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Germans Are Fighting Like Demons Progressing Slowly Toward France; Battle of Nations Expected Hourly

Nation Engaged in Food Price Probe

District of Columbia Leads Off With Special Grand Jury; Many Witnesses Are Called

PLANS FOR AIDING TOURISTS TO RETURN ARE COMPLETED

Washington, Aug. 14.—Legal forces, state and federal, all over the country got into action today, carrying out the president's suggestion for an investigation as to whether food prices are being artificially increased on the pretext of the European war, and for criminal prosecutions if such is found to be the case. The national capital led off the campaign with a grand jury investigation, to which merchants, wholesalers, retailers, buyers for hotels and restaurants were subpoenaed. Citizens having evidence also were invited.

Investigations Over Nation.

Reports of other investigations beginning in many localities by the United States attorneys, state and county authorities began pouring into the attorney general's office.

Censorship of Wires.

The final decision regarding the policy of the Washington government toward an extension of the censorship recently applied on wireless stations to cable offices has been deferred for several days. Representatives of some of the commercial companies interested, it is understood, asked for an opportunity to be heard, and it is expected their counsel will confer with Attorney General McReynolds Monday, regarding the legal questions involved.

Plans Go Forward Swiftly.

The execution of plans of the government board of relief to bring the war marooned Americans home from Europe went forward swiftly. Five army transports were sent on their way to Newport News, to be hastily fitted out for a cruise to ports abroad to pick up refugees.

Secretary Garrison notified the American line to increase sailings of its vessels, to provide accommodations for 3,000 additional persons. Managers of steamers chartered as private relief expeditions announced that they will co-operate with the war department. Accommodations for considerably over 20,000 are expected to be provided within the next 30 days. A cablegram from the American Association of Commerce in Berlin was transmitted to the state department through Ambassador Gerard, and announced that Berlin is quiet, food prices normal and foreigners, especially Americans, are fully protected.

DRY FARMING EXHIBITS FROM NORTH DAKOTA

State Will Take Part in Great International Dry Farming Congress in Kansas.

Fargo, N. D., Aug. 14.—The North Dakota Experiment station will make an exhibit at the international Dry Farming congress to be held at Wichita, Kan., Oct. 7-17.

The exhibit will consist of grains, grasses, alfalfa, corn, garden products and photographs and charts to illustrate the work being done and the principles worked out.

This will be a fine opportunity for those having good speciments of these crops to have them included. This is one of the best places for displaying the resources of the state. The congress being international, representatives will be present from practically all nations.

The western states, the provinces of Canada, and some foreign countries make big efforts to place good exhibits at the dry farming congress.

This is the first year that North Dakota has made an exhibit.

N. D. GIRL PHARMACIST.

The Aberdeen American of last Sunday contained a slendid picture of Miss Laura May Carroll, of Aberdeen, second vice president of the South Dakota Pharmaceutical association. Miss Carroll is a Fargo girl who for quite a long time was pharmacist at the Bruce Crusoe drug store in that city. The South Dakota Pharmaceutical association is holding a convention in Aberdeen and Miss Carroll took a prominent part on the program. She has a wide circle of friends in Fargo and North Dakota who will be delighted to know of her rapid advancement in the profession in South Dakota.

CARRANZA IS NAMED PRESIDENT

ENTERS MEXICO CITY AT NOON AND ASSUMES AUTHORITY.

TO HOLD ELECTION SOON

Washington, Aug. 14.—Carranza was named provisional president of Mexico in an agreement signed outside of Mexico City yesterday by General Obregon, representative of the federals and Governor Iturbide, according to an announcement of the constitutionalists here. Dispatches said the agreement provided that Carranza is to fill all offices necessary to conduct the government until a general election can be held.

ENTERS AT NOON.

Laredo, Texas, Aug. 14.—Nuevo Laredo, a Mexican city opposite here, received an official telegram that Carranza entered Mexico City at noon today.

TWO YOUNG PEOPLE IN SUICIDE PACT

Went to Hotel in Velva, Where They Took Morphine; Relatives Notified.

Velva, N. D., Aug. 14.—Olga Eckstrand and Lloyd White committed suicide at Velva Wednesday morning using morphine. From reports received over the 'phone, it appears that the couple came to Velva from Minot and securing rooms in the local hotel decided to end their lives.

