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THE GERMANS AND THE ALLIES CLASH AT VARIOUS POINTS

The Teutons' Attempt to Take English Channel Frustrated by French and British. They were Also Defeated in an Attempt to Capture Dunkirk.

PARIS, Oct. 14.—Germany's campaign to gain control of the English channel was checked today by the French and British armies which hurled back the advance bodies of the enemy east of Casel and re-captured Upes, one of the most important Belgian railroad centres. It is learned, authoritatively that they have also been defeated in an attempted raid on Dunkirk on the French coast. GERMAN COLUMN MADE TO BEAT HASTY RETREAT. The German column moving out of Lille to the north were driven in retreat. Official advices from Petrograd state that the Russian war office denies the siege of Pzemyasl, asserting that only the flooded condition of the rivers Vistula and San are holding up the advance. It is stated that the Russian battle line is unimpaired. THIS REPORT SAYS PORTUGAL TO FIGHT. LONDON, Oct. 14.—A dispatch reaching London from Lisbon declares that Portugal has declared war on Germany and will co-operate with the English in the attacks on the Kaiser's possessions in Africa. This report is unconfirmed and is published with all reserve. THE ENGLISH ORDER 50,000 STRETCHERS FOR MEN. READING, PA., A local firm today received orders from the English government for fifty thousand stretchers to be used in carrying the wounded from the field. They are to be supplied at the rate of a thousand a week for one year. NO IMPORTANT CHANGES IN THE SITUATION. PARIS, Oct. 14.—Tonight's official bulletin says "All information received this evening which is of a very general nature does not indicate any important change in the situation."

THE BRITISH TROOPS DEFEAT THE GERMANS. LONDON, Oct. 14.—The press Bureau tonight gave out the following "The British troops engaged on the Allies left have pressed back the German flank. "Nothing was added as to the extent of this success or ever the approximate location except "the nature of the country in which the fighting is taking place. begin that of a mining centre, makes rapid progress difficult." TWELVE GERMANS KILLED; TWENTY ARE WOUNDED. LONDON, Oct. 14.—A traveler returning from Holland, today declared that a party of German soldiers crossed the frontier last Friday between Essen and Rosendale. The officer commanding them refused to surrender to the Dutch and he interned in accordance with the International Law. In a fight which followed twelve of the Germans were killed and twenty were wounded. BATTLE BEGINS IN VICINITY OF WARSAW. PETROGRAD, Oct. 14.—It is announced, officially that "A battle has begun on the line extending near Warsaw along the Vistula and San rivers to Pzemyasl and further south to the Dinister river. In east Prussia the situation is unchanged. PARIS, Oct. 12.—The official statement issued tonight says "Violent attacks have been made along our front. We have gained ground at many points and nowhere have we lost any." Vigorous attacks by the French on the German centre was weakened several days ago in order to aid General Von Kluck. Today's conflicts are believed to have resulted in a material victory for the French. The conflict raged with the greatest violence North of Soissons and to the east and southeast of Verdun. At both places the French, after a vigorous bombardment, sent large columns of infantry to dislodge the Germans from their trenches. North of Soissons the French captured and held several positions of strategic value, which, it is believed, will give them a decided advantage in future operations. GERMANS PLAN TO CAPTURE CITY OF OSTEND. LONDON, Oct. 12.—Only fragmentary news was received here today in regard to the German operations between Antwerp and Ostend. That the latter point is to be the object of attack in this action of the theatre of war is not denied but the British will offer every resistance in their power. Ostend would be worth a score of Antwerp to the Kaiser but his forces will have to fight every step of the way before they get there. Reinforcements are being rushed from England and every man spare is being sent to aid the

Incubator Baby Kinston's Latest

THE LITTLE RASCAL IS JUST ABOUT READY TO COME OUT OF OVEN.

