

OFFENSIVE MOVEMENT RENEWED BY GERMANS IN VICINITY OF YPRES

London, Nov. 18.—The Germans have renewed their offensive in the vicinity of Ypres and Dixmude, where several attempts to break through the allied lines to the coast of France were repulsed after the most severe fighting of the war.

Despite reverses the Austro-German armies have suffered in the East where the Russians have set their feet on German territory, the Germans are said to be still sending reinforcements to the west, in an endeavor to break down the resistance of the French, British and Belgians. There has been no decisive action along the whole front, but each side is making gains which may count when the crisis is at hand. With the tremendous forces opposing each other, any progress necessarily must be slow, but both the allies and the Germans express satisfaction with the way in which the battles have gone thus far.

In the east the Russian advance guards are fighting on both the East Prussian and Posen borders, and it is believed that the Germans have given up their first plan of resisting the Russian advance on the positions which they had prepared along the Warthe river.

According to a German report, the Russians have suffered a reverse on the East Prussian frontier, where they lost 4,000 men and some machine guns, but of the fighting elsewhere in this region Berlin says nothing.

There have been no developments in the Near East, the engagements fought being between Russian and Turkish frontier guards in the Caucasus, or the bombardment of ports. The slackness in the recruiting in England has been given a boost by the marches of some of the crack territorial regiments, and today's procession through the streets of London in sympathy with the inauguration of the Lord Mayor, in which Canadian and other Dominion troops took part.

From all sections of the country come reports of an increasing number of young men offering themselves for service.

SHIPPING IS SAFEGUARDED, SAYS STATE DEPARTMENT

Washington, D. C., Nov. 19.—Commerce between the United States and Norway, Sweden and Denmark in products, the re-exportation of which the latter three countries have prohibited, has been safeguarded against delays and misunderstandings. Secretary Bryan and Sir Spring Rice, the British ambassador, announced today that the British fleet had been ordered not to interfere with such cargoes when consigned to a specific person or company in neutral countries.

Great Britain hitherto has detained cargoes consigned merely "to order" on the suspicion that even though destined to a neutral country, they in reality were to be transhipped to a belligerent. When each shipment has a specific consignee the British cruisers merely will examine the papers of a neutral ship and not delay her voyage unless engaged in some unusual activity.

"We are trying," said Secretary Bryan, "to do everything possible in the interest of the foreign trade of American shippers and exporters. We hope soon to have the arrangements concluded with Norway, Sweden and Denmark apply to other neutral countries."

neutral countries. During the day Mr. Bryan issued a statement saying the British ambassador had given assurances that England did not regard tobacco as contraband, and would not interfere with it when shipped in neutral bottoms. Representatives of the wool industry asked the State Department to negotiate with Great Britain for a modification of the embargo on the exportation of wool from Australia.

THE WINDOW IS PRAISED BY CITIZENS

Mr. J. E. Mitchell, of the Harris Hardware Company, has again demonstrated his ability as a window decorator and designer. His latest design represents a Hunter's Camp. The house in the scene is made entirely of empty gun shells and is uniquely arranged. Seated in front of the house can be seen two hunters after the day's hunt engaged in cooking their supper. Surrounding the house is a pine forest. Taken all in all, the picture is a very attractive one and has been much admired by pedestrians. Mr. Mitchell designed this scene for the purpose of competing with others contesting for a prize offered by the Winchester Arms Company. While the other designs have not been seen this paper feels safe in saying that Mr. Mitchell should stand an excellent chance for the prize. He is a genius in his line.

THE THIRD ANNUAL EXHIBITION OF TURKEYS

Cuero, Tex., Nov. 19.—The third annual exhibition of turkeys, under the name of the Cuero Turkey Trot will be held here today, tomorrow and Thursday. Many hundreds of fowl will be shown, and this year, in addition to the birds exhibits of agriculture and live stock are being made. Carnival attractions also have been provided, and the street parade, featuring the trotting turkeys, will be held tomorrow. It is expected that five thousand turkeys will be paraded down the streets.

RETURNS TO WILMINGTON

Mr. Harbald Moore returned to Wilmington, N. C., yesterday to resume his position. Several weeks ago he underwent a slight operation at the Fowle Memorial Hospital. His recovery is gratifying to his friends.

HAS RETURNED.

Mr. P. Orleans has returned from New York, where he purchased many attractive bargains in clothing and ladies' ready-to-wear.