Olga Eckstrand has a mother living in Fargo and herself was a resident here for a number of years. She was about 20 years old and was well known because of her beauty. Her mother is confined to her rooms with illness and has not the funds to either go to Velva or to have the body brought here. Instructions were sent to the mayor of Velva last night to have the body buried there.

White is not known in Fargo—at least not by that name. His mother is a resident of Fort Scott, Kan., and word has been sent to her of the suicide. No reason is known why the two made the pact and only meagre details were available last night

TROUBLE IN NICARAGUA.

Washington, Aug. 14.—Because of a threatened "political disturbance" at Bluefields, Nicaragua, Commander Twining, of the gunboat Tacoma, landed 57 officers and marines yesterday, at the request of the American consul, and with the consent of the Nicaraguan government.

THT WEATHER.

Tri-State—Partly cloudy Saturday; showers Saturday night or Sunday.

BISMARCK BOOSTERS WILL TOUR

FIRST TRADE EXTENSION TRIP OF SEASON ON THURSDAY.

FOUR SEPARATE EXCURSIONS

Arranging For Special Train and Several Auto Trips; Band Will Enliven Things.

The first Trade Extension and Exposition boosting trip of the season is planned by the Commercial club to take place next Thursday. Arrangements are being made for a special train to run out west of Stanton. Arrangements have not yet been all completed, but probably will be by today. It is expected that probably 50 to 75 of the local business men will go on the trip. As a good many of the stores are closed, anyway, on Thursday, this will e the easiest day for a large number of the merchants to get away. The excursion will take them into some of the best trade territory Bismarck has and will show a new country to them. It is planned to take the band along and to make the trip a good one in every way.

Auto Trips Also.

Besides the Stanton-Golden Valley trip, next Thursday, several automobile trips are being planned throughout the surrounding country. One will be made to the north as far as Minot, stopping there over night. Another will be made to Linton, where the night will be spent, and from there to Braddock, Napoleon, Steele, etc. A third trip will take in New Salem, Richardton, Dickinson, New England, Mott, etc.

The former trips taken by the club were such great successes, in every way, that a good turn-out is expected on these.

GIRLS NEARLY LOSE LIVES IN LEAKY BOAT

Boat Broke Loose From Moorings and Floated Far Out, Filling With Water.

Rugby, N. D., Aug. 14.—While attending the annual Presbyterian picnic at Spring Lake today, Lillian McLean, aged 12, Arvilla Orr, aged 11, and Trabina Gunderson came near drowning. They had played in a boat on shore, when it broke loose from its moorings and was carried out by the wind into the lake, and had leaked almost full when reached by John Lynch, who swam out to it; a distance of almost a mile. O. S. Orr arrived a few seconds after with a plank, which he shoved under the boat to hold it up, but the girls had jumped out and gone down twice when reached by Lynch, who told them to grab the boat. W. Reels, a neighboring farmer, swam out and assisted in getting them ashore. No other boats were available.

BEAUTIFY CEMETERY.

Mott, N. D., Aug. 14.—For some time the Union Ladies' Aid have been anxious to have the N P. authorities do something in regard to tapping the mains leading to the cemetery. On Thursday the N. P. definitely decided to let the ladies have the use of water and do the tapping. It is the ladies' intention to have the pipes laid, plow the land this fall and next spring plant trees in the cemetery and beautify it. The Union Ladies' Aid take a great interest in the work, and we are sure their efforts will be appreciated.

INSECT'S BITE PROVES FATAL.

Cando, N. D., Aug. 14.—The bite of an insect, believed to have been a mosquito, proved fatal to Eunice June King, 2-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry King of this city. The child was bitten on the knee three weeks ago, blood poisoning resulting.

HERE ON BUSINESS

Geo. Ward of Baldwin is spending a few days in Bismarck, on business.

USING THEM.

Men who won't work are being put to a good use by the sheriff, cleaning up the streets.

Murder Three; Secure Payroll of 15,000 Dollars

Williamson, W. Va., Aug. 14.—Joseph Sheler, paymaster of the Glen Alum Coal and Coke company; Dr. W. D. Amick, the company physician, and T. D. Johnson, the company electrician, were murdered and a $15,000 payroll stolen by unidentified bandits, who escaped.

Before dying, one of the three murdered men said they were attacked by four Italians. Posses were sent from here and bloodhounds from Matteson were put on the bandits' trail.

