

## THE BRITISH BEGIN ANOTHER BIG DRIVE

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## GERMANS FAIL TO GET LOST GROUND

### Some of the Heaviest Fighting on the Verdun Front Followed.—British Hold All Ground Taken Intact.

(By The Associated Press.)  
Spending again on the wide front, the British this morning began another drive at the German lines in Flanders. Field Marshal Haig in an early report, announced that satisfactory progress is being made. Already a stream of German prisoners is being sent to the British rear.

The renewal of the Flanders' drive after an eight-day interval. On the day of last week the British went forward over the ground on both sides of the Ypres-Menin road, advancing from one-half mile to a mile at various points along the line.

Some of the heaviest fighting in the western front followed, the Germans making assault after assault and desperate attempts to regain valuable ground they had lost. Almost everywhere, however, was held by the British, who in the meanwhile were preparing for the next forward push. With today's renewal of the drive the battle of Flanders is becoming more and more to resemble the year's battle of the Somme, which was followed by the famous "Hindenburg strategic retreat."

The same general tactics of persistent driving at the same point in the line are evidently expected by the British to achieve a similar result. This, however, the ground which would have been abandoned would be far more valuable to the entente and its correspondingly heavy blow to the Germans for the German-held Belgium line with its submarine and gas bases is at stake, together with the great French manufacturing city of Lille and wide stretches of territory in northern France and Flanders.

Today's attack followed sharply a despairing effort of the Germans to drive off. Crown Prince Rupprecht struck at the British line yesterday at its most vital points between Hamlets and Polygon wood, but his troops again were mowed down by the British guns, the assault making an impression whatever on the British lines or affecting the British purpose to attack today.

The French fighting front has been comparatively quiet except for intense artillery activity northeast of Verdun. The force of Field Marshal Haig's drive today apparently was greater than that of last week for early press dispatches reported advances of a mile or more in places as the British advanced swept over the crest of the Passchendaele-Gheluvelt ridge. The immediate object of this ridge is the immediate object of the British. Possession of it will open up the level of the Flanders plain to them.

In the early fighting the attacking troops pressed some distance beyond Bousville at an important crossroad. Brookside is nearly one and one-half miles east of Zonnebeke, through which the British line passed, as this morning's attack was reported. They advanced material farther to the south also, leaving the heavily disputed ground around Cameron covert well in their rear. On the north end of their attack the British drove to within a short distance of Podelappelle, which lies about a mile and a half northeast of Langevillers.

### National Anti-Saloon League Convention.

The Anti-Saloon League of America will hold its convention in Washington, D. C., December 10-13, 1917. The convention will be held for the first time in a dry state, as prohibition becomes effective there November 1st. The prime purpose of this convention will be to push through the House the Sheppard-Webb Resolution submitting National Constitution Prohibition to the states. This resolution has already passed the Senate. Congress will then be in the second week of its regular session and it is hoped that National Prohibition may be under consideration in the House at that time.

### Theosophists in Session.

New York, Oct. 4.—The annual convention of the American section of the Theosophical Society opened in this city today, with headquarters at the Park Avenue Hotel. Many noted leaders of the cult are in attendance, some of them from points as far distant as Honolulu. The society will continue its session through the remainder of the week.

Recent reports indicate that the war has had the effect of greatly increasing the attendance of women at colleges on pharmacy in the United States.

The British "tanks" carry pigeons for sending out messages in case of need.

## HIGH SCHOOL RECEPTION

### To Be Held at High School Building Tomorrow Evening at 8 o'clock.

Friday evening at eight o'clock the students of the High School will be at home to the members of the School Board, the teachers of the City and to the Patrons of the high school. It is the custom of the high school student body to tender a reception to the new teachers. The new teachers this year are: Miss Laura Eard, of China Grove, teacher of mathematics; Mrs. Laura Leslie Ross of Concord, teacher of English, and Mr. H. A. Campbell of Aberdeen, teacher of Latin.

The teachers and patrons are very anxious that all the parents shall be present as the purpose of the meeting is that the teachers and parents may become better acquainted and thus be able to cooperate more effectively in the education of their boys and girls.

An interesting program has been arranged and teachers and pupils will appreciate your coming. The meeting will be entirely informal and the school trusts that every parent will be present.

## MEN-CALED WHY? FAILED TO REPORT

### Thirteen Men Who Will Be Arrested on Sight After 3 o'clock Friday if They Have not Reported.

The following men failed to report to the Local Board Tuesday for induction into the Military Service of the United States and they are deserters according to the Selective Service Law. They are to be arrested on sight on and after 3 p. m., Friday if they have not reported to the local board to be sent to Camp Jackson, S. C. for mobilization. A reward of \$50.00 will be paid to the party delivering these men to Camp Jackson, S. C.

