570,000.

The battleship, which was of the Dreadnought class, carried four 12-inch, four 8-inch and twelve 6-inch guns, twenty 12-pounders, two 1-pounders and two maxims. She also was armed with four torpedo tubes. The vessel had a speed of about twenty and one-half knots.

DEPOSED MAYOR IS SEEKING RE-ELECTION

San Francisco, Sept. 29.—Eugene E. Schmitz, deposed as mayor as the result of graft prosecutions in 1906 and 1907, went before the voters of San Francisco again today in the primary election as a candidate for mayor and was second choice in the betting with a field of eight candidates. The odds were 10 to 1 that James Rolph, Jr., would poll a greater vote than Schmitz. Schmitz was deposed after being convicted of charges of extortion, and his conviction was set aside by the state supreme court.

BIG SYNDICATE BEING FORMED TO FLOAT LOAN

ESCAPED CONVICT DIES AFTER DESPERATE FIGHT

Killed Warden and Wounded Town Marshal Before Posse Shot Him.

Albany, Ore., Sept. 29.—Otto Hooker, an escaped convict who shot and killed Harry Minto, warden of the Oregon penitentiary and fatally wounded J. J. Benson, city marshal of Jefferson, died today from wounds received in a revolver battle with a posse last night.

Hooker was discovered in an unoccupied house shortly before midnight. The posse surrounded the house and demanded that Hooker surrender. He replied with a volley.

As his fire was drawn in another direction a member of the posse crept up to a window and sent a bullet through Hooker's lung.

The convict escaped from a road gang Monday. Minto with a posse encountered him near Salem Monday night, when the warden was killed. As Hooker fled through Jefferson Marshal Benson fought hand to hand with him and was shot.

Hooker had served a year of a sentence for burglary.

BOSTON TEAM PREPARES FOR THE WORLD SERIES

Open Date in Schedule Gives Teams a Chance to Put Men in Trim.

Boston, Sept. 28.—Although this was an open date in the major league baseball schedule for both the Boston teams, the day was active in baseball circles. The Red Sox virtually certain pennant winners in the American league, were preparing for the world series in which they expect to meet the Philadelphia Nationals.

As the local games will be played on Braves Field to which the Red Sox are strangers, Manager Carrigan ordered his players to test the light and shade, said to be very trying because of the great sweep of stands.

On the same ground the world champion Braves were keeping in trim to meet the Phillies in a four-game series. Captain Evers said his team hoped to pull the National league leaders down to a point in reach of another Braves' success.

An augmented staff of clerks in the office of the Boston Americans worked steadily on a growing pile of applications for tickets for the world series.

NAVAL WAR GAMES ARE POSTPONED TO OCT. 6

All Craft Attached to Atlantic Fleet at Sea Under Mobilization Orders.

Norfolk, Sept. 29.—The opening of the naval war games designed to show the defensive and strategic strength of the Atlantic fleet has been deferred from October 1 to October 6.

Admiral Fletcher has issued orders to division and ship commanders to put every craft attached to the fleet at sea under mobilization orders to permit the game to start officially after midnight of October 5.

For fifteen days the "enemy" fleet and the home fleet will engage in a struggle respectively to invade and defend the coast from the Virginia capes to Cape Cod, the navy department allowing the "enemy" fleet that time to make a landing.

It was announced that Russia will not participate in the loan. To bring the great offering—the (Continued on page 3)

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