

ADVANCE IN WEST

Entente Allies Make Decided Gains on Western Battle Front.

TRENCHES CAPTURED

In Continuous Fighting Extending From August 1 to the Present Time, the Allied Forces on the Saloniki Front Have Captured the Railroad Station of Dolran and Four Villages at Other Points on the Front—German Troops Will Help in Defense of Trieste Against Attack of Italians. Russians Inactive.

PARIS, Aug. 16.—(10:50 p. m.)—The entente allies after a brisk combat today captured a line of German trenches on a front of 1,500 meters to the north of Maurepas, in the Somme region, according to the official communication issued tonight.

The statement adds that the French troops occupied all the German positions practically 100 miles of the Serbian-Greek frontier. The text of the statement follows:

"Operations of the army of the Orient, August 1 to August 15: Frequent engagements of advance posts and patrols on the whole line have marked this period, notably on August 4 when the Serbians took the village of Remp, near Lake Presba. On August 7, detachments of the allies drove the Bulgarians from the cemetery at Ljumnica. On August 10 the French units took by assault the railroad station at Dolran and the neighboring Hill 227 which the enemy evacuated, leaving several dead behind him.

"On August 13-15 French detachments took the village of Potka, Palnis, Sukova and Matnica, at the foot of the chain of the Heles. Artillery actions, often very vigorous, have taken place almost daily, principally in the region of Dolran.

"Our aviators bombarded concentrations of the enemy at Nicolic and Volovec and military works at Stretmica station. Enemy air men bombarded an ambulance at Vertekop."

NEW COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.

PETROGRAD, Aug. 16.—(Via London Aug. 17, 3:15 a. m.)—Gen. Nicheas Ruzsky has been appointed commander-in-chief of the northern armies of Russia.

General Ruzsky was in command of the northern Russian army at the outbreak of the war. He was credited with the series of brilliant operations which culminated in the capture of Lemberg and was hailed as the hero of the hour in Russia. Shortly afterwards it was announced that he was in ill health and in May, 1915, he retired from the army and was succeeded by General Alexiev, the present chief of staff.

In July, 1915, General Ruzsky resumed command of the northern armies but six months later was relieved from his post by the emperor. An imperial rescript said that the difficult task of defending Petrograd had seriously injured the general's health. General Ruzsky is 62 years old. He was wounded in the Turkish war of 1877-78 and was quartermaster general during the Russo-Japanese war.

LEGISLATIVE SITUATION IN THE SENATE IS TIED INTO A HARD KNOT

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16.—Republican senate leaders and Senator Owen, democrat, tied the legislative situation in the senate into a hard knot today, threatening the plans of administration leaders to expedite the shipping, workmen's compensation and revenue bills and assure an early adjournment of congress.

The obstacle interposed was the Owen corrupt practices bill to limit and regulate political campaign contributions.

The democrats did not include the measure in their legislation program, but Senator Owen wants it passed and the republican leaders want different assurances of its postponement until the December session.

While Senator Fletcher sought an agreement to vote on the shipping bill late today republican leaders demanded in return a promise from the administration forces that the corrupt practices bill would not be pressed to a vote before adjournment. Most of the democrats were willing to give such a promise inasmuch as the bill was not in the imperative program. They found Senator Owen, however, determined to call his bill up some time before adjournment and

Two Men Are Injured in Fight With Grizzly Bear

CODY, Wyo., Aug. 16.—Ned Frost, a guide, and Edward Jones, a cook, were brought here last night suffering from serious injuries received in a battle with a large female grizzly bear near the Lake hotel in Yellowstone national park, Monday night. According to their story Jones caught the bear raiding their commissariat and attempted to frighten it away. The animal was mauling Jones when Frost went to his rescue. Both were badly clawed before the animal was frightened by approaching tourists.

GREAT PICTURE AT CHAUTAUQUA

"RACING WITH DEATH IN ANT-ARCTIC BLIZZARDS" IS GENUINE THRILLER.

