



ADVANTAGE RESTS WITH ALLIES

LARGE NUMBER OF KAISER'S MEN BEING SENT TO FRANCE AND BELGIUM--FRANCO-BRITISH FORCES TAKE INITIATIVE IN FIGHTING

Germans Show Renewed Activity in Belgium, But Allies Continue to Assume Offensive; Russians Report Success on Eastern Front.

CONDENSED WAR NEWS

The Austrians have been cut off from their western base, and are being backed southward toward the Carpathians. Thus reports Petrograd on the operations of the Russians against the Austrians in Galicia. Heavy losses, it is averred, were inflicted on the retreating armies, 30,000 men having been killed or wounded, and 200 cannon captured.

The Russians say they are successively developing offensive movements against the East Prussian front, and already are attacking Sieradz, on the Warthe, in Russian Poland. This engagement, they say, marks the advance against the last fortified position of the Germans on Russian soil.

The Germans report they have defeated three divisions of Russian cavalry, which crossed the Warthe above Kelo, and have driven the Russians back to the other side. "There has been no encounter elsewhere," the report adds.

In the west, southwest of Ypres, more than 1,000 Frenchmen and four guns have been captured, according to the Germans, who declare also that attacks by the French west of Yvon, Vally and the Chavonne have been repulsed with severe losses.

The admission is made, however, that the French have retaken the village of Soupir and part of Sapigneul.

France says that, while the Germans have been active along the whole front in the west, all their attacks were repulsed. The allies have taken positions near Tilloy and the village of St. Remi, on the heights of the Meuse, at the point of the bayonet.

The Turkish troops are in touch with the enemy along the entire front, says Constantinople, but no details are given of any fighting.

On the Black Sea, however, Constantinople says the Russians have bombarded Zunguldiak and Kuzlu, destroying the French church and French consulate in the former, and sinking a Greek steamer at the latter place.

According to Petrograd, placards from Turkish presses are being distributed throughout Persia to brethren of the faith, urging them to aid the Turks in the war against Russia.

Engineers from the Krupp gun works are placing heavy guns on the sea front at Ostend.

A Tokyo report says a battle in the Pacific between the Japanese and German fleets is imminent.

GERMANS FALL BACK

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The German and Austrian armies are now on the defensive both on the east and west. They have given up, least for the present, their efforts to break through the allied lines around Ypres, in Belgium, where the British and French have taken the offensive, and, according to the reports from French headquarters have commenced to advance. In the east they have fallen back over their own frontiers in east Prussia and in Poland, while Russian cavalry has penetrated Silesia to the north of Kalisz, and cut the German railway.

The Russians also are following up their advantage in Galicia, and it is said, have cut the retreating Austrians off from Cracow, while the Germans are retiring through Poland.

GONE TO ELIZABETH CITY

Mr. J. B. Shaw, who recently became identified with the printing department of the Public Ledger, received the sad intelligence Saturday evening of the death of his brother. He left immediately for Elizabeth City, where the funeral services were held Sunday afternoon, and he returned to Oxford Monday.

FOUR GRANVILLE CHURCHES

Rev. T. A. Tatum, who filled the pulpit of Pullen Memorial, Raleigh, on a number of occasions, has arrived in Oxford to take the pastorate of four Baptist churches in Granville county. These churches are located at Knott's Grove, Bulah, Corinth and Stovall. He will preach at the Oxford Baptist church next Sunday evening.

He will reside in Oxford and will occupy the dwelling on College street which will be vacated by Mr. J. C. Howard, and we extend him a cordial welcome to Oxford.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS

About People and Things That Are of Interest to The Public Ledger Readers

GATHERED FROM THE TOWN AND COUNTY

Come Off—Don't be a grouch. Everybody in this town wishes you well—even the doctors.

Is Improving—The many friends of Mrs. John Meadows will be glad to learn that she continues to improve after a serious illness.

Welcome Visitor—The good rain that visited this section on Sunday night was a welcome visitor as it was needed.

Will Do It—Newspaper advertising creates an immediate demand which knocks at the dealer's door. Try it and see!

Getting Better—Mr. Pete Wood, the expert driver of the Fire Wagon, who has been sick several days is much better.