KINSTON, Oct. 13.—Kinston's first incubator baby is ready to come out into the open air world as soon as the doctor and nurses can arrange for a suitable place to put little Kathleen Parrott Poplin, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Poplin, of 300 East Lenoir street. Baby Kathleen now reclines on a tiny cot in a big glass box and plays with her pink toes and watches the movements of the white-capped people who smile in upon her and regulate the heat from the electric stove so that she may be precisely comfortable. Miss Kathleen Parrott, who is named for a nurse and Dr. W. T. Parrott, who attended her, did not have an entry into this vale of sorrows under very auspicious circumstances. The little atom of humanity would probably have succumbed had it not been for the incubator. Since she was placed in the box, however, she has gained eight ounces, and when development fairly starts in she will have as good a chance as any child. The incubator in which the baby has been interned the past seven weeks is a complicated arrangement, in which warm fresh air is supplied by a special ventilating system. The temperature is maintained the same day and night, at an average of 90 degrees. The baby has never breathed air cooler than 89 degrees or warmer than 93. The air is moistened by a special device. Little Miss Kathleen Parrott is artificially fed on predigested milk. It was the intention of those caring for the Poplin baby to take it to Greene County to live for a time, that it might have pure country air and other advantages for successful development, but the plans did not carry, and now they are looking about for other suitable quarters for her temporary abode.

THE FRENCH ARE BADLY SCARED BY BIG BOMBS

German Aeroplanes Drop Death Dealing Missiles on the Capital and Kill Three Persons

Paris, Oct. 12.—The progress of the campaign in the north of France and the fall of Antwerp were forgotten for a moment today by the people of Paris, who everywhere were discussing the throwing of bombs on the capital from German aeroplanes. As a result of a raid Sunday three persons were killed and fourteen wounded. Another attack this morning resulted less disastrously, bombs dropped between two departing railroad trains failing to explode. General Hirschauer was appointed to take charge of the aerial defense of the city. He is an aeronautic expert and organized last year the aerial branch of the army service. A number of deputies met at the call of Deputy Denys Cochin to consider various means of rendering the city more secure from aeroplane attacks. The creation of aerial squadron stationed at Cardinal Point to be always ready to dash after the air craft of the enemy as soon as they should be signalled approaching the city; the arming of fast monoplane with quick firing guns and the telephoning of warnings by residents of the capital to the French aero club, which is now under military control, were among the suggestions discussed. Finally, M. Cochin sent a telegram to Bordeaux urging the immediate adoption of efficacious measures with the view of reassuring the people. The news that one of the German bombs yesterday struck the Cathedral of Notre Dame has been communicated to the Vatican. It is reported that the Pope exclaimed "Providence has prevented an outrage which would have shocked the world." Military critics, commenting today on the movements of the armies in the Apremont region, declare it is worthy of note that Apremont, to the east of St. Mihiel, is the route the enemy would take if they sought to withdraw from St. Mihiel in the direction of Lorraine. Their positions in this vicinity means much to them, it is declared.

STORES TO CLOSE EARLY DURING WEEK OF FAIR

Every Business House in the City Will be Asked To Close Its Doors Each Afternoon.

At a special meeting last night of the Board of Directors of the Eastern Carolina Fair Association the contract for the operation of trains to the Fair grounds during the week of October 27 to 30 was offered for consideration. Upon motion by C. L. Ives the contract was accepted. To Close Schools. The Association decided to ask the Craven county School Board to close the public schools all day on Wednesday and a part of Thursday so that the pupils will be able to attend the Fair. A committee was appointed to call upon the members of the Board and Superintendent H. B. Craven in regard to this matter. The committee will also confer with the superintendents of the public schools in adjoining counties and ask them to close their schools on Wednesday and allow the pupils to come to the Fair. To Get Exhibits. A committee composed of Charles Coplon, George Green and O. G. Dunn were appointed to call upon the merchants of the city and to induce them to take a booth, each, in the exhibit building. About fifty per cent of these booths have already been disposed of and the Fair Association hopes to have each one of them disposed of before the Fair is opened. This committee is also to urge the merchants and manufacturers to close their places of business from one to five o'clock each afternoon during the Fair so that their employees will have an opportunity of attending. This plan was put in effect last year by a number of the firms and proved to be a big success in every way. Several of the merchants who were present at the meeting last night at once agreed to close their places of business during the hofts mentioned.

THE GERMANS TO TAKE OSTEND IF IT IS POSSIBLE

They are Approaching the City by Three Roads and Have an Unlimited Number of Troops.

