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HIGH POINT, NORTH CAROLINA, THURSDAY AFTERN OON, MARCH 28, 1918.

Comparatively Scant Gain Rewards Numerous Attempts to Break Allied Line in Last 24 Hours.

Engagement With the French Develops An Unheard of Ferocity, Paris Reports-British Take Prisoners.

London, March 28 .- In the last 24 hours the Germans have made but one comparatively trifling gain as the result of numerous attacks along the whole front, says Reuters' correspondent at British headquarters.

For the British there may be claimed several distinct local successes either in repelling enemy blows or wresting back ground won by counter attacks.

Huns Bombard Trenches.

London, March 28.-Prisoners and ma chine guns have been captured by the British, the war office announces. The fighting continues fiercely on both banks of the Somme.

This morning the enemy opened a heavy bombardment on the trenches ou our defensive sector east of Arras. An attack is developing in this sector.

Repeated attacks were made by the enemy along the valley of the Somme in the neighborhodo of Beaumont-Hamel, Pulsieux and Moyenneville. They were repulsed.

The statement follows:

"Severe fighting took place again astride the Somme, northward from Albert to Boyelles. Repeated attacks were made by the enemy along the valley of the Somme and in the neighborhood of Beaumont-Hamel, Puisieux and Moyenneville. They were repulsed.

"We captured a number of prisoners and a number of machine guns.

"The fighting is continuing fiercely on both banks of the Somme. This morning the enemy opened a heavy bombardment."

French Block Germans.

Paris, March 28.-Blocked on the Lassigney and Noyon fronts and on the left banks of the Oise the Germans last night threw forward important forces in the region of Monte Dedier, the war office announced today. Here the fighting too on extraordinary ferocity. French regiments fought hand to hand with the enemy and inflicted heavy losses Finally the French fell back to the heights immediately to the west of Monte Didier.

The text says: "The battle was fought with sustained violence yesterday evening and last night. The Germans, blocked by valiant French troops and cruelly punished before the Lassigney and Novon fronts on the left bank of the river Oise, concentrated all their efforts and threw forward important forces in the region of Monte Dedier.

"At this point the negagement soon developed an unheard of ferocity. French regiments, fighting hand to hand, inflicted heavy losse upon their assailants and finally they were withdrawn in order to the heights immediately west of Monte Dedier.

"There has been intermittent fighting on the remainder of the front."

MORE SELLING ON **COTTON MARKET TODAY**

New York, March 28,-Reports rain in the southwest, or better prospects for rain caused some selling in the cotton market during today's early trading. The opening was steady at a decline of 1 to 8 points and active months sold about 12 to 16 points net

31,90 and October 30.80, Cotton futures opened steday. May 32.70: July, 32.41: October, 30.92: De-

lower after the call with July touching

Entire Force Destroyed.

London, March 28 .- The entire Turk ish force in the Hit arta in Messapotania has been captured or destroyed by the thousand prisoners were taken.

Schools and Churches Will Oper at Usual Hours "By the Clock" After This Week.

"The city schols will open Tuesday morning at 8.30 by the clock," said Superintendent W. M. Marr this morning. The movement forward of the hands of the clock for one hour becomes a law at 2 o'clock Sunday morning, but the same purpose is accomplished if the residents will move the clock hands forward an hour when they retire Saturday night. Recently there has been a report that the school teachers were thinking of asking the school authorities not to put the daylight saving bil in effect in the schools as it would occasion some inconvenience, but Mr. Marr stated today that the teachers, as a whole, were in entire accord with the purpose and intent of the bill and that the schools would open promptly at 8,30 Tuesday morning. The pupils are given a holiday on Friday and Monday for Easter.

The churches of the city will hold services at the usual time, as the following announcement, issued today, shows:

"The national daylight saving bill, becoming effective at 2 o'clock a. m. next Sunday, all of the churches of the city, in conformity to the spirit and purpose of said bill, will meet at their usual hours. This means that all Sunday school and church attendants will be compelled to begin Sundays as well as week-days an hour earlier. The High Point Ministers' association is zealous that the public be correctly informed in this matter so that there be no confu-

Local Board Expets to Entrain Full Quota for Camp Grant Saturday Morning.

