

LOCAL CHARITIES WILL BE ORGANIZED IN SALISBURY TONIGHT

LOCAL WEATHER FORECAST:—LOCAL SHOWERS TONIGHT; FRIDAY COOLER.

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GERMAN REICHSTAG MEETS TODAY, SHORT SESSION

Great Importance Attached to Meeting and Interest Centers on Chancellor's Speech.

Athens, Greece, Sept. 27, via London, Sept. 28.—The Associated Press is in position to state positively that King Constantine has announced that an immediate declaration of war will be made by Greece on Bulgaria.

Although no new developments for the infantry on the Somme front are reported by Paris the violent struggle is being kept up by the artillery.

The French have been thrusting out forcefully and are almost in a direct line north of Peronne, against which speedy developments of their enveloping movement is now to be expected.

Meanwhile activity has been resumed at Verdun, the Germans again attacking east of the Meuse between Thionville and Fluey. These assaults were repulsed, Paris declares.

The Russians have resumed a violent attack in Southern Volhynia and Galicia but report a stubborn defense by the Austro-German armies.

From Macedonia comes a detailed report of a determined Bulgarian resistance to the entente offensive in the region west of the Vardar.

The German Reichstag meets today in Berlin for what promises to be possibly a short session, but nevertheless a stirring and important one. Interest in the opening centers on the speech of Dr. Von Bethmann-Hollweg, the imperial chancellor, particularly as to what allusion he might make on the subject of peace.

On the British front north of the Somme the Germans have been driven further back at various points on the four and a half mile line, London announces. In the center of this sector the British have advanced to within 800 yards of Eaucourt L'Abbaye.

Berlin declares that the British and French attack between Ancre and the Somme yesterday were repulsed along the greater part of the front. The British claim gains in this fighting of more than a mile of German trenches north of Fleury and in taking a redoubt northeast of Thiepval.

Paris reports French progress east and southeast of Rancourt.

Two Steamers Sunk. London, Sept. 28.—The 2,500 ton British steamship Stathe and the Swedish Bark Benguela of 688 tons has been sunk.

GREECE IS TO CO-OPERATE WITH ALLIES. London, Sept. 28.—The Council of Greek Ministers has decided in agreement with King Constantine, upon military co-operation with the Entente Powers, says a Reuters dispatch from Athens, dated Wednesday.

Report Was Premature. Athens, Greece, Sept. 28.—The reports that a general mobilization has been ordered are premature. After a session of the council of ministers at the palace this morning the premier hastily called a cabinet meeting. The premier declared the government was giving the fullest consideration to the situation and there might be addressed to Bulgaria a note of such character that mobilization would logically follow.

Later it developed that the King had decided on a declaration of war against Bulgaria. The prospects of war with Bulgaria apparently is welcome.

Venezelos at Canes. Paris, Sept. 27.—A Havas dispatch from Athens says: "Eliphertios Venezelos arrived at Suda Bay on Monday night and entered Canes, the Capital, the next day. Several thousand of the inhabitants escorted him in triumph and he addressed them from the balcony of the barracks. There was no disorder in the city, the Royalist officials and officers keeping in the background. Candia is also quiet.

M. Venezelos has announced that he will send out from Crete in a few days a proclamation to the Greek people explaining his attitude and the necessity of fighting against the Bulgarians. The committee of National defense will have its headquarters at Saloniki probably under the presidency of Admiral Condouriotis. M. Venezelos will direct the policy and organize and extend the movement."

AMERICAN FLIER IS KILLED.



Kiffen Y. Rockwell of Atlanta was shot to death the other day at the Verdun front by a German in a Taube, while the American circled around in his armored battle plane.

Rockwell is the second American flier to be killed in action. Three months ago Corporal Victor Chapman, of New York, also a member of the Franco-American Corps, was killed at Verdun in a battle with German aeroplanes. Soon after being appointed sergeant Rockwell saved Chapman during a fight with German airmen near Verdun.

TO ASSAIL REPUBLICAN STAND

President Wilson Will Make Two Speeches in New York State, One at Buffalo and the Other in the Metropolis.

Long Branch, N. J., Sept. 28.—Preparations for President Wilson to assail the Republican stand on the issues of the campaign were made at a conference here today between the President, Chairman McCormick and Secretary Tumulty.

Mr. Wilson will make at least two speeches in New York State, one in New York City and the other in Buffalo. They will be made the middle or latter part of October.

A decision was also reached for the President to make at least one speech here every Saturday. The President has already agreed to address a Pennsylvania delegation here October 14th and today arrangements were made for him to speak to a delegation of farmers and a delegation from St. Louis later in October.

