

BRITISH SMASH GERMAN LINES ON SIX MILE FRONT

Make Most Notable Gain Since Anglo-French Offensive Started July 1

COMBLES AND THIEPOAL IN GREAT DANGER

Allies Have Kaiser's Forces Hemmed in, in Region of North of Somme

London, Sept. 15.—Smashing the German lines on a front of six miles north of the Somme in France, the British forces have made probably the most notable advance since the Anglo-French offensive began, July 1. Three towns, two woods and the possession of nearly all the high ground between Combles and the Pozieres-Bapaume road fell to the British. Not only did the Germans lose these points, but the British drive imperils the Combles and Thiepval positions, at either end of the British front. The gaining of the high ground north of Combles gives the British command of the approaches to Bapaume.

The advance on the northern end of the front was for a distance of two miles. Corcelet, east of Thiepval and north of the Pozieres-Bapaume road, and Martinpuch, south of the road, fell into the hands of General Haig's men. Further south of the road they took Le Priez and the Ditch wood, making secure their possession of Ginchy. Bouleaux wood, north of Combles, also was lost to the Germans.

The Germans, under Crown Prince Rupprecht of Bavaria, fought stubbornly to hold their ground, London says, and the fighting was severe along the lines. More than 2,300 prisoners were taken by the British.

Aiding the British in the encirclement of Combles, the French have taken additional trenches north of Le Priez.

South of the river three German trenches near Boiny-en-Santerre were taken by the French, who also captured 200 prisoners. Berlin claims the repulse of British attacks southeast of Thiepval and of French efforts between Rancourt and the Somme. The official statement admits the loss of Le Priez.

Break Bulgarian Defense. In northern Macedonia the British, French and Serbian armies have gained additional successes, breaking down the Bulgarian defense in the center and on the left wing.

Unofficially, it is reported, the Bulgarians retreated 12 miles in front of the intense rush and Athens reports the abandonment of Kassandra by the Bulgarians. Berlin says Entente attacks in the Moglenica sector and east of the Varlar were repulsed.

The Italians have begun a new drive toward Trieste. Lines of Austrian entrenchment east of the Valone have been taken, Rome reports, together with more than 2,100 prisoners. Vienna, while admitting Italian successes on the Isonzo front, declares the first assault is looked upon as a failure.

In the Dobruja region of Roumania, Bucharest admits that the Russian and Roumanian troops are retiring northward before the advance of the forces of the Central Powers.

Violent fighting is in progress in progress in this region. In Transylvania, however, the Roumanian forces are continuing their progress.

CAMPAIGN PLANS STILL DOUBTFUL

Pres. Wilson Will Not Start Work Until Sure of His Sister's Condition

Long Branch, N. J., Sept. 15.—President Wilson's campaign plans were further disturbed today by receipt of word from New London, Conn., that his sister, Mrs. Anna Howe, who is critically ill, spent a restless night. It appeared probable that Mr. Wilson would cancel an engagement to go to St. Louis September 20, to speak before an underwriters' convention.

Such disturbing news from Mrs. Howe's bedside was received this morning that the president planned on going to New London immediately. Later in the afternoon, however, word was received that she was slightly better and Mr. Wilson postponed the trip.

DRYS AND SUFFRAGISTS HAVE BIG MAJORITY

Vancouver, B. C., Sept. 15.—British Columbia election returns are sufficiently complete to assure a majority of 5,000 or more for prohibition and woman suffrage.

LOUISIANA TO DEMAND THAT BOY BE SENT TO GALLOWS; EFFORT MADE TO SAVE HIM



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PLAN FOR JOINT POLICE FORCE HAS BEEN ABANDONED

Major General Bliss Appears Before Joint Commission and Gives His Views

TELLS DIFFICULTIES OF THE PROPOSED PLAN

New London, Conn., Sept. 15.—A suggestion that the Mexican government create a constabulary for border duty similar to that of the Diaz regime was made today during a brief session of the American-Mexican joint commission, concluding the second week of its deliberation. Apparently the plan for a joint police force, previously discussed, was abandoned as impractical, after the commission had conferred with Major General Bliss, assistant chief of staff of the United States army.

General Bliss, it was learned, made to the joint commission today, a dispassionate statement of the situation he believed would follow General Pershing's withdrawal from Mexico before a properly constituted constabulary is created to relieve his troops.

