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THE ALLIES GAINING SOME FEW POINTS

CORPS AFTER CORPS OF GERMANS HURLED AGAINST THE ALLIES

Attempt of Germans on Western End of Battle Line to Break Through Allied Forces Engaged in Turning Movement Results in the Most Furious Fighting Since the Beginning of the War—Flower of the French and British Armies Meet the Shock—Enemy is Thrown Back.

London, Sept. 27.—9:15 P. M.—Along almost two-thirds of the great battle line across northeastern France the armies of the Allies and Germany fought fiercely today, at some points with the bayonets, and tonight's statements from both sides are worded with the optimism that has characterized all these official pronouncements. It was agreed that the Allies had continued their advantage.

The French claimed "marked progress." The German announcement from Berlin, though insisting that the advance had been repulsed, nevertheless referred to it as an advance.

Elsewhere along the battle front neither side seems to have achieved any notable success.

The continued forward movement of Russian troops in Galicia, the appearance of German aircraft dropping bombs over various places in Belgium, and again in Paris and Warsaw, and the movement of vast bodies of German troops into Russia by East Prussia, were chiefly significant in a summary of the events in both the theaters of war.

Of the German bombs thrown none seems to have done extensive damage. One man is reported to have been killed in Belgium and one in Paris. The explosives in Paris fell near the quarter occupied by many Americans.

There is an unconfirmed rumor that an attack on Antwerp is impending.

NO NOTABLE ADVANCES.

Neither army has achieved anything notable since the Allies have reported progress in one direction. The Allies at one point claim to have thrown back a desperate advance by the crack Prussian Guard, and the Germans insist that today, with a weaker force, their right has checked the advance of a mixed French and British force brought up by rail.

Recurring references to bayonet charges seem to prove conclusively that this picturesque and romantic phase of warfare, which it was supposed had been killed by the advent of great guns and other equipment of modern armies, is not all altogether a thing of the past.

The French official communication says that at some points the trenches are only 100 meters apart; this a small portion of the millions engaged have taken the stimulation and thrill of hand-to-hand fighting.

Dispatches from Petrograd report that fierce fighting still goes on in Galicia, though Cracow, towards which the Russian hosts have been marching ever since Brezemeysl was invaded and communications cut, has not been invaded.

What opposition the Germans have met is believed to have been little more than a cavalry screen. The fighting centered again today along the river Nieman, from Drukeniki in Suwalk, Russian Poland, to Sopotkin. The official statement issued tonight at Petrograd said the German artillery had been unable to assume the offensive at Sopotkin and that their retreat was more or less gen-

LITTLE NAVAL NEWS.

There has been a dearth of naval news in the last 24 hours and although the fall of the Austrian seaport of Cattaro has been reported imminent for several days, the event has not been recorded.

The German Emperor's illness variously described last week as a severe cold and influenza, is now said to be inflammation of the lungs, due to the Emperor falling into a water-filled trench.

To the cholera, heretofore reported among the Austrian troops, has been added, according to an Antwerp dispatch, typhus fever, which is said to be raging in the German camps around Brussels and near Tremonde. It is reported that several hundred Germans already have succumbed to this disease.

Quick to realize the necessity of a high birth rate to offset deaths due to war, a movement has been started in England to reduce marriage fees and to encourage soldiers and sailors to wed before leaving for the front. The Archbishop of Canterbury has addressed an open letter on the subject to a London newspaper. In Germany a similar movement was inaugurated some time ago.

ALLIES REPEL THE ATTACK OF GERMANS.

Paris, Sept. 27.—2:55 P. M.—The following official war bulletin was issued today:

"First—On our left wing the battle has been continued with perceptible progress on our part. On the front between the rivers Oise and Somme and on the north of the Somme from the Aisne to Rheims the Germans made violent attacks at several points, some of them being at the point of the bayonet, but they were all repulsed. In many places the French and German trenches were not more than 100 meters apart.

"Second—In the center from Rheims to Souain the Prussian guard has undertaken unsuccessfully a vigorous offensive, being hurled back in the region of Berry Au Bac (11 miles northeast of Rheims and about 25 miles east of Soissons) and Nogent L'Abesee (three miles due east from Rheims). From Soain the enemy yesterday made a successful attack between the highway leading from Somme to Chalons-Sur-Marne and the line of the railway from St. Venhould to Velouse. To the end of the day our troops regained the ground they had lost.

"Between the regions of the Argonne and the Meuse the enemy has not manifested activity. On the heights of the Meuse nothing new has developed. In the southern part of the Woivre district the Germans occupy a front which passes St. Mihiel and northwest to Port Amousson. "On our right wing in Lorraine, the Vosges and Alsace, there has been no important change."

JAPS HAVE DEFEATED GERMANS NEAR TSING-TAU.

Tokio, Sept. 27.—9:59 P. M.—It is officially announced that the Japanese have defeated the Germans in a 14-hour battle on the outskirts of Tsing-Tau, seat of government on the German leased possession of Kiao-Chow China.

