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SHARP LOCAL ACTIONS REPORTED ON WAR FRONTS

Germans Beaten Off Attack Near Rheims. British Artillery Busy--Rumanians and Italians Rouse Counter Attacks--Russians Also Active.

By the Associated Press.

Sharp actions in large offensive operations on European war fields continue, according to news of multiple fronts.

The Germans broke into new attacks near Rheims front and in an attack on the New Chapelle road. British Artillery roused the French. They were driven on back to the French.

London official statement is particularly colorful today, but recent communications have mentioned very active work and airplane observations in which many photographs were taken. Berlin has dwelt on the heavy artillery activity of the British.

The Germans apparently have stopped their forward movement in the Rheims front in which some of the ground was reclaimed from the Germans. They are reorganizing their lines and the occupation of another village.

Operations continue to be shown by the Rumanians who yesterday captured the village of the Moldavian front. An attack on the Rumanian line was repulsed.

The Italian official statement merely repeats the repulse of Austrian attacks on the Bainsizza plateau and in the Alps.

BE TRIED FOR SPEEDING

Harold Weatherly, Cecil Hefner, Charles Warren and Odell Shuford, the latter colored, will face the reprobate this afternoon on the charge of speeding. These are the first arrests in connection with a campaign to break up the practice of wildcat driving in Hickory, and the officers say more are to follow.

Y. M. C. A. WORKER KILLED

By the Associated Press.

Behind the British Lines in France, Sept. 18.—The Young Men's Christian Association has just sustained its first fatal casualty in France. One of the workers in a hut a few miles behind the lines was killed this week by a bomb dropped from a German airplane.

CAPTAIN HARPER DEAD AT WILMINGTON HOME

By the Associated Press.

Wilmington, N. C., Sept. 18.—Capt. W. W. Harper, 61 years old, owner of the Harper line of river steamers and one of the wealthiest men in this county, died here this morning.

He is survived by a widow and five children. The funeral will be held tomorrow.

BILL FROG CAUGHT TRYING TO EAT PIG

By the Associated Press.

Washington, N. C., Sept. 18.—Mr. Harvey Taw, a well known farmer of this county, gave the following unusual story to a reporter Saturday. He stated that one night last week he heard one of his young pigs squealing like a man in great distress. He secured a lantern and went out to the barn to see the house to make an investigation. When he arrived on the scene, to his great astonishment he found a large bull frog had attacked the pig, partially swallowing it. In fact the frog had swallowed the pig's head up to its eyes, and a few more minutes the pig would have been dead. As it was the pig was skinned, and its head was found badly swollen.

MURKIN CANDIDATE AGAINST DOUGHTON

By the Associated Press.

Washington, Sept. 18.—Walter H. Doughton, a candidate for Representative in the Eighty-third district, has received the undivided support of the Republicans and his administration.

NATURAL QUERY

By the Associated Press.

London, Sept. 18.—The highest woman officer in the British army is Mrs. A. M. Chalmers Watson, M. D., who has just been appointed chief controller of the women's army auxiliary corps, which has over 4,000 members on duty behind the lines in France.

Mrs. Watson is a sister of Sir Eric Geddes, first lord of the admiralty. She was the first woman physician graduated from Edinburgh University.

A KNOTTY QUESTION

By the Associated Press.

Paris, Sept. 18.—The military authorities have had to settle a knotty question. In the case of a military polygamist being killed, how should the widow's pension be allotted? The question has arisen through France having Africa who belong to tribes where polygamy is the recognized practice. Every polygamist widow will have a share in the pension, the total of which will be the same as that granted to the widow of a monogamous soldier.

MRS. McFERRAN DEAD

By the Associated Press.

Nashville, Tenn., Sept. 18.—Mrs. Cynthia Tennessee McFerran, widow of Dr. John B. McFerran, a notable figure in Southern Methodist circles, died here last midnight.

NATURE IS SO NATURAL

By the Associated Press.

London, Sept. 18.—"Who, indeed, it adds so much."

TRYING TO END STRIKE IN FRISCO

By the Associated Press.

Washington, Sept. 18.—Secretary Wilson has telegraphed W. C. Boyce, assistant commissioner of immigration at San Francisco, to tender his services as mediator or conciliator in an effort to end the strike in that city.

