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FRENCH AND BRITISH CAPTURE SEVERAL FORTIFIED VILLAGES

GERMAN COMMUNICATION WITH COMBLES PROBABLY CUT BY CAPTURE MORVAL

British Swept Forward for a Full Mile on a Front of Six Miles, While the French Carried the Field to the River on the South.—German Losses Are Reported to Be Tremendous.

(By International News Service.)

London, Sept. 25.—After three days of the most colossal artillery bombardment of the war the French and British again struck on the Somme today. The big guns had cleared the way for the infantry and "tanks" and the combined armies scored an almost uniform advance of a mile on a twelve mile front. The British swept forward for a full mile on the six-mile front from Martinpuich to Combles.

The French joining them here, carried the advance over a wide stretch extending as far south as the river. Three powerfully fortified villages—Rancourt, Morval and Lesbouts—were captured together with two heights and several extensive trench labyrinths between. The German garrison which still holds out in the ruins of Combles is practically cut off, according to General Haig's report.

German Losses Great.

The German losses are described as tremendous, and a loss of great numbers of men in prisoners. Machine guns and war material in huge quantities fell into the hands of the Allies.

The most important success from the British point of view is the capture of Morval. In the concise language of General Haig this village "is of considerable military importance and possibly severs the enemies communication with Combles."

The Allied advance, one of the most extensive since the opening of the Somme battle was made with comparatively small losses, thanks to the effectiveness of the artillery.

The Second Regiment Leaves for Border

(Special to THE NEWS.)

New Bern, Sept. 25.—The second regiment North Carolina National Guards will leave Camp Glenn today on a three section train. The first train will leave Camp Glenn at eight o'clock and is scheduled to arrive here at 9:30. The other sections are scheduled to leave the camp at ten and twelve o'clock.

This train will be turned over by the Norfolk-Southern to the Southern at Goldsboro.

Germans in Frankfort Can But Cheap Meals

(By International News Service.)

Frankfort, Sept. 25.—The Society for Social Welfare has opened a new restaurant which furnishes meals to about one thousand people daily at astonishingly low prices. A dinner consisting of soup, four ounces of meat, potatoes and other vegetables costs 15 cents, and without soup 12 1/2 cents. Persons not desiring meat can get half a pound of fish. For desert from three to five cents extra is charged, and for 1-3 cents a cup of bouillon or mutton broth can be obtained by those who only desire to take a light lunch.

FORTY-FIVE PER CENT OF THE ORGANIZED WORKERS SAY STRIKE WEDNESDAY

(International News Service.)

New York, Sept. 25.—Reports from representatives of forty-five per cent of the organized workers in New York were received today and it was declared all Unions heard from voted in favor of the suspension of work on Wednesday in sympathy with the striking car men.

"They may not all go out on Wednesday," said Hugh Frayne, representing the American Federation of Labor.

U. S. GOVERNMENT HANDICAPS OF WAR

American Progress and Industrial Invention to Meet Handicaps of War.

New York, Sept. 25.—Several thousand leading industrial scientists are meeting here this week. They will read many important papers showing American progress in industrial invention. At the same time the second annual exposition of chemical industries is being held in the Grand Central Palace.

How the United States rose to the emergency created by the war is shown here in a series of marvels of the industrial world. Many lines of production previously monopolized in Europe are now cared for in this country by factories which have had a mushroom growth.

The company which has built the most complete dyestuff plant in America since the war began has exhibits not only of the raw materials which enter into the manufacture of dyestuffs, but of silks, wools, cottons, leathers, wood, hair and numerous other fabrics and materials which have been dyed with American materials.

Amazing strides in the American glass, potash, soda, paper, explosive medicine, oils, porcelain, and steel alloy industries are also illustrated.

The scientists will meet at Columbia University. The societies represented are the American Electro-chemical Society, the American Institute of Mining Engineers, and the Technical Association of the Pulp and Paper Industry, having a total membership of 15,000.

WEATHER.

Weather for North Carolina. Fair Tuesday and probably Wednesday. Gentle variable winds.

Venizelos to Head Revolution in Crete

WILSON AND BAKER TO CONFER ON LATE VILLA ACTIVITIES

American-Mexican Joint Commission Will Continue Conference at Atlantic City.

COURT MARTIAL CORPORAL

For Acts While Across the Border on September 12.—United States Apologizes to Mexico for Acts of Soldiers.

(By International News Service.)

Washington, Sept. 25.—Secretary of War Baker went to Baltimore today to see President Wilson. His conference with the President was attributed to the seriousness of the situation in Mexico. He left immediately after receiving reports as to the extent of Villa's activities.

Ambassador Designate Arredondo and Third Assistant Secretary of State Phillips, agreed today upon the Hotel Chelsea, Atlantic City, for the sessions of the Joint American-Mexican commission which will leave New London the latter part of this week.

The United States has apologized to Mexico for the act of a Texas cavalry corporal and seven soldiers who crossed the border September 21, the War Department announced today.

In addition, the corporal will be tried by court martial. Colonel Gaston, of the federal army, stationed at Marfa, Texas, and commanding the Big Bend district, is instructed by General Funston to make an investigation "as promptly as possible" and report to him what action is taken.

UNIVERSITY DAY ON OCTOBER TWELFTH

Dr. Edwin Mims, Former Professor at Chapel Hill, to Deliver the Address.

Chapel Hill, N. C., Sept. 25.—Plans are now rapidly taking shape for the proper observance of University Day on October 12. University alumni organizations throughout the state and beyond will gather at this time to talk over college days, hear speeches and celebrate generally. The University will send out to many organizations speakers who will convey the greetings of the University and carry the news of events on "the Hill."

