

GENERAL SATISFACTION OVER BRITISH SUCCESSES

THEIR ORGANIZED POSITIONS A GREAT HELP NOW.

FRENCH TOO TAKE NEW STAND

British Have Lined Up in the Contamination, Mametz and Trones Woods. French Have Similar Position in Bellov and Estress and Can Attack the Germans Here.

London, July 12.—Although the extent of the ground, which had been gained by the British offensive, is not great, there is general satisfaction in the English success attained by the British army during the 12 days fighting and the belief exists that the organized positions they now occupy will make possible greater achievement.

The capture of Contalmaison, Mametz and Trones woods gives the British line a run almost due east and west so the Germans on the north can be attacked on their flank when the guns are brought up for a second phase of the operations.

To the south of the River the French are in a position somewhat similar to that of the British, and likewise can attack the German flank south of Bellov and Estress. For the moment, however, the two armies are engaged in preparing the new positions, while the Germans are renewing their attack on Verdun. They have captured the Camboup battery, which held for a time at the beginning of June. This position is a point for which the Verdun and French line of defense shows its loss is not to be taken seriously by the French commander.

In the east the Russians are engaged in heavy fighting in the extreme northwest corner of Bukovina, where they are inflicting further defeats on the army of Captain Pflanger, who is cut off from General von Bothmer's forces to the north and also along Stockhod River, where the Austrians and Germans are putting up a formidable resistance. At Stockhod the marshes on either side of the river impede the movement of troops. Across the river fighting in progress near Saloniki, while to the southeast another force is advancing on Kovel.

FLOOD CONTINUES TO RAGE IN ALABAMA

Water in Alabama River is Rising and Lives Are Endangered.

Although flood conditions in most of the southern districts which were in the path of the tropical hurricane, showed a decided improvement today, the situation in central Alabama continued serious. Alabama river continued to rise and many lives are imperiled.

Belief workers are doing their utmost to succor marooned families. The Governor of Alabama left Selma this morning for Portland, 50 miles south, with a cargo of provisions and supplies for 300 persons who are reported marooned there. The inhabitants have taken refuge on tops of small hills.

Opposite Montgomery the Alabama River was seven miles wide. This morning the river is only two feet below the flood stage. The crest is expected to pass Montgomery tonight, however.

The situation in southwestern Georgia is much improved. All rivers falling, and further danger to crops and other property is believed to be passed.

While Mobile, Pensacola and other points along the Gulf were recovering from the effects of the storm which struck the southern coast last Wednesday, some uneasiness was caused by the weather report of another disturbance observed in the extreme east of the Caribbean Sea. No indication of the force or direction of this disturbance, in early weather bureau reports.

GERMANS RAID THE COAST OF CALAIS

Berlin, via Sayville, July 12.—Two German aeroplanes made an attack on the channel coast of Calais on Monday night, was the announcement made by officials today. They dropped bombs on the coast and on the army encampment.

NEW LIBRARY BOOKS

Excellent Technical Books Have Been Recently Added to Public Library.

The librarian desires to call attention to the excellent line of technical books recently added to the reference department of the Public Library. These books have been carefully selected and under expert advice:

- "Electrical Guide," Hawkins; "Applied Microscopy," Winsboro; "Textile Fibres," Mathews; "Chemical Theory," Matthewson; "Architectural Drafting," Greenberg; "Practical Astronomy," Hosmer; "Suburban Home Grounds," Kelleway; "Water Supply, Sewerage and Plumbing," Gerhard; "Farmers and Dairymen," Wolf.

Many other splendid books are in this last addition to the library, conspicuous among them being "Woodrow Wilson's History of the American People"; "Epler's Life of Clara Barton"; Bullard's Panama.

FOUND DEAD IN THE HOSPITAL FOR INSANE

Mrs. Julia Carter, of Fayetteville, Found Dead in State Hospital at Raleigh.

Raleigh, July 12.—Mrs. Julia Carter, of Fayetteville, a patient at the state hospital for the insane, was found dead in her room this morning. A scarp wound discovered by the coroner explained by a statement that Mrs. Carter had had an altercation with another patient several days ago. The wound, it is said, had nothing to do with her death. Dr. Albert Anderson, superintendent of the hospital, asked permission to hold an autopsy. The cause of Mrs. Carter's death was not definitely determined this afternoon.

MAD-DOG SCARE IN NO. 4

Bites Several Dogs But Makes Its Escape - Number of Bitten Dogs Killed.