Glee Club Coming—The Trinity Glee Club will be at the Lyon Memorial Building on Friday night, November 20th.

Adding Room—The congregation of the Baptist church is adding another room to their parsonage on Williamsboro street.

School House Finished—We are glad to learn that Mr. J. M. Campbell, the reliable contractor, has completed a splendid school house at Hester.

Sale of Personal Property—We call your attention to the sale of personal property by Dr. I. H. Davis, Executor, advertised in another part of this paper. Be sure and read it.

First National Bank—We call the special attention of our many readers to the excellent statement made by the First National Bank published in another column.

The Worse Part—We are sorry to learn that College street is the worst part of the National Highway between Richmond and Durham, with Stovall as our close second. Wonder if it cannot be remedied?

New School Houses—Mr. J. M. Campbell, the reliable builder, is just now engaged in erecting two large public school houses, one at Providence and one at Stovall. Both of them are nicely located.

United States Court—We see it announced that Messrs. Oscar Breedlove and H. H. Eatman, of Oxford, have been drawn as jurors for the December Term of United States Court at Raleigh.

Come Along Everybody—As our large family of readers are so rapidly taking advantage of our offer to renew their subscriptions at the rate of \$1 per year for the Twice-a-Week Public Ledger we have decided to extend the time to first of December.

Elegantly Entertained—Mrs. A. A. Hicks on Monday afternoon very handsomely entertained the Recreation Club in honor of Miss Isabelle Fleming, the attractive bride-elect. Choice and delicious refreshments were served.

Bought Home—Mr. J. C. Howard has purchased the Rev. J. R. Pace cottage on Cherry Hill and will move his interesting family there as soon as some repairs are made to the house. We have found them exceedingly pleasant neighbors and regret to lose them.

Johnson Warehouse—It is refreshing to refer to the advertisement of Mangum & Watkins, proprietors of the old reliable Johnson Warehouse, elsewhere in this paper and note the high averages of tobacco sold at their warehouse last week. It begins to sound like old times at the Johnson.

Young Man Arrested—We learn that a young man by the name of Cleveland Palmer has been arrested by Deputy Marshal Morris, of Roxboro, for using indecent language through the mails. The case will be heard today, Wednesday, by United States Commissioner, S. V. Ellis.

Pack House Burned—Mr. George Grissom, of Route 5, had the misfortune Friday morning to lose his pack house by fire, sustaining a loss of about \$1800. It is thought it caught from a cigarette. It is no doubt true that they are the cause of a great many fires.

Congratulations—The Greensboro Record heartily congratulates Captain F. P. Hobgood on the fact that he "lit" all right as State Senator. It would have been unfortunate had he "lit" like the amendments, which he so heartily endorsed and worked for. We are glad he did not hit the ceiling.

Court Next Week—Granville Superior Court will convene next week with pleasant Judge Frank Daniels presiding. The people of the county will be glad to have him preside over the Court again. There will be the usual number of criminal cases, with quite a number of cases on the Civil Calendar.

Personal Items About Folks and Their Friends Who Travel Here and There

SOME YOU KNOW AND SOME YOU DO NOT KNOW

Mrs. Maud Pugh returned to Greenville Saturday.

Mr. L. T. Williford, of Culbreth section, was in town Monday.

Mrs. Lee Taylor returned Saturday from a visit to relatives at Tarboro.

Mr. Thos Green of Route 6, was in Oxford Monday.

Mr. Len Gooch, of Route 1, was in town Monday.

Mr. Richard Crews, of Route 6, was in Oxford Monday.

Mr. E. A. Hunt, of Route 5, was in Oxford Monday.

Dr. B. W. Bullock, of Hester, was in town Saturday.

Mr. J. P. Mize, of Route 1, was in Oxford Monday.

Mr. W. R. Nelson, of Route 4, was a town visitor Monday.

Mr. Luther Freeman, of Route 6, was in Oxford Saturday.

Mr. D. Currin, of Route 6, was in town Monday.

Mr. Otho Daniel, of Route 1, was on our streets Monday.

Mr. W. J. O'Brien, of Route 5, was in Oxford Monday.

Mrs. Annie Lee Llewellyn returned Saturday from a visit to Richmond.

