

ALLIES ARE ACTIVE IN NEARLY ALL THE WAR THEATERS NOW

General Offensive On All Fronts Indicated by Today's Reports

NO CHANGE IN THE WEST

French Repulse Attack Today — Ridicule German Statement of Overwhelming Odds in Verdun Campaign

(By the United Press) Salonika, May 11.—Brisk artillery firing along the Anglo-French front in northern Greece is reported. The Bulgarians are bringing fresh troops from south of Monastir, evidently expecting an allied attack near Florina.

Italians More Active. Vienna, May 11.—The Italians today attacked Austrian positions near San Marino after violently cannonading the Goritz bridgehead and Dobrodo Plateau. They were everywhere repulsed, said the war office. Activity of Russian troops in Eastern Galicia and Volhynia is considered unimportant.

Berlin Trying to Fool German People, Say.

Paris, May 11.—The French repulsed with bayonets and hand grenades a German attack this morning west of Vaux pond, northeast of Verdun. French officials ridiculed yesterday's German official statement in which the latter declared the French at Verdun numbered 800,000. The French said Germany made the announcement so the German people would believe the Crown Prince was confronted by an overwhelming force.

Berlin, May 11.—Two vicious French attacks northwest of Verdun have been repulsed, the war office announced, both breaking down under a terrific machine gun fire.

VALUABLE BUSINESS MAY BE SOLD BY CLECO CO.

Inventory of the stock of the Kinston Cycle Co. is being taken today with a view to the sale of the business to A. E. Rountree and George Suggs. The company owns a half interest in the lot and building, valuing the interest at \$6,000. The stock and accounts are expected to total \$11,000 or \$12,000. Members of the company regard the sale as all but formally made.

NOTHING DOING ON COTTON EXCHANGE

No cotton had been sold here today by 3:15 o'clock. Deliveries were fifteen bales. New York futures quotations were:

TWENTY THOUSAND FOR DEPOT SITE, IT'S SAID

Twenty thousand dollars is the sum that the railroads are expected to pay for the Cummings site, on which the union passenger station is to be erected, it was said on the best of authority today.

COMMENCEMENT COL'D COLLEGE THIS MONTH

The commencement of Kinston College, a colored institution in Lincoln City, will be held May 17-19. White speakers are expected to be

ROOSEVELT WANTED, HUGHES WOULD PASS BUT ROOT WON'T DO

Say Progressive National Committeemen In Statement—Up to Republicans to Do Something If Wedding Is to Be

By PERRY ARNOLD, (United Press Staff Correspondent) New York, May 11.—It is up to the Republicans to make the next move in the political game which may result in the affiliation of the Progressives and Republicans, members of the Progressive National Committee indicated today, when they issued a statement saying they are for peace, but not at any price. They say Roosevelt is wanted, that Hughes might do, but Root never!

MANY NEGROES ARE BURNED TO DEATH IN A PICTURE SHOW

(By the United Press.) Norfolk, May 11.—Three negroes were burned to death at Wallaceton, Va., following explosion of a gasoline tank in a frame movie theater. Most of the victims were employees of the Norva Land & Lumber Co. The wildest sort of a panic resulted, many being seriously crushed.

BULLETINS

(By the United Press)

MAY AGAIN NOMINATE WILSON Washington, May 11.—Judge John W. Westcott of Camden, N. J., who nominated Wilson at Baltimore, probably will again do the same thing at St. Louis, according to reports today.

REPORT ON AMHERST WRECK: Washington, May 11.—Too much speed and foggy weather are blamed for the Amherst wreck in Ohio on March 29, in a report made to the Interstate Commerce Commission by Investigator Belknap. Twenty-seven persons were killed and 47 injured in the wreck.

STAFFORD SENTENCE REVERSED BY COURT

New York, May 11.—The United States Circuit Court of Appeals reversed the conviction of Frank D. Stafford, a hotel clerk of Plainfield, N. J., who was sentenced to nine months' imprisonment on a charge of perjury in connection with the now celebrated Rae-Tanzer-Oliver-Osborne case. The decision of the court was based on testimony given by James W. Osborne, a prominent New York lawyer, which was held to be hearsay, and therefore should have been excluded by the lower tribunal. Stafford was one of several persons indicted for perjury as a result of the identification of the attorney as the mysterious "Oliver" Osborne who, according to Miss Nazer, failed to keep a promise to marry her.

AMMUNITION SEIZED BY AMERICAN TROOPS

Laredo, Texas, May 10.—One million rounds of rifle ammunition which Mexicans attempted to smuggle across the river into Mexico near here was confiscated by troops here today. It was believed the ammunition was intended for use of bandits in Mexico.