A mad-dog passed through No. 4 township last Friday and bit dogs belonging to Messrs. B. L. Umberger, Chas. Cline, Arthur Fink and several others. As a result of the visit of the mad-dog No. 4 township is minus quite a number of dogs, as the owners of the bitten dogs had them killed and several dogs were killed that were supposed to have been bitten.

MELVILLE E. STONE AT PRESS CONVENTION TODAY

Guest of Honor in Raleigh Today at Luncheon by Rotary Club.

Raleigh, N. C., July 12.—Melville E. Stone, of New York, general manager of The Associated Press, is the guest of honor here today at a luncheon given by the Rotary Club.

This afternoon Mr. Stone goes to Durham where tonight he addresses the members of the North Carolina Press Association, who are holding their annual convention in that city.

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET

Market Opened at Decline of Seven Points on August.

New York, July 12.—The cotton market opened at a decline of seven points on August, but the tone was steady, with other months unchanged, and more active delivery sold a point or two over last night's closing figures during early trading.

Cotton market opened steady: October, 12.96; December, 13.16; January, 13.20; March, 13.36; May, 13.52.

AMERICAN STEAMSHIP HITS A MINE

On Monday Night And Was Greatly Damaged.

Paris, July 12.—The American S. S. Gold Shell, from New Orleans to Bordeaux with a cargo of oil, struck a mine on Monday night and was badly damaged. It kept afloat until it entered the mouth of the Gironde, where it is being lightened.

GERMANS CAPTURE MANY OFFICERS AND MEN

Berlin, via London, July 12.—German troops on the right bank of the Meuse yesterday pushed forward their position to a point nearer Souville and Lanfee works, taking 39 officers and 2,106 men, according to the official statement issued today by German army headquarters.

COUNTY CONVENTION TO MEET IN AUGUST

Circuit Plan for Township Sunday School Conventions to Be Adopted By County Executive Committee.

In order to carry out the plans agreed upon by the executive committee of the County Sunday School Association and the townships represented at the meeting held last Saturday, we have decided to call the county convention to meet at Rocky River Church on the last Thursday in August, the 31st, and to ask the townships to hold their conventions according to the suggested schedule given below. This will give the necessary time for working out plans for all these conventions in a way to make them by far more practical and helpful than heretofore.

Following is the suggested schedule of district conventions to which all the townships are requested to conform as nearly as possible and to notify Mr. C. R. Andrew, Secretary, Concord, R. F. D. 1, of their acceptance of the plan.

Friday, August 11. Townships Nos. 6 and 7, 8 and 9, Mass Meeting at 8 p. m. at Mount Pleasant, followed by joint conventions of these townships Saturday, August 12.

Saturday, August 13. Townships Nos. 11 and 12, General Mass Meeting at 8 o'clock, p. m., at Central Graded School, Concord, followed by joint convention the following day.

Monday, August 14. Townships Nos. 1 and 10, Joint Conventions at Rocky River Church and High School Building.

Tuesday, August 15. Townships Nos. 2 and 3, Joint Conventions at Fairview Church.

Tuesday, August 15. Townships Nos. 4 and 5, General Mass Meeting at 8 p. m. at Kannapolis Y. M. C. A., followed by joint conventions Wednesday, August 30, at Kannapolis or place selected by township association.

Thursday and Friday, August 31 and September 1. County Convention at Rocky River Church.

A tentative programme is being prepared for each of these meetings which will be published later to aid the townships in arranging for their conventions and all townships are urged to provide for attending these district or circuit conventions regardless of whether or not they find it necessary to hold their regular conventions previously. However, all townships that can possibly do so are requested to withhold their regular conventions until the dates suggested, so as to insure better attendance and greater interest in these meetings. The officers or committees from the townships included in each group are urgently requested to confer with each other as early as possible and take action on the plans suggested and notify the County Organization through its secretary or some member of the executive committee of their decision so that they may be included in the itinerary of the special conference to be held as a part of these district conventions.

The committee regrets that circumstances force us to suggest a change in dates but in order to take the first steps looking toward the placing of our conventions on a more practical and helpful basis, it is absolutely necessary that sufficient time be given to work out our plans and secure the help we need.

D. B. COLTRANE, Chairman County Ex. Com. J. W. VAN HOY, Pres. County Association.

THE WHEAT MARKET

Fresh Advance on Wheat Caused Again by Wheat Rust.

