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VERDUN IS NOW UNDER GERMAN FIRE

Crown Prince's Armies Turning Attention to Flanks of the French Position.

ARTILLERY ACTIVITY RAGES IN WOEVERE

Indication Are That Germany May Be Planning Another Offensive Movement.

(By Associated Press.)

With the French center in the Douaumont sector apparently still holding firm against the desperate assault of the Crown Prince's armies Germany is again turning attention to the flanks of the French position around the stronghold.

Intense artillery activity in the Woevere region was reported in the Paris bulletin last night, the fire centering upon the region of Haugmont and Fresnes, about ten miles south-east of Verdun.

The testing of the French stronghold by furious assault on the main defenses is continuing. Illustrative of this was yesterday's attack on the left of the Douaumont sector near the Cote Du Poizo. There the French lines held firm, according to Paris, while in the immediate front of Douaumont the German assaults were temporarily suspended, the heavy French artillery continuing its answer to the rain of giant shells which the Teuton's heavy guns were pouring upon the defenseless trenches.

A correspondent quotes French military men as declaring that the German achievements so far in the great battle for Verdun has resulted merely in restoring the lines to the position they occupied at the end of 1914, before the French in a series of local attacks began expanding the defenseless area about the fortresses.

Verdun itself is now under German artillery fire, but according to correspondents little damage has been done.

Indications that Germany may be planning another offensive movement on the west front were contained in reports from Dutch sources that important troop movements were going on behind the front in Belgium, 40,000 German cavalrymen are said to be on the way to the battle lines near Ypres, in which sector the famous German attempt to break through and reach Calais occurred in April, 1915.

From the French front to Asor Minor there has been no events of importance of a military way so far as the official bulletins show.

In Armenia the Russians are reported continuing their pursuit of the defeated Turks and the drive southward toward Tigris and far off Bagdad.

TWELVE PERSONS IN AN AIR RAID

England Was Again Visited by Zeppelins Sunday Night and a Dozen Lives Were Lost, Thirty-three Persons Killed.

(By Associated Press.)

London, March 6.—Twelve persons were killed and 33 injured last night in a Zeppelin raid. Three Zeppelins took part in the attack, according to information given out official today.

An official statement given out in London last night said that two hostile air craft had crossed over the Northeast coast of England. At that time their movement was not quite clearly defined. Some bombs were dropped into the sea near the coast.

The number of casualties reported is much smaller than that in the last raid in which 67 persons were killed and 117 were injured. This was January 31st over the middle counties of England.

HOMICIDE IN GREENSBORO.

Greensboro, March 6.—Carl Freddy, foreman in the spinning and spooling room of the White Oak Cotton Mills here, was shot today by Norman Johnson, his second hand. It was said that Johnson had been discharged by Freddy. The wounded man lived only a few minutes after being shot. Johnson is under arrest.

ARMY BILL IN HOUSE AND SENATE

Second of the Preparedness Measures Get Before Congress Today by House Route.

THE SENATE BILL WAS INTRODUCED SATURDAY

The Army is to be Raised to a Fighting Strength of 140,000 Troops.

Washington, March 6.—With the introduction of the House army bill the second of the National defense measures recommended by President Wilson was before Congress. The first of these measures was that introduced in the Senate on Saturday, the senate army bill.

As complete the bill proposes to increase the regular army to a strength of 140,000 fighting troops, which means the addition of 40,000 men and 7,439 officers. It also provides 786 additional officers for detached service with the national guard, military schools and elsewhere. Its provision is for a maximum strength of 170,000 men.

Senate Bill in Saturday. Washington, March 4.—The first of the national preparedness bills, said by its sponsor, Chamberlain, chairman of the Senate military committee to be the most comprehensive ever offered Congress, was introduced today.

It contains all the elements of the army plan prepared by Secretary Garrison, including the continental army scheme, although altered in its form.

With Numerous Signers the Petitions Were Placed Before the Board of Commissioners.