ENTERTAINERS ARE ALSO PLEASING

The Chautauqua held its own in spite of the circus yesterday, especially in the evening when the big tent was filled to see the extraordinary pictures of the Antarctic world and listen to the lecture by Dr. Hunsberger. The audience yesterday afternoon was delightfully entertained by the Elite whistlers and Francis Labadie, a reader and impersonator of no meager talent. These entertainers also preceded the lecture last evening. They all were insistently encored and Mr. Labadie charmed particularly in his readings from Robert W. Service.

The famous pictures and lecture, "Racing With Death in Antarctic Blizzards," a most marvelous hour and a half of entertainment. To know that the wonderful scenes upon the screen were actually taken under blizzards sometimes roar at 216 miles an hour and where the warmest summer weather is below zero, was almost awesome. Some of the scenes were beautiful, some grotesque and all wonderful. Of course, it was the greatest picture of its kind ever shown here and one which never will be forgotten by those who saw it. Dr. Hunsberger, who gave the very interesting lecture which accompanied the pictures, was a personal friend and associate of Sir Douglas Mawson, who was the first to explore these great ice regions and for whom the pictures are named. This entertainment is one of the Chautauqua's biggest features this year.

The program for today will be as follows:

Morning. Junior Chautauqua.

King Arthur's Court.

Wm. L. Killian.

Afternoon. Concert. Sequoia Male Quartet.

Popular concert Sequoia Male Quartet.

Popular Lecture. Sylvester A. Long, president International Lyceum Association.

BILLINGS REPORTS TWO MORE INFANTILE PARALYSIS CASES

BILLINGS, Aug. 16.—Two new cases of infantile paralysis were reported today and several suspected cases are being closely watched. One of the victims is a sister of the little girl who died Sunday after only one day's illness. War has begun against stray cats and dogs.

RETURN FROM OIL FIELDS.

George Wiedeman, J. E. Lane, Fred Warren, H. L. De Kalb, Milton Wiese and J. P. Echmitt returned yesterday from Wyoming oil fields where they have interests. They left Lewistown on Sunday. They report bright prospects on the horizon.

A GERALDINE VISITOR.

A. O. Bergeson of Geraldine, a prominent merchant of Geraldine, is in the city on his way to Livingston. He states that the crops in the Geraldine section are in fine condition, while business conditions at Geraldine are very satisfactory.

D. J. BURKE HOME.

Contractor D. J. Burke, who has been awarded the contract for constructing the Milwaukee line from Grass Range to Winnett, is in the city, coming in from the work north of Great Falls.



YOU SHOULD WORRY, WOODROW!

AN OPEN LETTER

Governor Stewart Reviews Record of His Administration.

ISSUES OUTLINED

In a letter addressed to the voters of Montana the Governor submits for consideration the record of the present administration and outlines the issues upon which he proposes to conduct his campaign for re-election—Speaks Only of Facts Which Are Disclosed by the Public Records.

HELENA, Aug. 15.—In an open letter, addressed to the people of Montana, Gov. S. V. Stewart today reviewed the record of the present administration and outlined the issues upon which he proposes to conduct his campaign for re-election. In his letter to the people of Montana:

"In submitting to you my candidacy for re-election as governor, I deem it fitting that I should call attention to the record of this administration, to the end that with the facts before you, you may give earnest thought to the question of whether that record merits your approval. A public officer is but a public servant. Whenever his official acts are contrary to the desires of the people it is their duty to dismiss him; but, whenever his official acts reflect the wishes of a majority of his constituents, that constituency owes to good government the duty of sustaining him. On this basis, I cheerfully submit my official record.

Law and Order.

"During my administration I have endeavored to uphold and enforce the law. On one solemn occasion I deemed it necessary to use the supreme power of the state to protect life and property. For the first time in the history of this commonwealth, I called upon the national guard to uphold constituted authority and to suppress anarchy. Happy indeed was the result. Without the spilling of a drop of blood and without the firing of a shot order was restored, life and property were made safe and industrial peace and an unprecedented degree of prosperity succeeded what threatened to be a long period of violence and disorder, with its inevitable poverty and suffering.

