

Fifth Week Of War Begins and the End Is by No Means Near

Today is Anniversary of the Battle of Sedan and it is Believed that the Eve of a Supreme Effort is At Hand. The Condition of the Allies is still to be Favorable but the Germans are still Advancing.

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LONDON, Aug. 31.—With the beginning of the fifth week of the war, and on this eve of what is believed to be the supreme effort of the Germans, tomorrow being the anniversary of the battle of Sedan, the situation of the allies generally is considered favorable. The Germans have thrown forward considerable bodies of fresh troops along a sixty-five mile line from Villiers to Montchehe. The Kaiser's forces are also hammering at the allies' center with alternate success and defeat to each side. On the left it is admitted by the French war office that fortune has turned in favor of the invaders, the Anglo-French forces being compelled to give ground on the center end. The right wing of the allies has taken the offensive victoriously and the enemy retiring before its advance. The chief concern of the allies' leaders at this time is to maintain integral strength of their forces and that this is being done is seen from the war office statement that notwithstanding a few inconsequential checks the armies remain intact.

THE GERMAN ARE GETTING NEAR PARIS.

LONDON, Aug. 31.—The Germans are now only sixty-five miles from Paris. Some progress is being shown in their advance each day but the allies are holding Ostend from which point the British troops are being landed. According to dispatches received here today these will attempt to land and will attempt to cross the invaders' rear which has been left undefended. Fighting was reported today at Amiens and La Fere fortresses which are of great importance in the defenses of Paris.

STEPS TO BEINFORCED PARIS BEING MADE.

LONDON, Aug. 31.—Already extraordinary steps are being taken to send all possible reinforcements to the aid of the allies who are opposing the main advance. It was stated that six hundred thousand French troops have been raised. These will oppose the march on Paris while the French and English troops will be given the task of annulling the rear of the German troops and their line of communication.

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CAPTURED BY GERMANS.

BERLIN, Aug. 31.—(via Cayville, N. Y.)—Thirty thousand Russians have been taken prisoners by the Germans during the fighting in East Prussia according to an official announcement. This number includes officers of high rank.

GERMANS FEEL THAT THEY FIGHT AGAINST ODDS.

LONDON, Aug. 31.—The Times correspondent at Ostend records a conversation with a German officer from Brussels, who said front-line efforts were being made to inflict a crushing blow on the allies, especially on the English forces. Notwithstanding the success achieved by the German army, the dispatch says, there is a feeling among any German soldiers that they are fighting against too greater odds.

WAVE OVER KIAO CHOW.

LONDON, Aug. 31.—A St. Petersburg dispatch to the Telegraph, says, "According to reports brought here by German prisoners, it has been announced in Berlin that American residents are preparing to hoist the American flag at Kiao Chow in order to keep the city out of the hands of the Japanese."

RALLY TO STANDARD.

BERLIN, Aug. 31.—The twelfth list of German losses made public today, contains 1,006 names. The total of German casualties made public up to the present time, is as follows: One thousand one hundred and forty-three dead, 3,326 wounded, and 1,761 missing.

REAR OF THE GERMAN FRONTIERS.

As an evidence of the enthusiasm of the German people, it is announced here that 2,000,000 volunteers have presented themselves. The patriotism shown by the socialists has led the anti-socialist association to cease its activities at the same time expressing hope that it would not have to resume after the war was over.

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THE ALLED FORCES HAVE FALLEN BACK.

LONDON, Aug. 31.—The Post today calls attention to a statement by the French embassy as indicating that the allied forces have again been compelled to fall back before the German advance in the neighborhood of La Fere, which is over 20 miles nearer to Paris than the Cambrai Leateau line, where the allies reorganized after the Germans crossed the French border.

LA FERE IS ONLY A LITTLE MORE THAN 60 MILES FROM PARIS, AS THE CROW FLIES.

A statement issued by the French embassy discloses a situation of much gravity. A German army was on Saturday attacking from the east the line on Lannois Signy l'Abbaye, while another German army was attacking from the west line from La Fere to Guise, and though unsuccessful at Guise was making progress at La Fere.

POLISH SOLDIERS SAID TO HAVE KILLED OFFICERS.