Exodus of Alabama Negroes Alarming. Fufaula, Ala., Sept. 28.—The exodus of negro laborers which has been going on in the State for several months has reached Eufaula and Barbour county, and nearly every train to Montgomery carries a delegation of anywhere from 25 to 50 of them.

From there they are sent by rail to Chicago and other Northern centers, where heavy railroad and other construction work is making an unprecedented demand for labor. This is being felt more especially on account of the absence of foreign labor, which before the war was so plentiful.

2 Chinese Sailors Seized With Opium. Savannah, Sept. 26.—Two opium smoking outfits and a small amount of opium was found today by customs officials after the boarding officer had made a search of the British steamer Heliopsis, which arrived here a short time ago.

Ah Ching and Chung You, two Chinese sailors out of a crew of 36 Chinese, admitted the ownership of the smoking outfit. Customs officials confiscated the outfit and are awaiting advices from the department as to whether criminal charges shall be preferred against Ah Ching and Chung You, or whether merely fines shall be assessed.

Germans Drop More Bombs. Berlin via London, Sept. 28.—German aviators yesterday again dropped a great number of bombs on Bucharest, according to today's German official statement, which adds that several points of the Rumanian capital are still burning as a result of our previous attacks.

WARNING FROM A PROMINENT BANKER

Mr. Vanderlip Would Have Us Pause and Get the Lesson Which the War is Bringing to Us, Must Plan to Make Prosperity Permanent.

(By Associated Press.) Kansas City, Sept. 28.—"If ever a people should pause; if ever a people should look ahead and profit by the experience of others to comprehend the danger in the light of terrible fatalities that are being enacted before their eyes in other nations, it is now, and we are the people."

In these words Frank A. Vanderlip of New York, address the annual convention of the American Bankers Association here today, warning his hearers that they should not take too easily the present wealth of this country that seems to submerge us in our own prosperity.

Rather, he said, does it give us opportunity, "such as no country has ever had to lay the foundation for the future. We must not be too intense upon dividing the proceeds of our present prosperity that we fail to safeguard its permanency."

Universal military training and greater participation in politics was urged by several speakers. The meeting today was the first general session. Reports were made and the way cleared for discussing national banking laws.

TARHEELS IN NEWPORT NEWS TO MOBILIZE. Newport News, Va., Sept. 27.—The Rev. Dr. W. A. Ayers, formerly secretary of the Baptist Council of Richmond, but now pastor of First Baptist church here, is leading the movement to organize the North Carolina Society of Newport News.

A meeting will be held this week to organize the society and elect officers. About fifty persons have signed the petition signifying their intention of becoming members of the society. It is expected the society will give a banquet shortly after it is organized and that a number of prominent citizens, who are natives of North Carolina, will make addresses.

ONLY SURVIVING WOMAN PENSIONER OF 1812 WAR. Richmond, Va., Sept. 27.—Mrs. Martha Harper, age 104, of Trevillian Station, Louisa County, Va., widow of the Rev. George H. Harper, who served as a private in Captain James Rampley's company of Maryland militia in the war of 1812, today notified the State Fair management that she intends to enter for exhibit "a very fine bed spread," which she made in 1832. Mrs. Harper says she is the only woman pensioner of the war of 1812.

GREEK PATTLESHIP HAS JOINED THE ALLIED FLEET. London, Sept. 27.—The Greek battleship Hydra has joined the Allied fleet, according to a Reuters dispatch from Athens.

There is an unconfirmed report, the dispatch adds, that the Greek battleships Spsal and Psara and four Greek destroyers have also joined the combined Anglo-French naval forces under Vice Admiral Du Fournet in the Mediterranean.

Winkler Case is Settled. (Special to Post.) Hickory, Sept. 28.—The damage suit resulting from the death of Henry Winkler, a brakeman on the C. N. W., in a collision four miles from Hickory some time ago, has been settled, for approximately \$2,000.

CHAS. HUGHES INVADES THE PRESIDENT'S STATE

Republican Nominee Talks Tariff, Assails Administration for Adamson Law and Talks of "Broken Pledges"—Reiterates Declaration for Enforcement of American Rights.

(By Associated Press.) Trenton, N. J., Sept. 28.—Chas. E. Hughes today addressed an audience at the State fair grounds here, speaking from the judges stand. With him on the stand were the successful and defeated Republican candidates for the various offices voted on in last Tuesday's primary election.

