

THE WEATHER
Fair tonight and Wednesday. Gentle shifting winds.

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English and French Begin Titanic Offensive Second Draft To Be Called Early During August

TREMENDOUS BATTLE RAGING IN FLANDERS: GUNS HEARD IN LONDON

(By United Press)
LONDON.—England and France have signalized the beginning of the fourth year of the war with a great joint offensive on two fronts that has swept forward in full success to the first objectives.
In Flanders beyond the Messines-Wytzchaete Ridge the British, assisted by the French troops on their left brought to a climax the vast artillery preparation of the past week by a concerted mass attack. On the Chemin des Dames Paris reports a sudden offensive that smashed its way to German positions on a front of more than a mile.
Haig's official dispatches failed to mention the exact extent of the Franco-British offensive in Flanders, but its lower-most point north is Lys. Dispatches from the front report that fierce fighting is in progress.
The first men went over their trenches at 3:50 this morning.

LONDON.—A big battle has started on the Flanders front, according to General Haig's succinct report. "Fighting has started in Flanders," he says.
For weeks there has been artillery bombardment of almost indescribable fury raging on the British front from around Armentieres to the Belgian coast front, and correspondents have described it as the most superlatively concentrated fire of the whole war. The detonations of the drum fire have been plainly heard in London.

CLAIMS FOR EXEMPTION RUNNING HEAVY THROUGHOUT THE NATION

(By United Press)
WASHINGTON.—The claims for exemption from service in America's National army is running heavy. Examinations here and at other points show heavier percentage of claims than was anticipated, and there were only 29 out of the quota of 929 here who were certified to the new army yesterday.
Another warning has been sent to the Boards to be doubly cautious in regard to all claims, and in the meantime a great hunt is being made for draft evaders. The names of hundreds of youths who thought themselves securely concealed from the War Boards will be forwarded to the local Boards by the Department of Justice. Many mothers whose boys have registered are giving information of slackers in their neighborhood.

EDWARD HEARN, LOCAL BOY, RECEIVES LETTER FROM PERSHING

As they pronounced you Hero: The General of the Day:
We knew our beloved President would place his choice on you.
To be the first to raise in France our dear Red, White and Blue.
And, so, if we are chosen to join your noble band,
We'll fight 'till death to prove that we are every inch a man;
We'll spread a fresh supply of tar about our old heel plate,
And prove that we are sticklers for we're from the Tar Heel State.
(Signed) E. W. HEARN, Sergeant.
Mr. Hearn received a letter from a French port, which reads as follows:
AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCE
Office of the Commanding General
Paris, France.
June 25, 1917.
Sergeant Edward W. Hearn, Second North Carolina Infantry, Goldsboro, N. C.
Sergeant: Your letter of May 19 reached me here in Paris and I wish to thank you for your expression of patriotism.
Very truly yours,
(Signed) JOHN J. PERSHING.

Commissioner Young at the Training School

Commissioner of Insurance James R. Young made a talk at the Training School last night on Fire Prevention, especially stressing the importance of attention to the subject in schools and places where children are housed. He gave the causes of fires and the means of preventing them. He showed pictures of model school buildings with the stairs on the tower that is detached from the building in such a way that there can be no sweep of flames upward.
The lantern slides that Mr. Young showed illustrating the damage that fire does and methods of fighting fire were interesting. He had expected to bring with him two reels of moving picture films but could not do so this time.
Mr. Young proved clearly that fire prevention was one of the great patriotic duties of today. He showed that it was useless to raise fool unless steps were taken to prevent its destruction. He showed a Chicago picture of a burning grain elevator in which was stored enough wheat to make fifty million loaves of bread, enough to furnish Pershing's army with bread for five years.
"Safety First" literature was distributed.

Heat Wave Sweeps the Entire South

(By United Press)
RICHMOND.—The shimmering heat that beetled the eyebrows with its heat waves has encompassed Richmond with inertia. Early morning reports indicate that there is universal suffering throughout the South, and that there have been many prostrations.