It is understood he pointed out problems in the way of an effort to create a border police under dual authority.

There is reason to believe the American commissioners have sought to impress their Mexican conferees with the view that Mexico must recognize responsibility for the depredation on the border if relations are to be unimpaired.

FATALITIES RESULT FROM EXPLOSION

Lightning Strikes DuPont Plant; One Killed and Eight Injured

Pompton Lakes, N. J., Sept. 15.—A workman was killed and eight others injured here today when lightning caused an explosion in the fulminate building at the Dupont plant. The explosion started a fire. Firemen removed the injured. The building, a small one of frame construction, was badly damaged.

WILL TAKE THE STUMP FOR HUGHES

Chicago, Sept. 15.—Former President William H. Taft, former United States Senator Burton of Ohio and Henry Estabrook of New York will speak for Hughes and Fairbanks in the central and western states.

FATHERS AND MOTHERS AND WOMEN'S CLUBS PETITION DISTRICT ATTORNEY TO HAVE WILLIE ZIMMER SENT TO A REFORM SCHOOL INSTEAD OF DEATH, AND GIVEN A CHANCE.

By FREDERICK E. HAMLIN. New Orleans, La., Sept. 14.—Willie Zimmer, 12 years old, slayer of his own mother, Mrs. Mary Zimmer, mother of three other children, will face, within six weeks, the criminal district court on trial for his life.

The state of Louisiana will demand, for the first time in its history and the fourth time in the history of the country, that a boy be sent to the gallows!

A boy in short trousers—an orphan of the streets, too young and uneducated to think for himself and deprived of proper parental training from infancy—must pay for his crime with his life on the gallows, unless the mothers and fathers of Louisiana and every state in the country enter a mighty protest or plea to Chandler C. Lutzberg, district attorney, to drop the indictment charging murder in the first degree, and allow Willie Zimmer to be sent to a reform school, preferably the national institution at Washington, where he can get a chance in life!

Women's clubs, school parents' clubs and individual mothers and fathers of New Orleans already have taken up the question of whether the Zimmer child shall have a fresh start in life and be made into a man.

Three of the leading attorneys of New Orleans have volunteered their services to give him only a chance. Convicted or acquitted, they want him sent to a reform school. They believe he is a victim of evil environment, citing the report of coroner J. A. O'Hara to the district attorney that the boy is sane, a shrewd criminal, but that if properly trained he can be made into a smart man.

A smart man or a shrewd crook—

The attorneys, B. B. Howard, H. O. Hollander and Ulic Burke, now are preparing the legal defense. The boy is held without bond.

Attorney Howard, who, by the way, has no sons, but two grown daughters, says he does not believe any court can find 12 men who will convict the Zimmer boy.

Readers of the Tribune will recall the story recently of the mental examination of Willie Zimmer, when it was proposed that a surgical operation might reform the boy, who tried to burn his baby sister and a cat alive, who spent half of his life, beginning at 7 years of age, until the present, in the juvenile court home of New Orleans, and who climaxed his career of crime by killing his mother.

Mrs. Zimmer and her husband had separated, she taking their two daughters, 9 and 7 years old, and baby boy, 3, to live in a tenement room in St. Thomas street, while Willie stayed with his father. Court records show, the father several times threatened to kill Mrs. Zimmer; that they quarreled nearly all the time because of his drinking.

Willie, his sisters and brother "grew up" in the streets, quarrels at night their lullaby. At the separation of his parents, Willie Zimmer heard his father remark, it is charged, that he would "bump the old lady off" if she left him.

Willie declares he took his father's pistol to his mother and begged that he be allowed to stay with her. Instead of giving him love, Mrs. Zimmer is alleged to have chased Willie with a broom. The revolver went off accidentally, Willie says, and his mother dropped to the floor, shot.

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DETAILS OF BIG SWINDLING PLOT ARE MADE KNOWN

Scheme To Get Large Amount From 17 U. S. Banks Is Discussed

TYPEWRITER LEADS TO IDENTITY OF FORGER

German Known As Karl Von Bardi Worked in Banks to Get Official's Signatures

Chicago, Sept. 15.—Details of what is said to have been an elaborate plot to swindle 17 banks in the United States out of an amount estimated at between \$300,000 and \$500,000 were made public here today. At the same time it was announced that a detective would leave Chicago for Gothenburg, Sweden, armed with extradition papers for Karl von Bardi, wanted in connection with the alleged plot.