Since it has been assured that the negro selectmen will be entrained for Camp Grant, Rockford, Ill., Saturday morning at 6.15 o'clock members of the local exemption board and leading negro citizens who have been interested in seeing a full quota of 24 men forwarded feel that there is little chance of confusion arising and expect the full quota of selectmen to report for inluction into service at the office of the ocal board tomrorow, Friday, afternoon it 4 o'clock. Following this brief eremony, the negroes will really be in the employ of Uncle Sam, earning the pay of fighters, and will, of course, be subject to their first tastes of military discipline.

The drafted negroes have been receipt of many courtesies from the members of their race since early in the 'all of 1917 when it became assured that they would sooner or later be sent to camp. And to the credit of those eligide for service it should be stated that very small percentage, in fact almost negligible, have shown any disposition to evade service. The first bunch of nero selectmen, forming the last increnent of the first draft quota, will be i fine set of physical specimens, nearly ill having been passed by the more strict regulations which governed the first examinations.

Those composing the party of negroes

Ben Worthy, James V. Ashe, Caleb A ingram, Fred B. King, William Richard son, Robert Potts, James Hampton, Walter Capple, Roy McKinley Alford, Council Reid, Commodore Williamson, Charles W. Brooks, Johnnie Jenkins, Hiram A. Williams, Booker T. Reid, Gaither Gannaway, John Pennington, Chester Gray, Edward Whitaker, Allen Evans, Roy Craig, Burnie Gannaway, James Ellis, Hosie Starr, John Stuart, William Florence, James Fred Hart, Tom Joyner Robert Sweezey, Lee Hines, Pervis Simpson, Armistead Barringer, Frank Hines, Herman Byerly.

Third of Series of Holy Week Services at Lutheran Church

The third of the Holy week services will be held this evening at the Lutheran church, at 7.30 o'clock. Last night January 15 to February 15, making a Rev. J. B. Moose preached an excellent | total increase of 21 per cent for the service was aplended. Tonight and to- reau of labor statistics announces. sorrow night the pastor will preach. British, the war ocice announces. Three The public is credially invited to attend failed to advance while eight increased tor to meet death since the fields were commodations for the great stream of tive products from

Go to Church, Go to Work and Go to Bed 60 Minutes Earlier Than Heretofore to Save Daylight.

Clocks Should Be Advanced an Hour When Householder Retires Saturday Night and Left for Six Months.

High Point, progressive city that it s, will move forward an hour in many and divers ways with the coming of the dawn next Sunday, when the daylight savings bill ,recently passed by Congress as a wise, needy, wholesome and essential war measure, becomes a law and is put into force in every city, town, village and hamlet in the United States. Trains will run an hour earlier, hurch bells will ring at what used to be 9.45 o'clock, on the following Tuesday, Monday being a holiday, the schools will open just 60 minutes earlier than has been the practice, the business life of the city will awaken and begin work an hour earlier and quit an hour earlier in the afternoon.

The daylight saving measure is a war measure in every sense of the word. Furthermore it is going to do much towards winning the war. One of the prime objects, according to the men who drew it up, is to provide an additional hour of daylight, which is to be utilized by citizens in working in gardens and thus aiding the farmers in producing a mammoth food crop, and to enable school children to do little odd jobs here and there by which they can earn money to invest in war savings stamps,

All government businesses will be Governmental offices will open an hour earlier, the routine of military troops will be adjusted so as to conform strictly to the provisions of the ordinance: factories doing work for the government will begin work an hour earlier and quit 60 minutes sooner in the aft

The law will be valid for six months month and becomes null and void the last of October. So when the High Pointed prepares to retire Saturday night, should the hour be 11 o'clock, let him turn the hands of the clock up to 12. Then he can go ahead and sleep the sleep of the blessed and think no more of daylight saving until the last , of October, when the process should be reverse and the clock turned back an

Little inconvenience is going to result It is going to seem strange to eat the midday meal at what used to be 11 o'clock and it will be a litle difficult to get to the factory by 6 o'clock each norning, but this inconvenience will be short-lived and of little moment. Of course 11 o'clock and 6 o'clock will be 12 o'clock and 7 o'clock after next Saturday night.