John B. Thomas; James R. Kelly; Sheffield J. Lentz; David Wasner; Harry L. Skidmore; Arnold Lee Harrington; H. P. Campbell; Fred Perry Lovelace; Joe C. Austin; Harvey Franklin Eudy; John Atlas Blouck; Willie S. Pruitt; John Chambers.

## MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE.

### Men Chosen to Secure Members for Bankhead Highway Association.

Announcement was made yesterday by Mr. George L. Patterson, President of the Cabarrus County Branch of the Bankhead Highway Association, of the names of the Membership Committee appointed by him. This committee consists of the following members:

C. A. Isonhour, John L. Miller, L. A. Weddington, A. Campbell (line and Ed. F. White.

This committee is to see the citizens of the county and city, and secure their memberships in the local branch of the Association. They will be making their canvass from this time on, and it is the hope of those at the head of the movement that a large and active membership will be obtained.

## FACULTY RECITAL.

### To Be Given at Mont Amoena Seminary Friday, October 5.

The following is the programme of a recital to be given at Mont Amoena Seminary on Friday evening, October 5, at 8 o'clock, under the direction of Miss Anna Schenck and Prof. H. A. Stewart:

Autumn—Chaminade.  
"The Little Shepherd of Kingdom Come."—John Fox, Jr. (As dramatized and arranged by Miss Schenck.)  
Sextette—From "Lucia di Lammermoor"—Leschetizki. (For left hand alone.)  
Platonic—Wm. B. Terrett. (With piano accompaniment.)  
Songs: (a) The Spirit Flower—Campbell-Tipton. (b) Recompense—Hammond.  
At the Hair-dresser's—Anon.  
Polonaise—Paderewski.

## Park-Ballentine.

The Lutheran congregation of Kannapolis was given a surprise last Sunday when just before the close of a congregational meeting the secretary read to the congregation an invitation to the marriage on October 24 of its pastor the Rev. Geo. H. C. Park. The following is a copy of the invitation.

Mrs. Mary Jane Ballentine requests the honour of your presence at the marriage of her daughter Mary Ina to

Reverend George Henry Calvin Park Wednesday afternoon, October the twenty-fourth one thousand nine hundred and seventeen at half after four o'clock Saint John's Lutheran Church Lexington, South Carolina

## Barnhardt-Brown.

At a delightful party given yesterday afternoon by Mrs. J. W. Cannon, Jr., the announcement of the engagement of her sister, Miss Marguerite Brown, and Mr. E. C. Barnhardt, Jr., was made. The marriage will take place November 7. The announcement will be of unusual interest to many people here and elsewhere, as both the young people are widely known and popular.

A delicious salad course was served at the luncheon, and about forty or fifty guests were present.

## American Schooner Attacked by Submarine.

(By The Associated Press.)  
London, Oct. 4.—The American schooner, Annie F. Conlon, was attacked by gunfire by a German submarine Wednesday morning off the Scilly Islands. The crew of eight men has been landed safely.

Mr. T. D. Maness is spending the day in Albemarle.

## CONGRESS TO ADJOURN BY NEXT SATURDAY

### Leaders in Both Houses Are Prepared to Carry Out Their Plans to Adjourn By That Time.

## ONLY TWO BIG MEASURES REMAIN

### Senate Agreed to Take Final Action Today on the Administration Soldiers and Sailors Insurance Bill.

(By The Associated Press.)  
Washington, Oct. 4.—With a program calling for the adjournment of Congress's war session not later than Saturday the leaders today were prepared to call out their plans to that end.

Initial action on the question was to come in the House on a resolution by Representative Kitchen proposing adjournment at 5 o'clock p. m. on Saturday. The resolution was prepared by Mr. Kitchen following a conference yesterday with Senator Martin, when the arrangements for final adjournment for holidays were completed. The Senate action in agreeing to take final action today on administration of soldiers' and sailors' insurance bill, and the adoption of the conference report on the deficiency appropriation bill, hastened the date of adjournment.

Only two important measures, the military insurance and deficiency bill, remain for disposition before the session ends.

## HINDENBERG IS 70; ASKED TO END WAR

### His Birthday is Made a National Fete—Royal Hopes for Early Peace.

Amsterdam, Oct. 2.—Field Marshal von Hindenburg's seventieth birthday was celebrated throughout Germany as a national fete. The Emperor and all the imperial family sent greetings to the Field Marshal expressing the hope that an early end of the war would crown his work.