PETITION FOR FREE BRIDGE IN

WILL ASK FOR A JOINT COMMISSIONERS MEETING

The Petitions Asking the Counties to Provide a Bridge Will Be Laid Before Davidson.

Members of the committee named some days ago to take up the matter of a free bridge across the Yadkin river were today before the commissioners laying a petition before that body, the petitions being signed by the people of each county.

A number of the members of the joint committee from Davidson county were here this morning and with the Rowan members went before the board and laid their petitions before that body, and this afternoon the committee will go before the board of commissioners of Davidson county and present petitions favoring a free bridge.

It is understood that the committee will ask for a joint meeting of the two boards some time soon to canvass the matter and to see what can be done in getting a free bridge across the Yadkin connecting the two counties.

The petitions were quite freely signed in each county. In some instances the petition was not pressed, being in the hands of a committeeman who for some reason or other did not push the petition, but the total number of signers was said to be large, especially considering the short time the matter had been in the hands of committeemen.

POWER TO TAX COUPONS.

States Have Right to Place Tax on Coupons Good for Premiums—Decision Rendered by United States Supreme Court.

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, March 6.—Power of States to impose taxes on coupons redeemable in premiums was upheld by the Supreme Court today. The effect is that the legality of premium advertisements by which it is explained \$125,000,000 worth of merchandise is used annually will depend upon State laws.

Webb With the President.

Hickory, March 6.—Representative E. Yates Webb, in a telegram received here today, states that he will stand with President Wilson on the submarine question.

Baker Named Secretary of War.

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, March 6.—Newton D. Baker, former mayor of Cleveland, Ohio, has been selected by President Wilson for Secretary of War to succeed Lindsay M. Garrison resigned.

Mr. Baker has accepted the position and is now arranging his affairs in Cleveland preparatory to coming to Washington to take up his new duties.

FAIR INTEREST GROWING FINE

Directors Name the Date and Plan for the Event This Fall—October Fair Month.

DATE OCTOBER 24-27 FOR THE PEOPLES FAIR

Contracts Have Been Signed for Attractions—Advance Sale of Season Tickets to Feature.

The directors and stockholders are looking forward to a big year this season in the way of one of the biggest and best county fairs ever attempted. Since the first of the year inquiries have been coming in as to what date would be selected and what is the program and it is the desire of everyone interested that no pains will be spared in giving the county the best exhibition ever pulled off in this section of the state and probably will lead all other fairs of our good old state along the agricultural lines. After careful consideration and various consultations with the weather man, the association has selected October 24-27 for this big event. This date will not conflict with any fair near Salisbury so far as we know at the present time and will allow enough time for an exhibit to be sent to the State Fair and returned to Salisbury for the Rowan fair. Our County Farm Demonstrator Mr. Crumpton has already started plans for a big agricultural exhibit and assures us that Rowan will be second to none this year.

The association is very much pleased to announce that contracts have already been signed for some of the best attractions that have ever been booked for Salisbury, arrangements having been made with Henry Meyerhoff's Mammoth Attractions of New York, and this company will furnish a select line of the very best and cleanest attractions that can be secured. Mr. Meyerhoff was in the city last Wednesday and after a visit to the fair grounds made the statement that Salisbury had one of the best arranged grounds for amusements that he had seen in the state and he would take the entire Midway and guarantee to fill it. This will remove the disappointment that we might otherwise undergo if we waited till all the other fairs had the pick first. The Meyerhoff Company will also furnish the free acts for the Grand Stand which will be the best we have had. One of the features for this season will be Apdale's Zoo consisting of bears, dogs, monkeys, Anteaters and several trapeze artists. This attraction has been the hit of the big northern fairs and is always booked by the Big Canadian fairs, these animals will perform twice daily in front of the Grand Stand and will especially take well with the ladies and children.

The association expects to announce at an early date plans for an advance sale of season tickets which will give many societies and organizations as well as individuals a chance to get into a very popular contest which will be worth while to give some attention as a number of attractive premiums will be offered.

The premium list is now being worked up and a committee is at work on a program that will give everyone in the county a chance to take a part, watch for the daily paper and be on hand when the announcement is made.