LONDON, Aug. 31.—According to the Times St. Petersburg correspondent, Russia's appeal to the Poles to repulse against the common Teutonic foe has had an extraordinary effect among the Slav soldiers in the German service. Information received in St. Petersburg, it is stated, indicates that the Polish soldiers, belonging to the Sixth Breslau army corps, serving on the western frontier, mutinied and killed their officers.

REV. ENCLID McWHORTER BACK FROM MOUNTAINS.

Rev. Enclid McWhorter, who has been spending several weeks in the mountains of Western North Carolina convalescing from an operation for appendicitis several months ago, has returned to the city and will at once resume his work as pastor of Centenary Methodist church. Rev. McWhorter expressed himself as being sorry that he has not been in position to give more of his time to his work. He will fill the pulpit at both the morning and evening services Sunday and a large congregation will be greatly appreciated by him.

GRADED SCHOOL IS BEING CLEANED UP.

The janitor of the Graded School building, assisted by others is busily engaged in cleaning up the building for the opening of the school, which will be about the first of October.

FALL TERM SUPERIOR COURT BEGINS TOMORROW.

RALEIGH, Aug. 29.—The fall term of the Supreme Court will begin Monday with the examination of applicants for licenses to practice law in North Carolina. On Tuesday the appeals will be taken up in regular order and the court will remain in session until the entire twenty districts are disposed of. From the number registering today, it is believed that a large class will be on hand Monday to take examination.

Mrs. F. S. Urral has returned from Jones county where she has been spending some time visiting her father J. H. Kinsey.

POLLOCKSVILLE IS TO HAVE COTTON MILL.

WORK ON THE NEW ENTERPRISE TO BEGIN AT EARLY DATE.

The little town of Pollocksville, over in Jones County, has not been materially damaged by the war scare. At least one would not so judge after learning of the improvements which are being made there, and the new enterprises which are to soon be started. Among these latter is a cotton seed mill, which is soon to be in operation at that place. A cargo of cement, left New Bern yesterday morning on board of the steamer Howard consigned to Pollocksville. This cement is to be used in the construction of this new mill. The stockholders of the new enterprise comprise some of the leading business men in the Eastern part of the State among who are C. E. Foy of this city and others. The new mill is to be erected at a point near the river where it will be possible for them to load and unload boats without being compelled to use wagons and other vehicles in making the transfer. Oil will be manufactured from cotton seed and a cotton compress will also be operated. Just when the plant will be in operation is a matter of some speculation. However, it is understood that the work of construction will be rapidly pushed forward, and that as soon as the buildings are completed and the machinery is installed, operations will be started. The fact that this plant is to be erected and operated is of importance locally owing to the fact that a cotton manufacturing plant is to be erected here at no distant date, and the two will probably work in conjunction with each other. About forty thousand dollars worth of stock has already been subscribed in the local plant by J. S. Miller and others, and at an early date an active campaign will be waged for the remaining amount necessary to begin the actual work of construction.

REV. THHOT CONDUCTS SERVICE AT THE COUNTY JAIL.

Rev. R. W. Thhot, pastor of the Tabernacle Baptist Church, conducted services in the county jail Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. The services were held for the benefit of the prisoner who are being confined in that institution, all seemingly enjoyed it very much.

NUMBER OF PATIENTS IN LOCAL HOSPITAL.

During the last week or so a number of patients, who have been undergoing treatment for various troubles at Fairview Sanatorium, have been discharged. Among those who are receiving treatment there are H. B. Spruill, who is receiving treatment for heart trouble and A. Ipeck, of Cove City, who is being treated for an abscess of the lungs.

WEATHER—TUESDAY.

Generally fair, gentle winds mostly eastwardly.

RECORD BREAKING DOCKET IN POLICE COURT.

"BLUE MONDAY" FOUND LARGE NUMBER OF OFFENDERS BEFORE THE MAYOR.

In addition to the city cases arraigned before the Mayor at Police Court yesterday afternoon, there were a number of State cases, all of which were against colored people for stealing various articles. William Cannon, was arraigned on a charge of stealing the top to a vibrator from the car of O. D. Lewis on the night of August the twenty eighth. Mr. Lewis stated that he came to New Bern to attend the minstrel show which was given under a tent on Broad street. He left his car on the street in front of the tent, and when he came he got home he learned that the cover was missing. The next day he came to New Bern thinking that he might probably find it, but his efforts to recover it was fruitless and he went to the Ford garage to purchase one. There he was told that Cannon had been in after a cover for his vibrator. Mr. Lewis reported the case to Captain Bryan, who went to see Cannon and learned that he had a cover, which Mr. Lewis and others later identified as being the one that was taken from his car Friday night.