Japanese casualties given as three killed and 12 wounded.

According to the statement the fighting began September 26. German gunboats bombarded the Japanese troops. Japanese aeroplanes prove effective in reconnoitering expeditions and are reported to have escaped unharmed.

COUNTY CONVENTION!

Acting under instructions of the County Convention held August 15th, I hereby call a mass convention of all persons opposed to the present county government to meet in the County Court House.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2:30 P. M.

for the purpose of nominating all county officers to be voted for at the coming election.

Hon. E. A. Holton, former United States District Attorney, and Hon. John T. Benbow, candidate for Congress, will be present and address the convention.

Speaking promptly at 1:30 P. M. Convention promptly 2:30 P. M.

All voters who are opposed to the extravagant and inefficient present county administration, and are in favor of a progressive and economical administration and who want to see the county affairs administered in the interest of the tax payers, and not in the interest of the court house ring, are cordially invited to participate in this convention.

All persons are invited to hear the speaking. Friends favorable to this movement will please help make the event public by telling your neighbors. We believe in publicity, not secrecy.

GEORGE W. VESTAL, Chairman Alamance County Republican Executive Committee.

JUDICIAL CONVENTION.

A Convention of the 10th Judicial District is called to meet in the Court House in Graham on Saturday, Oct. 3rd, at 1:00 o'clock, P. M., to nominate a candidate for Solicitor General, such other business as may come before the said Convention.

HEENAN HUGHES, Chmn., Republican Committee of the 10th Judicial District.

Meeting at M. P. Church Continues.

The special protracted services are still in progress at the Methodist Protestant church, and will probably continue until Friday night. Rev. N. G. Bethoa, of Henderson, is preaching very forceful sermons and much good is being accomplished.

The hour for the day service has been changed from 9:00 A. M. to 3:00 P. M. The night service begins at 7:30. The public is cordially invited to attend these services.

Masonic Notice.

There will be a Call Communication of Bula Lodge, No. 409, A. F. & A. M., at the Masonic Hall, Friday night. Work in the Third Degree.

All Members requested to be present.

Spoker after the degree work. JNO. R. HOFFMAN, W. M. C. V. SHARPE, Secretary.

Surprise Party Given to Miss Thelma Stafford.

At the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Stafford, on East Davis street, Miss Thelma Stafford was very pleasantly surprised by her school-mates Friday night.

Games were played and music furnished by Miss Thelma Stafford, with several solos by Miss Lucy Brown. A fruit course was served and the evening enjoyed by all present.

Miss Annie Morgan Faucette entertained a few of her friends at Rook at her lovely home on Front street Tuesday evening 9 to 12, in honor of her visitor, Miss Sue Foushee, of Greensboro. The hall, parlor and library were decorated in potted and cut flowers. Rook was played at four tables. Cream and cake were served.

In honor of her visitors, Misses Maude Idol and Fay Johnson, of High Point, Miss Florine Robertson gave an informal Rook party to a few of her friends at her home on Park Avenue Saturday evening, 8:30 to 11. Rook was played at four tables. Music was rendered by the young ladies present. Cream and cake were served.

Miss Sylvia Holt was hostess Thursday afternoon at four o'clock to the Embroidery Club in regular meeting. Games and contests were dispensed with and needles, thread and chat belated the hours. Salads and ices were served. Besides the members the invited guests were Mrs. H. M. Morrow and Misses Cecile, Iris and Ruth Lea Holt.

The newly organized Mothers' Club was entertained on Friday afternoon by the president, Mrs. G. W. Hatch, at her home. Plans were made for the winter's work, and these plans will be carried out systematically and and prospects are bright for good results. Refreshments were served and a short time spent socially.

Mrs. A. D. Pate entertained the Round Dozen Club at her home on Fisher street Thursday afternoon. Rook was the feature of the afternoon and this was played at three tables. A salad course was served. There were a few invited guests beside the members.

Miss Sybil Shelton entertained the Christian Endeavor in social meeting at her home on Park Avenue Thursday evening from 8 to 11. A large crowd was present. A Bible contest was engaged in and proved very interesting. Refreshments were served.

S. A. Thomy Makes Assignment. S. A. Thomy, "The Corner Store," yesterday made a voluntary assignment and the store is closed at present. Mr. John M. Fix is named as trustee. It is not known what the liabilities and assets are at present.

Yom Kippur. Yom Kippur, day of atonement, the holiest day on the Jewish calendar, will be observed here to-morrow (Wednesday). It is the day of atonement. The observance will begin at sun down today.

A number of those European reports are doubtless hoping the American tourists will not be able to escape.