European War Has Raged for 3 Years

(United Press)
(War Declarations of the World War).
1914
July 28.—Austria declared war on Serbia.
August 1.—Germany declared war on Russia.
August 2.—Germany invaded Luxembourg and violated Belgian neutrality.
August 3.—Germany declared war on France.
August 4.—Germany declared war on Belgium.
August 4.—Great Britain declared war on Germany. Germany retaliated with a similar declaration.
August 6.—Austria declared war on Russia; Russia declared war on Austria.
Montenegro declared war on Austria.
August 9.—Austria declared war on Montenegro.
August 10.—France declared war on Austria.
August 12.—Montenegro declared war on Germany.
August 12.—(Midnight)—England declared war on Austria.
August 23.—Japan declared war on Germany.
August 25.—Austria declared war on Japan.
November 5.—England declared war on Turkey.
1915
May 23.—Italy declared war on Austria.
June 3.—San Marino declared war on Austria.
August 21.—Italy declared war on Turkey.
October 15.—Serbia declared war on Bulgaria.
October 15.—Great Britain declared war on Bulgaria.
October 16.—France declared war on Bulgaria.
October 19.—Italy declared war on Bulgaria.
October 19.—Russia declared war on Bulgaria.
1916
March 9.—Germany declared war on Portugal.
March 15.—Austria declared war on Portugal.
August 27.—Italy declared war on Germany.
August 27.—Rumania declared war on Austria.
August 28.—Germany declared war on Rumania.
August 31.—Turkey declared war on Rumania.
September 1.—Bulgaria declared war on Rumania.
November 25.—Greek Provisional Government (Venizelists) declared war on Bulgaria and Germany.
1917
March 14.—China severed relations with Germany.
April 6.—America declared a state of war against Germany.
April 7.—Cuba declared a state of war against Germany.
April 9.—Austria severed relations with United States.
April 10.—Panama declared a state of war against Germany.
April 11.—Brazil severed relations with Germany.
April 13.—Austria severed relations with Brazil.
April 18.—Bolivia severed relations with Germany.
April 23.—Turkey severed relations with United States.
April 28.—Guatemala severed relations with Germany.
May 9.—Liberia severed relations with Germany.
May 18.—Honduras severed relations with Germany.
May 19.—Nicaragua severed relations with Germany.
June 9.—Germany severed relations with Haiti.
June 11.—San Domingo severed relations with Germany.
July 22.—Siam severed relations with Germany.

BIG SAN FRANCISCO TUNNEL COMPLETED



The Twin Peaks tunnel, two and a half miles long, connecting the western part of San Francisco with the downtown district, has been completed at a cost of \$4,250,000. The photograph was taken at the dedication of the big bore.

M. B. Barber Died This Afternoon

Mr. Marshall B. Barber, who lives in Greenville Heights section of the city, died this afternoon at 12:35 o'clock after a long illness from general declining health, following several strokes of paralysis.
Mr. Barber was 54 years old, and had been a life-long resident of Pitt county. He is survived by his wife, who was Miss Missouri Slade, one brother, Mr. J. S. Barber of Winterville, and four children as follows: Charles M. and James Barber and Misses Pearl and Lottie Barber.
The funeral service will be held tomorrow at Reedy Branch church and interment will be made in the cemetery there. The services will be in charge of the Winterville Order of Red Men.

Emperor William on the Riga Front

COPENHAGEN.—Kaiser Wilhelm was on the Riga front yesterday stimulating the troops to action by speeches says dispatches receive here today.

Relief From Burns

Among the remedies that have brought quick cure and absolute and immediate relief from the pain from burns and superficial gangrene is Amberline, a mixture of wax, paraffin and resin, heated until liquefied before applied. It changes at once into a pliable, airtight and waterproof coating over the entire injured surface. Under it the healing takes place quietly, quickly and painlessly.

Concrete Barge Not New

It will be news to most people that one concrete barge has been in use on the Welland canal since 1910. It is 80 feet long, weighs 150 tons and draws two feet eight inches light and five feet eight inches loaded. The thickness of the bottom, walls and deck is of a uniform 2 1/4 inches. It has been in use since 1910 without leakage.

How the Belligerents Line Up

CENTRAL POWERS.—Germany, Austro-Hungary, Turkey and Bulgaria—four nations.
ENTENTE POWERS AND THEIR ALLIES.—America, England, France, Russia, Italy, Belgium, Serbia, Montenegro, Japan, San Marino, Portugal, Rumania, Cuba and Panama—fourteen nations.
HAVE SEVERED RELATIONS WITH GERMANY.—China, Brazil, Bolivia, Guatemala, Liberia, Honduras, Nicaragua, San Domingo, Siam—nine nations.
How the Battle Lines Run
WESTERN FRONT.—ENGLAND: Holds the line from Lombardysde to Dixmude to Bixard.
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AGRICULTURAL WORKERS AND MUNITION FACTORY WORKERS TO BE RESTRICTED IN CLAIMS

(By United Press)
WASHINGTON.—The second class of 775,000 men registered under the draft will be called out for examination early in August. This class will be combed to replace those who have been exempted from the first class, which is now being examined.
It is intimated that agricultural workers and munition factory hands will be greatly restricted in their exemption claims.

