

FRONT OF BATTLE ON ALLIED LEFT

ARMIES' POSITIONS ARE LITTLE CHANGED

Hard Blow Struck by Both Sides in the Western Field—Reinforcements From India, New York, May Turn Tide of Battle, Germans Strengthening Right at Expense of the Rest of the Line.

London, Sept. 28.—The official press bureau issued tonight the following regarding the operations in northern France:

There is practically no change in the situation. The allied left have had some heavy fighting, but they are well holding their own.

Fighting of the past few days, which took the form of heavy offensive operations, has not changed to any marked extent the positions of the opposing armies in northern France. Some hard blows have been struck by each side, but the armies remain practically where they were when the Germans stopped their retirement and commenced to intrench themselves.

The lengthy official communication issued today by the French general staff makes this plain.

In the west, the wings are in very close touch, the Germans holding Lassigny, which lies between Ribecourt and Royee, which are in possession of the French and also Chauines, which is in an almost direct line between Royee and Albert.

It is here that the allies have been attempting a wide turning movement, to prevent which, the Germans have apparently sent out strong opposing forces.

Germans Again Repulsed.

The French announcement says the Germans have continued their day and night attacks, only to be repulsed, but it is evident they are showing plenty of fight and are making a supreme effort to prevent the allies from working around their right.

To the north of the Aisne two well entrenched armies still face each other, neither being able to make much headway, while in the center the artillery duel continues in the district between the Argonne and the Meuse.

The French claim slight progress an indication that they are making heavy attacks to compel the Germans to withdraw from St. Mihiel where they might bend, if they did not break the French front.

The French also report that they captured a number of prisoners, but do not say where this capture was effected.

Wearing Work for Troops.

Both sides profess to be well satisfied with the position which must, however, prove very wearing on the troops. Naturally fresh troops are being brought up continually, but it is dangerous for either side to withdraw many men from the fighting line even to give them a short respite.

The Germans already have strengthened their right at the expense of the rest of their line, and many more men to assist them will have to be sent from Germany or Belgium. To take troops from Belgium, with the active Belgian army ready to take the offensive at the first sign of weakening, would be a hazardous undertaking.

The allies, as is known to all the world are expecting reinforcements of well trained troops from India, but when they are due has not been disclosed. They may arrive in time to turn the balance in favor of their side.

High Tribute to Allies.

A further account of the operations in France up to five days ago was issued by the official press bureau today. It pays high tribute to the work of the army who, since the outbreak of the war, have succeeded in keeping the special staffs on both sides informed of the movements of the opposing forces.

In his review of the situation of the battle in Northern France the Paris correspondent of the Times says:

The French left continues to make progress. On the other hand the Germans have attained no appreciable advantage from their success on the heights of the Meuse. The breach they made is too narrow to permit of the passage of the Meuse by forces in sufficient numbers.

Nothing decisive has yet occurred

but the scanty news available is certainly to the advantage of the allies rather than to the enemy.

Is a "Soldiers' Battle."

The furious battle of the Aisne is a soldiers' battle, in the sense that ground is won and the final victory must be attained by the courage and tenacity of the infantry. On no point along the gigantic line has the Anglo-French wall been pierced.

The German center still holds strongly. In fact, it seems clear, as pointed out by Col. Rouse, the military critic of the Liberte, that the Germans have received orders to break through the French lines anywhere and at any cost. The Russian steam roller has come too close to be any longer disregarded, and it is felt by the German general staff that a decisive success must be won against the allies in the western theater of war in order that Germany may be able to turn its attention with some assurance to the victorious advance of the Russians in the eastern war theater.

Lost Ground Rewon.

The enemy continues to fight with great fury at certain points of the line, through the action is generally less intense along the immense battle front. A narrow strip of territory which they succeeded in gaining as the result of violent attacks was immediately rewon by the allies, who captured cannons, prisoners, and flags.

"Wear Cotton."

Greensboro, N. C. Sept. 30.—"Wear Cotton" has been adopted by the Greensboro Chamber of Commerce as a slogan for those who are willing to join a movement looking to the creation of sentiment for the increased wearing of cotton goods. The adoption of this slogan was the outcome of a letter from Mr. A. W. McAllister, manager of the "Original Four" Fire Insurance Companies, suggesting that an organized movement be started for popularizing the wearing of cotton goods during at least six months of each year.

A committee was appointed to design an appropriate lapel button, and to adopt resolutions suggesting the movement to the cotton manufacturer's association of both New England and the South.