THE DEFENDING FORCE IS WOEFULLY SMALL. French Believe That The German Occupation of Lille Is Only a Matter of a Very Short Time. LONDON, Oct. 14.—A dispatch to the Daily News from Ostend dated Monday midnight says "The Germans are approaching Ostend by three roads, from Ypres by way of Dixmude, from Coutra through Throuout and from Eclou, through Bruges." "Only a small Belgian force and almost no English troops remain in Ostend, according to the Daily Sketch's correspondent there. "Five refugee boats left here yesterday," he adds. "A number of transports which were in the harbor also have put to sea." GERMAN OCCUPATION OF LILLE INDEFINITE. PARIS, Oct. 14.—The left wing of the allies, where the French and British forces have taken the offensive at certain points against the Germans is expected here to be the scene of sharp fighting. The occupation of Lille by the Germans, it is believed by the French, will be only of short duration. The actions in this vicinity previously had been principally engagements between the cavalry of the contending forces but the French official communication now speaks of "our forces" in general and not as previously "our cavalry" in referring to the troops around Lille, indicating that the infantry also has got forward. The German army corps which has occupied Lille, evidently is part of the force released from service in Belgium. Having failed in their attacks at Arras, Albert, Roye, Lassigny and Tracy-Le-Mont, there was much speculation on the result of the next effort of the Germans. BELFORT ENDANGERED. LONDON, Oct. 14.—A dispatch to the Central News from Copenhagen says "According to a Berlin dispatch the Germans are preparing to lay siege upon Belfort with as large a force as possible. "Almost the entire civil population has left the city." Belfort is an almost impregnable fortress in France just across the Alsatian border opposite Muelhausen. In the Franco-Prussian war it withstood a siege for more than three months. The town has a population of about 26,000.

COLONIZATION CO. IS SENDING MEN TO THIS SECTION

Maryland Concern's Representatives to Pay New Bern a Visit Tomorrow Morning

The Southern Settlement and Development Company of Baltimore, Md., are contemplating starting several colonies in Eastern North Carolina and two of their representatives will today begin a tour of inspection of the lands along the route of the Norfolk Southern Railway. These two gentlemen, Mr. Manns and Dr. Hopkins, arrived at Norfolk yesterday and according to a message received from B. E. Rice of the Norfolk Southern by George Green, secretary of the New Bern Chamber of Commerce, they will reach New Bern tomorrow morning. Mr. Green has been notified that Mr. Charles G. Speight of the local plant of the John L. Roper Lumber Company will act as one of the guides while the party is in New Bern and other members of the Chamber of Commerce are requested to be on hand when the party arrives. Under the direction of Mr. Rice, who is at the head of the Land and Industrial Department of the Norfolk Southern, these visitors will make an extensive investigation and inspection of the farming land around New Bern and there is every reason to believe that the Baltimore company will arrange to bring a colony of settlers here at an early date. Before returning to Norfolk the party will probably visit Beaufort and Morehead City and also Kinston. It is probable that they will also be taken over the Raleigh division of the Norfolk Southern and also go as far as Charlotte, returning to the Virginia city some time next week. While in New Bern the members of the party will be shown every consideration and their stay made as pleasant as possible.

1,000 BALES SOLD. Have been Disposed of On Local Market.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 13.—This city was the most productive centre of the war news today. Two items of the greatest interest were received during the day while cable news from abroad was held up or mutilated by censorship. Consular dispatches to the State Department said that the British Consul at Ostend has placed his interests in the hands of the American consulate and will leave tomorrow morning. This action was taken in expectation of the occupation of the city by the Germans. Information from the same source stated that all communication by wire between Ostend and Ghent had been cut and that Bruges was already in the hands of the Germans. POLAND GOES FORWARD. WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 13.—The first intimation that the Russian advance into Russian Poland is progressing rapidly came from the American Consular official at Warsaw, the capital, who telegraphed the State Department asking for instructions regarding the care of foreign property during the expected period of occupancy by the Kaiser's forces. PANIC IN OSTEND. OVER GERMAN ADVANCES. FOLKSTONE, ENG., Oct. 13.—Boats are continually going backwards and forwards bringing refugees from Ostend. A panic prevails in that city over the advance of the Germans. DOVER, ENG., Oct. 13.—Two Germans were arrested today upon the arrival of the Ostend steamer at Folkstone. They were suspected of espionage and were imprisoned. NOTEWORTHY ADVANCE IN REGIONS OF BARRY AU BAC. PARIS, Oct. 13.—Tonight's official bulletin merely says "There is nothing new to announce except a somewhat noteworthy advance in the region of Barry Au Bac. PARIS, Oct. 13.—A Temps dispatch from Gettlinge says that the Serb Montenegrin force has begun an attack on Ragusa. THE TURKS GETS AFTER SEVERAL HUNDRED GREEKS. LONDON, Oct. 13.—An Athens dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company, says 1,500 Greeks have been expelled by the Turks from Erechi, on the area of Marmora. Fifty three miles west of Constantinople under the pretext that it is necessary to fortify this region. The correspondent says conferences are being held by Constantinople officials and the diplomatic representatives of the powers with the idea of concluding treaties to replace the recently abrogated capitulations granting special rights to foreigners.

