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THE BATTLESHIPS HELP

ALLIES USING VESSELS ON COAST

Battle Hugs in Northern France Without Any Decided Advantage to Either Side—Allies Claim to Have Repulsed German Offensive Movements.

London, Oct. 21.—Fierce attacks and counter-attacks delivered almost continuously for a week or more by the Allies and the Germans have resulted in no definite decision in the battle raging in West Flanders and Northern France. The content in the Eastern war area, in East Prussia, Poland and Galicia has been equally undecided.

This is clearly evident from reports issued officially at various headquarters, which content themselves today with recounting the fact that violent attacks have been made. The French, however, claim the Allies have repulsed German offensive movements at various points in the West. According to the French announcements, the Germans also attacked the Allies' lines at Nieuport, Dixmude and Labasse. The German General Staff declares fighting continues on the Yser Canal and that the Germans, taking the offensive west of Lille, have repulsed the French at several points.

These reports seem to controvert accounts appearing in English newspapers from correspondents who claimed they were in West Flanders and who stated that the Germans had been driven back.

The Germans, however, are believed here to be fighting under a great disadvantage especially along the coast as the British ships assisting the Allies' land forces have long-range guns capable of seriously menacing German troops and men in the trenches as well as the ammunition trains and supply convoys.

While no official information is available as to the ships being used, it is probable that they are the three monitors which were being completed in England for the Brazilian Government when the war broke out and which were bought by the admiralty. These monitors draw less than nine feet of water and could take up positions not far from shore from which their six-inch guns and 4.7 inch Howitzers could throw shells nearly four miles across country, the range being given them by airmen.

The vessels assisting the Allies have not been allowed to carry out their operations in peace for German submarines have followed them down the coast and attacked them while they were shelling German positions. These attacks, however, were made futile by the presence of British destroyers. One account says the submarines suffered losses but this statement has not been confirmed. It has been remarked that the submarines and aeroplanes, which in time of peace have proved themselves as dangerous arms of the army and navy service have suffered little loss and have been doing splendid work.

Land battles are being contested with a fury and tenacity that would indicate that strategic importance is attached to the positions held by the opposing armies. When a town is reached street fighting generally develops. One side gains an advantage only to lose it when the other side brings up reinforcements.

The Germans are striking hard at the French line in the vicinity of Labasse and have made counter-attacks against the force which for many days has been endeavoring to relieve Lille.

Along the rest of the line from West to East the French communication says there is no notable change.

Long Shoals Items.

Correspondence of The Gazette. LONG SHOALS, Oct. 21.—The farmers are very busy in this section sowing wheat and picking cotton.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Putnam spent Sunday with Mr. James Putnam and family.

Mr. Robert Hoffman is very ill at this writing with typhoid fever.

Misses Florence and Maggie Carpenter, of Cherryville and Hester Summey, of Newton, spent Saturday and Sunday with Misses Vanis and Emma Carpenter.

Misses Lois, Nancy and Onis Carpenter entertained a number of friends last Saturday night. Interesting games were played until the hour arrived to go home. All left hoping the Misses Carpenter would give another one soon.

Little Miss Pauline Carpenter fell from a horse last Wednesday and is suffering from a sprained ankle.

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. Andy Summey is very ill at this writing.

Wear cotton.

The dead body of D. F. Tindal, a member of the Great Keystone Show troupe, which has been exhibiting in a tent at Pisgah Forest, Transylvania county, was found Wednesday near the Davidson river near that place. The entire troupe of 15 was arrested pending a thorough investigation of the circumstances attendant upon his death.



To Preach at Kannapolis.

The Kannapolis correspondent of The Concord Times says: "Rev. F. W. Bradley, of Gastonia, will be here next Sunday to assist Rev. P. W. Tucker in a series of meetings in the Methodist Church. Mr. Bradley is a plain, forceful and practical preacher, and our entire community will do well to hear him."

Kings Mountain Floral Fair.

The Civic League of Kings Mountain will hold its annual floral fair on Wednesday and Thursday, November 4th and 5th, this being the week following the Gastonia floral fair. Great interest is being taken in the preparation for this year's event, and it is probable that there will be a good attendance of Gastonia ladies on these days.

