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AN IMPORTANT GAIN MADE BY BRITISH

French Have Taken Additional Trenches and Have Made Stronger Their Position

ALLIES GAIN NORTH AND SOUTH OF THE SOMME

On the Verdun Front the French Have Captured a Trench on the Southern Slope of the Famous Dead Man Hill—In the Dobrudja Region of Rumania the Rumanians and Russians Have Ceased Their Retreat and Definitely Formed Their Battle Lines—In Transylvania the Rumanians Are Keeping Up Their Progress Against the Teutonic Allies—In Macedonia the French Troops Have Captured the Town of Florina, Greece, From the Bulgarians.

Along a mile from the British have advanced another thousand yards and have captured a German fortified work which had previously resisted all their efforts. This operation was conducted by General Haig, the British commander, as important and highly successful. It is indicative of the intention of the British commander to force the battle along the Somme front without cessation, the new advance being a continuation of the powerful movement undertaken by the British and French on Friday last.

Both north and south of the Somme river in French and British and French troops at various points are keeping up their vigorous offensive against the German lines, and are making further successes and put down strong German counter-attacks.

South of Comblies the French have taken additional trenches, making stronger their investment of the little town, which is now almost completely surrounded. Having evacuated the village of Denicourt, south of the river, the Germans have been driven back southward about two-thirds of a mile toward the town of Denicourt. A German trench west of Hogny has been captured.

French artillery fighting is still in progress on the slopes of the Peronne-Bapaume road recently captured by the French. During Sunday and Monday more than 1,000 German prisoners were taken by the French in the Denicourt sector.

STATE WIDE PRIMARY IN NEW YORK TODAY

Interest is Centered on How Progressive Vote Will be Divided.

New York, Sept. 18.—Candidates for United States senator and a complete state ticket will be named at the state-wide primary tomorrow. Chief interest in the election apparently centered tonight in whether the former leaders of the progressive party will be able to swing the votes of a majority of the rank and file to Governor Charles S. Whitman, leading republican candidate for governor. One wing of the party favors the election of Judge Searles, whose candidacy for governor on the democratic ticket is disapproved and who was endorsed by the progressive party when he was elected to the court of appeals in 1914.

National as well as state leaders of both parties are expected to be present at the important political event, the outcome of the presidential campaign in New York. It is conceded by both sides that a majority of those who vote for Whitman will probably support Charles E. Hughes for president, while most of those who support Searles will vote for President Wilson.

Next to the fight for progressive support, the most important contest to be settled tomorrow is that between Robert Bacon, former ambassador to France, and William M. Calder, a former congressman, for the republican nomination for the United States senator.

FAST TRIP BY SPECIAL CARRYING NONNIE HUGHES

Made Trip From New York to Cleveland in Less Than 12 1/2 Hours.

Cleveland, O., Sept. 18.—The special train carrying Charles E. Hughes on his second presidential campaign trip rolled into Cleveland tonight at 7:29 o'clock, having made the trip in less than 12 1/2 hours at an average speed of fifty miles an hour, including stops. At Buffalo, 182 miles from Cleveland, the Hughes special had beaten the running time of the fastest express on a line by almost thirty minutes.

The Hughes special stayed in Cleveland only long enough to change engines and left for Chicago, where it is due to arrive early tomorrow morning, leaving shortly thereafter for Peoria, Ill. There Mr. Hughes will address the republican state convention. The nominee will leave Peoria at noon for Springfield, Ill., where he will make an afternoon speech at the state fair. He will leave Springfield at 11 p. m. for a tour through Wisconsin.

Mr. Hughes while in Indianapolis next Sunday will be the house guest of Charles W. Fairbanks, the vice presidential nominee.

The street car employees of Mexico City have been given a fifty per cent. increase in wages.

General Gaede Dead

Berlin, Sept. 18.—By Wireless to Sayville.—General Gaede, commander in chief of the German troops in Alsace, is dead. The general recently underwent an operation on the abdomen.

Bulgarian Forces Surrounded

Athens, Sept. 18, 11 a. m. via London, 9:55 p. m.—Franco-Serbian troops in northwestern Macedonia, which on Friday, had precipitately on Mostar, according to reports reaching here.

GATHERING EVIDENCE AGAINST ALLEGED BLACKMAILING BAND.

Philadelphia, Sept. 18.—Agents of the department of justice were busy today gathering further evidence against the members of the alleged blackmailing band arrested in Chicago Saturday, and tonight served a warrant on a man who turned out to be a member of the band. The man, whose name is not given, is one of the ringleaders of the syndicate. Other arrests are expected, and in the meantime the government officers here are withholding details of the operations of the alleged blackmailers in the eastern part of the country.

Butler was arrested here last January on a charge of conspiracy and impersonating a United States marshal in attempting to extort money from Mrs. Susan G. S. Wippeny in order to protect a son from prosecution for a supposed murder. Butler was held in heavy bail and was to have been brought to trial at the present term of the federal district court in New York. He was held in heavy bail and was to have been brought to trial at the present term of the federal district court in New York.