COURT NOVEMBER 23.

The next session of Beaufort County Superior Court will convene in the courthouse here on Monday, November 23. His Honor, Judge Carter, of Asheville, N. C., will preside. The term will be for the trial of both criminal and civil causes.

MUSICAL CO. DELIGHTED AUDIENCE

If you did not go last night, and any one attending the New Theatre what you missed, and you will be told that you missed the best show that has been presented here this season. The "Simple Simon" Musical Comedy Company opened a week's engagement at the above house last night to a good house, and it can truly be said that never has there been so much genuine amusement and good singing as was produced last night for the small charge of 10 and 20 cents. If you did not go last night you would not miss the opportunity of seeing this splendid troupe tonight in an entirely change of program. Mr. Gene Oliver, the leading comedian, kept the house in one continuous uproar throughout the entire performance. So did Mr. Lew Lewis do his part to make the act a great success last night. These two are the best comedians that has been here for some time. The other two male members of the company, Mr. Art Cavanaugh and Mr. Elmer Leyton, came in for their share of the honors due this well balanced company. The leading lady, Miss Florence Askley has got one of the best voices ever presented here in Washington. The several songs that she sang last night simply carried the house away with praise. Miss Evelyn Gilmore and Miss Anna Schuyler took their parts well, and were worthy of much praise. Miss Lillian Tooker, one member of the company was here last spring with the American Girl Company, and as she did before, made a good hit among the audience. Taken all in all the New Theatre has the best attraction this week yet presented.



Scene From Simple Simon Musical Comedy Company.

CAPT. TAYLOR PICTURE IN OBSERVER

In last Sunday's Charlotte's Observer appears a picture of Mr. David T. Taylor, son of Dr. David T. Taylor, of this city, who is captain of this year's University of North Carolina football eleven. In Charlotte last Saturday the boys from Chapel Hill defeated the Virginia Military Institute eleven by a score of 20 to 7. So far this season the University has not lost a game. In speaking of Captain Taylor the Observer says: "Captain Taylor, of Carolina, is one of the most aggressive factors of the White and Blue machine." The Observer also gives a picture of the entire University eleven.

MAYOR HAS NINE CASES FOR TRIAL

Mayor Kugler had quite a number of cases before him this morning for disposition at the City Hall. The following offenders were dealt with: Joe E. Bell, drunk; fined \$3 and cost. Jule Dudley, drunk; fined \$2 and cost. Cars Everette, assault; guilty and fined \$5 and cost. Murray North, assault; attached with the cost. E. H. Jefferson, failing to show light on auto; attached with cost. William H. Small, drunk; \$5 and cost. John Latham, col., drunk and disorderly; \$3 and cost. Will Moore, col., not stopping transfer during fire; attached with cost. Will Leary, col., failure to show light on auto; not guilty.

RETURNED TODAY.

Mr. A. C. Austin left this afternoon via the Washington and Vandrevere train for his home in South Creek.

A DRAINAGE CONVENTION AT WILSON NOV. 18

One of the most important and interesting conventions of the year is to be held by the North Carolina Drainage Association to discuss the question of the reclamation of the swamp and overflowed lands of North Carolina. Since the organization of this association the drainage of these lands has reached large proportions, the area drained, or now being drained, being in the neighborhood of 800,000 acres, and a careful estimate shows that there are within the State 2,800,000 acres of un reclaimed wet and swamp lands. The reclamation of these lands means millions of dollars to the State in increased agricultural values and the elimination of malaria from these sections.

An interesting program is being arranged, and among those who are expected to speak at this convention are Governor Locke Craig, Hon. John H. Small, Congressman from the First District; Mr. M. V. Richards, Land and Industrial Agent of the Norfolk Southern Railway; Mr. H. M. Lynde, of the United States office of Drainage Investigations; Judge L. R. Aiken, president of the Georgia Drainage Congress; representatives from the State University, the Agricultural and Mechanical College; and others. The program is not yet complete, but speakers are expected to take up all sides of drainage problems. One of the interesting features will be the reports from commissioners from the 42 districts in the swamp areas and the 24 districts in the overflowed areas, representing an area of 342,121 acres. The drainage will be discussed in considerable detail.

The headquarters of the association will be at Hotel Brigg, and the place of meeting will be announced later. All those who are interested in this splendid work which is being done in the State are invited to attend the convention and take part in this proceedings.