Von Bardi, according to the Swedish consul here, has been languishing in a Gothenburg jail since last May, when he was captured through a wireless message on a charge of having forged checks for \$3,000 in the name of a local varnish making company. Although the Swedish authorities have refused to extradite him, they have also refused to release him from jail.

According to the police, von Bardi assumed in Chicago the name of a French count. Here and in other American cities he worked for five years in one bank after another, familiarizing himself, it is said, with the bank officials' signatures and gathering a supply of stationary and blank forms. Soon after his arrival and arrest in Sweden, banks in Chicago and other cities received inquiries from Swedish banking institutions as to the whereabouts of one Knut Bagge. Letters of credit in his favor, it was said, had not been cashed.

American bankers found that no letters of credit had been issued to Bagge. It developed that 17 Swedish banks were holding letters of credit from as many American institutions, depositing to the account of Knut Bagge, amounts varying from \$6,500 to 150,000 kronen. The Swedish bankers were ready to cash them, but Mr. "Bagge" hadn't appeared.

One of the original letters sent back to Chicago showed that certain typewritten letters were badly worn. Finally the typewriter upon which the letter had been written was located in the possession of an employee of a downtown hotel. He had purchased it, he said, from Karl von Bardi.

The date of von Bardi's arrival in Sweden, it was found, was virtually the same as that of the arrival of the fraudulent letters of credit.

BULLET CRASHES INTO HOME. Moorhead, Minn., Sept. 15.—A bullet that crashed through a window in the F. L. Getty home, this city, narrowly missing a member of the family and flattening out against a wall, is believed to have been fired by a property owner guarding his apple orchard against a gang of youths.

Napoleon Contributes Neat Sum of \$61 to Ambulance Fund; To Purchase Soon

All towns or individuals who have funds for the North Dakota ambulance fund are requested to send them at once to the Bismarck Daily Tribune. With what is outstanding, there is almost enough to purchase a motor ambulance for the hospital corps of the First North Dakota regiment.

Napoleon increased the fund yesterday by a donation of \$61.00. F. Bryant, of the Ford Motor agency of Napoleon, took the matter in charge. Those making the donations are:

- O. F. Bryant \$5.00
- Arthur B. Atkins 1.00
- M. W. Kelly 1.00
- F. W. Rein 1.00
- F. W. Bleck 1.00
- Adam Krober 1.00
- O. K. Starkey 1.00
- L. D. Carlson 2.00
- Lynn Folger 1.00
- Fred A. Hadley 1.00
- G. Koeger 1.00
- John Carmody 1.00
- G. E. Laney 1.00
- E. T. Houser 1.00
- Mary House 1.00
- Jacob J. Rott 1.00
- Joseph J. Rott 1.00
- W. M. Noddings 1.00
- Wm. A. O'Donnell 1.00
- Sol. R. Ellert 1.00
- Nella M. Merrill 1.00
- Tillie Shortell 1.00
- F. B. Heath 1.00
- E. A. Wellan 1.00
- H. Walker 1.00
- H. V. Teogarden 1.00
- Ole Nelson 1.00
- Letty Johnson 1.00
- Otis Bryant 1.00
- Wm. Laney 1.00
- Geo. A. Bryant 1.00

President's Sister Is Very Low

New London, Conn., Sept. 15.—The condition of Mrs. Anna Howe, president Wilson's sister, who is dying here, grew suddenly worse today. Dr. H. M. Lee, her physician, was in constant attendance at the bedside tonight and did not issue his usual evening bulletin concerning her condition.

The morning bulletin stated "that Mrs. Howe had grown weaker in the last 12 hours."

\$935,000 IN BAIL IS DEMANDED OF I. W. W. MEMBERS

267 "I Won't Workers" Are Arrested on Charge of Raiding a Meeting

NONE HAVE MONEY; ALL GO TO JAIL

Scranton, Pa., Sept. 15.—Bail in the aggregate sum of \$935,000 was demanded of 187 Industrial Workers of the World, who were given hearings today for participation in the forbidden meeting raided in Old Forge, this state, yesterday, and which resulted in 267 arrests by Sheriff Phillips, a dozen deputies and 20 state troopers.