Synod to Meet at Hickory.

The Synod of North Carolina of the Presbyterian Church will convene next Tuesday, October 27, in the First Presbyterian church of Hickory, of which Rev. J. G. Garth is pastor. The exercises will begin with a sermon by Rev. M. C. Shields, formerly of the First Presbyterian church of this city, who will preach at 11 o'clock Tuesday morning. Mr. J. R. Baber, as elder, and Rev. J. H. Henderlite, as pastor, will represent the First church.

To Unveil Monument.

On next Sunday afternoon, October 25th, at 3 o'clock, the members of Providence Camp, No. 282, Woodmen of the World, will unveil a monument in Oakwood cemetery to the memory of the late S. D. Kinley. The ceremonies will be in charge of District Deputy W. S. Charles, of Charlotte, who will deliver the memorial address. The monument was placed some months ago, but is just now to be unveiled with the usual ceremonies.

Conference at Shelby.

The Western North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, will meet in its annual session in Central Church, Shelby, on Wednesday, November 11th, and will probably be in session until Monday or Tuesday of the following week. Bishop Richard G. Waterhouse, of Los Angeles, California, formerly president of Emory & Henry College, Emory, Va., will preside. Presiding Elder J. R. Croggs, of the Shelby District, and Rev. W. E. Abernethy, pastor of Central Church, will be hosts to the Conference. Citizens of Shelby without reference to denomination will open their homes to the visiting ministers and lay delegates, and there is expected to be a large attendance.

MT. HOLLY, ROUTE 1, NEWS.

Correspondence of The Gazette. MT. HOLLY, Route 1, Oct. 22.—Miss Gertie Hoover spent Friday with Mrs. Cephas Stilwell.

Mr. Arthur Biggerstaff and Miss Marietta Payser, of Crouse, route one, spent Saturday and Sunday with Misses Ferris and Ora Froneberger.

Misses Dora Mae and Edna Rankin were in Mount Holly shopping Friday.

Mr. John O. Rankin, of Gastonia, was in this section on business Wednesday.

Mr. J. D. Froneberger was in Gastonia on business Monday.

Mrs. Cephas Stilwell and Mrs. Ware spent Friday with Mrs. Hoover.

The Misses Froneberger's entertained quite a number of their friends Saturday night in honor of their guests, Mr. Arthur Biggerstaff and Miss Marietta Payser.

The farmers of this section are very busy preparing for their wheat and oat crops.

Wear cotton.

At a meeting of representatives of the Confederate veterans of the State held at Raleigh Wednesday night a resolution was adopted appealing to the Legislature, at its next session, to increase the pension paid by the State to the old soldiers. The present pension of \$30 per year is entirely inadequate, they claim—and truly—to be of much assistance in providing them a living.

One of the most sensational murder trials in the history of New York State is now in progress at Mineola, N. Y. Mrs. Florence Conklin Carman, a woman of high social standing and the wife of a prominent physician, is on trial for the murder of Mrs. Louise Bailey, one of the doctor's patients who was shot and killed in his office June 30th. Very damaging evidence against the accused was given on the stand Wednesday by Celia Coleman, a negro maid in the Carman home. The accused is described as being a most cultured and attractive woman and for this reason, as well as on account of the prominence of all parties concerned, the public will await with more than usual interest, the verdict of the jury.

Wear cotton.

Wilson county has a sheriff in the person of Mr. Rowe who is a crack-jack when it comes to collecting taxes. According to reports made to the State Wilson county's property tax amounted to \$143,436.69 and he collected all of it except \$629.69 or a little more than 99.1-2 per cent. The State has room for a few more Sheriff's Rowe.

Tomorrow, Saturday, October 24th, is the last day on which you can register to vote in the November election. Be sure your name is on the registration books.

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FLORAL FAIR PRIZES

MANY ATTRACTIVE OFFERINGS THIS YEAR

Committee in Charge of Annual Floral Fair to be Held October 30 and 31 Has Secured Excellent List of Prizes—All Flowers Must Be Entered by Thursday Night, the 29th.