Mr. Hughes spoke chiefly of a protective tariff. He assailed the administration vigorously for the Adamson law, extravagance and "broken pledges." Mr. Hughes reiterated his declaration for the enforcement of American rights. The crowd applauded him frequently.

IMPORTANT MEETING SET FOR TONIGHT.

The meeting at 7:15 o'clock this evening at the Community building is for the purpose of organizing a permanent charity to systematically and definitely take care of all cases of need to occur in the community. It is urged that those who feel an interest in this important matter attend this organization meeting and help to get the organization perfected.

The plan is that which is endorsed by all students of this great question. It is a case of making this work some one's business and thereby guaranteeing that every worthy case of need will be promptly met.

VILLA AGAIN HEARD FROM. American Headquarters Punitive Expedition, Sept. 27. Radio to Columbus, N. M., Sept. 28.—Francisco Villa with 600 men was at Santa Clara ranch, 30 miles east of Namiqipa, on September 22nd, for the immediate purpose of capturing trains near Laguna and with the idea of striking north in an invasion of Texas in the vicinity of Cabana Fabin, according to the latest report to the bandit leaders and reported to field headquarters.

COBBLES A CHARNEL HOUSE WHEN CAPTURED. Every Corner is the Theatre For Murderous Combats in Days of Struggle Paris, Sept. 27.—"It was not a village the allies assaulted—it was a fortress," says La Liberté's special correspondent at the front in describing the taking of Combles.

"When it was captured," the correspondent adds, "it was a charnel house. What remained of the garrison of two battalions fought furiously and every corner of the town was the theatre for murderous combats. No ground was yielded. It was every inch of it conquered.

"The ruins of a church changed hands three times during the twenty minutes it took the French and British after they had formed a junction and closed a ring around the town, to reduce the last stronghold, the fall of which was saluted with enthusiastic cheering by the troops. It was then impossible to take two steps without encountering dead.

"In cellars and dugouts dead and wounded lay mingled by the hundreds and it is now certain that the Allies did not take a greater number of prisoners because the garrison was virtually annihilated in the assault and the previous shelling. Many of the deaths seemed to date back to a few days.

The jubilation of the soldiers over this victory communicated itself to the villages beyond the lines where for the first time since the war began, satisfaction over successes took the form of celebrations. The civilians feasted the troops, organized impromptu concerts, sang the national hymns of the Allies and acclaimed the victors of Combles and Thiepval."

SUNG RAILROAD FOR \$50,000. Louisville & Nashville Defendant in Big Damage Suit Instituted in Atlanta, Ga.

Atlanta, Ga., Sept. 27.—Trial was begun Tuesday in Judge H. M. Reid's division of the City Court of a \$50,000 damage suit against the Louisville & Nashville Railroad Company, brought by Charles Warren, of Birmingham, an engineer.

Warren told the jury that he was injured by the breaking of a step on his engine, which caused him to fall to the ground. He said he was rendered unconscious and was injured severely. He is represented by Attorneys Gibson & Davis, of Birmingham, and Atkinson & Born, of Atlanta, Attorneys Tye, Peeples and Tye, appeared for the railroad company.

TWO NEGROES KILLED. Tennessee Mob Takes Two Out and Shoot Them to Death Near Alleged Crime. Nashville, Tenn., Sept. 28.—Two negroes charged with being connected with the murder of Bud Burnes, at the Phosphate mines at Gordonsburg, Saturday night, were taken from the Hohenwald jail this morning at 1 o'clock and carried to a hill on the road to the mines, bound to a tree with wire and riddled with bullets.

16,000 Bales Leave Savannah in Day. Savannah, Sept. 26.—Sixteen thousand bales of cotton were shipped by boat from Savannah yesterday for domestic and foreign ports.

N. Y. REPUBLICANS IN STATE MEET

More Than Eight Hundred Delegates Present at Opening Session at Saratoga Springs.

MAKING WAY FOR SPEECH FROM CHAS. E. HUGHES

Platform is Being Drafted and Calls for Return to Convention System of Nominating.

(By Associated Press.) Saratoga Springs, N. Y., Sept. 28.—With more than eight hundred delegates present the Republican State convention perfected an organization here today; listened to a speech by temporary chairman, Former Judge Nathan L. Miller, of the Court of Appeals, and appointed committees preparatory to the adoption of a platform later in the day.

The leaders hope to conclude actual business early in the evening in order to make way for the speech by Chas. E. Hughes.