Chicago, July 12.—The announcement that black rust had become serious in the neighborhood of Aberdeen, North Dakota, led to a fresh advance in the wheat market here today. The opening prices which ranged one-half to one cent higher, with July 108 1-8 to one fourth and September at 110 to 110 1/4 were followed by moderate further gains.

ARTILLERY BACK FROM WILMINGTON

Salisbury, N. C., July 12.—The fourth company of coast artillery arrived from Wilmington today.

Frank Sweeney, a member of the Salisbury company, is in a Wilmington hospital with a badly injured foot. He was struck by a street car while on duty and his foot was badly lacerated. He will be in the hospital something like ten days.

GERMANS GAIN GROUND IN MAMETZ AND TRONES WOODS

London, July 12.—The Germans, heavily reinforced, delivered strong attacks against the British on the Somme front last night. They gained ground in the Mametz and Trones woods.

COMPANY L READY TO MARCH TO BORDER

IF MOVING ORDERS ARE EVER ISSUED TO GUARDS.

DR. S. E. BUCHANAN HAS JOINED

Sergeant W. L. Elliott Will Take Advantage of Offer to Allow Married Men to Leave, and Will Come Home.—Six Men in Company L are From Florida.—Dr. S. E. Buchanan to Stand Examination as a Member of the Hospital Staff of First Regiment.—Recruits Continue to Arrive From Various Parts of the State.—Married Men in Company.

By John M. Oglesby.

Camp Glenn, July 11.—Drill work is becoming more and more rigid as the camp settles down to work. Clothing was distributed yesterday and this afternoon sweaters and guns and belts, etc., will be given out. Only one more shot of "anti-typhoid" vaccine remains to be administered, and then it will be drill, drill, drill until moving orders come—if they come.

Sergeant W. L. Elliott, the first member of the first regiment and, so far as reported, the first of the battalion, to marry after the call came to the National Guards, also is the first to give notice that he will take advantage of the offer to married men with families dependent upon them to return home. When the offer was first announced Sergeant Elliott announced that he would ask to go and today he filed a formal application with the adjutant general for an immediate discharge.

Other married men in Company L are: H. L. Tucker, Oscar T. Taylor, John A. Benfield, H. E. Meldau, J. W. Hill, H. J. Lefler, Frank Carson, W. W. Walker.

While a majority of the members of Co. L are from Concord there are quite a few from neighboring towns and several from other States. Florida is represented by six, H. E. Hewitt, A. E. Hollowell, John W. Cole, J. C. Martin, E. D. Harris, Mayne L. Harper.

Recruits continue to arrive from the various home stations where the recruiting officers last week were assigned. Senior Medical Officer, Captain Campbell, of Statesville, has completed the examination of 31 men, who have arrived since the recruiting details left.

Dr. S. E. Buchanan arrived this morning. He will probably undergo a medical and physical examination tomorrow and then begin his duties as a member of the hospital staff of the first regiment.

Mr. H. P. Guffy, who has been a visitor at the camp for several days, left this afternoon for Concord.

BOUND OVER TO COURT

C. G. Burleyson Charged with Stealing Hams From W. G. Newell.

C. G. Burleyson, one of the most prominent farmers of Cabarrus county, who lives in No. 10 township, near Flowe's Store, was arraigned Tuesday before Squire C. A. Pitts on the charge of stealing hams from Squire W. G. Newell, also of near Flowe's Store.

The hams were stolen about two weeks ago and Burleyson was charged with stealing them when the hams were found at Barrier and Widenhouse's and identified by Mr. Newell, who was told by that company that they were purchased from Burleyson.

Burleyson was bound over to court under a \$200 bond by Squire Pitts.

INFANTILE EPIDEMIC SHOWS IMPROVEMENT

New York, July 12.—Despite the worst heat wave of the season, the epidemic of infantile paralysis took a turn for the better today. During the 24 hours preceding 10 o'clock this morning, only 17 deaths from the disease are reported in New York City. There were 162 new cases reported.

BRITISH GOVERNMENT APPROVES OF THE FRENCH PLAN

London, July 12.—The British government has approved of the resolution adopted by the Paris Economic Conference, of which representatives of the entente allies, according to a statement made in the House of Commons this afternoon by Premier Asquith.

The tenth annual convention of the Cotton Manufacturers' Association of North Carolina will be in session at Wrightsville July 21-22.

FOREST HILL NEWS

Golden Links Give Campfire Party.—Repairs Being Made to Storeroom.—Personal Items.

Mr. Chas. Settlemire returned to City Point yesterday after spending several weeks here nursing a dislocated shoulder.