The floral fair given by the Woman's Betterment Association has grown to be an annual affair of unusual interest, and the preparations now in progress for this year's fair indicate that it will be even larger and better than ever.

The committee having in charge the matter of securing prizes to be offered for the best collections and specimens has secured an unusually excellent list of prizes, which is given below.

The fair will be held in the new Armington Hotel, first floor, which will be in readiness by the date of the opening. The fair will be open to the public at ten o'clock Friday morning, October 30, but all flowers intended to be entered in the contest for the prizes must be sent in not later than eight o'clock Thursday night, October 29; to give the committee time for proper arrangement of the exhibits.

Following is the list of prizes:

- First best collection, 10 varieties, 3 blooms each, electric toaster.
- Second best collection, 10 varieties, 3 blooms each, large basket vase.
- Third best collection, 10 varieties, 3 blooms each, cut glass mayonnaise bowl.
- Best white collection, 6 varieties, 3 blooms each, basket.
- Best yellow collection, 6 varieties, 3 blooms each, basket.
- First best vase, 10 varieties, 1 bloom each, basket.
- Second best vase, 10 varieties, 1 bloom each, set cups and saucers.
- Third best vase, 10 varieties, 1 bloom each, rug.
- Three best bronze blooms, piece of china.
- Three best white blooms, piece of china.
- Three best cream blooms, celery dish.
- Three best pink blooms, silver bell.
- Three best lavender blooms, bon bon dish.
- Three best red blooms, bon bon dish.
- Three best yellow blooms, candle stick.
- Three best D Appletons, candle stick.
- Best single bloom, any variety, china nappe.
- Second best single bloom, any variety, china nappe.
- Best single bloom, odd variety, bread and butter plate.
- Best center piece, white embroidery, cut glass bon bon dish.
- Best center piece in crochet, vase.
- Best miscellaneous article of hand work, cut glass nappe.
- Best article in baby apparel, cut glass bowl.
- Best article of baby apparel in crochet, cut glass sugar and cream.
- Best hand-made towel, cut glass nappe.
- Best handkerchief by any one over 15 years of age, silver stiletto.
- Best handkerchief by girl under 15 years of age, china pin tray.
- Prizes for best dressed doll by any one irrespective of age and for best dressed doll by girl under fifteen to be selected.
- Children from four to twelve years of age will be admitted to the fair for 5 cents, adults at the usual price of ten cents.

IRON STATION NEWS.

Correspondence of The Gazette. IRON STATION, Oct. 22.—Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Smith, of Denver, have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Ballard.

Mr. Robert Wilson, of Newton, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Reinhardt.

Rev. E. N. Crowder preached his last sermon of the conference year here Sunday night.

Mr. John Hambrick, of Atlanta, Ga., is expected in a few days to spend some time with his family.

Mrs. Luther Armstrong and Misses Hattie and Flossie Armstrong were in Lincolnton Saturday shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dellinger and children, of Lincolnton, spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John Troutman.

Mrs. Clint Moore and children, of Stanley, spent the week-end with Mrs. Moore's mother.

Rev. R. H. Cline will fill his regular appointment at the Lutheran church Sunday. He will also preach Saturday night.

Messrs. Robert and Blair Hallman, of Costner's Grove, and Mr. Will Finger and Miss Minnie Friday, of Charlotte, were visiting in town Sunday.

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SHORT LOCAL ITEMS

THE MOVEMENTS OF GASTON PEOPLE

—Miss Jennie Wideman, of Troy, S. C., is visiting relatives here.

—Mrs. N. A. Orr, of Belmont, was in the city shopping Wednesday.

—Mr. John Todd, of Charlotte, was a business visitor in the city Wednesday.

—Mr. John C. Moore, of Lincolnton, was in the city on business Wednesday.

—The Charlotte Fair opens next Tuesday, October 27, and continues through Friday, the 30th.

—Mr. Guy C. Killian is quite sick at his home, having been confined to his bed since Sunday.