Professor Edwin Mims will deliver the University Day address in Chapel Hill. Doctor Mims is already well known throughout the state, having taught English for many years at Trinity College, and having served as Professor in the University of North Carolina from 1909 to 1912, when he

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SOLDIERS TACKLE SPANISH WITH EASE ON MEXICAN SOIL

American Soldiers Endeavor to Accumulate Knowledge of the Language.

EMBARRASSING MISTAKES

Frequently Occur When an American Soldier Attempts to Converse in Spanish With a Native of Mexico.

By WALLACE SMITH.

(International News Service Staff Correspondent.)

Field Headquarters, American Punitive Expedition, Mexico, (via aeroplane to Columbus, N. M.) Sept. 25.—There are better ways of learning Spanish than by the aid of little red-bound handbooks.

The little red-bound handbooks themselves admit this and suggest in nearly every instance that it would be wise for the beginner to learn first something of the native intonation and pronunciation. It might be added that a knowledge of gestures and the language itself might help.

But the little red hand-book will teach one to ask, "What is that large building over there?" and to inform casual acquaintances: "My father and mother are abroad, and also my brother and my sister." In their way they do considerable good. And, in their way, lead sometimes to embarrassment.

To the credit of both the American private and officer, it may be said that they try to accumulate a working knowledge of the language of the country where the expedition awaits orders.

The best instance under personal observation was seen at El Valle, where a red-necked sergeant was bossing a score of shivering Mexicans in an effort to re-build the engineer's bridge over the cold, rampant Santa Maria river.

"Hey, you mutton-headed hombre," he cried. "Git busy and get that there two-be-four more alta. Higher, you hombre, higher! Leggo that rope, hombre."

These orders were carried out with perfect understanding and the value of an advanced education thus demonstrated.

On the other hand—There is a certain captain who prides himself on his knowledge of Spanish. Measured by the grammar, the dictionary and the little red hand-book it was better Spanish than that of the engineers' sergeant. But as to practicability—

The captain was out with a little scouting party some miles from camp. The party was attempting to find a certain ranch-house and had been quite unsuccessful. While the captain was consulting his map a native horseman rode up and was about to

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AMERICA'S PLACE IN BUSINESS WORLD BY PRESIDENT WILSON

Wilson Delivers Non-Partisan Speech Before Grain Dealers Association.

FAVOR MERCHANT MARINE

And States it is Time America Should Be Getting Her Own "Delivery Wagnos." — Approves the Shipping Bill.

(By International News Service.)

Baltimore, Md., Sept. 25.—President Wilson told the National Grain Dealers Association and an audience of 2,500 persons here today that all America must take her place in the business world on a scale never before dreamed of. The speech was not partisan and savored only in a slight degree of politics.

"I believe in party action but I have a supreme contempt for partisan action—nothing so seriously interferes with sincere consideration of public questions as a political campaign," President Wilson said at the outset.

The applause was generous when the President said his chief works for more than a year had been to prevent anything happening which might interrupt the improved business relations between the United States and the South American Republic. Much stress was placed on the reports from the Federal Trade Commission and the Bureau of Foreign Commerce which the President asserted would be helpful generally to business men. He declared it was, high time America was getting her own "delivery wagnos" and claimed that the shipping bill recently passed by Congress would provide a basis for a substantial merchant marine.

YOUNG VICTORIOUS IN SECOND PRIMARY

Young Gets Majority of Thirty-Three Over Tilley, the Present Register.

(Special to THE NEWS.)

Durham, Sept. 25.—In the second Democratic primary here today Mr. W. H. Young received 33 more votes than Mr. E. Lloyd Tilley, present incumbent.

Much interest was shown throughout the day and the polls were closely watched by leaders of both factions. Much time had been spent in marshaling votes by both candidates and it is the opinion of political leaders a test to the finish was thoroughly brought out.

REBELLION SPREADS IN MACEDONIA AND CRETE

Revolutionists Seize Government Buildings and Expell the Consul.

(By International News Service.)

London, Sept. 25.—The unrest which for weeks has been smoldering in Greece has at last burst into a flame and a series of startling developments is reported in dispatches tonight.

Having apparently failed in his efforts to influence King Constantine in favor of hostilities against the Central Empires former Premier Venizelos, has left Athens for Saloniki and, it is reported, will head the growing revolutionary movement in Macedonia and Crete.

The departure of Venizelos from Constantine's capitol is reported in dispatches to the Star and Reuter Agencies. He is expected to visit Crete either on his journey to Saloniki or to go from the latter port to the island.

All Crete is in rebellion. 30,000 armed revolutionists have seized control of the island and have occupied the cities of Conna, Gortina, Hersonissos and other coast towns. The government buildings at Conna have been seized and the government representative expelled.

TO ENLARGE REPAIR SHOPS AT SPENCER

Southern to Build Large Steel Car Shed and Better Equip Shops.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 25.—Greatly enlarged facilities for repairing cars at Spencer, N. C., one of the most important car repairing points on the system, will be constructed at once by the Southern Railway to consist of a new all-steel car shed 109 feet by 600 feet with a shop adjoining 50 feet by 100 feet.

The new facilities will replace the present small and congested wooden shed used for this purpose and will permit a greater output at less cost. The shed will be equipped with overhead cranes for handling car bodies and materials and will have all modern conveniences and economic appliances, while the shop will be provided with machine tools of the latest design for this special line of work. Additional track room will be provided for handling the increased number of cars that can be repaired. The plant will be electrically operated with current purchased locally. A transformer house will be constructed to take care of the current.

Bids are now being solicited from contractors for the foundation work which will be commenced as soon as contract has been awarded and the remainder of the work will follow promptly.