STATE-WIDE PROHIBITION BILL PASSED IN VIRGINIA.

Richmond, Va., March 4.—By a vote of 85 to 5 the lower branch of the general assembly tonight passed the state-wide prohibition bill practically as it came from the senate.

The bill provides for the creation of a commissioner of prohibition whose duty will be to see that the law is enforced, while one quart of whiskey a month a person is the limit placed on importations of intoxicants from other states. The law will go into operation on November 1, 1916.

NORMAN E. MACK



FORMER NATIONAL CHAIRMAN, ENDORSED AND RE-ELECTED AS A MEMBER OF NATIONAL COMMITTEE BY THE DEMOCRATS OF NEW YORK STATE.

DENTIST LOOK OUT.

Greensboro Dentist Lost a Lot of Gold Over Sunday, Others May Watchout.

(Special to Post.)

Greensboro, March 6.—Dr. J. W. Griffith, a well known dentist of this city, lost a lot of gold from his office some time between Saturday night and Monday morning. It seems that a state-wide visit is planned by these thieves, for Durham was visited last week and Greensboro was warned to look out for them.

WASHINGTONIANS ARE NOW WALKING

National Capital in the Midst of a Big Street Car Strike With Service Badly Crippled.

MEN DEMAND 30 CENTS AND TEN HOURS WORK

A Few Men Stuck to Work and Were Argued by Clerks, Inspectors and Others.

Washington, March 6.—The national capital realizes fully today that it surely has a street car strike on its hands. When the company began running cars with the few men who stuck to their post aided by recruit crews of inspectors, clerks, machinists and former employees it managed to give a service of about one fourth the normal.

The result was that between the hours of 8 and 9 o'clock this morning, when more than a hundred thousand men and women moved to their day's work the cars were hopelessly loaded in the early stages of the trip, and many of them warped under their heavy human load.

So far there has been no violence. Leaders of the strike have urged the men be peaceful and to remain away from bar-rooms.

The demand of the striking men is for 30 cents an hour and for ten hours consecutive time. One company now pays 22 1-2c an hour and another pays 25 cents an hour. The men contend that some of them are obliged by reason of interrupted runs, so arranged to meet their rush hour traffic, to be practically on duty 16 to 18 hours at a time.

ROWAN SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT

County Teachers Meeting Taken Up Largely in Discussing This Coming Event.

VALUE OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY TO SCHOOLS

This is Discussed by Miss Chilson of Kern School—Corn Club Members Urged.

The meeting of the members of the Rowan County Teachers Association, held in the auditorium of the community building in this city Saturday, was one of the best meetings yet held by the public teachers of the county. The attendance was large and very few schools were unrepresented. This session was devoted largely to the interests of the coming county commencement which takes place in Salisbury on April 7th.

President M. L. Barnes of the Spencer schools presided and gave a lesson on language, then turned the meeting over to County Superintendent R. G. Kizer, who is also secretary of the association. Prof. Kizer took occasion to explain the commencement pamphlet, which has just been issued, and enlightened these present as to the parade on that occasion, also touched on the prizes and other features of the commencement.

A number of teachers also spoke, explaining various features of the program as outlined. Among those who spoke were Mrs. T. E. Johnston, Miss Lillian Crisp, Prof. Barnes, Miss Katherine Robertson, Miss Nena De Berry, Prof. J. A. Leitch, Jr., and Miss Annie Boston.

Mrs. M. O. Linton, secretary of the Public Library Association, explained the prize of a gold medal which this association is to give for the best essay on the part Rowan county took in the war between the States.

Miss Mary Chilson, of the Kern school, made a talk on the value of the public library to the public school children of the county, and gave some personal experience along this line.

County Farm Demonstrator W. B. Crumpton made a talk and emphasized the value of enrolling members on the corn clubs of the county. The county superintendent reported that more interest was being manifested in the approaching county commencement than had been shown at this time in these events in years past and the outlook is for a great gathering here on that day and a most successful commencement. All schools of the county and hundreds of friends of the public school are talking and arranging for the event.