A report has been circulated in High Point that many citizens are under the impression that they are to turn their clocks ahead each morning and back again at night. This is not the case. Such a system could not prove successful, whereas the one adopted, and which will be followed, can not prove otherwise. Also there is some misunderstanding here as just when the measure becomes a law. Some are of the opinion that the hands of the clock are to be turned up at 2 o'clock Saturday afternono. Of course, no harm would result from this, however, it is entirely unnecessary to touch the clock until bedtime that night. Then, if it is forgotten, the householder will oversleep an hour Sunday morning, according to Hoyle, or rather the clock.

While the life of the bill is six months of proper legislation.

INCREASE OF 21 PER

Washington, March 28.-Food prices took anotter jump of one per cent from Only three of 16 standard articles and five did not change.

Argentine May Sever All Al Diplomatic Relations With Germany

Beunos Aires, March 28.-Argentine is on the eve of another diplomatie crisis with Germany, more critical than any of the former ones. This is the general opinion in political circles and is based on the torpedoing of the Argentine steamer Ministro-Irriendo in the Mediterra-Bean January 26,

It is believed that if it shown the steamer was torpedoed the government will have little choice but to break off diplomatic relations in yiew of the past exchanges of submarine warfare. The crisis is expexted to reach a climax immediately after the Easter holidays.

Americans Fought Like Best Veteraus In Battle of Somme, Says French

Paris, March 28-"Entirely new in this warfare the Americans worked like the best veterans in the battle ofthe Somme," says a wounded French captain, who has been brought back from the front, according to La Liberte.

Two of the American officers who were wounded were brought back with the captain, a member of the Dragoons. Each American wore a French war cross conferred on the battlefield

The French captain refused attention until the Americans had been

"They are the ones who should be congratulated," he said, calling upon the women of the Red Cross to look aftert he Americans.

They Are Operating in Curtiss Plant, Senator Overman Tells the Senate.

Washington, March 28. Charges tha lerman spies were responsible for this country's failure to keep up in its air plane program were made in the senate today by Senator Overamn of North Carolina. He also charged that there were spies in the Curtiss plant.

Officials Summoned.

Washington, March 28,-Stirred by charges in the senate of delays in the t goes into effect the last day of this aircraft program the senate military committee today summoned Major General Squire and Colonel Deeds of the signal corps in charge of aircraft production and Howard Coffin, chairman of the aircraft board, to appear immedi

HUNS CONTINUE TO REPLENISH RESERVES

Fresh Troops Being Brought Up From Near and Near in Preparation for a Continuation of Drive.

London, March 28 .- Although the Germans continue to use their infantry with ruthless prodigality the gen eral pressure slong the front is for the moment left determined. This may be attributed to the enemy waiting to bring up artillery prepartory to another great effort and partly to exhaustion, Reuter's corespondent at British headquarters, reports.

Nothing can be learned as the appearance of enemy tanks on the British front while those left by the retreating British were systematically destroyed.

The enemy continues to bring troops from far and near to replenish his reserves and along wide stretches the German front is held by a screen of

POPULATION OF MINSK **INCENSED AT GERMANS**

Moscow, Tuesday, March 26 .- (By The Associated Press.)-An American who Mrs. Robert Brockett. escaped from Minsk two days after the Germans occupied the city has reached Miseow and reports the local population there much incensed against the in vaders Polish troops who assisted in LONG AMBULANCE TRAIN only, it is possible to extend it to cover capturing Minsk were amazed and dis any period desired by the introduction grested two days after the occupation the Germans seize I their armored motor cars and amounced that the Germans alone wer'd police the city, Ail motor through Liege and Namur, Belgium, on CENT IN FOOD IN YEAR carts and wagons were communideered by the Germans,

45TH VICTIM OF AIR IS

Fort Worth, Tex., March 28 .- A ex sermon and the devotional spirit of the year ending on the latter date, the bu- det of the Royal Flying Corps was trained at Nomour, says he correspondkilled at noon today at Denbrook, a Brit. ent, who adds that the hospitals in ish aviation field. He is the 45th avia- northern France have not succeint acpened here in October.

Several German Attacks Were Repulsed and Indicate.

Rush Troops From have the affirmative. for Another Drive.