DEFEAT OF VILLA FORCES DISCUSSED BY COMMISSION

May Hasten Settlement Between Mexico and the United States.

New London, Conn., Sept. 18.—Villaluz, Mexico, and the repulse of his last night attack on the city of Chihuahua, Mexico, was taken to New York and held in bail to await trial.

Mr. Baker said he did not know how many of the 1,000 tractors sent to England had been armored and put in service as land battleships, nor did he know how many of the British war office had placed upon the cars.

KENTUCKY FEUDIST KILLED BY UNITED STATES MARSHAL

Mose Felner, Prominent in Breathitt County, Was Resisting Arrest.

Lexington, Ky., Sept. 18.—Word reached here today from Perry county to the effect that Mose Felner, known throughout the county as one of the leaders in the Hanger Creek feud, had been killed by United States Marshal G. A. Sizemore while Felner was resisting arrest.

HEAVY CASUALTY LIST OF BRITISH OFFICERS

4,014 Since the Commencement of Hostilities—12,945 Dead.

London, Sept. 18.—(Correspondence of The Associated Press).—Officers' casualty list for the last fortnight of August contain the names of 93 officers killed, 1,365 wounded and 93 missing, a total of 2,492.

ON BLACKMAIL CHARGE

On Information Obtained from Two of Gang Who Confessed.

Chicago, Sept. 18.—While federal authorities tonight prepared an arraignment for a preliminary hearing tomorrow seven members of an alleged blackmail gang today confessed to their part in the racket.

GOVERNOR HOLCOMB IS GOING TO NOGALES

To Remain Fifteen Days—To Be Accompanied by Adj.-Gen. Cole.

Hartford, Conn., Sept. 18.—It was announced here tonight that Governor Marcus H. Holcomb and Adjutant-General George M. Cole will leave Connecticut National Guard headquarters tomorrow for Nogales, Ariz., where they will visit the Connecticut guardsmen. The governor is going in an unofficial capacity and intends to remain in fifteen days. General Cole's visit will be of an official nature, to inspect the camps.

Bristol "Tanks" Built in Peoria

HAVE ATTRACTED WORLD WIDE ATTENTION IN FRANCE

DESIGNED FOR FARMS

Tractors Sent to England Weigh About 18,000 Pounds Each, Develop 120 Horse Power and Are Built of Steel.

Washington, Sept. 18.—The British "tanks," the armed motor cars used in recent operations in France, were built in Peoria, Ill. in the form of caterpillar tractors designed many years before for difficult problems of modern farming.

1,000 Sold to British Government.

M. M. Barber, vice president of the Holt Manufacturing Co., explained here today that it was machines made by his company at its Peoria plant which were used by the British government in the face of intense gunfire. "We have sold about 1,000 caterpillar tractors to the British government," said Mr. Barber. "We have had nothing to do with putting armor on them, or placing machine guns on them, or placing men at Aldershot, England, recently were notified that the British government had ordered 1,000 Holt tractors and use them for work other than the usual towing of big guns."

Germany Had Some Before the War.

Germany had some of these tractors before the war began and although it does not understand how they occurred, I believe she may have got others since then. We have sent some to France and some to the United States, as I know up until the recent appearance of the armored cars the tractors were used for work other than the usual towing of big guns."

REFUSES TO POSTPONE OPENING OF N. Y. SCHOOLS

Action of Dr. Haven Emerson, Health Commissioner, Meeting With Opposition.

New York, Sept. 18.—Refusal of Dr. Haven Emerson, health commissioner, to postpone the opening of this city's public schools until October, tonight, and the news for Long Branch, N. J., where he is due at 11:11 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

Can Go Over Almost Anything.

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Trucks With Five Wheels.

The body is supported by trucks with five wheels, something like small railroad trucks. These wheels never touch the ground, but run upon the steel rails. The front wheels are about seven feet apart and are on the ground at one time. Mr. Baker said that the machine would bridge any hole, no matter how wide, that the foot of either man or horse. He suggested that the British authorities probably had lengthened the track on the tractors used in trench work giving them even greater power to surmount obstacles.

ENORMOUS BUSINESS OF SUBWAY AND EL TRAINS.

Carried 683,752,114 Passengers Last Year—Receipts \$35,691,528.

New York, Sept. 18.—Elevated and subway trains in this city operated by the Interborough Rapid Transit company carried 683,752,114 passengers, an increase of 26,773,848 over the previous year, according to the annual report for the year ending June 30, to be issued tomorrow.

A FINE OF ONE CENT AND IMPRISONMENT TWO MINUTES

Imposed on Man Who Falsified Concerning His Age.

BANDITS RIFLE EXPRESS CAR OF \$62,000 IN GOLD

Then Pushed Train into a Deep Canyon in Texas.

Laredo, Texas, Sept. 18.—Bandits held up a passenger train Sept. 12, and, according to reports, the express car of \$62,000 in gold, rifles, pistols, and other valuables was pushed into a deep canyon. The train was held up for several hours and the passengers were permitted to detain, thus preventing loss of life, the report said.