Mr. McAllister's letter reads in part as follows:

"I believe as much encouragement as possible should be given the 'buy a bale' plan, but this plan should be supplemented by an organized movement for the use of cotton as wearing apparel, and the Chamber of Commerce might father such a movement, in such a way that it might ultimately extend over the entire country. If such a thing is undertaken, it should be launched now in order that it may be worked out and extended to its utmost possibilities, and the necessary preparation made by manufacturers and dealers for the spring and summer trade of 1915.

"In many States for at least six months in the year, cotton goods can be worn comfortably and can fulfill entirely the requirements of the wardrobe. Suits, dresses, underwear, shoes hats can all be made of cotton in attractive designs and can be worn with much more comfort and greater economy than many things which we are accustomed to wear made of other materials. Not only would the people be more comfortably and more inexpensively dressed than ever before, but they would at the same time contribute greatly to the prosperity of cotton producing and cotton manufacturing, two of the most important industries, and would thereby add very materially to the wealth of the Southern States and to a very considerable extent would consume themselves the surplus of cotton which the European war has left without a market."

Re-elected.

Mayor James A. Turner, we are informed has been re-elected Vice President of the Anlico Club, of the American National Life Insurance Co. of Galveston, Texas. This Club is making a big record in producing business.

A Card.

I wish to extend my heartfelt thanks to all the people for their kind attention during the recent sickness and death of my husband.

Mrs. E. L. Moore.

GOVERNMENT AIDS DISTRESS COTTON.

Roads Will Furnish Minimum Low Equal Rates and Will Stop and Reload Cotton at Warehouses for a Small Charge and Make it Easy to Secure Receipts.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 26.—Arrangements were perfected today by the Interstate Commerce Commission in connection with the Treasury department and the Federal reserve board, to relieve the cotton storage situation in the South.

These branches of the government have joined in assisting cotton planters and railroads of the South in meeting the extraordinary demand for the storage of cotton occasioned by the European war.

The commission in an announcement of new tariff and transportation regulations made today, says that for the purpose of providing temporary warehousing space for the storage of cotton, under arrangements approved by the Secretary of the Treasury and the Federal reserve board, and in the purpose of permitting the carriers to designate the warehouses as points for the storage of cotton, in order that such points should be given the benefit of transit privileges the Interstate Commerce Commission has authorized the carriers of the South to publish and file with the commission their lines rules, regulations and charges governing the storage of cotton during the year ending August 31, 1915.

Get Warehouse Receipts.

The new regulations are expected not only to relieve the storage situation, but more importantly the financial situation, which to cotton planters, has become serious on account of the difficulty in marketing the cotton crop. With warehouse receipts for the cotton the planters will be able to realize it once upon it and then may await a favorable time for forwarding the crop to final destinations. The expense of the shipments and warehousing has been fixed at a minimum.

The Regulations.

Following are the commission's regulations, which the railroads are authorized to put into effect immediately upon filing of the necessary tariffs.

"1. Cotton shipped for warehousing and reshipment must be consigned to the warehousing point and freight thereon paid on basis of the full local rate, upon which the delivering agent will give paid freight receipts, which the holder of the cotton should retain for the purpose of securing reshipping privileges.

"2. Upon reshipping from the warehousing point, the shipper will be required to surrender to the agent of the line bringing the cotton into the warehousing point the paid freight bill covering that identical cotton. The number of bales, marks and weights of cotton, as forwarded from the warehousing point must conform to the paid freight bill, and in addition the shipper will be required to certify on the back of the paid freight bill that the cotton tendered is the identical cotton received thereunder. The shipper will also be required to surrender to the railway agent at the time of shipment the bill of lading covering the movement of the cotton into the warehousing point, unless the bill of lading for such shipment shall have been previously surrendered to the railway.

"3. Thereupon the agent will issue a through bill of lading to the further final destination, at the through rate from the point of origin to such further final destination in effect at the time of the original shipment into the warehousing point, plus three cents per hundred pounds provided such further final destination is a point to which there are established through rates in effect from the original point of shipping via the warehousing point (provided, that at the option of any interested line the minimum through rate will be that from the warehousing point plus the storage charge of three cents per hundred pounds) where the rate from the original point of shipment to such further final destination is less than the rate from the original point, the lawful tariff rate to the warehousing point plus the storage charge of three cents per hundred pounds will be charged as a minimum.

Shipment will be way-billed out of the warehousing point at the balance of the rate, plus the stoppage charge of three cents per hundred pounds. This distribution of revenue between connecting lines shall be on basis of through rates and divisions, except that the three cent stoppage charge shall accrue to the line bringing the cotton into the warehousing point, it being a condition of this privilege that the line issuing the bill of lading out of the warehousing point shall be the line bringing the cotton into the warehousing point.