—Mr. Ned Hayes, of the city fire department, spent Wednesday in Lincolnton.

—Attorney N. F. McMillan, of Kings Mountain, was a business visitor in Gastonia Wednesday.

—Mr. Chas. Ford went to Grover Wednesday to see his mother, Mrs. Laura M. Ford.

—Mrs. H. L. Wright, of Clover, and Miss Rosa Lindsay, of Yorkville, were the guests yesterday of Mrs. E. W. Gilliam.

—Mr. N. A. Morris, of Columbus Ga., is spending a few weeks here on a visit to his father, Mr. W. E. A. Morris, at the Arlington Mill.

—Mr. Raymond McKee, of Belmont, has accepted a position with The Gazette and went to work this morning.

—Several Gastonians went to Charlotte Wednesday night to see "The Blue Bird" at the Academy of Music.

—Hon. Manly McDowell, of Morganton, income tax inspector, is spending several days in the county in the line of his official duties.

—Dr. O. G. Falls, of Kings Mountain, chairman of the board of county commissioners, passed through the city yesterday en route to Mt. Holly on business.

—York News: The annual flower show at Yorkville will be held in Mr. O'Leary's store on November 3. The ladies are taking a great deal of interest in the show, and many entries are expected.

—Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Harper and little child, of Yorkville, route eight, spent Wednesday in the city with relatives. Mrs. Harper is a sister of Mrs. T. A. Henry and Mrs. J. N. Hanna.

—Mr. R. L. Craig spent a few days last week at Rock Hill, S. C., with his uncle, Mr. R. A. Barnett. He went to attend the York County Fair. Mr. R. C. Wilson, of the Union neighborhood, accompanied him.

—Mr. W. E. Todd left Monday night for Richmond, Va., to attend the annual convention of the National Master Bakers Association. He will probably return home tonight or tomorrow.

—Rev. L. L. Huffman, pastor of Chapel and Bessemer City Lutheran churches, has returned from a month's visit to relatives and friends in Virginia. While away he attended the meeting of the Lutheran Synod of Tennessee at Mt. Jackson, Va.

—Salsbury Post, 20th: Mr. G. H. Marvin, of Gastonia, representative of the Chase motor truck, is spending a few days in the city. He brought the Chase trucks over from Charlotte yesterday to be put on display at the fair.

—Mr. G. R. Rhyno, deputy internal revenue collector, who has been confined to his home here by illness for the past two or three weeks, is now able to be out again and left yesterday for Rutherfordton to resume the duties of his office.

—Miss Lura A. Dickens, Boston's noted beauty specialist, is spending the week at J. H. Kennedy & Co.'s drug store, demonstrating the uses of Harmony beauty aids and giving free beauty lectures. She will be here through tomorrow.

—The Gazette carries today an extended and well-illustrated write-up of the Avon Mill, of Gastonia, and of the men who operate it. This is one of the series of articles descriptive of Gastonia mills now running in The Textile Manufacturer and which are being republished in The Gazette by special permission.

—Mr. C. C. Murphy, manager of the Murphy Brothers Land Auction Co., of Greensboro, was a business visitor in the city yesterday. He is making arrangements for a sale on November 12th of a 190-acre tract of land near Mount Holly belonging to Mr. G. R. Rhyno. Watch The Gazette for further announcement with regard to this sale.

—Monday's York News, published at Yorkville, carried in full the papers read by Dr. R. M. Reid on "The Relations of Doctor to Patient," and by Dr. T. C. Quelck on "Obstructions of the Nose and Throat," which were read before the York County Medical Society at its meeting held at Bethel on Tuesday, the 13th. The Gazette will reprint these in an early issue, believing that the subjects of both will prove not only interesting but profitable to our readers.

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FOUND DEAD AT HOME

MR. R. M. CURRIE EXPIRED SUDDENLY

Dead Body of Mr. R. M. Currie, Keeper of Southern Switch Tower, Found at His Home on Franklin Avenue This Morning by Conductor Thompson—Had Evidently Died While Preparing Breakfast—Family Was Absent from Home on Visit—Funeral Arrangements Not Yet Made.

