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GERMANS ABANDON OFFENSIVE IN FRANCE—STRENGTH TO EAST

ANNOUNCEMENT IS TAKEN TO MEAN THAT GERMAN HOPE OF FURTHER PENETRATION OF FRANCE HAS BEEN PUT ASIDE BY GERMAN GENERAL STAFF.

Geneva, Dispatches Indicate that Germany Has Decided to Transfer Heavy Austrian Artillery Now Before Verdun, to Poland, and Send to Cracow and West Galicia, the Hungarian Cavalry, which is Now on the Western Front—Marked Changes in Plans of the Germans Indicated in Official Communications to the Italian Cabinet. German Claims Repulse of British Attacks Along Railroad from Ypres, and also French Attacks, While Official Paris Statement Captured Two Hundred Yards of German Trenches and Held Despite Counter Attacks.—Aviator Garros Taken by Germans.

Rome, April 19.—The abandonment by the German general staff of the plans for a general offensive in France and of their intention to remain on the defensive there is inferred by dispatches received here.

It is believed this decision is indicated by official communications to the Italian cabinet, as well as by statements of Germans in official circles and are taken to mean that the German hope of further penetration into France has been put aside.

Geneva dispatches give the impression that the Germans have decided to transfer the Austrian heavy artillery now before Verdun, to Poland, and to send back to Cracow and West Galicia, the Hungarian cavalry now on the western front.

British Troops Repulsed.

Berlin, April 19.—It is officially announced that south of Ypres yesterday the British were ejected from the minor German positions which they held. The British attacks along the railroad from Ypres to Comines broke down with heavy losses to them. The French attacks at Combres and in the Vosges failed. Between the Meuse and Moselle, there was only artillery fighting. The British and French reports concerning victories on the western front are all inventions. The eastern front is unchanged.

British-French Gains Claimed

Paris, April 19.—An official statement says the British yesterday in Belgium near Zwartalen captured two hundred yards of German trenches and held them despite the counter attacks.

The French were successful on the banks of the River Fecht, in Alsace and are pressing the advance on the north bank, southwest of Colmar where they made important progress.

Two German aeroplanes dropped bombs on Belfort, but there were no casualties.

Roland Garros Captured

Berlin, April 19.—It is officially announced today that Roland Garros, the famous aviator, was captured at Ingelmuenster, Belgium.

Made Flights in America

Dallas, April 19.—Roland Garros, the aviator, captured by the Germans, has made flights here and in other Texas cities.

Austrian Attack Subsides

Petrograd, April 19.—The Austrian attacks on the heights of Mesolaboroz, district of Hungary, appear to have definitely subsided.

Spain Leans to Allies

Madrid, April 19.—Count de Romanos, former Spanish minister, delivering an address Sunday, urged that Spain declare herself in sympathy with one side or the other in the present war, and said that Spain should be friendly toward the allies.

British Submarine Lost

London, April 19.—The British as an offset to their success in destroying a Turkish torpedo boat which at-

WEATHER FORECAST

New Orleans, La., April 19.—The weather forecast for Oklahoma for tonight and Tuesday is unsettled with showers in the eastern portion.

CONTRACTORS LOOKING OVER THE P. O. SITE

HE REPRESENTATIVES OF TWO FIRMS WERE IN CITY TODAY LOOKING OVER LOT AND MAKING PLANS TO BID.

Callahan-Mandel Contracting company of Chicago, and a Mr. Shaw of Salina, Kan., were in the city today looking over the postoffice site with a view of making a bid for the erection of the building.

One of the contractors remarked that without doubt within sixty days from the time the bids were opened the work would begin. He stated that it took as least that long for the preliminary work before the contractors could begin the actual construction.

When asked when he thought the building would be ready to turn over to the government, he stated that it would be within this year. The bids for the erection of the building will be opened April 28.

The sinking of the Greek steamer Ellispontos by a submarine off the Dutch coast is likely to bring about some friction between the Greek and German governments. The Ellispontos was destroyed while on a voyage from Ymuiden, Holland, to Montevideo in ballast.

Several Public Spirited Citizens Have Agreed to Contribute. Will Not Require Much to Do the Work.

Harry B. Harts and several other public spirited citizens living in the neighborhood of Central Park have planned to raise money, purchase rose bushes and other shrubbery and beautify the plot.

It is estimated that twenty dollars will do the work, this amount, when raised, will be turned over to the high school mothers club who have taken such active interest in the work this spring, and the park made a beauty spot.

Mr. Harts stated that the city had no money with which to do this work, and it was up to the citizens with civic pride to loosen up a little and let the mothers' club have the cash with which to do the work.

BROADWAY METHODIST CHURCH

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DON'T FORGET BUNDLE DAY TOMORROW

BENEVOLENT SOCIETY NEEDS ALL THE ASSISTANCE THE PUBLIC CAN GIVE — SEND IN YOUR BUNDLES.

The benevolent society wishes to remind the general public that tomorrow is Bundle day with them, and that any article of wearing apparel or a substantial check will be appreciated and placed to good use.

The work of the Benevolent society this year has been greater than for any year in the past, and they have done a lot of good work among the poor of the city. They have many charges on their hands at the present time, many of them are sick, and it requires substantial assistance from the citizens of the city to keep the work going.

Telephone Mrs. Curtis or Mrs. Kahn and they will send for your bundle if you are unable to bring it to the court house.