Male Stenographers Are in Demand

UNCLE SAM IS TO HOLD EXAMINATIONS AT AN EARLY DATE. The United States Civil Service mission announces that it has been unable to supply the demand for MALE stenographers and typewriters in the United States Government service, especially at Washington, D. C. Young men who are willing to accept appointment at an entrance salary of \$840 to \$900 per annum have excellent opportunities for appointment. Advancement of capable appointees is reasonably rapid. Occasionally appointment is made at a salary of as much as \$1,200 per annum. For such salary only those who attain a rating of at least 85 per cent in the stenography and who have had at least two years practical office experience will be certified. The Government service offers a desirable field to bright and ambitious young men. Examinations are held monthly, except in December, in 400 of the principal cities of the United States, and applications may be filed with the Commission at Washington, D. C., at any time. For full information in regard to the scope and character of the examination and for application forms address the U. S. CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION Washington, D. C., or the Secretary of the U. S. Civil Service Board of Examiners at any of the following named cities: Boston, Mass., New York, N. Y., Philadelphia, Pa., Atlanta, Ga., Cincinnati, Ohio, Chicago, Ill., St. Paul, Minn., St. Louis, Mo., New Orleans, La., Seattle, Wash., San Francisco, Cal., Honolulu, Hawaii, and San Juan, Porto Rico. JOHN A. McLENNY, President, U. S. Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C.

New Bern Woodmen To Unveil Monuments

SPECIAL TAX SCHOOLS OPENING. A number of the schools in the county that have special school tax have already opened, some of which have a very good attendance, while those that have only four months term will not start before about the first of November. The Vanceboro graded school opened this session with about fifty per cent larger enrollment than last year. HAD PERSONAL ENCOUNTER. Knife Brought Into Play on Streets of Mount Olive. MOUNT OLIVE, N. C., Oct. 13.—John Davis, a local sawmill contractor and farmer, received two or three ugly wounds buy a knife in the hands, it is alleged, of J. R. Jones, a local wholesale merchant, as the result of a personal encounter between the two on the streets last night. The cause of the difficulty between the combatants has not been learned. Jones was required to give bond for his appearance before the Mayor this morning. J. W. Sears and G. O. Marshall, of Vanceboro, were business visitors to New Bern yesterday.

Large Hotel Is Destroyed by Fire

OSTELRY AT LOUISBURG GUTTED BY FLAMES YESTERDAY MORNING. LOUISBURG, Oct. 14.—The Franklin Hotel, twice damaged by fire in the past few years, was completely destroyed by fire early today, and more than a dozen guests rushed to the streets in their night clothes after abandoning their baggage and most of their personal effects. The flames are believed to have originated in the kitchen about 2 a. m. and in a few minutes the brick structure was completely wrapped in flames. The damage is estimated at \$25,000, with no insurance on either building or furnishings. After the building had been gutted the brick walls fell, injuring several persons, among them J. D. Winfree, seriously. The fire department did heroic work, but was unable to stop the flames. The citizens of Louisburg took care of the guests, many of whom were traveling men from other States, and it was announced today that the traveling public would be accommodated in private homes until such time as the hotel is rebuilt. The citizens of Louisburg will see to it that the people coming to the town are well cared for. The hotel was conducted by E. W. Ford, and the building cost \$18,000. The offices of Dr. A. H. Fleming and Dr. W. B. Morton were located in the building and Dr. Fleming sustained damage amounting to \$1,000 with \$300 insurance and Dr. Morton lost \$450, with no insurance. The postoffice, also located in the building was damaged to the extent of \$1,000. Some new fixtures costing \$1,400 were partly ruined. A postoffice inspector was expected here today from Raleigh. This made the third fire to damage this hotel in the past few years. The last was two winters ago, when the building was partly gutted.

