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## GERMANS RESUME BOMBARDMENT OF VERDUN WITH LARGER GUNS

TEUTONS RENEW ATTACK ON FRENCH STRONGHOLD WITH REDOUBLED ENERGY, ACCORDING TO TODAY'S REPORTS.

Paris Says French Lines Are Holding Against the German Attacks and at Some Places it is Claimed the Germans had been driven back with Cr. Losses, Although Generally the Germans are Holding Advanced Positions in the Face of Strenuous Counter Attacks. Latest German Attack Shifted to North of Verdun, where They Have Taken the Village of Douaumont—French Statement Says German Attempt to Capture Village of Vaux was a Failure—Terrific Bombardment Continues in the Woëvre District—Berlin Says Thousand Prisoners and Number of Heavy Guns Were Taken by Germans when They Swept Douaumont Village.

The German bombardment of Verdun has been taken up with redoubled intensity according to both official and unofficial reports, indicating that the Germans have succeeded in bringing up their larger guns to that region.

The French lines held firm according to a Paris official statement and at some places it was claimed that the Germans had been driven back with cruel losses, although generally holding the advanced position in the face of strenuous counter attacks.

The German attack shifted to the north of Verdun where they have taken the village of Douaumont.

The village of Vaux was attacked by the Germans unsuccessfully, according to Paris reports.

The intense bombardment continues in the Woëvre district. Elsewhere there has been little activity.

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### British Regain Lost Ground.

London, March 3.—The British official statement, issued last night, on the fighting in the western zone, says, "We re-captured the trenches at the bluff of the Ypres-Comines Canal which were lost Feb. 14, and also captured a small salient in the German line."

"A counter-attack launched by the enemy some hours later was repulsed. German mine galleries in the captured trenches were destroyed. We have taken 18 prisoners, including four officers."

"There has been much artillery activity on both sides today, from Viersstraat to Boesinghe."

The capture of 800 yards of British positions southeast of Ypres after heavy bombardments was claimed in the German official statement of Feb. 15, which added that a majority of the defenders of the British trenches were killed.

### KILLED WIFE, SHOT SELF.

Kansas City Painter Kills Wife from Whom He Was Separated.

Kansas City, Mo., March 3.—When his wife returned home today to visit her 19-year-old son who was seriously ill, James Todd, a painter, shot and killed her, and then seriously wounded himself.

The couple had been separated for three weeks.

### WEATHER FORECAST

New Orleans, La., March 3.—The weather forecast for Oklahoma for tonight is fair and continued cold. Saturday fair with rising temperature. Local Weather Report. Highest temperature yesterday 46. Lowest temperature last night 17. Highest temperature same date year ago 59. Lowest temperature same date year ago 49.

## NEGRO WHO ATTACKED MRS. PAYNE, CRAZY

OFFICERS SAY SEVERAL NEGROES IDENTIFIED HIM AS A STRANGER WHO ACTED QUEER. CULTURE IS STILL AT LARGE.

From investigation of the officers assigned to hunt down the negro that assaulted Mrs. James Payne day before yesterday, it is proven beyond question that the negro was crazy. Several people saw him previous to the assault, and the negroes all say that he was a stranger and acted very queer. He was continually talking about wood yards and chopping wood, and told one negro with whom he was riding that he owned a wood yard in Ardmore and was seeking a supply for his customers.

Deputy Ginn who knows every negro in the Caddo bottoms, stated this morning that he believed the stories told him about the negro. He says the negroes in all the settlements along the river were anxious to capture the culprit and felt sure that he had followed the course of Caddo to a railroad crossing, and probably was far away by this time.

A close watch is being kept in all directions, however, and if captured, he will be returned here to answer for his crime.

## DAILY GRIND IN THE DISTRICT COURT

WHISKY CASES ARE BEING DISPOSED OF BY THE COURT WITH SMALL COMFORT TO ALL DEFENDANTS IN THE CASE.

Whisky cases continue to occupy the attention of the district court, with small comfort to the defendants in the various cases. They say that the best they expect is the worst of it at the hands of the present jury which seems to have a propensity of finding them guilty and fixing their punishment with cost, fine and jail sentence. Ten cases have been tried so far which have resulted in nine convictions—one seemed to be lucky, and "got by." This does not include those who were tried in connection with others and acquitted, while the principal named in the case was fined; the latter, however, number but three.