Mr. R. M. Currie, keeper of the switch tower at the Southern and C. & N.-W. crossing, was found dead in the kitchen at his home on East Franklin avenue this morning about 9 o'clock by Conductor Belvin Thompson of the local switching crew who went to ascertain why Mr. Currie had not reported for duty.

Finding the house locked and knowing that Mr. Currie was alone, his family having gone on Wednesday to Hamlet to visit relatives, Mr. Thompson raised a window and went in, thinking perhaps Mr. Currie was ill. He found his dead body lying on the floor, stretched at full length in front of the stove. He was dressed and had evidently commenced to cook his breakfast as the burners on the oil stove were lit and some meat which had been put on to fry was burned to a crisp. Mr. Thompson immediately notified the neighbors and Dr. L. N. Glenn was summoned to examine the body before it was moved. The supposition is that death was due to heart failure. So far as any one knew he was in his usual health when he quit work at 7 o'clock last evening.

Mrs. Currie and daughter, Mrs. Eula Mae Currie, and the latter's child left Gastonia Wednesday for Hamlet to visit relatives. Besides these deceased leaves an adopted daughter, Mrs. W. L. Long, of Hickory, and a son, Mr. Clyde Currie, of Greenville, S. C.

Deceased was between 55 and 70 years of age. He came to Gastonia eight or ten years ago and had been employed for a number of years as watchman at the switch tower. Before coming here he lived for many years in Kings Mountain. At one time he was chief of police of that town and was for many years section master of the Southern Railway on the Kings Mountain section. He was a member of Main Street Methodist church. Mr. Currie had numerous friends here and at Kings Mountain who will be shocked to learn of his death.

No funeral arrangements have as yet been made. Efforts were made this morning to get in touch with his family and until they arrive no definite plans for the funeral and burial will be announced.

CLOVER CULLINGS.

York News. Clover, Oct. 21.—A right serious accident occurred at the Clover Cotton Oil Mill Monday afternoon, when Hinton Crawford, a negro, got his hand caught in the machinery of the "cake former." His hand was fearfully mangled and had to be amputated Tuesday.

The first attraction of a lyceum course will be furnished at the opera house Saturday night. This attraction is entitled, "The Pottery in Song and Story." This being the first lyceum course ever staged here, the people of the town are looking forward to the initial number with a great deal of interest.

A corps of carpenters are very busy erecting a parsonage on the Baptist church lot on Church street. The house will be a nice six-room cottage, and will be quite an improvement to the congregations of the Clover and Union churches. The work is in charge of Mr. A. E. Sipe, who hopes to complete it by November 15th.

Rev. W. P. Grier and Dr. E. W. Pressley are representing the Clover A. R. P. church at the First A. R. P. Presbytery, in session this week at Neely's Creek church, near Rock Hill.

Rev. R. L. Holroyd, presiding elder of the Rock Hill District, Methodist Church, is in town today on business.

Miss Rose Marie Lindsay, of Yorkville, is visiting Mrs. H. L. Wright here.

Up to last Saturday night the ginners at the Clover Oil Mill had ginned 1,761 bales of cotton.

The Clarion.

The first issue of The Clarion, a monthly paper issued by the pupils of the high school at Belmont, this county, made its appearance last Saturday, the 17th. It is neat and attractive in appearance and is teeming with matter of interest to the school pupils and to the citizens of Belmont as well. The young folks are to be congratulated upon the excellence of their first number. Mr. F. P. Hall, Jr., is editor-in-chief and Miss Ella Armstrong is assistant editor. The department editors are: Athletics, J. A. Guillick; Literary Societies, Miss Mamie Leeper and Mr. Walter Hall; Local, Miss Ruth Lineberger; Business Manager, R. D. Hall; Assistant Business Manager, Mr. A. F. Garrison. The subscription price is 25 cents a year. The Clarion will be issued regularly the 15th of each month during the school year.

Wear cotton.