Each defendant was also fined \$10 for disorderly conduct. None gave bail or paid a fine and all went back to the county jail. The prisoners were loaded into four trolley cars and taken in batches of about fifty each to four different ward magistrates.

Fourteen of the 50 defendants in one magistrate's office raised their hands when the attorney representing the prosecution asked, "How many of you are citizens?"

Hundreds of friends of the prisoners, many of them women, came from Old Forge to this city today, many bearing food and clothing, which they tried unavailingly to get into the jail. Old Forge was quiet today and tonight. The town of Jessup, 12 miles to the north of Scranton, which is another strong I. W. W. locality, was in a state of excitement all day, but a squad of state troopers prevented any disturbance.

MISSING MEN HAVE NOT SHOWN UP

Douglas, Ariz., Sept. 15.—Sergeant James Rogers, Co. H, and Private Frank E. Mackey, Co. E, Second Montana infantry, who disappeared Tuesday and were reported to have been murdered or to be prisoners in Mexico, had not returned to their regiment tonight. Mexican officials say they have investigated the report and have learned nothing about the men.

80,000 CARMEN SYMPATHIZERS MAY WALK OUT

Expected Workers Closely Affiliated With Street Car Employes Will Strike Monday

SEVERAL PERSONS ARE INJURED IN COLLISION

Union Machinists Vote on Strike Issue and 70 Per Cent Favor Carmen

New York, Sept. 15.—Eighty thousand workers in craft closely affiliated with the operation of New York traction lines are expected to go on strike Monday, it was announced at the close of a meeting of the Central Federated union here tonight. Representatives of 400,000 unionized employes were at the meeting, it was said, and passed a resolution calling on each trade to ascertain the sentiment of members regarding a general strike in sympathy with the carmen, who quit their places September 8. In a referendum of union machinists, it was said, their vote showed 70 per cent favored a sympathetic strike.

Leaders attached much importance to the action of the machinists, many of whom are employed in plants manufacturing munitions of war for the Entente Allies. The effect of the strike in that trade, they said, would be a direct blow at the Morgan interests, the largest holders of stock in the interborough company. J. P. Morgan & Co. are the official agents of the British government in this country.

Several injured. Several persons were injured, none of them seriously, in two traction accidents tonight. The most serious was a rear-end collision between two cars on the elevated lines. Two trolley cars were in collision in the Bronx and four persons, one a patrolman on strike duty, were injured. It is said the cars were being operated by strike breakers.

The public service commission brought its inquiries into the strike to a close today. The commission declared that "the strike should be called off at once and the agreement of August 1 should be lived up to in letter and spirit," the statement concluded.

ONE KILLED WHEN AUTO TURNS OVER

Mrs. Fred Hicks, of Miller, S. D., Has Neck Broken in Serious Accident

Sioux Falls, S. D., Sept. 15.—One person was killed and two were injured, one perhaps fatally, when an automobile turned over on the road between Huron and Walsey this afternoon. Mrs. Fred Hicks, of Miller, S. D., was killed instantly, her neck being broken. Mrs. Matt Matson, also of Miller, was injured internally and is still unconscious. Chris Johnson of Miller was badly bruised. Two other men in the car were not injured. It is said the car ran into a rut while driven at the speed of 20 miles an hour.

GET TWO MORE OF THE PEN ESCAPES

Nick Chernons and Frank Murray, two men belonging to the dairy crew in the state prison who escaped on July 7, were returned last night under the custody of W. D. Dopking, state parole officer. Chernons was recognized by a woman at Benedict who had seen him at the trial at which he was convicted. She notified the constable. After his arrest a man who saw him said that he had a partner, but refused to tell where he was. An investigation was immediately started and Murray was found working nearby in a threshing crew.

LEAPS FROM TRAIN IN ATTEMPT TO ESCAPE

New York, Sept. 15.—Arthur Waltonen, who was arrested in Ironwood, Mich., in connection with the murder of Mrs. Elizabeth Nichols, a wealthy widow of this city, leaped from the New York Central train, on which he was being brought to this city in the custody of detectives early today, as it passed through Harmon, N. Y. The train was brought to a stop and Waltonen was found in a ditch beside the tracks, severely injured. He was brought to the city and hurried to a hospital. His condition is said to be serious.