Mr. Boyce has been instructed to keep in close touch with developments and to advise the department of labor here promptly concerning them. Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, will call on Mr. Wilson today.

Shipping board officials favor a substantial wage increase with a sliding scale for participation. Some officials urge the government to pay an increase for work done for the government.

The Red Cross sewing room will not be open tomorrow, on account of the picnic dinner at Newton to the soldiers.

STILL IS DESTROYED IN SOUTH MOUNTAINS

Deputy Collector P. P. Jones and Posseman C. A. Moser Monday afternoon made a raid on a blockade still in the South Mountains and returned with the still and 12 gallons of corn liquor. The officers watched the plant operate for a time and then made their raid. The operator was equipped with feathers on his feet and these were lifted in such rapid succession that the raiders were soon left behind.

NEGRO LYNCHED

By the Associated Press.

Athens, Ga., Sept. 18.—Rufus Moncrief, negro 33 years old, was lynched about 1 a. m. today near Whitehall, Ga. The usual crime is charged. The body was found this morning hanging by the side of the road. An inquest is in progress.

ANOTHER VERSION OF THAT REWARD STORY

By the Associated Press.

Paris, Sept. 18.—The American headquarters staff in France has just been informed by the French authorities that Emperor William has offered a prize of 300 marks and a two weeks' leave of absence to the first German who brings in an American prisoner dead or alive.

This information came from a German prisoner recently taken who declared that a price had been set up on the head of the Americans.

A dispatch telegraphed from the British headquarters on September 15 says that the German general commanding the 11th reserve division had promised to the man who first brought in the first American dead or alive 400 marks, the iron cross and two weeks' leave. This information was obtained from a diary, the statement adds.

EFFORTS TO RUN CARS HAS DISASTROUS RESULTS

Chattanooga, Tenn., Sept. 18.—With the street car strike apparently far from settlement as ever, disorder marked the entire day in various outlying districts, with the non-union crews under constant bombardment from rocks and other missiles used by strike sympathizers. For the first time since the strike an effort was made to run cars to the Golf and Country club and Chickamauga, and the first trip to the former place proved disastrous to the crew. A crowd of about 40 well-armed men attacked the car at Sheehy's switch, inflicting injuries upon the armed guard and crew and causing Mortimer Adams to flee to the woods for his life. Adams suffered a smashed shoulder, while the guard had two fingers broken by rocks. Following the attack service on this line was abandoned.

WOMAN IN COMMAND

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KORNILOFF WRITES PUBLIC STATEMENT

By the Associated Press.

Petrograd, Sept. 17.—Twenty-three generals and other officers arrested on Friday with General Korniloff are being closely guarded. General Korniloff is a prisoner in a hotel at Mohilev, where he is writing a statement which is expected to be finished today.

MEANS DECLINES INTERVIEW TODAY

By the Associated Press.

Charlotte, N. C., Sept. 18.—Gaston B. Means, with his father, W. G. Means, came here this morning from Concord to consult with Gaston Means' attorney in connection with the restraining order issued by Judge Jas. E. Boya in Greensboro last night on petition of Mrs. Anna L. Robinson, mother of Mrs. Maud A. King, who was mysteriously killed on the night of August 29, ordering him to turn over Mrs. King's property.

Means when asked for a statement refused to talk or state if he would accept service of the order.

Means and his father are traveling in the automobile that was being used by the party when Mrs. King was killed.

The garage proprietor here who has a \$9,000 foreign made automobile that belonged to Mrs. King, that was brought here by Gaston Means a few days before the killing says he has received no order in connection with the machine.

Following a conference with his attorney here today, Gaston Means referred all inquiries to his counsel.

He did state, however, that there was much behind all the sensational stir, intimating that this would be to his benefit. He was asked if these would come out at the coroner's hearing next Monday.

Means was asked about newspaper reports of a conspiracy by the Tootons to get the King's fortune and hesitating a moment said:

"And these papers almost on the same day tell about so much money being used in plots over here by Germans."

He seemed to take this report as illogical on its face. Means and his father went into a further conference with his attorney this afternoon and will return late today for Concord. His attorney would not say whether he would accept service of the paper issued by Judge Boyd.

