

LONG AND TERRIBLE VON KLUCK WAS ON VERGE OF RETREAT

Is the British Idea of the Struggle Whoever Wins at Aisne

Germans Making Fierce Attacks

Assault Today Centers About Roye, and Alliet Claim to be Repulsing the Invaders—Indian Troops in the Fray

London, October 3.—Though the German right is less than fifty miles from the Belgian frontier in France, and ever since the outbreak of the war apparently have the British people been more reconciled to the idea ever since the outbreak of the long and terrible. When the Germans first began to retreat, after their rush toward Paris, hope ran high that some master stroke would bring a complete route to the invaders.

Now, however, many observers emphasize that even should the so-called battle line be terminated the Germans would only fall back on equally strong entrenchments.

There is nothing from the French line this morning to indicate the marked change in the situation. The fiercest fighting apparently still centers on that part of the battle line stretching due north for about forty miles, in almost a straight line, from Roye. The vicinity of Albert has again been the scene of vigorous action, where the allies claim progress, and though it seems incredible, the latest announcements asserted that the remainder of the vast line was quiet with the exception of the region around St. Mihiel, from which the Germans were driven from their southernmost lodgment.

From Petrograd there continues to pour in uninterrupted claims of Russian successes on the Polish frontier, but from Galicia, where the Russians and combined German-Austrian forces are at death grips before Cracow, has come nothing to indicate which side has taken the first honors in preliminary skirmishes.

A belated dispatch from Copenhagen says Emperor William has recently been at Breslau, where he decided on a four-fold offensive movement against Kovono, Warsaw, Lodz and Galicia. When this was under way, it was added, he expected to return to the western theatre of war. From the southeast tip of Galicia, that is to say Bukowina, filters news of advanced Russian forces unheard of for days and that a battle between Austrians and combined Russo-Serbian forces was in immediate prospect.

British critics seem unable to agree as to whether the recent revival of German activity in Belgium means a serious attempt to take Antwerp and other points, or whether operations are merely intended to harass the Belgians and prevent them from tampering with the German lines' communication.

Vienna, according to roundabout dispatches, purporting to emanate from the Austrian capital, is preparing for a siege and there is even talk of removing the seat of government.

Decision of the Admiralty to mine a certain area of the North Sea has given England added feeling of security. While no alarm ever has been manifested heretofore the move is hailed as one shielding Dover Straits and the channel, without interfering with the southern exit from the Thames, or routes to Ostend, Dunkirk Calais and Boulogne.

Germans Fiercely Attacking.
Paris, October 3.—After repeated vain efforts to break at Tracy Le Mont and then at Roye the strong line of the allies the Germans have renewed their fierce attacks between Roye and the Arras region. Their latest efforts, in which they have been hurling their forces against the French and English in trying to gain a decisive victory, have had no better results. The French war officials

frankly admit a slight falling at the left of one of their detachments. On the other hand, the allies have not only successfully opposed the terrific onslaughts of the enemy at other points, but have made gains as well. The allies continue to pour in their troops at points where they are needed to replace those worn out by hard fighting, or in filling gaps in the ranks. It is assumed that England's native troops, whose arrival at Marselles last week has only just been announced, are either at the front or in its vicinity. They have greatly strengthened the French line, which it is roughly estimated now numbers seven hundred and fifty thousand men.

Official announcement this afternoon declares a violent attack of Germans at Roye has been repulsed by the allies.

The statement says:
"First: On our left wing the violent action which has been progressing since yesterday continues without interruption, particularly in the region of Roye, where we have repulsed all attacks, although upon this part of the front the enemy has been reinforced by new additions, taken from the enemy's center, as has been previously noted.

"Second: On the center there is nothing to be noted from the Rheims to Argonne region. In the Argonne district the 16th German Corps (the army of the Crown Prince), which had attempted to slip by through the woods of Grurie, has been driven back toward the north of the Arennes La Harazee Viennes La Ville line.

"In the Woivre district and upon the heights of the Meuse our progress is always slow, but continuous.

"In the Belgian field the Germans are bombarding the front southeast of La Place D'Anvers, without being yet able to produce any considerable effect upon the works. They have delivered many infantry attacks, which have been repulsed.

"In the Russian field of operations the strong German army of four corps has taken positions between the frontier of East Prussia and the river Nieman. Its left wing has been thrown back upon Mariampol and Suwalki. At the center the city of Augustowo has been taken by the Russians.