President Wilson at Sister's Funeral

WALKED FROM CHURCH TO CEMETERY WITH RELATIVES

CONDENSED TELEGRAMS

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SYMPATHETIC STRIKE ON THURSDAY

Should Negotiations Now Being Conducted Fail to Settle New York Traction Strike

APPROXIMATELY 700,000 WORKERS WILL QUIT

President Shonts of the Interborough Rapid Transit Company and the New York Railways Company Declared Yesterday That the Companies Would Refuse to Confer Further With the Strikers—There Was a Noticeable Improvement in Surface Traffic Yesterday—Some Violence Was Reported and Several Arrests Were Made—Police Reserves Dispersed Strikers Who Tried to Hamper Operations of Surface Cars.

New York, Sept. 18.—Failure of negotiations being conducted by Mayor Mitchell to provide a basis of settlement in the traction strike in this city will result in a call Thursday for a sympathetic strike of approximately 700,000 workers, union leaders declared after a conference late today between representatives of several crafts.

Some violence was reported during the day, and several arrests were made. A number of strikers were injured by the operation of surface cars, at the busy transfer point at Twenty-third street and Madison street, as a result of the striking carmen, but no one was seriously injured, according to police reports. Strikers attempted to hamper the operation of surface cars, at the busy transfer point at Twenty-third street and Madison street, as a result of the striking carmen, but no one was seriously injured, according to police reports. Strikers attempted to hamper the operation of surface cars, at the busy transfer point at Twenty-third street and Madison street, as a result of the striking carmen, but no one was seriously injured, according to police reports.

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Call to Affiliated Unions.

The call will be issued, it was stated, to all unions affiliated with the Central Federated Union of New York, the Central Labor Union of Brooklyn and the Federated Union of the Bronx, Westchester and Yonkers. Some of the unions already have authorized a strike, and several others are in progress in others. Theodore P. Shonts, president of the Interborough Rapid Transit company and the New York Railways company, today issued a statement in which he said the companies would refuse to confer further with the strikers. This announcement was made after Mr. Shonts had been informed that Mayor Mitchell had agreed to act with Oscar S. Straus, chairman of the public service commission, in an attempt to bring the strikers and the companies together. The attitude of the companies is unalterable, Mr. Shonts said.

No Practical Plan Evolved.

Mayor Mitchell announced tonight that he had asked the citizens' committee of the chamber of commerce and other representatives of the mercantile association to meet with him tomorrow to discuss the situation. During the meeting, however, no practical plan was evolved to settle the difficulties.

In the event of a general strike call, union leaders said, the first unions to respond will be the longshoremen. The police department today said that it would be ready to meet the strikers' water front in case of a strike.

Improvement in Surface Traffic.

Traffic on the subway and elevated lines continued normal today and there was a noticeable improvement in surface traffic. The rush hour train service is said to be above normal. Surface cars are

Public Bequests in Will of Lewis E. Stanton

Sum of \$10,000 Given to Bacon Academy, Colchester.

Hartford, Conn., Sept. 18.—The will of Lewis E. Stanton, former United States district attorney and Hartford lawyer, admitted to probate today, is particularly interesting because it provides that the old Stanton homestead in Clinton, known to thousands of lovers of the city as the Wadsworth estate, be sold and the proceeds of the sale be used to purchase a Bacon academy, Colchester, \$10,000 of the Center Congregational church, this city, and \$5,000 to the Wadsworth Atheneum for the purchase of a painting which the trustees may decide upon. The value of the estate is estimated at between \$200,000 and \$400,000 and the residue is left in trust to the missionary society of Connecticut.

Many Absentees From New Haven Schools.

Parents to Be Given Latitude Because of Fear of Infantile Paralysis.

New Haven, Conn., Sept. 18.—Attendance at the public schools in this city, which opened today, showed a large percentage of absentees, as a result of the fear of infantile paralysis. Superintendent Beede of the schools said that parents would be given reasonable latitude in the matter and that nothing would be done to compel them to send their children to school. He believes that the fear among parents of the disease is the cause of the first of next month the attendance will be normal.

Board of Control for Yale Athletic Activities.

Faculty, Graduates and Undergraduates to Be Represented.

New Haven, Conn., Sept. 18.—The Yale corporation today formally approved a plan whereby all athletic activities at the university will be governed today by survivors of the board known as the board of control. The board will consist of two members of the college faculty, two members of the scientific school faculty, five graduates of the university and eight members to be chosen by the corporation annually from the alumni or undergraduates in its discretion.

Bloodstained Drum Returned to Richmond

Brought Back by Survivors of the Worcester Continentals.

Richmond, Va., Sept. 18.—A bloodstained drum, which was captured by the Worcester Continentals, a Massachusetts regiment, tomorrow it will be presented to the Confederate Memorial Literary Society at a ceremony at a three-day conference of the American National Live Stock Association with live stock men of the West in Denver.

William Jones, widely known as "Bill Jones," died in Washington, aged 64.