IN SOCIAL CIRCLES

ABSHER-BOLLINGER WEDDING WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Mr. Sholer E. Absher and Miss Beulah Bollinger, both of Statesville, were united in marriage Wednesday night at 7 o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Tyson on South Oakland street. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. E. Abernethy, pastor of Main Street Methodist church, in the presence of only a few witnesses. Mr. and Mrs. Absher left yesterday for Statesville.

McLEAN-HALL WEDDING IN OKLAHOMA.

Friends of Rev. A. A. McLean, formerly of this city, will learn with interest of his marriage to Miss Hattie Hall, of Lonewell, Oklahoma, which took place at noon yesterday at the bride's home. It was a quiet home wedding, no cards having been issued. Rev. Mr. McLean is pastor of the Clover group of Presbyterian churches, and has a large host of friends through this section whose best wishes will go out to him upon the occasion of his marriage.

MISSIONARY CONVENTION.

Women's Missionary Union of First A. R. P. Presbytery Held Interesting Session at Wainboro—The New Officers.

The Women's Missionary Union of the First Presbytery of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, which had been in annual session at Wainboro, S. C., since Tuesday night, adjourned yesterday morning. Mrs. A. F. Whitesides and Mrs. D. A. Garrison, the former president of the Union and the latter a delegate from the First A. R. P. church, Gastonia, returned to the city last night. Mrs. Garrison was on the program of the meeting.

The session was an unusually interesting and successful one, the attendance being larger than usual. Mrs. A. F. Whitesides was re-elected president, and the other officers for the ensuing year are Mrs. J. Rodday Miller, of Rock Hill, first vice-president; Mrs. W. H. Flenniken, of Wainboro, second vice-president; Mrs. D. A. Garrison, of Gastonia, third vice president; Mrs. A. G. Bryce, of Chester, Presbyterian secretary; Miss Ella Stealing, of Blackstock, recording secretary; Mrs. J. T. Bigham, of Chester, corresponding secretary and treasurer; Mrs. E. A. Carson, of Charlotte, thank-offering secretary; Miss Mary Dunn Ross, of Charlotte, junior secretary.

—Mr. W. S. Hanks, of Belmont, was a Gastonia visitor yesterday.

—Rev. J. H. Henderlite, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, will leave tomorrow for Saluda where on Sunday he will organize a church. In his absence his pulpit will be filled Sunday morning and night by his brother, Rev. E. Henderlite, of Anstion, Ala.

Senator Overman and Representative Webb accompanied President W. J. Martin, of Davidson College, and Mr. C. C. Hook, of the Greater Charlotte Club, to the White House yesterday to invite President Wilson to attend the laymen's meeting in Charlotte in February.

BAPTIST WOMEN'S MISSIONARY INSTITUTE AT ROCKINGHAM.

The Institute or Conference of Methods of the Charlotte division of the Women's Missionary Union of the Baptist State Convention will be held at Rockingham, beginning Wednesday evening, November 4th, and closing at noon on Friday, November 6th.

The Charlotte division comprises fourteen associations, representing 27 counties in the Piedmont section of North Carolina.

The Institute is primarily a Conference of Methods, and every phase of missionary work in the church will be covered. There will be addresses and open conferences on Sunbeam work, Royal Ambassador work, Young Women's Auxiliaries, Women's Missionary Societies, Mission Study, the Training School, and every feature of the organized missionary work. The idea is to help each organization do the most efficient and most effective work possible.

There will be given interesting and instructive pageants representing some of these phases of the work, presented by the Wadesboro and Rockingham groups. The Charlotte group will give a demonstration of a model mission study class.

The inspirational feature will be no means neglected. Arrangements are being made to have present one or more of the missionaries now at home on furlough, who will bring fresh and inspiring messages direct from their work on the foreign field. It is hoped also to have present some of those who are devoting their lives to Christian work in North Carolina, and these will bring messages no less inspiring than those from across the seas.

Each Baptist church and missionary society is urged to send as many delegates as can go. Free entertainment will be provided by the Women's Missionary Society of Rockingham. Miss Fannie Dockery, of Rockingham, is chairman of hospitality, and all who can attend are requested to send their names as early as possible, in order that homes may be assigned.

Wear cotton.