PEACE AGITATORS EMBARRASS WILSON

PRESIDENT, MAKING NO NEW MOVE, SAYS OTHERS ARE DOING IT FOR HIM. Washington, Oct. 14.—President Wilson said today he was doing nothing toward opening up the subject of mediation again with the warring nations of Europe. He added that "several others are doing it for me" and indicated it was causing the Administration some embarrassment. Oscar Straus, former Ambassador to Turkey and member of The Hague Tribunal, called with a party of New York friends to invite the President to attend the three hundredth anniversary of the founding of the city of New York, on Oct. 25. He remained with the President fifteen minutes after the others in his party left and talked peace. The President, it was said, told Mr. Straus he did not believe the time propitious for again suggesting mediation. The President's position now is that some of the belligerents have got to open the way for any new offers from the United States. The President will take no other action than to "reserve judgment" on the protest against alleged German atrocities filed with the State Department by the French Ambassador, M. Jusserand. The President has acknowledged receipt of this protest, he did all others. OVERMAN IN THE MOVIES. And Now Peace Has Settled Upon The United States Senate. WASHINGTON, Oct. 14.—The moving picture row that broke up the Senate Saturday when Chairman Overman of the Rules Committee charged that the rules of the Senate had been violated by Fred J. Haskins' movie outfit, and intimated that Vice-President Marshall was responsible, has ended. In the first batch of pictures Senators Kern, Lea and Smith of Georgia, all members of the rules committee, and the Vice-President are shown. Senator Overman posed today and now his picture will be in the movies. Mr. Haskins will be permitted to use the films. The gas freight boat Lena was in port yesterday loading a cargo of merchandise for Seaboard.

TO PREVENT MORE TROUBLE. American Soldiers Line International Border Line in West Texas.

NACO, ARIZ., Oct. 13.—The Ninth and Tenth United States Cavalry, under Col. C. P. A. Hatfield, were lined up along the international boundary today to prevent the Villa and Carranza factions from again bringing their warfare upon American soil. This followed the second appeal of President Wilson for protection of the town against stray bullets and shells which for ten days have fallen here instead of in the Mexican camps. Sheriff Wheeler asked Governor Hunt today to request withdrawal of the Federal troops. He offered to gather 500 cowboys who would protect the town without discussing technicalities. RETURNS FROM EUROPE. Breakridge Back at Work After Special Duty. WASHINGTON, Oct. 14.—Henry S. Breakridge, Assistant Secretary of War, returned to his duties at the War Department today, having completed his task as head of the relief expedition which visited the warring European countries to care for distressed Americans. Several military officers attached to the expedition had opportunities to watch European mobilization, conducted on a scale greater than the world has ever before known. This information is regarded as confidential but is expected to be of great value to the general staff in the creation of a defensive army in the United States if ever required. JOHN LIND SLIGHTLY ILL IN SANITARIUM. Battle Creek, Mich., Oct. 14.—John Lind, who was President Wilson's special envoy to Mexico in the days of Huerta, is in a sanitarium here. It was announced today that he is not seriously sick, but is under the care of physicians while resting.

GOV. CRAIG REFUSES TO GRANT CLEMENCY.

RALEIGH, N. C., Oct. 13.—Governor Craig today declined to intercede further in behalf of Harvey Galoway, of Winston-Salem, the negro convicted in July of killing his wife and sentenced to death. His execution will occur Friday.

MRS. W. J. LUCAS UNDERGOES AN OPERATION

The friends of Mrs. W. J. Lucas, who was operated on at Fairview Sanitarium Monday for gall stones, will be pleased in hearing that her conditions last night were very encouraging.

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