Various cities bestowed their freedom on him and special celebrations were held by the schools, coupled with collections for the war loan.

The recipient of these demonstrations spent the day at headquarters. He was reported to be slightly indisposed.

## John D. Rockefeller Please Note.

Washington, Oct. 4.—Substitutions of ordinary coal-gas for gasoline as a motive power for automobiles for city use is the idea embraced in a new invention which is said to have been tried out with marked success. In place of the gasoline tank the motor car carries a gas bag which holds sufficient gas to drive the car over a distance of 15 or 20 miles. The expense is estimated to be less than half that of gasoline at present prices. It is suggested that if the gas-propelled cars come into general use for trucks and pleasure vehicles in cities that the gas companies will be glad to establish stations throughout their territory, where the gas tanks may be refilled from the ordinary street gas mains on the quarter-in-the-slot principle.

## To Dedicate McKinley Memorial.

Niles, O., Oct. 4.—Niles today is ablaze with flags and bunting in preparation for the most memorable event in her history, the dedication tomorrow of the McKinley Memorial Building which has been erected here as an everlasting memorial to the martyred President in the town of his birth. The dedication is to be made the occasion for impressive ceremonies in which many men of nation-wide prominence will take part. The principal oration of the day is to be delivered by former President William H. Taft. Other speakers will be Secretary of War Baker, Governor Cox of Ohio, and United States Senators Pomerene and Harding.

## Quebec Votes on Prohibition

Quebec, P. Q., Oct. 4.—Whether the city of Quebec shall be brought under the provisions of the Canada Temperance Act is to be decided at a special election that is being held today. The election is the result of an order-in-council issued by the Federal Government in response to a petition signed by 8,000 citizens of Quebec, advocating the application of the temperance act to his city, and requesting that a vote be taken on the question.

## To Fight Tuberculosis in Army.

Rutland, Vt., Oct. 4.—Preparation for an intensive campaign to prevent the spread of tuberculosis in the American army and among those rejected by the draft is to be the theme of discussion at the annual meeting of the New England section of the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis, which opened here today for a two-day session. A \$3,000,000 campaign fund for local and national work is proposed.

The average man thinks he is broad minded because he is willing to forget the wrong endured by others.—Chicago News.

Marriage license has been issued to Mr. J. W. Lilly and Miss Julia Kimble, both of Concord.

## THE LAST WARNING IS ISSUED TODAY

### To Drafted Men Who Have Failed to Answer Call to the Colors—Notice By the Government.

## WILL BE CHARGED WITH DESERTION

### Will Be Given Chance to Escape Punishment if They Join Now and Explain Failure to Do So Sooner.

(By The Associated Press.)  
Washington, Oct. 4.—A last warning was issued today to the drafted men who failed to answer the call to colors. The Government gave notice that those who failed to report will be given an opportunity to escape punishment if they will join the colors now and explain their failure to do so sooner.

If they show a disposition to evade service they will be charged with desertion. Drafted men failing to report now will be promptly advertised as deserters, and a reward of \$50 offered for their apprehension. Divisional commanders, however, have been directed to question personally such men before a trial if ordered, and see if the soldier willfully sought to evade service.

"The policy of the Department will be," it was announced, "to punish them and retain them in the service."

## ACTION POSTPONED IN LA FOLLETTE CASE

### Another Session to Be Held Tomorrow to Determine What Action Will Be Taken.

(By The Associated Press.)  
Washington, Oct. 4.—The decision as to what action it will take on the petitions demanding the expulsion of Senator LaFollette, was today postponed by the Senate Election and Privileges Committee. Another session will be held tomorrow when it is hoped to determine whether any action will be taken, and if so, whether before or after adjournment of the present session.

The committee is considering various courses. Today the question of a formal investigation and hearing upon Senator LaFollette's speeches and statements was discussed. Several Senators were said in favor of resolutions deploring his attitude and censuring him. More drastic action, such as expulsion or impeachment, it is said are not seriously considered.

## GEN. HAIG BEGINS A NEW OFFENSIVE

### Attack Made Early Today.—Good Progress Made.

(By The Associated Press.)  
London, Oct. 4.—Field Marshal Haig has begun a new offensive east of Ypres. The official statement from British headquarters in France, issued today, says that the British attack at 6 o'clock this morning on a wide front and are making satisfactory progress. A number of prisoners already have been taken.

## ANOTHER AIR RAID MADE OVER GERMANY

### City of Frankfurt and Rasatte Were Bombed Last Night.

(By The Associated Press.)  
Paris, Oct. 4.—Another aerial raid over Germany was made last night by French aviators. The cities of Frankfurt and Rastatt were bombed.