Messrs. B. P. Smith and G. V. Cowper. "The Merchant of Venice" will be presented on the evening of the 18th. Leading colored people of the State will be on the program.

MRS. CARR PAYS MRS. KENDALL BY VERDICT

Which Was Compromise Result In Scandal Suit in Richmond Court Today—Durham Woman Alleged to Have Alienated Affections Mrs. Kendall's Husband—All Prominent

(By the United Press) Richmond, Va., May 11.—By a compromise verdict Mrs. Richard Kendall of Richmond was paid \$1,100 today by Mrs. Bettie Hunt Carr, wife of a surgeon-dentist of Durham, N. C., for alienating her husband's affections. Mrs. Kendall sued for \$20,000. The parties involved are socially prominent in Virginia and the Carolinas.

S. H. ISLER IS CANDIDATE COUNTY COMMISSIONER

Well Known Farmer and Cotton Buyer Announces His Entry—Is Capable and Successful Business Man and Has Wide Acquaintance.

In the political announcements today appears the card of Mr. Sim H. Isler, who is a candidate for county commissioner. Mr. Isler has been a resident of Kinston for the past 14 years. He has never before sought or held public office. He is a farmer, cotton buyer and man of affairs. He takes an active interest in matters of public interest, is successful in his own business affairs, and his friends consider him well qualified for the important position he seeks. He is not on any slate, but will conduct his campaign as he is privileged to do by virtue of his citizenship. He believes that better results can and should be obtained for the county from the outlay that is being annually expended. Mr. Isler's wide and favorable acquaintance with the cotton farmers of this section, as well as in the city, will make him a strong candidate.

NEW NAVY YARDS FOR BOTH COASTS, MAYBE

Washington, May 10.—Creation of a commission of naval officers to investigate the advisability of establishing an additional navy yard on the Atlantic south of Norfolk and one on the Pacific provided in an amendment to the navy bill approved by the House Naval Committee.

The bill was amended to call for a 1,000-foot dry dock at Philadelphia instead of a 1,700-foot dock, in order to keep within the \$3,500,000 appropriation previously agreed on for construction. The bureau of docks and yards advised the committee that a 1,700-foot dock would cost \$6,000,000.

The committee also adopted a proposal for a \$31,000 appropriation for civilian training camps for the marine corps. May 18 was set as a date for a vote in the committee on the building program.

COEUR D'ALENE MINE MEN'S BIG BONUSES

Wallace, Idaho, May 11.—Nearly \$125,000 in gold was received here today to be distributed among 4,000 miners in the Coeur d'Alene district as a bonus for their work during the month of April. The bonus for each miner amounts to about \$1 a day. The bonus system, adopted by the mine operators February 1, is governed by the prices of the metals produced—mostly gold, copper and silver.

VALUE LAKE TRAFFIC IS RECORD-BEAKING

(By the United Press) Cleveland, May 11.—Traffic on the Great Lakes will be the greatest in history this season, George Marr, secretary of the Lake Carriers' Association, told the United Press today. The estimated total value of the traffic this season will be \$1,250,000,000, as against a record mark of \$950,000,000 last season.

Put a sharp edge on your campaign and win a car on the 13th of May.

FUNSTON MAY CALL FOR MILITIAMEN OF MOUNTED BRANCH

Considering Asking for the First Illinois Cavalry Today

FRICION ALONG LINE

American and Mexican Armies Seem Anxious Now to Get Together—Further Raids Expected by Officials in Border Country

(By the United Press) El Paso, May 11.—General Funston is seriously considering a request to the War Department to call out the First Cavalry, Illinois National Guard, of Chicago, for border duty. More Raids Expected.

Marathon, Texas, May 11.—A bandit raid at Blocker has convinced the Federal investigators that an organized system of assaults on the American border is being carried out. Officials expect additional raids on small towns within a few days, and plans are being laid to frustrate the plotters.

Friction Between Armies Intense.

El Paso, May 11.—Despite the increased tension along the border, there is still prospect for a peaceful settlement. Friction, however, between the military forces has reached the danger point and officials believe peace will be hard to maintain unless a full settlement is speedily reached.

WATER PLANE DROPS FIVE HUNDRED FEET INTO THE POTOMAC

Two Persons Missing, Two In Hospital and Another Suffering From Shock—Bad Aerial Accident In Vicinity of Capital

(By the United Press) Washington, May 11.—Thomas McAuley, pilot, of Newport News and L. P. Udder, machinist, of Cleveland, are in a hospital at Alexandria, with injuries as the result of a 500-foot fall in a hydro-aeroplane into the Potomac.