GERMANS AUTHORITIES MURDER WHOLE FAMILY AT LIEGE, BELGIUM

(By United Press)
AMSTERDAM.—The German authorities at Liege shot down a merchant, his wife, and his two daughters on an unproved charge of espionage, a wireless message here states today. It is asserted that the two daughters were compelled to witness the execution of their parents before their turn came.

Vice-President Textile Workers is Under Bond

LAFAYETTE, Ga.—Bonded to answer charges of improper relations with Mrs. Lance of Dallas, Texas, Jess Walker, first Vice-President of the Textile Workers of America was released from custody today.

Russia's Army is Fighting Back

(By United Press)
LONDON.—Russia seems to be slowly recovering from the virus injected into her army by the German spy system. Dispatches show that on many sectors of the great northeastern front, Kerensky's troops have assumed the offensive and are vigorously pressing the battle.
The German Chancellor's statement which was designed to alienate Russia from the Allies, apparently failed to create a ripple of interest in Russia.

Weather Hot as Hades in Cities

(By United Press)
BOSTON.—The temperature at Boston is 93, at Detroit 94, at Pittsburg 92 and at Atlanta 94.

SHORT TIME ONLY IN WHICH TO GAIN ONE OF THE BIG PRIZES

In the Daily News' Auto Contest and Now is the Time to Put in Most Telling Work.
Just a little more than eleven days more and it will all be over in the hands of its new owner. Just eleven days until the judges will take charge of the ballot box and the work of determining the many winners will start. Will your name appear at the top of the list or will you be contented to take one of the smaller prizes? You still have plenty of time in which to turn the tide of fortune in your favor. Start out with a new determination to take one of the larger prizes and put the right sort of energy behind this determination and you will come out a winner.
It will pay you big to go after subscriptions and advertising between this and August 11. No matter what your line of work is, it will not pay you as big as winning the Buick. There are many votes to be had for the asking as the field has not by any means been worked thoroughly. Just go to the people and tell them that you have come to write up their subscription to the Daily News, because it is the leading paper of Pitt county, show them the many good features, explain to them how it will help you to win a prize, and you will not fail to secure most of the prospects on whom you call.
The following schedule of votes will be in effect this week:
For every twelve dollar club turned in this week you will receive a bonus certificate for 100,000 votes.
This offer expires on Saturday night, August 4th. It is important for you to turn in your business last week, it is doubly so in this case. You are losing thousands of votes on everything you fail to turn in this week.
Those of you whose names now appear on the list will do well to make every minute count between this and the close. The prizes are yours by right of your work and enthusiasm. Work now and ride in the Buick "Light Six" later.
Partial List of Club Members
Member Votes
W. D. Pruitt, City 500,000
G. T. Gardner, Grifton 500,000
Miss Clara Jones, city 500,000
Louis Curry, city 510,000
Miss Margaret Moore, city 498,000
Miss Lottie Barber, city 498,000
Miss Argent Quinnerly, city 477,000
Frank Patrick, city 468,000
Miss Esther Blount, Ayden 560,000
Miss Ethel Brynum, Farmville 500,000
Miss Athleen Bullock, Bethel 280,000
Willie Harris, Stokes 273,000
Miss Rose Myers, city 240,000
James White, city 210,000
Miss Susie Sutton, Winterville 100,000

Falkenhayn New German Leader in Palestine

(By United Press)
AMSTERDAM.—Germany's new commander on the Palestine front is General Von Falkenhayn, former commander in chief of the Eastern front.

U. S. War Aims Not the Same as Other Allies

(By United Press)
WASHINGTON.—The United States is not obliged to follow France in her ambition to regain Alsace-Lorraine, it was officially stated here today. Nor is the American relations with the Allies such that this government will necessarily demand the freedom of certain parts of Austria.

PROGRAM
WHITE'S THEATRE
TONIGHT
"THE RUMMY"
Featuring
WILFRED LUCAS