"5. All connecting line switching charges will be in addition to the through rates, and in addition to the three cent stoppage charge and where cotton is redelivered to a carrier from a storage warehouse for delivery at a point in the same industrial zone the established transportation charge shall apply."

NEXT THURSDAY NIGHT.

The Beginning of the Lyceum Course at Opera House.

The first of the series of attractions secured from the Rodpath Lyceum Bureau will make its appearance at the Opera House on next Thursday night.

The first attraction is the Welch Christensen Co., and is one of the highest class performances of its kind now on the stage. It is composed of four young ladies whose ability to entertain is recognized by the theatre goers of the larger cities to be among the best.

Miss Welch who has a rare contralto voice, rich in its beauty and marked by impressive volume, was for some time soloist in one of Chicago's leading churches and she had no trouble proving her right to a place in the ranks of musical artists. She is tall and stately and has a pleasing personality.

With a rich and pleasing voice which has been cultivated to a notable degree of perfection, Miss Christensen is making an enviable record as a dramatic soprano. Her reputation is excellent and she has the ability to impress the mood of her songs upon the audience.

Miss Means as a reader and impersonator is a graduate of the Emerson school of Oratory, Boston, and is now dean of the Department of Oratory in Highland Park College at Des Moines. She portrays pathos, and dramatic situations with equal ease and is an exceptionally fine entertainer.

Miss Baker has all the qualifications of a successful pianist. With natural musical talent, she took up the study of music at an early age and graduated with high honors from the Toledo, Ohio, Conservatory of Music. Later she studied with Mme. Julie-Reve-King in Chicago. Her training with leading artists has fitted her admirably for her chosen work.

The other attractions are as follows: Nov. 5—Weatherwax Quartet. Dec. 15—W. R. Bennett. Jan. 18—Estelle Gray Co.—March 3—Maurer Sister April 14—Edward Reno.

Each one of these attractions are of a high order and will be a treat to the Louisburg people.

It is intended by the committee from the churches to whose efforts Louisburg people are indebted for these splendid attractions, to sell season tickets for \$3.00 entitling the holder or any one member of his family to an admission at each performance with the same reserved seats selected at the beginning. Aside from the season ticket feature the admission will be 75 cents for reserved seats and 50 cents general admission at each performance.

A number of young ladies will solicit the sale of season tickets until next Thursday night, when these tickets will be taken off. The holders of season tickets can have their seats marked off beginning Wednesday at 9:00 o'clock. The regular seat sale will be at Aycock Drug Co's, and will be open for season ticket holders beginning Wednesday at 9:00 o'clock and for the general public Thursday morning.

Secure your seats and enjoy this high class entertainment.

Cotton Seed.

The market for cotton seed opened up with a steady demand and a price of 35 cents a bushel.

MISSION MEET AT LOUISBURG.

Woman's Missionary Union of Tar River Association Adjourns.

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Tar River Association, which has been in session in the First Baptist church of this city for two days the past week has adjourned to meet with the first church of Henderson Thursday and Friday before the first Sunday in September, 1915.

The meeting just closed was perhaps the best in the ten years history of the organization. The attendance was almost double that of last year, the contributions were more than \$200 in excess of those of last year, and 27 new societies were reported to have been organized during the past year. This good progress is due in large measure to the untiring efforts of the president, Mrs. W. W. Parker, of Henderson, and to the efficient work of Miss Sue Kelly, of Henderson, who has been employed by the association for two months to do special work among the churches. In the 53 churches in the Tar River Association there are now 44 Woman's Missionary Societies, 14 Sunbeam Societies, and 3 Young Women's Societies, this association leading all the others in the State in the number of Woman's Missionary Unions reporting to the central committee last quarter.

Mrs. W. W. Parker, of Henderson, was re-elected as president for the ensuing year, as was also Miss Helen Weldon, of Warren Plains, as secretary and treasurer.

The address of welcome, made by Mrs. Walter M. Gilmore, was responded to by Mrs. C. M. Cooper, of Henderson. Inspiring and helpful addresses on different phases of woman's work were made by Mrs. E. O. Young, of Kittrell, Mrs. C. M. Cooper, Miss Edna Allen, of Louisburg, Mrs. W. D. Horner, of Henderson, Mrs. J. T. Mills, of Manson, Mrs. W. E. Uzzell, of Louisburg, Mrs. J. M. Gardner, of Warrenton, Miss Sue Kelly, of Henderson, Miss Carrie Bowers, of Littleton.

Special features of the meeting were the addresses by Miss Sophie Lanneau, of Wake Forest, and Rev. A. B. Harrell, of Littleton.

