

German Right Wing Retires Before Allies

Latest Reports Indicate That The Teutons Are Being Outflanked By French And English

The battle of the Aisne which for nineteen days has raged with out ceasing is still in progress. Recent reports, however, indicate that the tide is settling in favor of the Allies.

Two weeks ago when the Germans first took up their position along their present lines this paper ventured the prediction that the next definite news would be either that the English had outflanked the German right wing, or that the German center had broken through the battle line of the Allies.

It seems that the former alternative is the one which is materializing or perhaps has already materialized. With such huge armies as are opposing each other in France any flanking movement is bound to consume a good deal of time the English & their allies have been trying during the great artillery duel that has shaken the hills of France to get around the German right. For two days now the report has reached this country that the success of this movement was in sight and if these reports are confirmed it will no doubt mean a second retreat by the Germans.

It appears that the Belgians left, as the readers of this paper will remember, at Antwerp have been harassing the Germans recently and have been threatening their lines of communication. This may be an explanation for the news which has been printed often enough now to be worthy of belief that the Germans are marching in full force against Antwerp and are preparing to force the evacuation of that stronghold.

When the Germans fell back from before the walls of Paris to their present lines along the Aisne their engineers had already constructed the trenches in which they have been fighting and had laid the foundations for the big guns of the Teutons. If the Germans are forced back again there is little doubt that they have in mind a second line of defence perhaps even more strong than that which they are now occupying.

According to reports from the east the Russians have been gaining continual successes in the Austrian province of Galicia and they are persistently claiming that they have swept all the Austrians from their territory. There are also scattering reports that the Russians have already crossed the Carpathians but it is hardly probable that this is true. The fortress of Przemyśl spoken of in last week's issue of this paper, still holds out it is believed, against the Russians but the Austrian Commander in charge of the town appears to be completely surrounded by his enemies.

WAR SUFFERERS TO BE AIDED

Order of Eastern Star Offering Entertainment For This Purpose Next Week

The White Rose Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star is making efforts to raise a Red Cross fund in Elizabeth City for the benefit of European War sufferers. Money sent in to the Red Cross Society will be used by that great and efficient organization to alleviate suffering on the European battle fields without regard to nationality.

Under the auspices of this order Weaver and Harding's Big Jubilee Minstrels will appear at the Alkrama on next Monday night. An interesting program is promised and popular prices will be charged. Weaver and Harding's Minstrels have won enthusiastic approbation at a number of points in this section where they have appeared.

A MEMORIAL TO DR. LUMSDEN

His Friends Desire to Pay Tribute to His Life Of Service in This Section

It is the purpose of friends of Dr. William J. Lumsden to present to the Elizabeth City hospital an up-to-date X-Ray equipment as a memorial of his superior qualities as a surgeon and physician.

It is universally known that Dr. Lumsden's long and active career was characterized by acts of charity and deeds of benevolence, and that his kind and affectionate intercourse with his patients endeared him to this people as few have ever done.

The skill of this good doctor has been the pride and joy of this community and it has been suggested that the people of Elizabeth City cannot, in a more worthy and satisfactory manner, give proof of the love and admiration they still entertain for him, than by taking advantage of this opportunity and subscribing the fund necessary to purchase this equipment, that will also appeal to our beloved doctor's pro-

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STATE FAIR THIS MONTH

Agricultural and Horticultural Exhibits Will Be Above The Average This Year

Raleigh, N. C., Sept. 28th. The North Carolina State Fair has come to be recognized as one of the greatest fairs of the South. It has been handicapped by the lack of money. Other great fairs in the country have had plenty of money and the building up of a big fair, with a large premium list and a great array of exhibits, has been comparatively easy. Here, the fair has had an uphill struggle. Persistent effort, however, has won and the fair has come to be recognized as second to none.

The fair has been a wonderful stimulus to the agricultural development of the State and likewise in its industrial progress. The State Department of Agriculture makes an extensive exhibit at the fair each year and it has been found that this exhibit is the best of the farmers' institute, the State conducts. It has been a great inspiration to the farmer, and to the Department as well.

The fair is an educational institution. Its main purpose is to instruct and the main purpose has never been lost sight of. It has gone steadily forward in the effort to show North Carolina and the world what the State is doing and also to inspire the State through seeing her possibilities to continue to do great things. One help the Management finds is the increasing number of county fairs. All these fairs help the State fair by creating interest. They, too, are educational and they help to increase the number of exhibits and the patronage.

Regarding the amusement feature the Management has become stringent in its demand for clean shows and in its prohibition against gambling and games of chance. No dancing girl shows are admitted to the grounds and no gambling devices. The banning of these gambling devices and the vulgar shows has brought a better grade of amusements and some good attractions are looked for this year.

There has been a gratifying increase in the prizes and premium offered this year and the increase in the number of exhibits is also gratifying.

The Society now offers premiums of \$25, \$15, and \$10 for best exhibit by any rural public school. This has been added since the Premium List was published.

The Better Babies contest under the management of the State Board of Health and the Woman's Club of Raleigh will be of vast educational value to all mothers who attend.

For years the Management has been working away from the big midway and little exhibit idea of a fair back to the fundamental purpose of its existence, the competition of the best to make bet-

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"WEAR COTTON" IS ORGANIZED

Greensboro Chamber Of Commerce Adopts Slogan and Launches Movement to Help Manufacturers

Greensboro, N. C., Sept. 2. "Wear Cotton" has been adopted by the Greensboro Chamber of Commerce as a slogan for those who are willing to join a movement looking to the creation of sentiment for the increased wearing of cotton goods. The adoption of this slogan was the outcome of a letter from Mr. A. W. M. Alister, manager of the "Original Coat" Fire Insurance Companies, suggesting that an organized movement be started for popularizing the wearing of cotton goods during at least six months of the year.