Charles A. Good of Ohio, and a man named Acosta are missing. Mayo Dudley, formerly a Norfolk newspaperman, also a passenger, is at his home here suffering from the shock.

Craft Lost Propeller Blade. Washington, May 11.—Dudley has been removed to a hospital. Unrelated stories from the rescued said the machine lost a propeller blade. The tugboat John Miller hurried to the scene and rescued the survivors. It is believed the other two drowned. The wrecked machine was one of the largest in America, and capable of carrying 15 persons. It was completely wrecked. L. Z. Crants and not Acosta was the name of the second man missing. Both are believed to have been drowned.

WOMAN GETS LIVING COST DOWN TO DIME A DAY; NECESSITY!

Barberton, O., May 11.—Grim necessity and Mrs. Cretin McIntyre, 62, have battered the high cost of living down to ten cents a day. The dime covers food, clothing, fuel and other necessities of life. Since November 14, 1915, Mrs. McIntyre's income has averaged ten cents a day.

STEEL CORPORATION FAR BEHIND ORDERS

New York, May 10.—For the third time this year the monthly statement of unfilled orders of the United States Steel Corporation issued today broke all records. The orders stood on April 30 at \$29,551 tons, an increase of 498,550 tons over those of March 31, which broke the previous high record of 8,563,966 tons on February 29.

The unfilled orders of the corporation have more than doubled in a year. On April 30, 1915, they were reported at 4,162,244 tons, since which time each month has shown an increase.

WHAT EXCUSE FOR NOT WINNING A CAR?

The End Is Only 48 Hours Away—Over Twenty People Are Within Reach of a Car—Last Report to Be Decisive—Three Prominent Men Named As Judges

Forty-eight hours—then the final count begins. Forty-eight hours and the contest for honors and valuable prizes will be history. Forty-eight hours and the winners will be made. Forty-eight hours and the losers will be the busiest bunch of people you ever saw trying to explain to their friends why they didn't win. Who Will Win?

Yet, in industry there is pleasure. The winners will feel that they are amply repaid for the time that they devoted to the contest. The winners of the cars will have made a year's salary in less than six weeks. And the winners of the other prizes will receive no small rewards for their time. However, the winners of any of the prizes are just as much in doubt today, two days before the close as they were two weeks ago. There are so many in the winning class that a good final report by any of at least twenty-five will land them the cars. Everything is going to depend upon the final report. Surely this is the most surprising and the most interesting contest that the contest manager has ever been connected with. After becoming acquainted with the different candidates and their friends, and knowing how they have set their hearts upon winning one of the cars, the contest manager cannot help but feel regret that there is not cars enough, so that each deserving candidate might receive one.

Best Wishes. However, it is all up to the contestants and their friends, and if there are any two in the contest who are a little more deserving than the rest, and who have shown by their work that they deserve the cars, the wish of the contest manager is that these two will finally triumph, and that the highest honors to be given by the judges will be theirs. The Judges.

The following gentlemen have been appointed judges of the contest and will make the final count and award the prizes as soon after 9 o'clock on Saturday night as the contest manager has the votes issued: Mr. W. A. Allen, Bookkeeper, at Farmers and Merchants Bank. Mr. Clarence Oettinger, Secretary Kinston Insurance & Realty Co. Mr. J. A. Bizzell, bookkeeper at the National Bank of Kinston.

The ballot box has been locked and sealed and the final count made by the contest manager. The ballot box will be opened by the judges who will count all of the votes which they find in the box and add their totals to the totals that are printed in the paper on Saturday. The prizes will be awarded according to this final count.

UNION PASSENGER STATION WILL GO ON CUMMINGS PROPERTY AT JUNCTION NORFOLK SOUTHERN AND COAST LINE RIGHTS-WAY

Chamber of Commerce Committee Decided to Report for Site Favored by Railroads Wednesday Night—Corporation Commission to Be Asked to Withdraw Order Directing Construction of Depot at Gordon and Independent—Companies Expected to Erect Handsome Building With Parked Grounds Facing Caswell Street. Believed Movement to Secure Property Held By Individuals North Caswell Street Will Be Stopped

The union passenger station will go on the Cummings property in Southwest Kinston if the Corporation Commission approves that site.

That was the decision Wednesday night at the end of a conference between representatives of the Atlantic Coast Line and Norfolk Southern Railroads, and the Chamber of Commerce committee appointed for the purpose of investigating all the available sites.