MUST INSURE CARGOES

FINANCIERS AT WASHINGTON, INCLUDING J. J. HILL, DISCUSS CONDITIONS.

PROPOSE WAR INSURANCE

Washington, Aug. 14.—Government insurance against war risks of American register ships and their cargoes is the solution offered today by 62 representative business men of the country for the stoppage of American overseas commerce because of the European war.

The proposal was made in a definite form, after an all day's conference, presided over by Secretary McAdoo, who called the meeting. Practically all the largest banking and shipping interests in the United States were represented.

Appoint Committee of 12.

The conference appointed a committee of 12, headed by Seth Low, president of the national civic federation, to remain in Washington and advise with the governmental departments and committees of congress during the framing of legislation believed to be necessary to relieve conditions produced by the war.

Begins Drafting Bill.

The committee tonight began drafting a bill to be presented to congress immediately, and pressed for passage with a view to having the government insurance bureau in operation as soon as possible after the pending measure, modifying restrictions upon American registration of foreign built ships is effective.

Many speakers, including J. P. Morgan, James J. Hill and other financiers, pointed out the fact that Great Britain, France and Belgium already had provided for government war insurance of their merchant shipping. Against this action, they declared, the United States would be helpless, as no ships will pass under the American flag with the passage of proposed registry law unless their owners are assured of insurance. The result will be the foreign monopoly of sea transportation, they predicted, and the fixing abroad of the price at which American wheat and cotton will be sold. The establishment of a bureau of war risk by the United States is the remedy proposed.

SECURES NEW QUARTERS.

With a view of obtaining larger and more comfortable quarters, First Christian Science Society of Bismarck has rented the room over Webb Bros. store which was formerly used as a United States Court room. The first service in the new quarters will be held Sunday morning, Aug. 16, at the usual hour. The society was organized last Nov., and held its first formal service on Thanksgiving day in rooms on the second floor of the Tribune building, which it has since occupied. However, the increasing attendance demanded a more commodious place of worship, and this need has been supplied.

GOES TO ALMONT.

L. H. Carufel left yesterday for Almont, to be absent a few days, on business.

RUSSIANS EVACUATE POLAND

GERMANS PRESSING FORWARD IN BELGIUM ACCORDING TO DISPATCH.

PART OF LIEGE IS OCCUPIED

Progress of Kaiser's Army Told in Cablegram to Frisco Consul.

San Francisco, Aug 14.—The German consul received the following telegram from the German ambassador at Washington today:

"Poland was evacuated by the Russian troops, which are now massing their forces further back. The German North army, after taking possession of a great part of Liege, advanced its outposts as far as Tirlemont and Namur, where a decisive battle is expected. It is only a question of a short time before the forts fall. The outer forts of Longwy are sliced and the French army corps at Belfort, which pressed our advanced guards, were thrown back to the Voages mountains with heavy losses, by the Fourteenth Baden corps, whose left wing, assisted by the Fourteenth Austrian Tyrol corps, had taken up the offensive."

AUSTRALASIANS WIN DOUBLES

Foreign Davis Cup Contenders Have Two of Three Necessary.

Forest Hills, L. I., Aug. 14.—The Australasian Davis cup champions won the doubles contest, giving them two of the three matches necessary to win the trophy. Norman Brookes and Anthony Wilding defeated Maurice McLoughlin and Thomas Bundy.

HAT BANDS YIELDED MUCH HIDDEN WEALTH

Hotel Porters in Spokane Hotel Found Considerable Sums in Discarded Lids.

Spokane, Wash., Aug. 14.—Hereafter hotel porters will look carefully under the bands of cast off hats, in search of forgotten fortunes. By accident the employes of a Spokane hotel have discovered that the hat band is even more popular than the stocking as a private safety deposit vault. The collection of discarded "lids" left by guests at this hotel assumed such proportions that the manager ordered the porters to consign the hoary headgear to the crematory. The first derby was thrown into the garbage can with such force that a strip of 2-cent stamps fluttered out. The discovery set the porters to thinking, and every hat was given a thorough inspection. Bills ranging from $1 to $5 were found stored under the linings and sweat bands of several, and when the treasure was collected it was found to aggregate nearly $40 in stamps and currency.

FLOWER DAY.

The Mandan Library association will hold a "flower day" on Sept. 4. This is something new and will be conducted on the same plan as Tag Day, but instead of buying a tag you get a beautiful bouquet of cut flowers.