Rastatt is a town of 14,000 in Baden, fourteen miles southwest of Karlsruhe.

This is the second attack on Frankfurt in the last week since the French inaugurated the policy of reprisal raids.

## POLICY OF REPRISALS FOR GERMAN AIR RAIDS

### London Standard Says That This Has Been Agreed Upon.

(By The Associated Press.)  
London, Oct. 3.—According to The Standard, a policy of reprisals for German air raids has been decided upon.

That such a decision had been reached by the British Government was indicated by Premier Lord George in a statement on Tuesday that Germany would be bombarded with compound interest.

### Aggregate Sinkings of Vessels Again Lowered.

London, Oct. 3.—Eleven British merchantmen of more than 1,600 tons each, and two vessels under 1,600 tons, were sunk by mines or submarines last week, according to the British Admiralty statement, made public this evening.

The foregoing statement of the British Admiralty again lowers the aggregate of British merchantmen sunk by mines or submarines during any week since Germany began her intensified submarine campaign. As against 15 vessels sunk the previous week, which was the low record since February, only 13 merchantmen are shown to have been sent to the bottom last week.

## EXCITEMENT AT GIBSON MILL.

### Over Mysterious Fainting of Letters All Over That Part of the City.

Residents of the Gibson mill neighborhood are very much exercised over a strange painting that was seen this morning on the streets, door-steps and other places. The letters S. S. S. S. had been painted during the night by some persons, or persons, the meaning of which is not understood and cannot be found out by the wise "guys" over there. Some have advanced the idea that it is the work of spies, while others hold to the theory that their neighborhood has been "hoax-bombed." (The word was seen on the door-steps this morning trying to sweep off these mysterious letters, but, like the ghost, "they would not down.") Negro washerwomen think that part of the town is "haunted" and some of them refuse to go near these letters, and the mystery remains unsolved. One prominent citizen said he was thinking of offering a reward, as the whole neighborhood would gladly join in to help solve the meaning of these letters.

Just why this section of the city should have been selected for this painter to "display his art" is not known, and it seems after considerable effort, cannot be found out. However, the efforts will still continue in order to discover the clever artist, and measure out to him proper and sufficient punishment for his act of deprecation practiced upon this community.

## ELEVEN MORE MEN ORDERED TO ENTRAIN

### Are to Leave Here Saturday For Camp Jackson at Columbia.

The local exemption board today notified eleven more men to present themselves at the office of the chairman of the board tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock, to report for military duty. These men are to entrain here on Saturday, to go to camp at Columbia, S. C. The men notified today are:

Carl M. Heintz, William Jackson Wall, Ernest C. Platt, John H. Dorton, Early L. Heiderman, Jake Cook, Robt. Lee Christy, John Hampton Hopkins, Lee Johnson, John Wilson, Russell, David King.

The board today also sent notices to the following three men to present themselves for examination: James Phifer, colored, Kannapolis; Henry Davis, colored, Kannapolis; John Lucas, Bay street, Concord.

## WANT TO SEND LA FOLLETTE AND GANG TO BERLIN.

### Urged in Revolution from Executive Club of Toledo.

(By The Associated Press.)  
Columbus, Ohio, Oct. 4.—The Department of United States Senator Robert M. LaFollette and his supporters through the allied lines to Berlin, because of their "treasonable utterances," was urged in resolution received today by Gov. Cox from the executive club of Toledo, representing 24 clubs and associations in that city.

A copy of the resolution was sent to President Wilson and the Ohio Senators and Congressmen with consent that they be entered in the Congressional record.

## "MESSENGER GIRL" ON GOVERNMENT PAY ROLL

### As a Result of Shortage of Boys and Men in the Capitol.

(By The Associated Press.)  
Washington, Oct. 4.—The "messenger girl" has made her appearance on the government pay roll as a result of shortage of boys and men in the capitol for that work.

For the first time in the history of the government, so far as anyone here can remember, appointments heretofore confined strictly to men and boys have opened to girls, and the civil service commission has announced the date of first examination for "messenger girls."

## THE COTTON MARKET

### October 10 Points Higher, But Other Months 36 to 54 Points Lower.

(By The Associated Press.)  
New York, Oct. 4.—The cotton market was rather nervous and irregular during today's early trading. The market opened easy with October 10 points higher, but other months were 26 to 52 points lower, and sold 36 to 54 points under last night's closing. This break seemed sufficient to attract fresh buying, however, and prices steadied toward the middle of the morning.

Cotton futures opened easy, October, 26.65; December, 25.95 to 25.72; January, 25.50; March 25.45; May, 25.55.

