

BRITISH CAPTURE COMBLES; DRIVING TOWARD PERONNE

THEY HAVE CAPTURED OTHER TOWNS AND ARE RIGHT ON THE SOMME RIVER WHERE THE GERMANS HOPED TO MAKE A DEFINITE STAND

THEY MADE FROM A THOU- SAND TO TWO THOU- SAND YARDS ADVANCE BEFORE NOON TODAY.

London, Aug. 30.—British troops have captured Combles between Bapaume and the river Somme, it was officially announced by the war department this morning. This advance of the British troops brings them across the Somme at the Peronne-Hindécourt, and the Arras-Cambrai road where they again rushed the German lines and have made considerable progress.

East of the Seneze the British forces under Field Marshal Haig have also made progress capturing Bukkecourt and Hendécourtles-Cogincourt.

The British have also captured Clerysur-Somme on the Somme river between Combles and Peronne.

British Within a Mile of Peronne.

With the British Army in France, (Noon), Aug. 30.—Branches on the south bank of the Somme river about a mile from Peronne has been captured by the forces under General Haig.

British troops this morning entered Les Boueys and their patrols have pushed through Morval to the southeast.

British troops this morning pushed their lines forward direct from Bapaume and have made favorable progress in this section north of Lens. At one point they have pushed forward a thousand yards. La Frasloy on the Bapaume-Peronne road has been reported captured this morning.

British Penetrate Line 2,000 Yards East of Arras.

London, Aug. 30.—British forces east of Arras renewed their advance this morning at an early hour and penetrated the enemy lines another 2,000 yards on a front of seven miles between Bullecourt and the Scarpe, according to advices received here. The British forces have reached within a mile of the Drocourt-Quaent-Switch line and have captured Riencourt.

MARKETS

COTTON

New York, Aug. 30.—An opening break of \$3 per bale followed the advance of yesterday in the cotton market today and first prices were from 45 to 80 points lower under liquidation and realizing. Liverpool and the south sold off 55 points net lower. The general list showed a loss of from 60 to 90 points. At this decline, covering and buying caused rallies of from 30 to 40 points after the call.

New York, Aug. 30.—Cotton futures opened easy with October 34.75 to 34.45, December 34.10, January 33.75, March 33.65 to 33.40, May 33.50.

STOCKS

New York, Aug. 30.—An advance of 2 1/4 points in American tobacco was the only unusual feature of the steady but dull opening of the stock market today. A number of unimportant advances were made in United States Steel and Transcontinental rails sold minus the quarterly dividend but the initial changes in this group were confined to fractions. The Equipments shippings and oils motors were disposed to lag. Maxwell Motors lost a point. The Liberty issues and International bonds were variable.

LIST OF NOMINATIONS

For North Carolina Made by the Senate

(By J. D. Erwin)

Washington, Aug. 30.—A number of North Carolina postoffice appointments were made yesterday. A few of the appointments were necessitated by the raising of fourth class offices to the presidential grade. A majority of the nominations, however, were reappointments to presidential offices. Many of them were overdue owing to the fact that the Postoffice Department has held all nominations back and made them simultaneously instead of sending them to the Senate in small batches from time to time. Fourth-class offices which were advanced to the presidential grade are as follows:

Amsey A. Hillburn, Bladenboro, became presidential January 1, 1918; Thomas H. Coffey, Blowing Rock, became presidential January 1, 1918; Addison J. M. Berry Colerain, became presidential January 1, 1918.

The following reappointments were made for a four-year term:

Romilus R. Ross, Ashboro; Horace McR. Cudger, Baltimore; Ogden F. Crowson, Burlington; James E. Muse Carthage; Gaither G. Blackwelder, China Grove; Nathan R. Pool, Clayton; Robert G. Morrissey, Clinton; J. O. Lunsford, Durham; William C. Blanton, Forest City; John R. Rankin, Gastonia; Watson Winslow Hertford; Geo. C. Lynch, Hillsboro; B. Rufus Avent, Jonesboro; F. C. Gillam, Annapolis; Arthur H. Patterson, Kings Mountain; Walter D. Larogue, Kinston; Redding M. Harper, La Grange; G. H. Russell, Laurinburg; John K. Cline, Lincolnton; Robert H. Davis, Louisburg; L. E. Huggins, Marshville; Edwin C. Wincester, Monroe; William D. Templeton, Mooresville; William L. Arendell, Morehead City; H. Erwin, Morganton; Jas. D. Babb, Murfreesboro; Thomas L. Grant, Old Fort; Oscar A. Snipes, Rocky Mt.; William C. Bass, Rosemary; Kate S. Dunn, Scotland Neck; Wilson D. Leggett, Taboro; Luther B. Carr, Wallace; P. Hanes Linville, Walnut Cove; Emma L. Vaughan, Whitakers; Elmo Powell, Whiteville; LeRoy L. Massey, Zebulon; Edwin S. Yarbrough, Kuke; James A. Harrington, Ayden.

Under a new system adopted by the Postoffice Department, post office appointments are now being made semi-annually instead of the commissions being issued as quickly as the old commissions expire. January 1 and July 1 are the dates for appointments, and except where vacancies are caused by death, removal, or resignation, the nominations will be sent to the State on these dates hereafter.

The whole postoffice system is now under the civil service and post masters who perform their work satisfactorily and satisfy the patrons of the offices as well as the post office department will generally be reappointed, though they are still subject to confirmation by the Senate.

Three Hurt in Aeroplane Accident.

Pensacola, Fla., Aug. 30.—Two naval aviators were killed and a third sustained minor injuries when their machine made a nose dive into the bay early this morning. The dead are James Lloyd Churchill of Syracuse, New York and Dewitt Gifford Wilcox of Newton Center, Miss. Anthony Sher, chief captain of the plane was slightly injured.

ANOTHER AMERICAN SOLDIER SHOT

Drunken Civilians Were Responsible for this Outbreak as Well as the One

NIGHT BEFORE LAST

Nogales, Arizona, Aug. 29.—Drunken civilians on the Mexican side of the border are held responsible for the shooting late last night which resulted in the wounding of an American soldier.

American General Would Cross Border if More Shots Are Fired.

Nogales, Ariz., Aug. 28.—Notification that he would cross the line if another shot was fired by the Mexicans, was sent tonight by Gen. De Rosey Cabell, commander of the American forces, to Gen. P. Elias Calles, Governor of Sonora.

The notification was sent Gen. Calles by Gen. Cabell through the Mexican consul and the American consul at Nogales, Sonora, when firing was resumed on the Mexican side of the border after regrets had been offered by the Mexican officials under an armistice effected.

The firing had been resumed about 9:55 o'clock tonight. Between fifteen and twenty shots were fired from the Mexican side of the border.

A general alarm was sounded on the Arizona side of the international line and the mobilization of troops (Continued on last page)

BLOCKING THE WAY TO BERLIN

Every effort seems to be made to block the way to Berlin by the Germans who doubtless fear that the prize awaits the Americans who have long been in the sector opposite Lorraine and the nearest way to the German capital.

In order to prevent this the Germans have massed Austrian troops sent from the Italian front and these have been found together with Austrian artillery units in front of the American lines. As is well known on account of the knuckling of King Charles to the German Emperor the people of Austria have opposed the sending of Austrian troops to France, contending that if she defended the Italian line that Germany should take care of the French line.

But the pressure of the allies eboming too great Austria was called on for help and the demands made for nine divisions and these are the ones supposed to be on the front in Alsace Lorraine. The Austrian government has been well high dissatisfied by King Charles as far as the representation by the people is concerned. He has gone counter to their wishes so often that military law has been established in the empire and imperial will controls almost absolutely.

It seems the German people have about settled down to the inevitable and are awaiting conclusions. That even the military and the Emperor have about abandoned all hope of winning out against the allies seems certain. Their hope now is getting the best terms possible and holding out as long as possible in order to effect this. The German people are being frightened with the idea that allied occupation of German territory means just as much destruction as they meted out to the French and Belgians.

Counter Attacks Repulsed.

Paris, Aug. 30.—Counter attacks between the Aisne and the Aisne were repulsed last night by the French, according to the statement from the war office. The French maintained their gains west of Pasly, north of the Somme.