The proceeds are to be used for the benefit of the library.

HUNTED OUT OF SEASON.

Regan, N. D., Aug. 14.—A Greek section hand was arrested here last night on the charge of hunting out of season. He had his hearing before Justice Reedy, who fined him $10 and costs.

VISITED IN MANDAN.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Newton spent Friday with the J. H. Newton's in Mandan, and will return today.

Mere Weight of Kaiser's Army Is Forcing It Forward

France and England Lined Up With Belgians for Terrific Struggle Somewhere Between Louvain and Diest

RUSSIAN HORDES DESCENDING

Persistent Rumors Are That Italy Soon Will Cast Her Lot With the Triple Entente; Turkey May Fight Greece.

150 KILLED; BOAT HITS MINE.

London, Aug. 13.—About 150 passengers and crew of the Austrian Lloyd steamer Baron Gautsch were killed or drowned when the vessel was blown up by a mine off the Island of Lussin on the Dalmatian Coast, according to Reuter dispatch from Trieste. The craft carried about 300 passengers and crew of whom 150 were rescued.

London, Aug. 15.—Pushing forward by mere weight of numbers, the German advance across Belgium is slowly but steadily proceeding and soon must come in contact with the allied armies, which, according to the original communication from Brussels tonight are in battle order at some point unnamed. Belgians in outpost skirmishing are said to have inflicted severe checks on the German forces, but on the whole the German wing has kept on its way and reached a line from north of Namur to Haelf, which suggests that the first big battle will be fought somewhere between Louvain and Diest, where the allies probably will try to block the roads to Brussels and Antwerp to prevent the German attempt to render north Belgium untenable.

FRENCH GO TO RELIEF.

Further south, the French troops entered through Charleroi, going to the relief of their neighbors and may aid any attack directed toward Namur. In the east the French are reported to have gained possession of ridges in the Voages mountains and hold the passes of Le Bonhomme and Sainte Marie Au Mines, through which important roads pass, which, it is declared gives great strategic advantage.

GERMANS HAMMERING AWAY.

Germans again are hammering away at the Liege forts, and according to their account, Fort Pontisse has fallen. This is denied by Belgians, who tell of another slaughter of the invaders. Hordes of Russians are reported marching toward Prussia on one side and Austrian Galicia on the other.

JAPAN AND ITALY DOUBTFUL.

The probable attitude of Japan and Italy is still a subject of speculation. Conversations continuously are going on between Japan and Great Britian concerning Japan's duty under the alliance with Great Britain and the part she will be permitted to take in peace conferences following the war. There are persistent rumors that Italy intents to join the triple entent. If it is true Turkey purchased the German cruisers Goeben and Breslau, war between Greece and Turkey is said to be likely, for Greece sees in this move an attempt on the part of Turkey to recover some of her Island taken in the last war.

The London Daily Telegraph learns from a diplomatic correspondent that Japan intends to carry out to the full its obligations under the Anglo-Japanese treaty. The correspondent says the Japanese navy has put to sea, and will keep with the British fleet in taking effective action against the enemy's ships in the Pacific.

GERMANS FIGHT LIKE DEMONS.

London, Aug. 14.—A dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph from the Brussels correspondent says Fort Pontisse and its neighboring forts west of the city of Liege are resisting extremely well the fierce German attach. The Germans have been trying to rush Pontisse by main force, no longer relying upon the siege of artillery. They have been unable to get beyond the Glacis fort, where they were mowed down by the defenders' fire.

TRY TO FILL UP DITCHES.

Besiegers were provided with bundles of wood and mattresses with which to fill up the ditches about the fort, but they have been unable to use them. The object of the Germans obviously is to sieze forts on the left bank of the Carmyeuse, which in the hands of the Belgian, will be terrible weapons against invading forces, should the German main army march toward Liege. On the other hand, these forts in the hands of the Germans will serve as a base of action directed against the Belgians.

BRING AEROPLANE DOWN.

London, Aug. 14.—A Reuter dispatch from St. Petersburg says a message was received there from Vilna stating that a German aeroplane making observations of Russian military movements in Polish government of Suwalki was fired upon and brought down. Its occupants, four German officers were killed. The Brussels correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph says the transportation of French troops into Belgian territory is now complete and all troops expected are now in battle order at a place fixed according to plans of the chief of staff.

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