Washington, March 28,-American staff officers studying closely developments appearing in dispatches from the front, are of moment will begin to show themselves today or tomorrow.

Hard Fighting in Progress.

British Army Headquarters in Northern France, March 23. (By The Associated Press.)-News received from the extreme right wing is that the allies are ho ding well. (This refers to the sector Where the French have been falling back.)

Near Beaumont-Hamei the army at acked heavily. Severe fighting followd. This morning it appeared that the illage virtually was No Man's Land. with the corrending lines drawn c'ose on ither side.

Hard fighting occurred at several points along the battle front during the light in the face of enemy attacks. The atest reports indicate that the British have kept the situation well in hand .. The German artillery this morning put lown an intense bombardment along the ront between Acheville and the Souhev diver (south of Lens) but up to n.) no infantry action has been reported The Germans made severa! assaults rear Rossignol wood but on each ocea ion were driven back. Near Schillyaurette a sharp engagement occurred and here also the British maintained hemselves and secured prisoners.

The Germans are continuing to bring ip artillery and rush in new troops rom various parts of the line in presaration for a continuance of the drive

TO PLAN PATRIOTIC MEETINGS IN

Committee of Citizens to Meet at Commercial Club for That Purpose Tonight.

The committee of citizens appointed last Sunday following the patriotic nass meeting at the high school auditorium for the purpose of formulating plans for future gatherings of the kind will meet this evening at the Commerial club, it is stated. At this meeting a permanent organization will be formed, the duty of which will be to arrange for speakers and programs for future patriotic meetings.

The committee is composed of Dr Gilbert T. Rowe, W. M. Marr, A. E. Tate, A. T. Wishart, Gurney Kearns, W. L. Stamey, Fred N. Tate, Dr. Dred Peacock, W. T. Parker, Frank Ogburn, J. P. Rawley, Rev. James A. Clarke, leorge W. Denny, S. L. Davis, Robert Brockett, Sr., J. Allen Austin, Mrs. Henry A. White, Miss Clara 1, Cox, Mrs. S. L. Davis, Mrs. Benjamin E. Moore, and

The members are urged to attend promptly tonight so that the business may be completed as quickly as possible

WENDING WAY TO GERMANY

Amsterdam, March 28.-Enormously ong ambulance trains are passing their way to Aix La Chapel'e and other parts of Germany with wounded men from the French oattle front, according DEAD AT FLYING FIELD to the Telegraf frontier correspondent,

Many of the wounded have been de- her recovery.

Teams Representing Winston Salem and Reidsville to Mee Here-Local Teams Leave.

The teams representing the Winston-Salem and Reidsville high schools in the triangular debate between the schools of High Point, Reidsville and Winston-British Have Situation | Salem, will contest at the high school side of the query, "Résolved; That there Well in Hand, Reports at 8 o'clock, Superintendent Weaver M Marr stated this morning. Winston-Salem's debaters will have the negative side of the query, "Resolved: That there should be compulsory arbitration of Germans Continue to should be compulsory around will should be compulsory will Reidsville will

High Point's debaters will visit Win-Every Area to This sten-Salem and Reidsville tomorrow evening. The affrmative team from the Sector in Preparation local school, composed of James Lyon and Howell Albertson, will go to Winston-Salem to meet the Reidsville negatives and the High Point negative team Carlton Kirkman and Miss Blanche Criddlebaugh, will go to Reidsville to debate the Winston-Saem affirmatives.

The officials of the local schools are anxious to have a large gathering toof the opinion that developments morrow evening, for it is felt that the local representatives will be faced by attentive audiences at Winston-Salem and Reidsville. Then, too, the query is one of great interest to all people who are interested in the success of the allied arms in the great war, for the labor problem has more than once served to stop work on greatly needed ships. The High Point debaters are well prepared and are expected to give an excellent account of themselves.

Commencement Exercises Are Held at the Mechanicsville Graded School.