The principal plank in the tentative draft of the platform calls for the return of party to system convention of nominating State officers; makes a strong declaration for arbitration as a means of settling industrial disputes, and advocates the re-adoption in 1917 of the woman suffrage amendment.

CATCHES DOZEN BIG RATS ON STICKY FLYPAPER. Seaford, Del., Sept. 27.—Sticky flypaper, as a means of catching rats and mice grown weary of the trap, is praised to the skies by Harley Brewster, a Board Creek farmer, who has experimented with the gummy sheets and is certain that he has fallen on the only truly scientific means of capturing vermin.

Brewster's barn was overrun with rats. They ate his grain and his chickens. He spread the floor of the barn near the holes with flypaper and in the morning twelve large rats were rolled upon the paper. He has kept the system in operation and it has never failed, he declares.

GOVERNMENT GIVES OUT HEALTH HINTS. Washington, Sept. 27.—The second of a series of health bulletins for the general education of the public has just been sent out by the United States Public Health Service. This organization is publishing a series of bulletins known as the Health News, each one containing valuable bits of information regarding sanitary living.

Following are hints given in the second edition: It is dangerous to put anything into the mouth except food and drink. Sanitary instruction is even more important than sanitary legislation. The United States Public Health Service issues free bulletins on tuberculosis.

The continuous liberal use of alcoholic beverages lowers efficiency and menaces longevity. Moderate exercise in the open air prolongs life. "Mouth breathing" makes children stupid. Fish cannot live in foul water nor man in foul air. Smallpox is wholly preventable.

Runaway Car Ends Life of Watchman. Knoxville, Tenn., Sept. 26.—A box car broke loose from a train at noon today and killed James A. Vick, a watchman, father of John B. Vick, manager of a local theater.

CHINESE MINISTER TO U. S. HAS RESIGNED

Recently Appointed Foreign Minister is Opposed to Dr. Koo on Account of His Monarchical Leanings—Resignation Causes Surprise in China.

(By Associated Press.) Peking, China, Sept. 28.—Dr. Wellington Koo, minister to the United States, has sent his resignation to the foreign office, giving ill health as the reason for his action. The resignation has not yet been accepted by the President.

Dr. Koo's resignation has created a surprise in Peking. The recently appointed foreign minister is opposed to Dr. Koo because of his monarchical leanings.

Mr. Chas. H. Holmes has been quite ill at his home on South Main street for several days.

EFFORTS MAKING TO EXTEND THE STRIKE

Strenuous Efforts are Being Made to Extend the Strike to Force the Striking Carmen's Demands—Estimates Vary Greatly as to Number Out.

(By Associated Press.) New York, Sept. 28.—Renewed efforts were made today to extend the general strike of the trade unions of this city and West Chester which began on yesterday to enforce the demands of the striking street car men. Only a part of the workers responded to the call the first day. The estimate of the number out varies from 500 to 125,000, the latter being the figures of the union leaders.

Unions having a total membership of 164,000 are voting today on the strike question. Police officials said today that if a strike was in progress there was little evidence of it.

Service on the elevated and subway lines continued normal today except for the withdrawal of a large number of cars owing to decreased traffic due to the Jewish holiday and the general situation seems about the same.

May Be Walk Out Today. New York, Sept. 27.—Although labor leaders insisted tonight that the general strike unionists in the greater city in aid of the carmen who quit their places September 6, eventually would involve at least 500,000 workers, there were no surface indications of a tie up of the city's industry as threatened, after announcement was made today, that the strike had begun.

While the union leaders claimed that 125,000 workers in various trades already had joined the movement, with twice as many more ready to "walk out" tomorrow, the police said they had received no reports to substantiate any such estimates. The actual situation it was said, was confused because of Jewish holidays, which are being celebrated here by more than 100,000 union workers.

Leaders of the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway employees whose members are on strike, were encouraged tonight, they asserted, over the possibility of Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers coming to their aid. Officials of that organization notified the public service commission during the day that Theodore P. Shonts, president of the Interborough Rapid Transit company, had refused to see them and discuss alleged grievances of motormen who are members of that brotherhood. Mr. Shonts declared tonight, however, that there were no differences between the motormen and the company.

Two hundred and five representatives of various unions, at a meeting late today ratified the sympathetic strike order, it was announced, and agreed to call out the members of their organizations tomorrow. While this meeting was in session, the grand jury returned indictments against 15 persons accused of stone throwing, assault on car crews and smashing windows during the car strike.

There were fewer attempts at violence today, according to the police, than for a week past.