S. W. Minor Is Chosen Colonel of the Third Regiment.

Raleigh, Sept. 29.—Capt. W. F. Moody, of Raleigh, was this morning at 1:30 o'clock elected major in the Third Regiment after more than 60 ballots had been taken. Capt. J. A. Turner, at 1:15 withdrew in the interest of harmony, and then Captain Moody, of Company B, was elected over Capt. J. C. Freeman, of Burlington, Moody getting 22 votes to Freeman's 8. The meeting adjourned at 1:40 this morning.

There is supposed to be no politics in the State Guard, or in Church, or social affairs, but there is. The fact that our townsman Capt. J. C. Freeman, of Holt Guards, held the election deadlocked until 1:30 A. M. shows that he is getting on to the Curves. Captain Freeman had for an opponent one of the slickest wire pullers in the State to go up against, and it was only by a combination of the Turner and Moody votes that he was defeated, the vote stood 19 to 19 for hours and was only concluded after the line-up as shown above. We hope for Capt. Freeman better luck the next time.

A Battle Call.

Were our auditory nerves sufficiently sensitive, our hearing sufficiently acute, we could hear the sound of millions of marching feet rallying at the call of their earthly leader.

Christ, the great spiritual leader, is calling not only for his regulars but for the reservists.

And next Sunday at the Christian Church there will be a rally of forces of His great Sunday school brigade. Promotions will also be handed out. Promotions in the ranks. Six little musicians will be advanced from the cradle roll to the awkward squad or beginners department. Eight from the beginners to the primary, eleven from the primary to the junior and nine from the junior to the intermediate. Appropriate certificates will be awarded.

There will be a drill by those who are promoted when they will show something of their progress in the manual of spiritual army drill and their knowledge of the use of the Sword of the Spirit. Inspiring songs will be sung and a happy time enjoyed at the joint rally and promotion day.

Methodist Philathea Class to Give Japanese Tea.

The Philathea Class of Front Street Methodist Sunday School will give a Japanese Tea at the Armory next Thursday Night, October 1, for the benefit of the class.

The young ladies attired in Japanese costumes will serve refreshments, consisting of ice cream, cake, sandwiches, tea and candy.

The admission is free and this is a cause that all can help and get full value for every cent they spend while there. The ladies are especially anxious to have a large crowd.

"This sudden break between the two foremost factors in Mexico's politics caused a profound sensation in Washington. Are we to understand that they were surprised?"

Solom had just finished a hasty perusal of "three newspaper" pages of European war news. "All men are liars," declared the wisest man.

Christian Church Missionary Mite Box Opening.

The Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Society, of the Christian Church, held their semi-annual mite-box opening at the home of Mrs. John R. Foster Monday afternoon from three to five o'clock. The early part of the program was filled by the Missionary Cradle Roll Children by recitations and song, all of which were well rendered. The pastor, Rev. A. B. Kendall, then gave a brief address on the Japanese Orphanage at Sen'ai and the Christian Orphanage at Elon, both of which institutions the Missionary Cradle Roll help to support.

Then the children brought their mite boxes and they were opened, the sum of \$4.00 being found in them.

The gathering was then charmed by a violin solo, "Minuet in G" by Beethoven, rendered by Rev. Victor Lightbourne, evangelist, who had come down for the occasion from Elon, where he has been holding services. Upon request he then favored the company with "Because" by Godard, and later gave "Humoreske," by Dvorak. These were all most artistically rendered. Rev. Lightbourne's fine playing was splendidly supported by Mrs. J. L. Scott, at the piano.

"Send the Light" was sung by a mixed quartette, consisting of Miss Sadie Fonville, Mrs. A. B. Kendall and Messrs Kendall and Cates. Miss Mary Foster recited a humorous selection which pleased all who heard it. At the conclusion of the program the mite boxes were opened and it was found that with the Cradle Roll offering about \$18 had been collected in mites.

Refreshments were then served consisting of ham sandwiches, pimento-cheese sandwiches, pickles, stuffed olives, iced tea and home-made candy. Mrs. J. R. Foster and daughters, Miss Baulah and Mary made ideal hostesses for the occasion, and all departed feeling that they had spent a pleasant and profitable evening.

The Fair Going On.

Alamance Fair opened this morning in full force, with large crowds in attendance and the exhibits the best in the history of our Fair, which is saying that they are extremely fine. The Floral Hall is well filled with needlework, fancy work, canned goods, jellies, pickles and all the products which the good county people know how to prepare.

The School Exhibit, the first in the county fair, is worth more than the price of admission alone. The poultry exhibit is also very fine, there being between 400 and 500 birds on exhibition.

The Midway is in charge of the Liberty Shows, which, judging by the reports of this company where they have been showing, is clean and moral in every respect. There being nothing to offend the most critical.

All the races will be begin Wednesday morning.

The Burlington Fire Department has been induced to give those who attend the Fair an exhibition race with "John" and the team that won the State championship at Winston. This will be pulled off Thursday.

All in all, the Fair is far ahead of anything that has been seen here in this respect in a long long time.

The pork barrel statesman know what war is.