A committee was appointed to design an appropriate label button, and to adopt resolutions suggesting the movement to the cotton manufacturers' associations of both New England and the South.

Mr. M. Alister's letter reads in part as follows:

"I believe as much encourage as possible should be given the 'buy a bale plan', but this plan should be supplemented by an organized movement for the use of cotton as wearing apparel, and the Chamber of Commerce might father such a movement in such a way that it might ultimately extend over the entire country.

"If such a thing is undertaken it should be launched now in order that it may be worked out and extended to its utmost possibilities, and the necessary preparation be made by manufacturers and dealers for the Spring and Summer trade of 1915.

"In many States for at least six months in the year, cotton goods can be worn comfortably and can fulfill entirely the requirements of the wardrobe. Suits, dresses, underwear, shoes and hats can all be made of cotton in attractive designs and can be worn with much comfort and greater economy than many things we are accustomed to wear made of other materials. Not only would the people be more comfortably and more expensively dressed than ever before, but they would at the same time contribute greatly to the prosperity of cotton producing and cotton manufacturing, two of the most important industries, and would thereby add very materially to the wealth of the Southern States, and to a very considerable extent would consume themselves the surplus of cotton which the European war has left without a market."

CITY UNION MEETS

TUESDAY NIGHT

The Elizabeth City Baraca Philathea Union will meet next Tuesday evening, October 6th at 7:30 in the annex of Blackwell Memorial Church, at which time officers will be elected, so all members are urged to be present.

BUY A BALE MOVEMENT BEGINS AND IS MAKING HEADWAY IN CITY

At Least Seven Bales Have Been Actually Purchased And Ten More Are Waited For. Cotton Taken On Account Also

Elizabeth City is enlisted in the buy a bale movement.

In front of D. B. Bradford's residence on Main street all this week has stood a bale of cotton purchased by him at ten cents and challenging every Main street merchant to go and do likewise.

Wednesday the answer to the challenge appeared across the street in front of Mitchell's Department store. This looks like the beginning of what may eventually be a string of cotton all the way from the postoffice to the Pasquotank. Mr. Gilbert says that he has already bought three more bales.

So far as the writer has been able to ascertain the first cotton to be sold at Elizabeth City at ten cents was bought by Mr. J. P. Kramer who purchased two bales at this price over two weeks ago. A member of the firm of Jennette Brothers authorized this paper to say two weeks ago that his firm would buy ten bales at that price but if the actual purchase of any part of it had been made this paper had not been advised of it.

The plan to accept cotton on account or in trade at ten cents also seems to be gaining ground. The Dept. Piano Company in this issue is advertising that cotton at ten cents up to the amount of 1000 bales will be as good as money at that store and perhaps others who are not advertising are offering similar terms.

Cotton is rather more backward in this section than in most parts of the State and it appears that before the season is advanced the buy a bale movement will be well under way.

The Buy-a-Bale plan appears the most practicable and feasible method of helping to remedy the cotton situation so far brought forward. Through this plan together with the strong holding movement all over the cotton belt the market has already been strengthened greatly and the staple opening uncertainty at seven cents, has already been bought in the open market at nine cents a pound in this State. The banking house of Henry Clews at New York predicts that the exchange will reopen there with cotton at about a nine cent level.

But the Buy-a-Bale plan has something more in view than the strengthening of the cotton market. Its secondary aim is to help the farmer in distress, the man who has got cotton and found to turn it immediately into cash. Properly carried out it retires from the market only the "distress" cotton and gives most help to the man who most needs it.

The Advance will carry on its front page from week to week the progress of the Buy-a-Bale movement in Elizabeth City.

COTTON FARMERS HOLD MEETING

Saturday Morning at Ten O'clock at The Court House Will Discuss Situation

Pasquotank farmers are getting together to discuss ways and means of financing this year's cotton crop.

The matter has been considered in the Local Farmers Union and certain plans will have been practically decided upon but the farmers feel that it is necessary to get this matter before every cotton grower in the county.

A mass meeting has, therefore, been called to meet at the Court House tomorrow morning at ten o'clock to take up the situation. Pasquotank farmers are expected and cotton growers from other counties are invited to attend this meeting, which is expected to be one of the utmost importance.

QUO VADIS AT THE ALKRAMA

The story of "Quo Vadis" is to be shown in motion pictures of unusual excellence at the Alkrama on the afternoon and evening of October 9th. These pictures will no doubt be looked forward to by both young and old, by those to whom the story is entirely familiar and those to whom it is entirely new.

BOY DIES AT PANTEGO

Pantego, N. C., Sept. 25—At five forty five this morning death claimed Morris, the young son of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Smith of this place.

Little Morris was known by every passerby and never failed to show his simple recognition to those whom he knew, by raising his sweet little voice in the loving childish way—you could hear his little "Hey" long before you thought he saw you or was thinking of any one.

But two weeks ago the little fellow was taken ill and in a few days his illness developed into pneumonia which resulted in his death early this morning.

The whole town extends sympathy to the grief-stricken mother and father in the loss of their little son.

FOR SALE—Horse, rubber tire buggy, and harness. Apply to Dr. H. D. Walker, Elizabeth City, N. C. It a pd