## IMPORTANT SPEECH IS EXPECTED FROM MICHAELIS

### Will Make It at the End of This or First of Next Week.

(By The Associated Press.)  
Copenhagen, Oct. 4.—Dr. Michaelis, the German Imperial Chancellor, according to a dispatch from Berlin, is expected to deliver an important speech on international political questions, at the end of this or the beginning of next week. Chancellor will answer the interpellation.

### British Gain All Objectives on Wide Front.

(By The Associated Press.)  
London, Oct. 4.—In their offensive in the Ypres sector today the British gained all objectives on a front of 16,000 yards to a depth of 2,500 yards, Gen. Frederick B. Maurice, chief director of military operations in the war office, announced today.

Since the beginning of the war the United States has shipped nearly 1,000,000 horses and one-third million mules to Europe.

## HEARST BOLO PASHA DINNER

### His Relation With Man Arrested as a Spy Were Purely Social, So Far as Attorney General is Aware.

## OTHERS PRESENT AT THE DINNER

### Among Those Were Captains Boy-Ed And Von Papen, Naval and Military Attaches of Germany.

New York, Oct. 4.—Evidence indicating that the German funds held by New York banks for the Deutsche bank of Berlin, and which were employed to pay Bolo Pasha, German spy and peace propagandist, were placed at the disposal of Count von Bernstorff by wireless messages from the German foreign office, was obtained today by State attorney General Lewis.

This evidence conclusively proven, according to the attorney general, that Count von Bernstorff had a direct hand in directing the activities of Bolo Pasha, who is now under arrest in Paris. The evidence was obtained, he said, from Hugo Schmidt, agent here of the Deutsche Bank, whom he examined today.

New York, Oct. 4.—The investigation of Attorney Merton E. Lewis into the activities here of Bolo Pasha, under arrest in France as a spy, and peace propagandist, disclosed that Wm. Randolph Hearst, the newspaper publisher attended a dinner given in this city by Bolo in March 1916, according to the attorney general.

There were present at this dinner, Mr. Lewis told paper men, Adolph Pavenstedt, who figured as an intermediary for the transfer of German funds into New York banks to be sent to Paris for peace propagandist among the French newspapers; Captains Boy-Ed and Von Papen, naval and military attaches of the German embassy; and Jules Bois, a French lecturer who it was revealed, received money from Bolo Pasha.

It was explained by the attorney general that the editors relation with Bolo were purely social so far as he was aware.

## BERNSTORFF DIRECTED EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS

### State Department Officials So Admitted Today.

(By The Associated Press.)  
Washington, Oct. 4.—State Department officials today admitted that they had evidence that Count von Bernstorff directed the expenditure of the funds paid to Bolo Pasha, but declined to give their evidence, although they may do so after the French government finishes with Bolo's case.

## NEW WAR TAX BILL IS NOW IN EFFECT

### Designed to Raise \$2,500,000,000 in War Taxes.

(By The Associated Press.)  
Washington, Oct. 4.—The new war tax, designated to raise \$2,500,000,000 under the provisions of the revenue bill signed yesterday by President Wilson, went into effect today.

In the form of levies on incomes, excess profits, liquor, tobacco, transportation and various luxuries and amusements, the law either directly or indirectly affects everyone in the country. One of the first results is in the advance in distilled beverage prices, caused by an assessment of \$2.10 per gallon.

## THE SWEDES GET MAD

### Because Swedish Coal Ships are Being Detained.

(By The Associated Press.)  
Stockholm, Oct. 4.—The detention of a Swedish coal vessel by the United States, France and Great Britain, and the capture of Swedish coal ships on the Rotterdam-Gothenhavn route by the British, is causing much indignation here, even among the Swedes most friendly to the allied cause. The Swedish press unites in expressing its displeasure.

## August Disbursements by Southern Railway.

For improvements on its roadway the Southern Railway Company by the people in the South during August, 1917, the Southern Railway paid out in the South \$1.25 according to figures announced by Comptroller A. H. Plant.

The Southern Railway Company disbursed during the month, for labor, material, supplies and other purposes, \$8,402,015 of which \$7,941,911 or 93.51 per cent was paid to individuals and industries located in the South, this sum being \$1,544,371 in excess of the total money contributed by the South for transportation purposes.

For improvements on its roadway and structures, the Southern spent \$1,267,647.97 in August, 1917, as against \$1,178,003.97 during August 1916; during the two months ended August 31, \$3,061,888.97, as against \$2,162,249.35 in 1916.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Griffin G. Wall, October 3rd, a daughter, Virginia Brown.