SENT TO THE ROADS FOR 4 MONTHS

Recorder Windley yesterday afternoon sentenced John Paynor to the county roads for a term of four months for running a disorderly house at the corner of Harvey and Fifth streets. Daynor was up upon this charge several weeks ago, but judgment was suspended. Last Saturday night he was again arrested with the result that he goes to the road.

NEXT DANCE.

The Halcyon Club will give their next dance at the Elks' Home on Tuesday evening, November 23.

GOOD WOMAN OF WHARTON DIED SUNDAY

Mrs. C. C. Williams, after a lingering illness, fell peacefully on sleep at her home at Wharton, N. C., Sunday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock, and yesterday morning she was placed quietly away in God's Chamber in the family burying ground near her home where she had spent so many happy and joyous moments surrounded by an affectionate husband and six loving and devoted children. The services were conducted by the Rev. W. W. Hope, pastor of the Christian church, this city.

Mrs. Williams was born December 11, 1850, her maiden name being Florence Labela Hodges, daughter of Noah B. Hodges and Martha C. Hodges. On January 8, 1872, she was happily united in marriage to Christopher C. Williams. As a result of this union the following children are left to mourn their loss: C. Williams, Richmond, Va.; S. E. Williams, Crosswell, N. C.; D. T. Williams, Conway, N. C.; W. H. Williams, LaGrange, N. C.; Miss Eunice Williams, Richmond, Va.; Miss Ida Belle Williams, Miss Freda Williams, Herbert Williams, of Washington, N. C., and Christopher Williams, of Richmond, Va.

At the age of fourteen the deceased connected herself with the Christian church at Old Ford, N. C., and from that glad hour to the time she was called to go hence was loyalty itself to her Master—His work was her work. She was never happier than when she was engaged in furthering the cause of Christ on the earth. Although today the vacant chair of mother sits silently in the corner and the home where once gladness and happiness reigned, those who mourn have the full assurance that wife and mother was greeted on the battlements of heaven with plaudits of "Well Done." Being faithful in a few things she has now been made ruler over many things.

Her life was an open book. Truly it can be said of her "She hath done what she could." Her home was her castle—here it was that she was loved most and it is here that she will be missed most. May the same hand that has so sorely wounded be the same to succor and comfort.

She was carried to her last resting place yesterday by her six sons who acted as pallbearers. The floral tributes were beautiful and many. Thus one by one are coming that narrow vale that divides the barren peaks of two eternities.

DIRECTORY COMPLETED.

The directory of the annual conference of the M. E. Church, which is to convene here next week, has been completed and is now being mailed by Pastor E. M. Snipes, of the First M. E. church.

GUEST OF MRS. RICE.

Mrs. Bessie Skittletharp and Miss Echlar Rice, of Belhaven, are the guest of Mrs. E. J. Rice on East Seventh street.

The Aurora Agricultural Fair Now in Full Blast

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO MEET TONIGHT

The Washington Chamber of Commerce will meet in regular session at their rooms in the Baughman building, West Main street, this evening at eight o'clock. All the members of the chamber are urged to be present and any other interested citizen.

WELCOME VISITOR.

The many friends of Mr. H. A. Phelps, of Savannah, Ga., are glad to see him in the city. Mr. Phelps was a resident of this city about 40 years ago, being a member of the Washington baseball team here. He expects to be here for the next few days.

FINE BUILDING TO BE DONE BY DEC. 15

The brick work on the Small & MacLean building was completed several days ago and the interior work on this handsome building is now in progress. The contractor states that the building will be ready for occupancy by December 15. The entire second floor of the building will be utilized by the legal firm of Small, MacLean, Bragaw, & Rodman as offices, and the first floor will be for rent. This building when completed will be an ornament to the city.

CHILD DEAD.

Lela Bell O'Ham, the 6-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George O'Ham, died at the residence of her parents on East Third street this morning at 3 o'clock. The funeral will be conducted at the home tomorrow by Rev. E. M. Snipes, pastor of the First M. E. church, and the interment will be at Blount's Creek.

CARD PARTY FOR RELIEF OF BELGIANS

Tomorrow evening at 8:30 o'clock there will be given at the Elks Home a card party for the benefit of the Belgian Relief Fund. Tickets are now on sale at the drug store of Messrs. Worthy & Eberhard, and the price is 25 cents. Misses May Bell and Catherine Small are among the originators of the scheme and this announcement within itself assures the success of the undertaking. This is a worthy cause and should be generously patronized, and no doubt will be.