REV. SAM SMALL IN SALISBURY

Noted Lecturer Talks to a Large Audience on the National Prohibition Fight.

THE OPERA HOUSE FULL TO HEAR DISCUSSION

He Plays the Whiskey Interest and Says National Prohibition is Already Assured.

Sam Small had a full house Sunday afternoon to hear him discuss Dry America. The Colonial theatre was about filled to its capacity to hear the humorist, lecturer play the whiskey interest and paint an optimistic picture of the success of National prohibition, which he declares is here now. Mr. Small is a representative of the National Anti-Saloon League and is out in the interest of National prohibition, which measure is before Congress and is backed by a strong and determined organization to see it through.

Mr. Small believes that he will live to see the thing through, and saloonless nation of the United States. He backs his faith on what has been accomplished, on the fast growing sentiment and the powerful hold the temperance forces have gained during the past eight years. With state after state "gone dry," with the sale so curbed in other states and with a sentiment sweeping over the country like a wild fire Congress must act quickly on a resolution to submit an amendment to the constitution to prohibit the sale and manufacture of whiskey in the United States.

Reviewing the past and what has been done, showing the strides made during the past few years and coming down to the present fight, Mr. Small devoted considerable time to the answering of the old argument that national prohibition interferes with state rights. Rather will it enforce state rights, and prohibit the national government from dealing in whiskey over the laws and protests of the individual states that have voted whiskey out. The speaker portrayed Uncle Sam as a dealer in whiskey and said that the fountain head is the Federal government and that to amend the Federal constitution is the only logical and reasonable way to end the traffic.

His address was strong and appealing. He presented facts and figures to show what has been done, what is being done, and what must be done to get rum driven out. He presented the facts and figures on the sale and manufacture of rum and showed the decreased sale.

Mr. Small is one of the old school humorists. He deals in hard blows and hits fast and hard. He made prohibition speeches when it took nerve and courage, when sentiment was negligible and interest less than nothing.

He referred to his first visit to Salisbury twenty-five years ago to speak on this issue and compared that day with this. He said that no place had done better than Salisbury, that far and wide has gone the good reports from Salisbury, where the state prohibition laws are being enforced most splendidly.

He called for a vote and many hands went up in favor of National prohibition in the form of an amendment to the constitution. He appealed to the audience to help finance the movement and took many pledges for the work.

High Point Votes on Bonds.

(Special to Post.) High Point, March 6.—The citizens of this city will tomorrow vote on a proposition to issue bonds to the amount of \$50,000 for street improvements.

Even when a thing isn't all it is cracked up to be, it is just as well to save the pieces.

DATE IS MARCH 24. The annual meeting of the Chamber of Commerce is to be held on Friday evening, March 24, instead of Monday, April 24, as announced Saturday. This is to be an important meeting, at which officers are to be elected and other matters of importance taken up, and all members are asked to bear the date in mind and arrange to be present.

FORD RUNS INTO BUGGY

Hit a Vehicle on the Road Near Landis Sunday and Did Considerable Damage to Buggy and to Car—Driver of Ford Was Injured.

Landis, March 6.—Yesterday afternoon about 5:39 o'clock a Ford car driven by the night policeman of Albemarle ran into the buggy of Floyd Goodnight, while both vehicles were going south in the big road near here.

Mr. Goodnight was driving on the right hand side of the road and was near the bank by the side of the road when the machine ran into him, striking the front wheel of his buggy, the car running to the left and seemed to skid or swerve at angle across the road, striking and breaking the wheel, shaft and cross bar of the buggy. The horse ran across the road and was unhurt. The Ford turned turtle and the occupants were thrown out, except the driver who was pinned in under the car and right badly hurt. There were three men and one woman in the car. The car was badly used up.

"Every man should study himself," remarked the Wise Guy. "Yes, and even at that a fellow never knows half as much about himself as some woman knows about him," added the Simple Mug.

The man who decides to settle down and look for a wife should be careful whose wife he looks for.