"DOES THAT ACTION MERIT YOUR APPROVAL?"

Workmen's Compensation. "After more than 10 years of agitation, this administration has placed in operation a plan which insures compensation to workmen injured in hazardous employments and protection to their dependents in case of fatal injury. The machinery of the industrial accident board was placed in operation at a cost of less than half of the minimum ever attained in any other state. During the first year of the operation of this law, the sum of \$388,595.70 was promptly paid to injured workmen or their dependents, a greater sum than was ever awarded in any one year in personal injury cases growing out of similar accidents. These payments were made without long and tedious court trials and without the burdensome fees of attorneys which formerly cut so deep into the award made the claimant.

SAD ENDING OF DANCING PARTY HELD IN SCHOOL HOUSE IN MONTANA COUNTY.

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MRS. THOMAS PRITCHARD, FRED SWALLHEIM, 6 years old.

The injured: Alfred Johnson, Arthur Johnson, Thomas Pritchard, Baby Pritchard, Tom Buell, Mrs. Tom Buell, Miss Buell and Fred Remore, all severely burned.

The accident occurred at the Arndt school house, about 30 miles north of Hinsdale, Valley county. The dead and injured all lived in the school district where the new school house had recently been completed, the dance they were attending being held to raise funds to help pay for the building.

The stove that exploded was being used at the time to heat coffee. It was placed in the door of the building, and Mrs. Thomas Pritchard was superintending the coffee making. The Swallheim child was near. Suddenly there was a terrific explosion and the flames swept through the building. The dancers crowded toward the windows in the rear of the building and several of them were slightly injured in that way. Mrs. Pritchard and the child were killed almost instantly. The building was completely destroyed.

DORMITORY IS CHIEF TOPIC

HIGH SCHOOL INTERESTS ABLY DISCUSSED AT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE LUNCHEON.

VON TOBEL TELLS OF PROPOSITION

The Chamber of Commerce luncheon at the Fergus hotel yesterday noon was very successful if one took into account the talks that were made rather than the attendance. There were about forty there, and there is little doubt but the usual number would have been present had it not been circus day. The reason circus day was chosen in the first place was to get hold of the unusual number of farmers who might be in the city and who would be interested in a subject as vitally interesting as the county high school.

Principal F. L. Cummings of the Fergus county high school was present and made an address on high school matters which convinced his hearers that he knows what he is talking about. He will be asked by the Chamber of Commerce members again in the near future questions pertaining to the high school, and the committee is thinking of asking the ladies to be present.

Van Tobel Outlines Plan.

Mr. A. A. Franke was chairman at the luncheon yesterday. The main object of the luncheon was ably brought out by R. von Tobel, chairman of the high school dormitory plan in detail. His report was made as follows:

For several years the board of trustees of the Fergus county high school.

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TROUBLE IN SIGHT

Employees of New York's Surface Roads Issue an Ultimatum.

STRIKE FORTHWITH

Situation Has Become So Acute That Mayor Mitchell and Oscar S. Straus Are Said to Have Been Summoned Back to the City, the Former From Plattsburg and the Latter From Maine—Employees Insist That Company Recognize the Union, But Manager of the Company Declines to do so.

NEW YORK, Aug. 16.—Another strike of conductors and motormen employed by the New York Railways company will be declared "forthwith" unless the company grants recognition of the union, according to resolutions adopted at a mass meeting of the men tonight.

The situation has become so acute that Mayor Mitchell and Oscar S. Straus, chairman of the public service commission, are said to have been summoned back to the city, the former from Plattsburg and the latter from Maine.

Theodore P. Shonts, president of the Interborough Rapid Transit and the New York Railways companies, in a letter addressed to the mayor and Chairman Straus tonight called attention to the ultimatum delivered to him by the employees' committee, which charged that the New York Railways company had violated the agreement of August 7, which brought the strike on the surface car lines to an end.