ADVOCATE ELIMINATION OF PUBLIC WARDS IN HOSPITALS. Philadelphia, Sept. 27.—Elimination of public wards in hospitals was advocated by speakers at today's sessions of the convention of the American Hospital Association. Many of the delegates expressed the opinion that public wards fail to provide the quietness that is necessary for early recovery of patients and it was predicted that in another generation all hospitals will be constructed so as to provide a private room for every patient.

Paris, Sept. 27.—It does not seem probable that another winter campaign is avoided, says La Liberté. Joseph Thierry, under-secretary of State for subsistence in the war department, the newspaper adds, has made all necessary arrangements for supplying the troops, and garments, blankets and other essentials for winter warfare have been going to the front at the rate of 80 carloads a day since September 15.

Infantile Paralysis Situation. (By Associated Press.) New York, Sept. 28.—The number of new cases of infantile paralysis reported by the health authorities today remained at the same level set by the increase yesterday, there being 26 cases. The deaths doubled there being 10 as compared with five yesterday.

WOUNDED WOMAN IS IDENTIFIED

Only Surviving Member of Three Persons Mixed in Philadelphia Tragedy is From Chicago.

MRS. BELZER KILLS MAN AND COMMITTS SUICIDE

Endeavored to Kill Graveur's Companion, Who is Now in Jefferson Hospital.

(By Associated Press.) Philadelphia, Sept. 28.—The identity of the woman who was shot and seriously wounded in her room in a hotel here yesterday by Mrs. Harry Belzer, who also shot and killed the woman's companion, J. C. Graveur, of New York, afterwards killing herself, was established today as Mrs. Joseph C. LeDuc, of Chicago.

Mr. LeDuc arrived here today from Chicago and visited his wife at the Jefferson hospital where she lies seriously wounded. There was an affectionate meeting when LeDuc reached the bedside of his wife, where he remained some time. Before he reached the hospital he told of his happy married life of fifteen years and of his implicit trust in his wife. He reportedly many times his belief in her innocence.

Mrs. LeDuc said later that she went with the man to his room for the sole purpose of getting a handbag she had left there and that Mrs. Belzer jumped from a closet and began shooting. Kills Man, Commits Suicide.

Philadelphia, Sept. 27.—The wounded companion of J. C. Graveur, prominent New York social worker and garage owner, who was shot and killed by Mrs. Harry Belzer, a discarded sweetheart, who then committed suicide in a hotel here early today, continued late today to maintain the silence which she has kept ever since the triple shooting.

Although she could not be drawn into any admission, the police are convinced that she is the wife of Joseph D. LeDuc, a well-known Chicago business man, who is reported to be on his way here to make the identification. Mrs. Harbert Mann of Brooklyn, said to be her sister, visited her in the hospital tonight but refused to make known the identity of the wounded woman, who still is in a critical condition.

Identification of the murderers and suicide was made nine hours after the shooting by Mrs. Frances Apman of New York, a sister of the dead man, who came here with his business associate, Harry V. Fancy, upon receiving word of the tragedy. Mrs. Apman informed the police that her brother had been friendly with Mrs. Belzer, whose maiden name was Margaret McAndrews. Mrs. Apman also visited the wounded woman in the hospital but claimed to be unable to identify her.

Graveur, according to investigations made by the police today, left New York on an automobile tour September 12 while on September 19, a "Mrs. LeDuc, Chicago," registered at the Hotel Theresa in that city. Whether this is the same woman who accompanied him here or a different Mrs. LeDuc, the police were unable to determine. Several articles of clothing worn by Graveur's companion bear the trademark of Chicago shops.

Received bills found in Graveur's possession show that he and his companion had spent Friday and Saturday in Atlantic City.

Cards bearing Mrs. LeDuc's name were found in the handbag carried by Mrs. Belzer and it was at first supposed that it was her name.

A telegram signed J. C. LeDuc, 40 South Michigan avenue, Chicago, was received today by the authorities at the hospital where the wounded woman is a patient, requesting information as to her condition. Late tonight another message bearing the same signature was received by the local police. It was to the effect that the sender would leave immediately for this city.

ROOSEVELT IN THE WEST. Colonel Will Make at Least Five Speeches for Chas. E. Hughes on His Coming Trip. (By Associated Press.) Chicago, Sept. 28.—Theodore Roosevelt will make at least five speeches in the Western States for Chas. E. Hughes next month, it was said at Western Republican headquarters here today.

Meet Next in Atlantic City. (By Associated Press.) New London, Sept. 28.—The Honorable American joint commission after a brief session here today adjourned to meet Monday next at Atlantic City, N. J.