Miss Lanneau spoke with absorbing interest along the line of educational work in China. She has just returned from Soochow, China, where she has been engaged for the past few years in missionary educational work. She is at home now on her furlough, after seven years in China. Added interest was given to the occasion by the presence of Miss Loo-Fu, of Shanghai, China, who is now a student in Louisburg College.

Rev. Mr. Harrell delivered a masterly address Wednesday night on the subject, "The Urgency of Missions in All Lands," using as a text, "Am I my brother's keeper." Since I am his keeper," said he, "I must give him the best I have, which is the Gospel." The recent sweeping prohibition victory in Virginia was referred to as a result of the application of the same great principle.

The need of missions is urgent, thought the speaker, because of the presence of evil in this and in all lands. The time is favoring in the heathen lands to carry the Gospel because of the renaissance of Oriental governments and thought.

Mr. Harrell gave as his reasons for believing in missions:

1. Because Christ taught it, and that is a sufficient reason.
2. The disciples practiced it. They lived for it and they died for it. Stephen, the first martyr, lost his life because of his missionary zeal.
3. Because it is right. Every man ought to have a chance at eternal life. To the proposition does it pay? Mr. Harrell showed from the statistics of last year that for every \$23 spent for missionary work on the foreign fields one baptism had been reported. The price would not be considered too high, if it were your own child who was saved.

U. D. C.

The J. J. Davis Chapter U. D. C. will meet with Mrs. W. E. White on Wednesday afternoon, October 7th, at 3:30 o'clock. The members of the Chapter are cordially invited to be present.

Mrs. J. E. Malone, Acting President. Mrs. W. E. Uzzell, Socy.

PRICES HAVE ADVANCED ON THE LOUISBURG TOBACCO MARKET.

And Splendid Sales Have Been the Result For Each Day—Many Visitors to the Market.

During the past week a decided advance in price has been noticed on the local tobacco market and the farmers have shown a greater willingness to put the weed on the floor.

The sales each day have been especially good as compared with the week before and the quality is much better.

The buyers are all taking a part in the bidding and are therefore making the sales more interesting. Mr. J. J. Hickey, of Richmond and Mr. O. C. Gregory, also of Richmond, were on the local market the past week and their presence added stability to the prices.

Quite a large number of visiting planters have visited the local market recently, and have expressed themselves as very much pleased with the sales here. Some say the local market is far ahead of the surrounding markets in price.

That is only one of the necessary features about Louisburg and is a "hint to the wise," that it will pay the farmers to sell their tobacco on this market.

"Peg O' My Heart."

At Raleigh on Friday October 9th, the most important offering of the current theatrical season will be the engagement of J. Hartley Manners' much talked of play "Peg O' My Heart," which Oliver Morosco will present for its second presentation at the Academy, Raleigh on Friday night October 9th.

Mr. Morosco is a producer who believes in maintaining the standard of his productions, and this excellent idea will be exemplified by the company to be seen here this season. The emphatic hit scored by this organization during its tour in this comedy last season, is assurance to local playgoers that they will again have the opportunity of seeing one of the greatest of all romantic comedies, played by the same perfect cast which left a fine impression on its previous engagement.

Blanche Hall, who plays the title role, is a young woman of great beauty, and personal magnetism and rare histrionic ability, which are just the charming qualities that Peg requires.

Mr. Fred L. Bruce-Tiden, is also a member, his genuine manliness and interpretation of the role of "Jerry" has earned him many admirers. Miss Ruth Gurtland will bet he Ethel, Joseph Allenton, who was very convincing in the part of "Alaric" the English "Pop," Alma Chester again plays Mrs. Chesters, Chichester, and Pelham Linton A. T. Hendon, Violet Moore and J. Irving White finish out a perfectly balanced cast—Social play patrons who wish to secure seats for this attraction can do so, by sending check or money order to Max S. Nathan Mgr. Academy, Raleigh, and seats will be held.—Prices for this engagement lower floor \$1.50, \$1.00, Balcony \$1.00, 75, 50c.

Fine Opening.

The display of fall and winter millinery and ladies dress goods at L. J. Dietz Co., on last Wednesday was a thing of beauty. The many new styles in hats and the various new shades and fabrics in ladies dress goods caught the eye of the many who visited this store on this occasion. It was a most successful opening and the proprietors expressed themselves as being well pleased with the large number who visited their store at this time.

Louisburg Baptist Church.

The pastor will return from Castalia, where he is engaged in a series of meetings this week, in time to conduct public worship Sunday, 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school 9:45 a. m. B. Y. P. U. Monday 7:45 p. m.

Dies Suddenly.

News reached Louisburg Monday evening that Mr. Wiley Brantly fell dead at Bunn, that morning while unloading a load of cotton at Malen Bros gin. He was 94 years old and leaves a wife and four children.