Mr. Shonts denied that his company had discharged workers because of their affiliation with the carmen's union and added that "in many cases employees of this company have clearly violated the rules of this company, some of the violations increasing the hazard and endangering the safety of passengers on our cars."

In a circular distributed among its employees, the position of the company was defined in part as follows:

"This company has not sanctioned the unionizing of its men. It has said that if any employee desires to join a union he shall not be prevented from doing so by coercion or intimidation, neither shall he be discharged for joining. It has also been said that if any employee does not desire to join a union he shall not be coerced or intimidated into doing so either by unionized employees of this company or members of any organization not employees of this company.

"The company explicitly reserved the direction and control of employees in all matters looking to efficiency in the service. The most important item of efficiency of service is the maintenance of reasonable and fair discipline. The agreement stipulates that no matters relating to questions of discipline or efficiency shall be subject to conference or arbitration."

The resolutions of the car men adopted tonight after authorizing their leaders to call a suspension of work on all lines of the New York Railways company unless a satisfactory agreement can be reached tomorrow, declare that the company for four days past has failed to comply with requests for a conference with the employees' committee.

Searching Reservation For Colored Murderer

SPOKANE, Aug. 16.—Federal authorities are searching the mountains of the Colville Indian reservation for Edward F. Mayberry, who is charged with murdering Alice Vivian last Sunday night. It is believed that Mayberry has been located and the federal marshal here was asked to send reinforcements. It is known that Mayberry is heavily armed. His alleged victim was an Indian. He is described as three-fourths white and quarter negro, but it is believed that he is part Indian.

BRIDGE NEEDED AT FLOUR MILL

CITY ENGINEER BIRKLAND PREPARES AN ESTIMATE OF THE COST OF IMPROVEMENT.

REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

In pursuance of instructions recently given City Engineer A. C. Birkland, he has prepared an estimate on the cost of a reinforced concrete bridge on Main street at the flour mill. This structure would be 75 feet wide with wings and covering one sidewalk. The cost would be \$2,100. The council would like to make this improvement but the funds are not available just at present. When it can be reached however, this bridge will replace the more or less shaky one now in use.

Fire Department.

Chief J. C. Bebb's report of the fire department for July shows one alarm sent in, there being no loss. The expense of the department for the month was \$531.50. The cost of maintenance for the fire team was \$25 and for the auto truck \$3.45.

Want A Sewer.

Health Officer C. C. Wallin has recommended the construction of a sanitary sewer through the Hippel alley as soon as possible. The matter is being held up pending an adjustment with Mr. Hippel on the opening of the alley or its transfer to the city.

Mayor Symmes and the council favor buying the tract at a reasonable price and assessing the cost against the district.

City's Finances.

City Treasurer Dan Hanley's report for July shows balances in the various funds on August 1 as follows:

General, \$7,847.26; road, \$1,146.21; water works, \$15,556.70; library, \$806.79; park, \$41.36; sinking, \$10,753.55; principal, special improvement, \$14,805.53; firemen's disability, 59 cents; special savings, \$209; sprinkling, \$145.84; sidewalk, \$13.17; light, \$17.23; total, \$51,159.23.

Overdrafts were reported as follows: Fire \$2,518.11; special improvement, interest, \$5,011.55; boulevard No. 1, \$5,236; boulevard, \$15.22; making a total of \$14,248.41 and having a net balance of \$36,910.82.

A BURGLARY AT THE KNIGHT HOME ON CORCORAN STREET

Burglars Sunday night entered the home of E. F. Knight, 909 Corcoran street. Mr. Knight and family left their home about 7:30 for the Chautauqua and when they returned discovered that burglars had entered by the back door, undoubtedly with a skeleton key, as Mr. Knight is certain that all doors were securely locked when he left the house. The articles stolen included two revolvers, five or six razors and a pair of shoes, nothing of much value being taken, as in their haste the burglars overlooked a watch or two and an expensive necklace. The intruders had arranged the lights, so in case of a surprise, they could make their getaway before being detected.