GERMANY APOLOGIZES FORMALLY TO SWEDEN

By the Associated Press.

Stockholm, Sept. 18.—The German minister to Sweden today formally expressed to the Swedish government Germany's regret in consequence of the Swedish-Argentina affair.

FRENCH TO HAVE THEIR STOLEN LANDS

By the Associated Press.

Paris, Sept. 18.—The French ministerial declaration was read by Prof. Paul Painleve, the new premier, in the chamber of deputies. It reaffirms the intention of France to continue the war until the return of Alsace-Lorraine and until Germany grants reparation for Belgium and France.

HURLEY APPEALS TO GOMPERS FOR HELP

By the Associated Press.

Washington, Sept. 18.—Chairman Hurley of the shipping board today appealed to President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor to stop the strikes which are holding up government shipbuilding on the Pacific coast. A conference will be held with Mr. Gompers this afternoon.

Chairman Hurley also conferred with Secretary Daniels in regard to government work.

NEW YORK COTTON

By the Associated Press.

New York, Sept. 18.—The cotton market opened steady, at an advance of five to 10 points and sold 14 to 19 points net higher immediately after the call. The advance met increased offerings, and there were reactions of six to seven points lower.

The close was steady.

HICKORY MARKETS

	Open	Close
October	20.37	20.74
November	20.22	20.58
January	20.16	20.50
March	20.33	20.63
May	20.48	20.80

WEATHER FORECAST

For North Carolina: Fair tonight, slightly warmer in extreme west portion Wednesday; fair and warmer in interior, gentle to moderate northeast winds.

OVER 800 ATTEND ON OPENING DAY

Hickory city schools began the fall term this morning with an attendance the first day that beat last year's record by at least 200 and with prospects that foreshadowed 900 children in the white schools by the end of the week. The attendance today was 803, divided among the three schools as follows:

High—180; South—233; North—390.

The colored school opened yesterday with an attendance of something over 120.

The lack of new desks is greatly retarding the work of the schools, but it is hoped to have everything ready by tomorrow. The handsome new furniture for the domestic science department has been installed and many former students will be back for the business or domestic science courses. Two sewing machines have been placed. Mr. R. E. Neely, business teacher, will arrive Saturday.

COMMUNITY FAIR AT KILLIANS TOMORROW

The first community fair at Killians will be held tomorrow and the greatest exhibition of live stock ever assembled at a similar show will be on hand. The judging contest will start at 10 o'clock, and the afternoon will be devoted to speaking and athletic contests.

A general invitation is extended the public to attend.

GOING TO SPAIN

By the Associated Press.

Buenos Aires, Sept. 18.—From private sources it was learned by the Associated Press today that Argentina has asked Spain to ask the United States, Great Britain and France a safe conduct for Count Luxemburg to Spain.

AGREEMENT REACHED IN CLERKS' STRIKE

By the Associated Press.

Richmond, Va., Sept. 18.—The Seaboard Air Line freight clerks' strike is ended. Following an all day conference yesterday in Norfolk between the vice president of the railway, the president of the freight clerks and Mr. McVade representative of the United States department of labor, an agreement was made whereby the men were to return to work this morning whereby it was agreed that Mr. McVade would draw up an agreement which would be accepted by the clerks and the railroad.

Under the pending agreement the railroad will grant increases to the men in salary.

FIRST COMMUNITY FAIR IN CATAWBA SPLENDID SUCCESS

The first community fair ever held in Catawba county was held Saturday at Mount Olive school house, two and a half miles from Newton. The fair was a great success in every way. The display of the products were as fine in quality as ever seen anywhere. The entire school house was filled with the products of the farm, the kitchen and the sewing room. The quality of corn on exhibition was very fine. The girls' canning club had a splendid display of their goods. The display of fancy work was very attractive. Mrs. James McRee had on display a white spread for a bed that was more than 100 years old. It has been in the family that long and has been handed down to the present. N. Allen Travis had an interesting display of Indian arrows said to have been used by the Catawba Indians.

COMMITS SUICIDE

By the Associated Press.

New York, Sept. 18.—The body of Alfred R. Conkling, lawyer, geologist and author, was found in the courtyard of his east 70th street home early today. He either fell or jumped from his window. Police said it was suicide.