Three Sites Considered. Three sites were under consideration when the conferees first got together in the afternoon. One of these was the Gordon and Independent streets site, referred to by Col. W. B. Rodman, chief counsel for the Norfolk Southern, as "the Corporation Commission site" from its having been officially selected by the Commission months ago. That was soon eliminated by both sides as inadequate in nearly every way. The Chamber of Commerce's committee, in fact, decided against that location on the day after the appointment. The others were the "Wooten site," at the head of King street, and the Cummings or "Caswell street site."

Members of the committee strongly favored the Wooten property. Other sites were discussed, as the present Atlantic Coast Line station site, but all of these presented difficulties which the railroads contended could not be overcome except at great expense to them. There were the objections of sharp and dangerous curves, acquisition of more property than the companies could well afford to invest in for a station in a city the size of Kinston, damage to private interests in the section and others.

Action Supposed to Be Final. Finally, about 10:30 o'clock, the committee consented to the Cummings or Caswell street site. Upon this agreement the Chamber of Commerce, it is presumed by members of the committee, will recommend to the Corporation Commission that the order for construction on the Gordon-Independent site be withdrawn and one issued for a building on the Cummings property.

Colonel Rodman stated to a meeting at 6 o'clock that the railroads were willing to begin building immediately on the Cummings property. Plans are to be drawn for the station there at once. The property is a triangle of

two or three acres, formed by the junction of the A. C. L. and N. S. The depot will sit well back from and facing Caswell street, with parked grounds in front and lateral canopy sheds to the tracks of the two roads, so that trains may discharge and take on passengers on their respective tracks. At least, that is the position from tentative plans. The Norfolk Southern plans new freight platform facilities a short way north of the station.

There were three conferences held Wednesday. The first was at 3 o'clock, between the railroad men and the committee. Another at 6 was between the directors of the Chamber and the companies' representatives. That meeting resulted in the whole matter being left to the committee so far as the Chamber of Commerce was concerned. The last, at which the agreement was reached after 10 o'clock, was between the committee and railroad men.

Participating in the conferences were the following: Messrs. T. W. Mewborn, E. V. Webb, J. J. Stevenson, C. P. Harvey and H. E. Moseley, the committeemen, and Col. Rodman, Larry I. Moore, counsel for the A. C. L.; Division Superintendent W. H. Newell of Rocky Mount, of the A. C. L.; Division Superintendent B. J. Hughes of Norfolk, of the A. C. L.; Division Superintendent John C. Lewis of New Bern, of the Norfolk Southern; Chief Engineer W. L. Trenholm of Wilmington, of the A. C. L., and General Supt. J. D. Stack of the Norfolk Southern.

Property Litigation May Be Stopped.

It is assumed that the Norfolk Southern's attempt to "recover" property claimed by it between Caswell and Gordon streets will be stopped, since when notice was served on the property-holders some days ago it was stated the action was caused by the necessity of constructing the station at the Gordon-Independent site. That necessity was obviated by Wednesday night's action. Col. Rodman has that matter entirely in his hands; he is en route to Asheville, and is not known to have expressed himself publicly. General Superintendent Stack said today that he did not know what action Col. Rodman intended.

The Chamber of Commerce directorate will meet tonight to formally receive the committee's report.

ROCKEFELLER JUNIOR AND OTHERS WILL BE SPEAKERS TO Y. M. C. A.

(By United Press) Cleveland, May 11.—Delegates representing 2,098 Y. M. C. A., organizations throughout the world will assemble here tomorrow to attend the triennial international convention. The convention will hear problems confronting the young men discussed by prominent men. Reports will be heard from a dozen far eastern countries and the method of administration hereafter in those countries will be determined.

Among those scheduled to address the meetings are: John D. Rockefeller, Jr., Raymond Robbins, Chicago social worker; C. T. Wang, until recently vice speaker of the Senate Chinese republic; John R. Mott, general secretary of the International committee; Bishop William F. McDowell; Dr. John T. Stone, Chicago; Dr. Douglas Mackenzie, Hartford, Conn.; and F. L. Brockman, Shanghai.

EZRA MEEKER READY FOR ANOTHER COAST TO-COAST JAUNT NOW

(By the United Press) Washington, May 12.—It was the same old "limousine" but a modern ox-less chassis, that the same old Ezra Meeker, 85-year-old transcontinental traveler, hauled out of its shed here today to look over in preparation for Ezra's fourth jaunt from coast to coast.

Meeker calls his renovated vehicle a "schoonermobile." It's all of that. The top is the same, label-covered prairie schooner top which Ezra's oxen have dragged three times over the roads between here and the Pacific. Under it is an up-to-date, motor driven chassis.

Within a few days Meeker starts for Olympia, Wash., a distance of 3,560 miles. Meeker is the original triple-exponent and proponent of a national, coast-to-coast highway. He expects to drive over one before Old Man Time gets him.