MOTORED TO RALEIGH

Mrs. W. F. Woodard, Misses Mary Weaver, Josephine Carr of Asheville Louise Fleming of Greenville and Hadley Woodard spent the day in Raleigh.

AMERICANS DOING VALIENT WORK

Driving the Germans With Fleet of Tanks on Ju- vigny Plateau

OVER TWO MILE FRONT

With the American Army in France, Aug. 30.—Accompanied by a fleet of tanks and covered by a heavy artillery barrage the Americans swept forward early yesterday against the German lines that slowly and reluctantly fell back over Juvigny Plateau. The little operation carried out Wednesday by the French and Americans had been merely preparatory to the attack which began at 7 o'clock yesterday morning. The kink had been taken out of the line Thursday but no determined effort was made to advance.

The frontage assigned to the Americans was less than two miles. That part in which Juvigny is located was the scene of a drastic tank drive. Under the cover of artillery the light French tanks flitted along both sides of the path up to the little place, smashing down one machine gun nest after another, in spite of the employment by the Germans of their new tank gun, a sort of super-Meuser. This gun is virtually identical with the Meuser, except that it fires a bullet a little more than half an inch in diameter. This, it is calculated, can pierce the tank and possibly injure some vital part of the engine. But in the path of the advancing machines, there now lie broken or smashed into the earth scores of these guns.

There is unquestioned mastery of the air by the Allies along this front. It has been misty this morning and there was little effective aerial work and practically none by the Germans. Above the lines the allied planes were seen all forenoon attempting to conduct observations in spite of the murky atmosphere, and occasionally a German plane dared to dart through, but in every case it was forced to retire hastily. Only a few prisoners are reported as yet, the Germans apparently seeing to it that only machine gun crews should be sacrificed.

CASUALTY LIST AUGUST 30TH

Killed in action	101
Missing in action	23
Wounded severely	58
Died from accident and other causes	3
Died from disease	6
Wounded, degree undetermined	23
Died of wounds	12
Total	226
Dillard S. Pearson, Moravian Falls, N. C., missing in action.	
Thomas L. Perry, ure, N.E. C., killed in action.	
Ephraim E. Jones son of P. D. Jones, Rocky Mount, wounded severely.	
Murphy N. Matthews, Kipling, N. C.	
Auburn D. Martin, East Bend, N. C., killed in action.	
Marine Corps Casualties to Date	
Officers—	
Deaths	37
wounded	60
Missing	1
Enlisted men—	
Deaths	866
Wounded	1874
In hands of enemy	9
Missing	124
Total	2873

The following casualties are reported by the Commanding General of the American Expeditionary Forces (included in the above total)

Killed in action	9
Died of wounds received in action	1
Wounded in action (severely)	7
Missing in action	7
Total	24

FAIR WEATHER

Washington, Aug. 30.—For North Carolina, fair tonight and probably Saturday with light west winds.

LOOK UP YOUR AGE

Find Out Exact Date of Birth. You Must Register If You Have

NOT REACHED FORTY-SIX

Washington, Aug. 30.—Men likely to be affected by the extension of draft ages to include all persons between 18 and 45 years were notified last night in a statement from Provost Marshal General Crowder that the obligation rested on them to ascertain their exact age before registration day.

Selection of a date in the near future of the registration is known to be under consideration by the Provost Marshal General. The prospective dates are September 10, 11 or 12.

"Persons in doubt as to whether or not they come within the new age limits of 18 to 45 years should make every effort possible to clear up this doubt between now and the day set for registration," General Crowder said.

"Failure to do this will not excuse a man from registering if, as a matter of fact, he comes within the age limits laid down by Congress. All resources of the nation will be used to locate persons who so fail to register. Such persons under the law would be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction, would be liable to a year's imprisonment."

FORD NOMINATED, NEWBERRY ALSO

Detroit, Mich., Aug. 30.—Returns from the primary election, straggling in because of late closing of the polls in the larger cities, indicate that Henry Ford has won the Democratic nomination for United States Senator by a wide margin over James W. Helme.

Of these reports, directors of Truman H. Newberry's campaign claim that he has safely clinched the Republican nomination for Senator. Ford, whose name was on the Republican ticket also runs second in some sections, while Chase S. Osborn the third contestant, is trailing.