A most successful session of the Mechanicsville school came to a close yeserday when the usual comr exerciss were held. The program was mary and intermediate grades participated. Recitations, songs and drills given in three divisions, classed as one. two and three. Madge Idol won in the first, Paul Yokeley in the second and Geraldine Staley in the third. Books were given the winners and Cleo Brown, Pearl Teague, Carrie Bell Hucks, Edith Ritchie, Beatrice Farringtaon, Troy Vestal and Pauline Brown were awarded special diplomas for neither being absent nor tardy during the ses-

The faculty of the Mechanicsville school was composed of Miss Daisy L. Ogborn, principal; Mrs. Percy Payne, Miss Emma Ridge, Miss Estelle Fentress and Miss Kate Nance

BRITISH WOUNDED FROM FRONT ARRIVE IN PARIS

Paris, March 28.-The first lot Britsi hwounded from the battle front reached Paris on hospital trains Tuesday. They were distributed among Paris hospitals. This is the first time British wounded have been sent here, proving a prospective rather than a new althugh numbers passed through Pari during the early months of th ewar.

ONLY SIX FRENCH SHIPS SUNK DURING WEEK

Paris, March 28.-The French ship ping losses for the week ending March 23 by mine or submarine were one merchantment of over 1,600 and five merchantmen under that tonnage. Two vessels were unsuccessfully attacked,

TRINITY PARK SCHOOL WON FROM LIBERTY-PIEDMONT

Durham, March 28 .- Trinity Park baseball team defeated Liberty-Piedmont institute here by a score of 3 to 2. Liberty-Piedmont had Trinity 2 to I until the ninth inning, when Massey singled with two men on. Liberty-Pied mont secred twice in the first inning when Pulliam singled with two men on

Mrs. Steele III.

Mrs. Edward Douglas Steele is seri ously ill with gastritis, it was reported singing. Thursday. Physicians have hope for

Meet at Capital.

24 states met here today.

Striking With Unexampled Fury They Force French Out of Monte Didier-British Advance Positions.

Fighting Valiantly, the French Prevent Baby Killers From Getting Opening at Other Points on Front.

Striking with almost unexampled fury against the allied front near the point where the British and French lines connect, the Germans yesterday and last night drove a deep wedge and forced the French out of Monte Didier. The town, which lies 19 miles south of Amiens, one of the German objectives, is 10 miles west of Roye, which the Germans took on Tuesday.

The threat against Amiens in the north seems to be well held by the British along their front north of the Somme, where they have maintained their line firmly at all points, and even, as indicated by today's official reports, have advanced it in places.

In Novon and Lassigney regions and along the Oise to the east the French are likewise preventing the Germans from getting an opening. The force of their drive was thus diverted to the west of the Roye region and the forward push there developed probably the fiercest fighting in the present battle,

Paris characterizes the fighting as of 'unheard of ferocity." The French regiments, however, fought with their acvery interesting and pupils of the pri- customed bravery and made the Germans pay dearly for every bit of ground they covered in the desperate push for predominated, the recitations being an outlet, the French finally retiring n good order to the heights to the west of Monte Didier. News dispatches from the front this morning reported the line in this sector to be holding well.

While this effort to drive in betweenthe British and French armies was being carried out in th esouth, the Germans, apparently worried by the anlient they were creating, and wishing to protect their right wing from a flanking attack, have developed a threat on the extreme north of the present front in the region of Arras, London reports the beginning this morning of a heavy ombardment.

The possibility is not lost sight of that this attack so far on the north may herald an extension of the active fighting front along the lines to the north in the development of a German push for the channel port. Seemingly, lowever, the enemy has all he can take care of in the way of opposition in the present field of offensive and the prhoability points to the Arras front

offensive movement. Meanwhile the German line is being extended to an apparently dangerous extent on the northern front, where a flanking operation has been pointed to as most likely to prove effective.

AT FRIENDS CHURCH

Evangelistic Meetings to Start Sunday and Continue Throughout Next Week.

Evangelistic meetings will be held at he Friends church throughout next wick, the paster, Rev. Sy rester Newin announced today. The services will egin Sunday evening at 8 o'clock with the preaching done by Rev. Lewis W. McFar and, a man very well known in the city, assisted by Rex. Phillip Moses, of Winston Salem, who will end the

Members of the Friends church and the people of the city general are les ing forward to the meetings with terest and large congregations are piceted. Every person in the ris-invited to attend and a cordial welwill be extended to all services.