Mr. Conkling, who was 67 years old, had been for three years separated from his wife and his three daughters, circumstances over which, it was said, he had been brooding.

RUSSIANS CONTINUE TO FIGHT GERMANS

By the Associated Press.

Petrograd, Sept. 17.—(Delayed) Russian forces on the Riga front continue to make progress in their selling sodas and cigars on Sunday, as well as the playing of baseball while the soldiers are there.

They are having some agitation in Barabte over the question of selling sodas and cigars on Sunday, as well as the playing of baseball while the soldiers are there.

GERMAN FOREIGN OFFICE DENIES PEACE STORIES

Tells Associated Press That Berlin Has Not Sent Out Feelers to United States--Question Stirs German Newspapers--Other Peace Discussion.

TO SEND DINNERS TO SOLDIERS PICNIC

Hickory people are urged to send dinners to Newton for the drafted men tomorrow, to attend if possible and to carry along many American flags.

The program is being arranged by the Newton Red Cross, but the whole county is invited to participate. It is a county affair. Forty young men will leave in the afternoon for Columbia and it is planned to give them a big open air picnic.

Persons who are unable to attend the celebration may leave their baskets at the Hickory Grocery Company, where Mr. Riddle will see that they arrive in Newton on time. Owners of automobiles are urged to take anybody who would like to attend, and it is hoped that Hickory will be on hand with a large representation.

Mr. Eubert Lyverly, who has conferred with the Newton folks in regard to the dinner, urges the sending of plenty of good things to eat, the wearing of flags and the personal attendance of everybody who can get away from Hickory, even for only a few hours. All over the United States cities are honoring their recruits, and Catawba county does not intend to fall short.

DRASTIC ACTION WOULD FOLLOW MEANS' REFUSAL

By the Associated Press.

London, Sept. 18.—German newspapers point out, says the correspondent at Amsterdam from the Exchange Telegraph, that after the resignation of Dr. Van Sant, the civil governor of Belgium, his assistant, Horst Lutz, also resigned. No successors have been appointed yet. The resignations are said to be in conjunction with German plans in Belgium.

ALL NAVAL GUNNERS IN GERMAN PRISON

By the Associated Press.

Washington, Sept. 18.—W. A. Miller, the unaccounted for member of the naval gun crew of the American tank steamer Campa, is in a German prison camp at Brandenburg with the four other gunners taken when the steamer was sunk.

Dispatches heretofore accounted for only four of the naval gunners. Today's report on Miller's whereabouts accounts for all five.

FAMOUS FRENCHMAN KILLED IN BATTLE

By the Associated Press.

Paris.—Captain Roedel, one of the oldest in service and one of the most remarkable of French military aviators, has just been killed in a flying accident at Villacoublay, after risking death a thousand times over the enemy's lines.

Captain Roedel was the creator of the French system of regulating artillery fire from airplanes. Among his exploits was the destruction of half of the artillery of the sixteenth German army corps in the vicinity of Triaucourt, September 8, 1914. This achievement provoked a general note by Marshal Joffre regarding the use of "airplanes of combat."

Two days after his success near Triaucourt, Captain Roedel, flying at a height of 300 yards, discovered the position of a division of Bavarian infantry in the region of Vaux Marie, signalled it to the artillery, then got back to camp with his machine riddled with bullets and shell fragments. When the French infantry advanced and occupied the position, they found 4,800 dead Bavarians on the field, all victims of the French 3-inch field guns.

Captain Roedel had won the cross of the legion of honor and the war cross with six palms for as many citations in the orders of the army.

IN HONOR OF YOUNG MEN

On Monday evening at 8 o'clock Mr. and Mrs. Dinwiddie Holder gave a reception in honor of Messrs. Harold Deal and Sam Hahn, which was very appropriate on the departure of Mr. Deal for the service of his country. Mr. Hahn is also leaving to take up his work at the Columbia Seminary, Columbia, S. C.

Soon after the arrival of the guests in this beautifully decorated home, the jolly young crowd was busily occupied drinking punch. Then many funny and polly games were played that were enjoyed by all. Then delightful refreshments were served by the hostesses, after which the guests departed having spent a very pleasant evening.

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