Mr. Jas. Bost has returned to his home in Thomasville after visiting friends here.

Mrs. H. C. Raimor has returned from a visit to relatives at Kannapolis.

Mr. Sam Denny and Mr. and Mrs. Everet Jarvis have returned from a visit to relatives at Elkin, making the trip via Mr. Denny's Ford.

Mr. Fred Cook is spending this week in Mooresville with relatives.

Miss Beatrice Ross has returned to her home in Salisbury after spending several weeks here with her cousin, Miss Talula Ross.

Mrs. Jas. Skidmore has returned from City Point, where she has been visiting her son.

Mrs. Sally Sapp has returned from Raleigh, where she has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. June Sapp for two weeks.

Miss Mary Mabry is spending this week in Shelby with relatives.

Mr. Dave Yorke and son, Chas., are spending this week in Davie county with relatives.

Miss Lettie Betty and Mr. Carroll Beatty have returned to their home in Mooresville after spending a week here with Rev. and Mrs. H. E. Beatty.

The store building occupied by Wilkinson-Widenhouse is undergoing extensive repairs just now. A ten-foot section of the front has been torn down, putting it in line with the Locke Mills office building. A handsome new front will be put in for the store, adding much to its appearance, and a sidewalk at the corner will prove a great convenience to pedestrians and motorists.

Mr. W. L. Robbins, unofficial representative of the automobile syndicate, has served notice on all the citizens of North Church street that they must get a Ford automobile or move off the street. A number have bought Fords since this order was issued. Others think an injunction can be secured to cover this case.

Mrs. J. C. Fink and members of the Golden Links Missionary Society, were hosts at a Campfire party last night on the lawn of Mr. W. J. Ross. Seventy-five young people responded to the written invitations and greatly enjoyed the occasion. Popcorn was in evidence, marshmallows toasted around the camp and many yarns were spun.

TO MANUFACTURE THEIR OWN WHITE PAPER

This Was Suggested by the North Carolina Press Association.

Durham, July 12.—Featuring the opening session of the North Carolina Press Association convention which convened in this city at 10 o'clock today, was the proposal by James H. Cowan, editor of the Wilmington Dispatch, to establish a paper mill to furnish North Carolina newspaper men with white paper. No definite action was taken at the morning session, the matter being taken under consideration. About 25 editors have arrived in the city and others are expected during the afternoon. The total of 75 editors is expected.

CALVIN COWLES SUICIDE

Prominent Man Killed Himself at Patterson, N. C., Tuesday.

Hickory, July 12.—A special from Lenoir said Calvin Cowles, 30 years old, unmarried, committed suicide at Patterson early Tuesday by cutting his throat twice with a razor and firing a load of shot into his head. He was a member of a prominent North Carolina family. He left a note saying "he could stand it no longer." Members of the family could not account for the tragedy.

FIGHTING STILL CONTINUES IN MEXICO

Chihuahua City, Mex., July 12.—Heavy fighting is in progress between the de facto government's troops and a large force of Villa bandits a few miles below Parral, according to dispatches received here today by General Trevino.

CHIHUAHUA, MEXICO, JULY 12.—Gen. Garcia reported today that he was engaged in holding the bandits until forces, which were proceeding from Jimenez, arrived.

One of the Villa leaders, who joined Canuto Reyes, after he surrendered to the de facto government a few months ago, informed General Trevino that he had received a personal letter from Villa in which the bandit leader wanted him to return to the old allegiance, and join him in resisting the "Yankee invaders." This letter was dated June 15.

IT'S COMING! WATCH FOR IT.

GOING AHEAD WITH PLANS FOR THEIR RETURN TRIP

BREMEN IS READY FOR START FOR AMERICA

Lohman, Originator of Submarine Service, Tells of Plan to Break Blockade.

Berlin, July 11.—Via London.—Alfred Lohman, former president of the Bremen chamber of commerce and originator of the German submarine merchant service, told the Associated Press today that the submarine liner Bremen was about to start for America with a cargo and that several sister ships are rapidly approaching completion. The number of boats of this type, it is understood, will soon be sufficient to maintain a weekly trans-Atlantic service.

The re-opening of direct shipping connections between Germany and the United States occasioned great jubilation and enthusiasm among Germans, but no one is more elated than Mr. Lohmann.

"Remember," said Herr Lohmann, "that the Deutschland was entirely unarmed; she carried no torpedo tubes, no cannon and no weapons of offense or defense of any kind.