Dr. J. A. Morris, of Wilton, was a town visitor Saturday.

Mr. R. S. Jones, of Berea, was in Oxford Saturday.

Mr. J. R. Renn, of Route 6, was an Oxford visitor Monday.

Mr. G. W. Clay, of Hester section, was on the tobacco market Tuesday.

Mr. Ed Parrott, of Creedmoor, was on the tobacco market Tuesday.

Mr. R. A. Averett, of Hester section, was in Oxford Tuesday selling tobacco.

Messrs. W. E. and Reasie Stem, of Route 5, were on the tobacco breaks Tuesday.

Messrs. J. H. and D. P. Stroud of Hester section, were in Oxford Tuesday selling tobacco.

Mr. George Hedgepeth and son, of Lyon, were in Oxford Tuesday selling tobacco.

Mrs. George Tillery, of Wilmington, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Taylor, on Raleigh street.

Mayor and Mrs. T. G. Stem and bright son, John, spent the week-end with relatives at Stem.

Mrs. A. J. Field, after a pleasant visit to old friends in Oxford, has returned to her home in Raleigh.

Mr. and Mrs. John Burnett, of Route 5, were on our streets Saturday.

Mr. Clarence Breedlove and two children, of Route 5, were among the crowd in town Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Phipps and child, of Route 1, were among the Oxford visitors Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Brummitt, of Shady Grove, were among the Oxford visitors Saturday.

Mrs. C. V. Webb, of Morehead City, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Steed, on Rectory street.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. M. Calvert and two children are on a visit to relatives in Washington City.

A MORE CHEERFUL ASPECT

SOME GOOD MONEY IS BEING HOARDED IN GRANVILLE BUT ON A WHOLE THE CONDITIONS ARE SOMEWHAT IMPROVED

THE GRANVILLE COUNTY FAIR

Backed by a Noble Farming Element and an Able Secretary the Fair was the Best Yet Held

The Granville County Fair was such a notable success this year congratulations are in order. Perhaps to no one individual is due more credit than to the forethought and labors of Mr. Eugene Crews, the efficient and genial Secretary of the Fair. He took hold of the work early in the summer and there were no let up in his labors and anxieties until the sun went down on the closing day. Mr. Crews was one of the men who believed that good wholesome attractions would be a drawing card and we are glad to say that he shares the belief of the good majority of the patrons.

It is well to note that behind Mr. Crews is an able Board of Directors, and still behind the organization is a sturdy farming element that can be relied upon. It was by an united effort on the part of the people as a whole that made the 1914 Fair the success it was. This is one of the enterprises of Granville county in which the Public Ledger holds dear to its heart. There was no feature of the Fair that we watched with more interest than the friendly rivalry and the hearty hand shake. The Board of Directors, encouraged by the results of the 1914 Fair, are already talking and planning for a larger and better fair next year.

Drag the Roads—We have always heard that the best time to drag a road is right after a rain, and hence now is time to do that job, Mr. Road Overseer.

"PEG O' MY HEART."

When a real human interest, a play that appeals to the masses as well as the classes, is scheduled for presentation in Oxford it is a pleasure to announce its coming and encourage our theatregoers to patronize it. In this instance the commendation goes for the engagement of Oliver Morosco's play of charm "Peg O' My Heart," which comes to the Orpheum Theatre on Monday night, November 16th. Probably no play produced on the American stage in the past decade has created so much favorable discussion from people in all walks of life as the Manners, interesting comedy. This has been emphasized most conclusively by the large attendance accorded this attraction, everywhere, and by glowing tributes in the press reviews. The action of the play which takes place in England, tells of a little carelessly raised Irish girl, who, when she is transplanted into an aristocratic home of unknown relatives, meets with a chilly reception. She is unwelcome and tolerated simply for the income they derive through her, a legacy left her by the will of a wealthy uncle, she finally over-comes their dislike, and wins for herself a titled husband.