With few districts excepted, the primary vote is abnormally light. Old-time politicians have rubbed their eyes in amazement. Absence from the State of 175,000 men in war service has removed the enthusiasm usually found among the younger men.

Final count of the vote in Detroit where the polls did not close until 10 o'clock Tuesday night, will be a big factor. Although more than 109,000 voters are registered here, the total vote promises to approximate only 50,000.

PARKERS SCHOOL HOUSE NEWS

Our farmers are all through housing tobacco now, of which they are very glad. Several have started to grade and some are selling for a good price.

The three months old child of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Webb of near Winstead's Mill died last week and was buried in the Farmer burying ground of this vicinity last Wednesday.

Mr. Carl Thorn left for Boston, Mass., Tuesday to enlist in the Merchant Marine. This vicinity will feel very deeply the absence of such an intelligent young man.

Mr. Tommie Sharpe has purchased a car.

Misses Martha and Ida Edwards of near Sharpsburg spent Saturday night with Miss Minnie E. Thorne.

Mr. J. W. Farmer went to Elm City Wednesday on business.

Mrs. W. B. Farmer attended "Big August at the Primitive Baptist church, Wilson, Saturday and Sunday.

BIG ROUND UP OF MOONSHINERS

Washington, Aug. 30.—Thirty thousand gallons of liquor was seized and 200 men arrested and 486 stills were destroyed as the result of a big raid by revenue officers in the mountains of the southwest today.

NATION BONE DRY BILL

Will Become Effective July 1, 1919, and Continue During the War

UNTIL SOLDIERS RETURN

Washington, Aug. 30.—National step forward yesterday in Congress. Without a record vote being taken or requested, the Senate late yesterday adopted the leaders' compromise on "bone dry" prohibition effective July 1, 1919, and continuing during the war, and until the American troops are brought home and demobilized.

The compromise amendment by Senator Sheppard of Texas, prohibition leader, to the \$11,000,000 emergency agricultural appropriation bill is expected to remain in the measure under the harmony agreement of "wet" and "dry" factions, although technically subject to another vote. Passage of the bill itself is planned today and the measure will be returned to the House which is expected by prohibition advocates to accept the Senate provision.

Adoption of the compromise legislation came after yesterday's debate spirited between champions and opponents of prohibition.

Efforts to materially change the Sheppard substitute were futile. Amendments to advance and delay the effective date and to extend time for its operation against beer and wine were overwhelmingly defeated without record roll calls.

That there was no agreement among the leaders against having record votes was denied by Senator Sheppard and other advocates and also opponents of proprietary legislation.

Senator Phelan, of California, made a vigorous fight for a longer lease of life for the wine and beer industries. He offered an amendment making the effective date for their prohibition June 30, 1920, instead of a year previous, and the amendment provides, it was rejected overwhelmingly. Another Phelan amendment, drowned in a roar of "nos," would have extended the effective date for wines six months longer or until December 31, 1919.

With "wet" and "dry" members evidently observing their agreement to unite on the Sheppard draft, the Senate also voted down without a roll call, an amendment by Senator Trammell, of Florida, to move the effective date ahead to January 1, 1919, as provided in the bill before the compromise agreement reached. The amendment as passed is a substitute both for the original amendment of Representative Randall, of California, prohibiting use of mawney in the agriculture appropriation bill unless the President should exercise his present authority to stop manufacture of beer and wines, and amendment adopted by the House when it passed the bill July 23, last) and for the original Senate agriculture committee provision to stop sales of all intoxicating beverages January 1, next.

TO INCREASE FACILITIES TO WILMINGTON SEWER VALLEY

Wilmington N. C., Aug. 30.—Contract has been closed between Emergency Corporation and the Tidewater Power Company calling for a doubling of the local power plants, double tracking of the street railway line to the shippards, and the purchase of much new equipment in anticipation of increasing the number of ways at the Carolina yard, which is assured of housing accommodations can be procured for the increased number of workmen that will be necessary under the new plan.

Announcement to this effect was made yesterday afternoon by H. Towle resident engineer for the Carolina company and representative of the Shipping Board. The government has agreed to loan traction people all necessary money.

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