"So anxious was I that the unarmed merchantman character of our boats should be established beyond doubt, I insisted that the captain of the Deutschland should not even carry the customary revolver upon leaving Bremen.

"I conceived the idea of breaking the British blockade some time ago, but the project first took definite shape last autumn, when I succeeded in convincing the capitalists associated with me—the Deutsche bank and the Norddeutsche Lloyd—that the war presumably would last another 12 months. This was the hardest part of my task. Once this was done, the rest was easy, for our figures showed that the boats would more than pay for themselves in a single round trip.

"A company was immediately incorporated as the German Ocean Navigation company, of Bremen, with a nominal capital. Articles were filed on November 8 and work was commenced on the first and second boats. The Deutschland was completed some time ago and after successful trials in the Baltic started for America, following the usual peace route of our Bremen and Hamburg steamers."

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ANNUAL PUBLIC ALL-DAY SERVICE

To Be Held at Centre Grove E. L. Church, July 16, Rev. C. A. Brown, Pastor.

Sunday morning, July 16, at the 11 o'clock hour, Rev. C. L. Brown, D. D., late of Japan, will address from the pulpit. Dr. Brown has been in Japan for many years. In fact, he is the senior Lutheran missionary laboring in that field, fulfilling Christ's last command to the people, but is in America on a furlough, and interested in the Southern Lutheran Church.

In the afternoon Dr. Brown will be supplemented by Pastor Brown, and short mission exercises, reading and recitations will be rendered by the members of the missionary societies. Something fine is in store from Dr. Brown for those attending this occasion, and we bespeak for the day a full house and much interest.

MISS MILLER TO ENTERTAIN IN HONOR OF GUEST

The following cards have been issued: Miss Cooper Miller at Home Tuesday evening Miss Lott Miller.

BRITISH HARBOR ATTACKED BY GERMANS

London, July 12.—The English port, Seaham Harbor, was attacked last night by a German submarine. About 30 rounds of shrapnel were fired. One woman was killed.

DISTURBANCE IN CARIBBEAN SEA

Washington, July 12.—The bureau reports today gave indications of a disturbance in the extreme eastern Caribbean Sea.

WRECK NEAR HICKORY

Two Motor Trucks on C. & N. W. Railway Collided Near Collettsville.

Hickory, N. C., July 12.—A collision occurred above Collettsville, N. C., between two motor trucks on the C. & N. W. Railway track today.

G. W. Lutz, vice president of the Ritter Lumber Company, and two workmen with him on one truck, were painfully injured, and J. W. Lowry, section foreman of the C. & N. W., with five or six negro hands going north on one truck, were hurt pretty badly. Lutz got a leg broken and was rushed on a special train to Gastonia to a hospital.

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GERMANS THINK THEY CAN GO IN 10 DAYS

Officials of Deutschland Say Ship is a Merchant Ship, and They Believe the State Department Officials Will Agree to That Point.

Baltimore, July 12.—Feeling secure in their belief that the State Department at Washington will sustain the finding of the Treasury and Navy Department officials, that the Deutschland is a merchant ship, and therefore, entitled to all privileges due to belligerent owned freighters, under international law, the agents of the submarine today went ahead with their plans for disposing of the vessel's cargo and preparing for the return voyage.

TO SETTLE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN TWO COUNTRIES

Communication Received From Mexico Suggesting a Form to Be Agreed Upon.

Washington, July 12.—A communication from Mexico City reaching the Mexican ambassador here today is understood to contain instructions as to the form of negotiations by which the settlement of difference between the United States and Mexico will be undertaken. The ambassador made engagement for a conference with acting Secretary Polk at the State Department.

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WANT 165,000 MEN FROM NATIONAL GUARD

This Week 50,000 Regulars Will Give Us 210,000 Men on Border.

Washington, July 12.—Immediate organization of an extensive guard recruiting service was authorized today by the War Department to bring the regiments on the border up to the full war strength of about 165,000 men. With nearly 50,000 regulars on border duty the government would have 210,000 men for war engaged in protecting the line.

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INFANTILE PARALYSIS NOW IN CABARRUS

A reporter of The Tribune was informed over the phone this morning that the great disease, which is now sweeping the north, infantile paralysis, had found its way to Cabarrus. The reporter was informed that the child, which is only seven months old, was brought almost daily to Concord for treatment. Together the child has six brothers and sisters. We give this information to our readers as we were asked to give the matter all the publicity possible, so that if the report is true, the health officers will investigate and give the matter the attention that it will later demand, if the proper measures are not taken now to accomplish its eradication.