MOVED YESTERDAY.

The law firm of Daniel & Warren moved to their new offices in their new building on Market street yesterday. Their apartments are among the most attractive and best appointed in the city.

NEW BARBERS SANITARY SHOP.

I have four first-class barbers and am prepared to furnish prompt and satisfactory service to all patrons. There will be no delay in getting your work done.

The barbers I have are equal to any in the State and their work is guaranteed to please you and make you a friend to my shop. All tools and towels are thoroughly sterilized and absolutely sanitary.

PALACE BARBER SHOP. The first shop in Washington to have all white barbers. 11-3-31-a.w.

Will Last Through Thursday. Special Train Tomorrow and Next Day. Special Leaves 10 A. M. Returning Leaves 4.30 P. M.

The Aurora Agricultural Fair opens today at Aurora and will last through Thursday. It is expected that there will be the largest attendance in the history of the fair this year. Quite a number of outside attractions have been added and these in connection with the agricultural, stock and poultry exhibit, will give this exhibition more interest than in the past.

Special train will be run over the Washington and Vandemere road from Washington to Aurora tomorrow and Thursday. The train will leave here at 10 o'clock, arriving at Aurora about noon. On the return trip the train will leave Aurora at 1:30 arriving in Washington about six o'clock. Immediately after the train's arrival at Aurora the parade, headed by the Aurora Concert Band, will start from the depot and parade through the principal streets of the town. As usual there will be several handsome and attractive floats in the parade filled by the school children from Aurora, Idalia, South Creek, Royal and other points in that section. The prospects are that a large number will attend from this city.

The Attractions. Featuring the Brownie Amusement Co., consisting of five big shows and latest type jumping horse acrobats. The shows are as follows: Haradin's Big Ten Cent Vaudeville Show, giving two performances daily.

Sanders & Dohato Mask, real wild west cowboys, cow girls; lariat throwers, rope spinners, sharp shooting, bucking horse riders, in fact everything pertaining to cow boy life in the west.

Smith & Foreman's congress of living wonders, featuring ten different and separate attractions, under the mammoth spread of canvas for the one price of admission.

The curiosities are: Useless, the cigarette fiend, the world's thinnest man, monkey paradise, Octopus or devil fish, that dreaded sea monster; Bessie, the calf with human arms, with arms extending from her shoulders like a human being; the mermaid or monko fish, wild Minnie, the snake girl; Mile Marene, the electric marvel; the young lady that allows 2,240 volts of electricity to pass through her body at each performance, and many others too many to mention.

Princess Olga, the doll lady, or the smallest little woman in all the world, an exhibition catering to the ladies and children. Princess Olga speaks three different languages, sings all the popular songs of the day, plays musical chimes, piano, and, in fact, this cultured little lady gives you one of the most interesting exhibitions that you have ever had the pleasure of witnessing.

Prof. Cowan, the world's greatest balloon aeronaut, will give one ascension daily. This is one of the highest price free acts that the fair association could obtain.

Good Price For the Weed on Market

There was another good sale of tobacco on the Washington market today. Between forty and fifty thousand pounds of the golden weed were on the Washington and Beaufort warehouses for sale and the average price received was around fifteen cents.

CONDITION NO BETTER

The condition of Mrs. T. J. Harding is reported today to be no better. Her condition is still precarious.

New Theater

ENTIRE WEEK OF NOV. 9
Simple Simon Musical Comedy Company

10 People 10 - Mostly Girls. Music, Singing, Dancing and Comedy. 3 REELS PICTURES. Price 10c & 20c

FARMVILLE VISITED BY A \$125,000 FIRE LAST NIGHT

There was a \$125,000 fire to visit the town of Farmville, Pitt county, last night.

The Banner warehouse, run by L. G. Morris & Co.; the Planters warehouse, operated by C. L. Townsend, the prize houses of the American Tobacco Company, the grocery store of

bacco Company, the grocery store of B. O. Pippin, and the residence of J. T. Harris, were destroyed. One horse, one automobile and a large lot of tobacco went up in the flames. But for the fact that the town of Farmville has just installed a new water system, the old being in use, the damage to the town would have been at least one half million of dollars.

The fire originated in the steam plant of the Banner warehouse. The burned area covers a space of eight acres. The cable of the telephone exchange and the wires of the electric light plant were considerably damaged. The fire was first discovered about nine o'clock.

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