"On the German right wing the struggle continues around Osowetz.

"In Galicia, the rear guard of the Austrians has retreated in disorder as far as the Vistula river.

"In Bosnia, the Servian-Montenegrin columns are advancing on Sarajevo."

Another Steamer Likely Sunk.
Venice, October 3.—Report has

ARE GETTING READY FOR BIG ASSAULT



Philander C. Knox, one-time Secretary of State, who is soon to start on an extended campaigning trip through Pennsylvania telling of the "practical Roosevelt" — the man he served under as Attorney General and he came in close contact with as Junior Senator from Pennsylvania. It is expected that his references to Roosevelt will not always be polite one and Mr. Knox will urge the election of the entire Republican ticket.

Japanese Are Slowly Preparing to Attack Tsingtau.

GERMAN FORTS IN CONSTANT ACTION

A Jap Mine Sweeper Strikes Mine and Goes Down—A Fight in Midair.

Tokio, October 3.—It is officially announced that another Japanese mine sweeper, at Kio Chow, has been sunk after striking a mine. The casualties are given as four killed and nine wounded.

The German forts and ships are constantly shelling the Japanese army, which is slowly preparing for a big assault on Tsingtau, the German stronghold, and a German aeroplane, from Tsingtau, has made two unsuccessful attempts to attack Japanese warships. Japanese aeroplanes went in pursuit of the German aircraft and were subjected to bombardment. A captive balloon, which has been seen above Tsingtau, has been hauled down. It is believed to have been damaged.

TO WAGE WAR FOR THE AMENDMENTS

Special to The Dispatch.

Raleigh, N. C., October 3.—A score of citizens from all parts of the State met here this afternoon and planned to wage a vigorous campaign for the constitutional amendments. At 2 o'clock nothing definite had been done, though it was known that literature would be sent out to weekly papers and that personal work would be done at the polls.

Representative Williams, of Buncome, was made chairman of the meeting and J. W. Bailey explained the objects. Among those speaking were A. E. Holton, A. L. Brooks and W. A. Self.

GOVERNOR GRANTS CONDITIONAL PARDON

Special to The Dispatch.

Raleigh, N. C., October 3.—Governor Craig this afternoon granted a conditional pardon to Missie Marlowe, convicted in Columbus county, in July, 1911, of aiding and abetting in murder, and sentenced to fifteen years. The young woman had nothing to do with it, the deceased being killed by a jealous rival. The solicitor and others unhesitatingly recommended the pardon.

FRENCH COURT TRYING SUSPECTS

Paris, October 3.—A French court-martial has begun hearing the cases of Germans taken prisoners by the French while in disguise, and upon whose persons there have been found objects of value. All German prisoners in French hands thus suspected of pillage are to be tried. Spies are being judged summarily without the formality of a court-martial. Their executions are kept a close secret, but it is said a considerable number already have been shot.

CHINESE AGAIN PROTEST TO JAPAN

Peking, October 3.—The Chinese government today replied to the latest Japanese note. It declares again that it considered the Japanese occupation of Wiahsien, in Shantung province, a break of neutrality and asserted if the rest of the railroad in Shantung was occupied such action would constitute a further violation.

SENATE COMMITTEE DECIDES RETAIN IT

Washington, D. C., October 3.—The Senate Democratic Finance Committee decided to retain the proposed tax of two dollars per thousand on bank capital and surplus in the war revenue bill.



Mrs. Paul Phipps, who, with her sister, Mrs. Reginald Brooks, sailed on the Cunard liner Mauretania a few days ago for England to become a Red Cross Nurse. Her sister, Mrs. Waldorf Astor has given up her country home, Chiveden, to be used as a Red Cross Hospital, and it is here that the two sisters plan to do their work. Mrs. Phipps, who was Miss Nora Langhorne, has distributed sewing along the steamer's passengers, which she will collect when the voyage is ended and use in the Astor hospital.

FOUR KILLED IN POWDER EXPLOSION

Jersey City, October 3.—Four men were killed and many injured today by the explosion of a powder magazine at the fireworks manufacturing plant of the Detwiller and Street Co., on Hackensack Meadows, just outside the city.

VIRGINIA AND YALE MEET TODAY

New Haven, Conn., October 3.—For the first time in the history of the two institutions Yale meets the University of Virginia at football on the Yale field today and a close game is expected.