FRANK LOSES LAST CHANCE

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RAISE MONEY TO BEAUTIFY CENTRAL PARK

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There were two more conversions at the evening service, a number joined the church, and one baby was baptized at the morning service. Dr. Butler announced he would preach this evening on the "Second Coming of Christ."

Those who have heard him know something of his power as a gospel preacher, and when he centralizes his thought and force upon some special subject, he always comes up to the expectation of the most critical.

You will enjoy the thirty minute evangelistic song service under the direction of Rev. Mr. Phillips. His heart to heart talks are inspiring, and his solos are sweet and devotional.

Services this evening at 7:45, and tomorrow at 10 a. m. All are invited. Mr. Phillips, who is conducting the singing, is doing most efficient work, and is to be complimented on the results he is securing.

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QUESTION OF FILING FEES IN CRIMINAL CASE

ACT OF LEGISLATURE NOT FULFILLED BY OPINION OF ATTORNEY GENERAL IN RULING IN HICKMAN WILLIS CASE.

That the new schedule of filing fees for cases in the supreme court does not apply to criminal cases is announced by the clerk of the supreme court in a communication to Brown, Brown & Brown, attorneys for Hickman Willis. The appeal of Hickman Willis had been filed in the criminal court of appeals, and under the new schedule of fees provided for under the law recently passed by the legislature the filing fee was set at \$40.

Clerk Franklin states that he had submitted the question to the attorney general with the result as above stated, Attorney General Freling holding that this schedule of fees did not apply to criminal cases. This comes as a distinct surprise, as it was the general belief that the new law included both civil and criminal cases, and it is known to have been the intent of the legislature that it should apply to both classes.

INDIANA MEN AT PEN

Mayor Roberts and Other Terre Haute Men Arrive at Leavenworth

Leavenworth, Kan., April 19.—Mayor Roberts and fourteen others convicted in the Terre Haute election fraud, entered the federal penitentiary here today.

FRANK IS DISAPPOINTED

Atlanta, April 19.—"I'm much disappointed, but I'll keep up the fight," said Leo Frank when told of the decision of the United States supreme court against him today.

The Flagstaff, Arizona observatory has discovered that Saturn is lopsided. Perhaps Mars hit him one below the belt.

SELECT JURY BARNES-ROOSEVELT SUIT

BOTH SIDES ASKING TALESMEN IF "POLITICAL PROMINENCE" OF THEIR POLITICIAN WOULD INFLUENCE THEM.

Syracuse, N. Y., April 19.—A jury is being chosen today for the trial of the William Barnes \$50,000 libel suit against Theodore Roosevelt.

Both sides asked the talesmen if the "political prominence" of either Roosevelt or Barnes would influence them.

BOY SCOUTS TO RE-ORGANIZE IN ARDMORE

SCOUTMASTER JOHN H. COFFEE WILL MEET BOYS AND TALK OVER THE MATTER OF REORGANIZATION.

A year or so ago, under the leadership of Rev. Keicher, the Ardmore troop of Boy Scouts was a healthy, thriving organization, and many boys received lasting benefit from the work. Since the departure of their former scoutmaster no progress has been made, and the troop has practically disbanded.

Now comes the announcement that Scoutmaster John H. Coffee, who has been doing such good work with the Sulphur troop, is going to take an interest in the work here in Ardmore, and desires to inform all the boys that he will meet them at the band stand at Whittington park next Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock for the purpose of talking Scoutcraft, and determining how many of the boys are really interested in the work and would like to see the troop reorganized.

All boys who were in the organization before, and all other boys of the city who would like to know more of the beauties of the great outdoors, and become proficient in all the things pertaining to Scoutcraft, are urged to be present at this meeting and take active part in the work.

URGE GOVERNOR CRUCE FOR A. & M. PRESIDENT

MOVEMENT STARTED IN OKLAHOMA CITY SEEMS TO HAVE STRUCK POPULAR CHORD — GOOD MAN FOR PLACE.

Oklahoma City, April 18.—A suggestion, made by somebody other than ex-Governor Cruce, that the ex-governor would be a good man for president of the Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical college, has been circulating about this state. It took on new force when Governor Cruce visited this city this week on his return from McAlester to Ardmore.

It has been pointed out by persons interested in the Agricultural and Mechanical college that Governor Cruce would be a highly desirable person to head that institution because of his scholarly attainments and his deep interest in educational work. They point to the zeal that was shown by him throughout his term as governor in behalf of the state educational institutions and his unflinching efforts for their improvement. The example of ex-President Taft in going back to educational work is noted in this connection by persons who would like to see ex-Governor Cruce head the A. & M.

The precedent is there, and the arguments that otherwise concern a situation of this sort are also present.

Governor Cruce has probably not heard of the movement, and his attitude toward such a plan is unknown. The board of agriculture, which has the selection of a head for the A. & M., has not yet been appointed by Govt. Williams. The old board is short two members, owing to resignations, there being but three men now on the board, including President Gault. That the present board does not intend to make any movement toward filling the vacancy of about a year in the presidency of the college at Stillwater is generally believed.

Almost one inch of rain fell here Saturday night and last night. The rainfall Saturday night was .28 and .60 last night, making a total of .88.

NO THAW DECISION.

New York, April 19.—Supreme court Justice Hendrick reserves a decision on the Thaw application for trial to determine his sanity.