"Peg O' My Heart" has proven conclusively that theatre-goers of all sections of the country can still laugh as heartily and sincerely at humor which is not coarse—that a story directly and sincerely told is more potent than any fantastic plot conceivable, for this romantic comedy has been playing to tremendous business in New York where it recently closed its remarkable run of 604 consecutive performances, with Laurette Taylor in the principal role. Associated with Miss Martin are the members of the last season's cast, which comprises, Frederick Meads, Harry Calver, George Mendelssohn, Raymond Branley, Clara Sidney, Helen Haskell, George Claire and Kittle O'Connor.

The above people comprise the most distinguished company that has ever appeared here. A capacity house should welcome this famous attraction, which is guaranteed everywhere without reserve.

OPERATIC STARS

The Neopolitan Orchestra will play a return engagement at the Orpheum Theatre this Wednesday night. It will be remembered that this Orchestra played here some weeks ago to a small house on account of inclement weather. It is one of the leading musical organizations of the country, and embraces a number of Old World favorites. Lovers of classic music and popular airs should hear this celebrated band and singers. See adv. on last page of this paper.

It is Strange That as Soon as the Cry of War is Heard the People Everywhere Begin to Hoard their Money.

Optimism and good cheer are the dominant notes everywhere. The Federal Reserve Board has notified the Exchequer of England that the United States stand ready, if it is desired, to pay the \$200,000,000 it owes to England and the British Chancellor makes it clear that England would prefer the payment in commodities rather than in gold. Wheat, oats, flour, cattle, arms and munitions of war and other exports to Great Britain are steadily reducing the amount of the debt and when the Lancaster cotton mills begin to purchase cotton next week, as they are expected to do, the financial condition of the whole South will be bettered enormously, and the balance of trade may wear a different aspect.

This country is not in a desperate condition, despite the prophets of evil who raise their voice on every hand. A great many people cannot see how the United States can prosper until the German army is crushed, but the fact is, the longer the European war continues the United States will prosper financially and lay a broader foundation for future business. If we would stop weeping and try working it is surprising what a change we would effect in our financial, physical and spiritual health.

The Public Ledger favors the much quoted idea throughout the country that the people themselves can restore "flush times" by the simple process of paying off debts, not necessarily meaning the payment of bills in full, but the making of partial payments where one is unable to pay all. We know of a Granville man whose cash account stood at \$200 on the first of the month. He owed about \$250 in local bills. When the collector called he explained that he could not pay all, but he prorated thence and paid out \$200 on that basis. That was a noble thing to do, and if it should become common the people would soon have plenty of money. There should be no attempt on the part of any one to hoard their money.

CATERET LITERARY SOCIETY

The meeting of the Cateret Literary Society started promptly at 1:40 p. m. After the reading of the minutes of the last meeting, the question for debate was: "Resolved that Congress should appropriate money to aid the South." Affirmative—Jim Ballou, Francis Bradsher, and Edward Rawlins. Negative—Henry Roberts, and Richard Turner. The judges were Ewing Smith, Edward Ballou and Buxton Taylor. They decided in favor of the negative.

Earl Hunt was made a member of the society. The following officers were elected for the next two months, President, Richard Turner; Vice-President, Ewing Smith; Secretary-Treasurer, Edward Ballou; Press Reporter, Henry Shaw.

HENRY SHAW, JR. Press Reporter

MORE ABOUT THE CROW

Dear Readers, It seems that the wonderful crow story that appeared in the Public Ledger of last week has caused more excitement here, than the recent election in Granville county.

Yes, I took Forty Dollars from a crow on the roadside one day last week. From the inquiries that are coming in it will take an extra private secretary to answer all the questions, therefore I am bound to request all who write on this matter to me, to please enclose an addressed stamped envelope for a reply. With best wishes, D. N. HUNT, Oxford, N. C. Carrier of Rural Route No. 5.

[After writing the crow article in our last issue it occurred to us that possibly Mr. Hunt received the money from a person named Crow, but we learn that no person by that name resides on Route 5].

The Owen Warehouse—We call attention to the advertisement of Owen Warehouse elsewhere in this paper. It is noticeable that prices are continually advancing at the Owen. Mr. Fleming says that now is the time to sell your tobacco. Note some of the high averages quoted in the advertisement and favor the Owen Warehouse with your next load.

Hall at Berea—Mr. Dorsey Oakley informs us that considerable hail fell at Berea on Monday morning making it feel like regular winter time.