NEW AMBASSADOR FROM ITALY

Washington, D. C., October 3.—The circle of foreign diplomats in Washington has just received a new and interesting addition in the person of Count Macchi di Cellere, who has arrived here to take up his duties as Italian ambassador to the United States.

The new ambassador comes from a very old Roman family, which has given many cardinals to the church. He is a great favorite at court, where Countess Cellere is among the ladies seen at all functions.

About a year ago Count Cellere was asked to accept a candidacy for parliament, which he declined upon being appointed to the Washington post. He is a knight of the order of the Crown of Italy, and is a knight commander of the St. Maurizio and St. Lazzaro, one of the most distinguished and oldest orders of Europe, founded in the sixteenth century by the House of Savoy.

Count Cellere is a man of brilliant diplomatic achievements, and more than once he has been spoken of in Rome as a future minister of foreign affairs. His home in the Italian capital is one of the most beautiful residences in that city. The family's old place, however, is in Piazza Capranica, and is familiar to Americans, as it constitutes of the best specimens of the early renaissance.

Injured By Skaters—Mr. J. W. Croom, a Tidewater Power Company electrician, was knocked from his feet and thrown to the pavement near Third and Princess streets yesterday afternoon by children on roller skates. He was considerably bruised. Dr. T. M. Green treated him after which he went to his home, No. 1104 Market street.

Not Very Many.
As a conductor was punching a ticket a man said to him, with a nasty sneer:
"You have a lot of wrecks on this road, don't you?"
"Oh, no," said the conductor. "You're the first one I've seen for some time."
—Detroit Free Press.

RUSSIANS ON GERMAN SOIL.
Petrograd, Russia, October 3.—A new Russian army of a million men is on the march, the General Staff announces, and that the Russians have once more crossed the German frontier at Szczuczyn and Grajewo.

ALL IN READINESS FOR BIG CONVENTION HELD IN ATLANTA

BROTHERHOOD OF ANDREW MEETS SHORTLY IN YEARLY SESSION.

NATIONAL MEETING OF THE BROTHERHOOD

Thousands of Visitors and Delegates Will Be in Attendance—Nine Bishops to Be Present.

Atlanta, Ga., October 3.—Plans for the National Convention of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, to be held in Atlanta beginning October 14, have been completed by the Atlanta convention committees, and everything is in readiness for the convention.

The Atlanta convention, while not the largest to be held in Atlanta, is one of the most important of the year from the standpoint of the influence wielded by it, and the personnel of the convention delegates and visitors.

Of the thousand visitors and delegates expected to the convention, from all parts of the United States the Southern States will contribute a large percentage. Of the nine bishops who will be in attendance upon the gathering, six will be from Southern States. In addition, a number of laymen, not members of the Brotherhood will be drawn from neighboring States, and will be accorded places upon the official program.

The bishops of the Episcopal church who will be present are Bishops C. K. Nelson, of Atlanta; F. F. Reese, of Savannah; E. G. Weed, of Jacksonville; C. E. Woodcock, of Louisville; T. F. Gallor, of Sewanee, Tenn.; T. D. Bratton, of Jackson, Miss.; S. C. Babcock, of Boston; S. K. Brooke, of Oklahoma City; S. C. Partridge, of Kansas City.

Among the distinguished speakers at the convention will be Hon. J. A. MacDonald, editor of the Toronto Globe, and one of the most noted editors of the American continent; Rev. John Henry Hopkins, rector of the Church of the Redeemer, of Chicago; Hubert Carleton, D. C. L., general secretary of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, Boston, Mass.; Edward H. Bonsall, president of the Brotherhood in the United States, and John Howe Peyton, president of the N. C. & St. L. Railway.

The convention will not be exclusively for the members of the Brotherhood but for all churchmen, and members of other churches as well. The Brotherhood of St. Andrew is unique with respect to its conventions in this matter, and a welcome will be extended to all Christians who desire to attend.

Hon. J. A. MacDonald, who will be a speaker at the mass meeting which will conclude the convention, is a man of international prominence as a speaker, and has traveled widely in the United States, speaking at various great meetings. He has been requested in his Atlanta address to deal with the great problem of Christianity applied to the nations, now of particular significance in the light of the European war.