Cannon claimed that he bought the cover from a boy and had witnesses that stated that they saw him make the trade, but none of them knew the boy's name. All stated that they knew him when they saw him but did not know his name.

The Mayor rendered a verdict of probable cause and bound the defendant over to Superior Court under a bond in the sum of fifty dollars, stating at the same time that he would release the bond if the boy which was referred to would confess to the theft.

James Dawson, who was arrested last Friday charged with the theft of three rolls of galvanized roofing from a building that is being erected on West street for Mr. Sawyer, was recognized with his father to make his appearance at Saturday afternoon session of Police Court, in the meantime every effort will be made to capture Sunny Jones, also colored, who has confessed to stealing the roofing and placing it in an out house on the premises of Dawson.

Two of the witnesses who testified for Dawson stated that they have seen and talked with Jones in the colored cemetery, and he acknowledged he was guilty of the crime, but he was not going to let the officers get him.

Mary Pearson was bound over to the next term of Superior court under a fifty dollar bond, on a warrant charging her with stealing merchandise from Kress and Company, to the amount of one dollar and five cents. The woman pleaded guilty to having the goods in her possession but claimed that another girl gave them to her to hold, but some of the prosecuting witnesses stated that she saw her the same of the articles in her umbrella, which she used as means of concealing the goods.

Sam Sanders, colored, was fined with the cost for riding a bicycle on the street at night without a light, and fined five dollars and cost for residing, an officer. Ed. Mann, colored, was taxed with the cost for being disorderly. Wesley Humphrey, colored, was fined twenty dollars and taxed with the cost for being disorderly in the city.

NEWBERN LADIES ARRIVE IN NEWYORK.

MRS. KATE SPENCER AND MISS EULA COLE RETURN FROM EUROPE.

After having spent several weeks in Europe during the war which is now going on there, Miss Eula Cole and Mrs. Kate Spencer of this city on Sunday arrived at New York. When the war was first declared Mrs. Spencer and Miss Cole were at North Cape, Norway. While not in the most active part of the war zone it was feared that they might be detained indefinitely if they remained in Europe for any great length of time and they at once started back to the United States. On August 15 they reached Copenhagen, Denmark, and on the twentieth sailed from that point to New York. In a letter received by relatives here the tourists state that they will return to New Bern in about two weeks and friends here are awaiting their arrival with interest in order that they may get first hand news of conditions existing in the war sweet countries. It is expected that Rev. R. M. Von Miller, the Jacksonville, Onslow county pastor who was in Berlin when war was declared, will return home some time during the present month if it is possible for him to get out of Germany and aboard a steamer bound to the States. A letter was received from Rev. Von Miller about two weeks ago and in this he stated that he was in no immediate danger and would remain for a few weeks longer. Since then events have taken a turn which lead his friends here to believe that he will return home as quickly as possible.

Musical Comedy Company Makes Hit.

THE BEST SHOW OF THE SEASON AT THE ATHENS ALL THIS WEEK.

The Southern Beauties Musical Comedy Company opened a week's engagement at the Athens theatre yesterday afternoon, giving three performances during the day and on each occasion they made a decided "hit" with the audience.

This company is without the slightest doubt one of the best, in fact it might be said that it is the best, that has ever played in New Bern. There are a bevy of pretty girls, who sing well and whose costumes are elaborate and the tableaux presented by them are full of snap and ginger.

Probably the most catchy and most appreciated part of the play yesterday was the singing of Mr. Nelson tenor and Mrs. Tassell, as soprano. These two simply brought down the house a second time and again were they accorded and forced to return and repeat their songs. The work of the quartette in which these two appeared was also excellent and evoked much applause.

The managers of the Athens theatre have gone to a large expense in securing this company which, incidentally of course, is the biggest priced theatrical troupe ever on the road and those New Bernians who fail to see and hear them will indeed miss a rare treat.

The evidence not being sufficient for conviction in the case against Thomas Francis, charged with depositing garbage on the street, he was discharged.

GERMAN ARTILLERY AT LIEGE