This is the time of the year that the hoboes and undesirable are generally roaming the railroad cities and in nearly every case they take advantage of an open window or an unlocked door in their desire to make away with something of value. During the summer months when the people are generally out of their homes in the evenings, it would be wise to see that all doors and windows are securely locked, thus avoiding the night prowler.

FOR THE CENSUS.

Born, August 16, to Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Jackson, a nine-pound boy.

NEW YORK'S SCHOOLS MAY NOT BE OPENED ON ACCOUNT OF EPIDEMIC

NEW YORK, Aug. 16.—While September 25 was set today as the tentative date for opening the public schools of this city, postponed from September 11, because of the epidemic of infantile paralysis, Health Commissioner Emerson said it was by no means certain New York's 1,000,000 school children under 16 years of age could resume their studies as early as that.

Definite plans cannot be made, Dr. Emerson informed William G. Wilcox, president of the board of education, because it is impossible to foresee whether the disease can be checked or whether the epidemic will assume still greater proportions.

Another decrease in deaths and

WILSON'S NEW PLAN

It Will Be Submitted to Railroad Employees at 3 o'Clock Today.

MAY BE SETTLEMENT

Proposal Framed by President Says That the Railways Should Concede the 8-Hour Work Day With an Agreement That It Will Be Reserved; Later It Probably Will Be Proposed That a Federal Commission Appointed by the President Investigate All Problems Which Have Arisen During Discussion.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16.—Today

President Wilson completed a definite plan for settlement of the threatened nation-wide railroad strike and will submit it to representatives of the managers and employes tomorrow. Although administration officials said negotiations would be continued until a peaceful solution was found, the outcome of the president's mediation is expected to depend largely on the attitude of the two sides toward the plan he has drawn up.

The proposal framed by the president following conferences with the managers and employes since Monday morning says that the railways should concede the eight-hour work day with an agreement that it will be reserved. Later it probably will be proposed that a federal commission appointed by the president or created by congress investigate all problems which have arisen during the present discussion.

The obstacles in the way of acceptance of the plan, lies in the insistence of the railroad managers on arbitration and their opposition to the eight-hour day and the demand for time and a half for overtime. Whether the two sides will give in on these points constituted the chief danger in the situation tonight.

The general committee of the employes, including 640 representatives of the trainmen and engineers on the 225 railroad systems of the country arrived here tonight in response to a summons by their sub-committee which has been meeting with the president. The general committee has plenary powers to accept or reject any suggestion.

The men, although refraining from discussing the plan of the president, said they thought the outlook encouraging for a settlement.

At 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon the president will meet the entire committee of 640 in the east room of the White House and lay before them his plans. He will accompany it with a statement, appealing to their patriotism and urging a compromise in the interests of the people of the nation.

While no time has been set for a conference between the managers' committee and the president, it is thought probable it will take place tomorrow morning.

When Mr. Wilson sees the managers he will make practically the same statement he will deliver to the employes, paying particular attention, however, to the points he feels the managers should concede. The president completed his plan during a conference today with Judge William L. Chambers of the federal board of mediation and conciliation, who took to the White House statistics compiled by experts showing the probable cost of the railroads of the granting of a basic eight-hour day. Immediately afterwards Judge Chambers talked briefly with the managers' committee. He did not confer with the employes' representatives.

The conference between the president and Judge Chambers was the only formal meeting of the day in connection with the situation. There were no White House conferences with the managers and employes, pending the arrival of the brotherhood's general committee from New York and the drawing up of a definite plan by Mr. Wilson. The managers spent the day in informal meetings and conferences at their hotel. The employes' representatives rested at their hotel, saying they had nothing to confer about among themselves.

The president is depending largely on public opinion to force a settlement.

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