Mentally Unbalanced—Mr. W. C. Flournoy, who is said to be from Winston-Salem, was arrested today on a warrant sworn out by the Hotel Wilmington charging him with beating a board bill. He was placed in jail and will be examined by the Clerk of Superior Court as to his sanity.

See the Tide Water Power Company's statement on page Seven.—Advertisement.

1,200 members will put the Y. M. C. A. in first place in the State.—Advertisement.

German Reinforcements Came to His Rescue Just in Time.

GENERAL'S FORCES WERE DESPERATE

Germans are Making Furious Attack and Trying to Capture Roye.

New York, October 3.—The Financial News tickers today printed the following dispatch:

Bordeaux, October 3.—Minister of War Millerand declared today that only the steady arrival of reinforcements had averted disaster for the army of General von Kluck and the entire right wing of the German army. He said early in the week von Kluck's forces were in desperate straits and part of them had been forced to withdraw from their advanced positions to a point northeast of St. Quentin by a raid of the French cavalry.

"General von Kluck," Millerand said, "had called for reinforcements but their arrival was delayed and they arrived only in time to prevent a general withdrawal of German troops."

"General fighting continues about Roye," Millerand said, "and the Germans are attacking fiercely. They are making desperate efforts to capture Roye, which they consider an important piece. The Germans are being steadily reinforced. They must stem movement against them for a retreat. The menace of steady pressure against their lines is becoming terrible."

RELIGIOUS WORK DEPT.

Attractive Program For Year Arranged by Y. M. C. A.

Religious work department of the Young Men's Christian begins active work Sunday afternoon with a series of song and prayer.

The program outlined for the religious work department of the Y. M. C. A. for the winter months is the most comprehensive that has ever attempted in the city by any one organization and the religious work committee expect splendid results from the whole program. The work heads up in the general religious work committee, of which Mr. R. F. Coleman is chairman, and under this committee are the four sub-committees, the men's meeting committee, the Bible study committee, the foreign work committee and the extension work committee.

Mr. A. B. Croom will lead the work of the men's meeting; Mr. W. W. Koch the Bible Study; Mr. M. J. Cowell the foreign work and Mr. H. E. O'Keefe the extension work. The last named committee has continued the work at ten different points during the summer. The foreign work committee has been sending contributions to Mr. E. E. Barnett of Hangchow, China, each month. The Bible study committee will begin work Monday night, October 12th, with the fellowship supper.

The meeting tomorrow afternoon will be in the nature of a song and prayer service following out especially the request of President Wilson that a special prayer service be held Sunday, October 25th for peace among the nations now at war with each other. Dr. A. D. McClure will be the speaker at this meeting and there will be some special music. The public is cordially invited to take part in this service, which begins at 4:45.

REV. LACY L. LITTLE.

Will Preach at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church Tomorrow.
Rev. Lacy L. Little, one of the missionaries supported by the First Presbyterian church in the Station at Kiang Yin China, will be in the city the guest of Rev. Dr. A. D. McClure over Sunday. He will go to the meeting of Wilmington Presbytery at Kerr's Station on Tuesday. He will preach at St. Andrew's church tomorrow morning and speak at the Sabbath School rally at 4 p. m.

Well Recommended.
The wife of a wealthy manufacturer had occasion to call in the help of a new floor polisher.
"Do you understand your business thoroughly?"
"All I ask, madam, is that you shall inquire for yourself at my last station. On the floor of the large drawing room alone five persons broke their limbs during last winter, and a lady slipped down the grand staircase. It was I who polished the floor and the stairs."—Chicago News.

BERLIN CLAIMS GERMAN ARMY IS ADVANCING

Berlin, October 3.—The following official statement was issued last night:
"The right wing of the German army in France has repulsed renewed efforts of the French to outflank it. To the south of Roye the French have been dislodged from their positions."
"The situation on the center of the battle front remains unchanged."
"The German troops advancing in the Argonne region have won substantial advantage in southerly direction."
"East of the river Meuse the

French, from Toul, undertook energetic night attacks but were repulsed."
"Before Antwerp the forts of Wavre, St. Catherine and the redoubt of Borpevelt, with their immediate works, were assaulted yesterday. Fort Waelhem has been invested."
"The western and important outer Equipement of Termonde fortifications is in our possession."
"In the eastern arena of the war, the advance of the Russians, across the Nieman river against the Germans in Suwalki province, seems imminent."