Yesterday afternoon the jury in the case of the State vs. Mike Miller returned a verdict of guilty and fixed the punishment at fifty dollars fine and thirty days in jail. C. O. Hopkins for the same offense, got the same dose. The bond of Earl Brooks, charged with larceny from the person, was forfeited, and an alias warrant issued.

## NEW RAILROAD MAY BE BUILT TO RINGLING

CAPITAL CITY IS ANXIOUS AND BENDING EVERY EFFORT TO GET CAPITAL INTERESTED IN PROPOSED ROAD.

The following item from The Oklahoma City Times is of local interest, and is given for what it is worth.

It might not be out of place, however, in passing, to remind those interested in the growth of Ardmore that "where there is smoke there is fire," and that the cheapest and best way to combat any competition is by making Ardmore the best place and the easiest place in which to live. There are two great and growing needs, both of which are being given consideration now: A new hotel and a good road to the oil fields.

"That proposed railroad from Ringling to Oklahoma City is perhaps nearer realization than many people believe," said J. D. Shaffer, an Ardmore oil man, at the Skirvin.

"From information that has come to me, I believe that actual construction on the line will begin in a few months. Moreover, it is the impression among railroad men that back of the proposition is the ultimate design of a new grain route from the wheat belt to the gulf coast. In other words, such a line might eventually give the Union Pacific system a very good short line to the gulf coast."

## DEMONSTRATE COTTON GIN APPLIANCE

PATENTEE OF DEVICE FOR COTTON GIN STANDS WILL GIVE A PRACTICAL DEMONSTRATION TO GIN MEN NEXT WEEK.

C. W. Seguin of San Antonio, patentee of a device to attach to cotton gin stands which it is claimed will increase the profit of the cotton grower has been in the city for several days and has decided to locate here.

George Terry, who was instrumental in having Mr. Seguin come to Ardmore, stated yesterday that he had sent to Memphis for his model and as soon as it arrived would advertise a date and give a demonstration of what the machine would do. The attachment can be placed on any ordinary gin stand and is so simple in operation that any ordinary gin operator can use it. It requires nothing special to attach, and Mr. Seguin feels confident that the gin men of this section will adopt his invention as soon as they see a practical demonstration of what it will do.

Mr. Terry, who is interested with Mr. Seguin in getting this device introduced in this section, stated that they hope to have the model here by Wednesday, at least. The future plans of the patentee will depend entirely upon what the gin men of this section of the state think of his invention after they see it in operation.

## LOW WEATHER RECORDS FOR SOUTHWEST

LOW TEMPERATURE RECORDS BROKEN FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH OVER NORTH TEXAS AND OKLAHOMA.

Dallas, Tex., March 3.—Low temperature records for March in north Texas were shattered today, according to the local weather bureau. Oklahoma City had a temperature of 12 above this morning, Ardmore 17 above. In the Panhandle the temperature was 18 above, at Abilene 22 and at Fort Worth 24.

## THREE KILLED, TWO MISSING IN R. R. WRECK

NEW YORK CENTRAL PASSENGER TRAIN COLLIDED WITH FREIGHT IN YARDS AT ALBANY, NEW YORK.

Albany, N. Y., March 3.—Three men are known to have been killed and two are missing in a New York Central wreck in the yards here early today, when a heavy freight collided with a passenger train, telescoping two of the coaches. No passengers were aboard the train.

## SENATE TEST VOTE GREATER FOR WILSON THAN EXPECTED

BY VOTE OF SIXTY-EIGHT TO FOURTEEN, ADMINISTRATION FORCES TABLED GORE RESOLUTION IN THE SENATE.

Agitation in Senate, which Has Embarrassed, Believed to be Finally Quieted in Senate Now—Fight Now Transferred to House—Senate Result Satisfactory to Wilson. McCumber, Republican, Reintroduced Later Substantially the Same Resolution Which He Offered as a Substitute for the Gore Resolution—Gore, himself, Voted to Table Resolution—Chamberlain and O'Gorman Only Democrats Voting Against Administration in Senate—White Star Liner Canopic Sailing Today for Italian Ports Carries Three Americans in First Cabin and Will Take on Armament When She Reaches Gibraltar, it was Announced Today.

## RETURNED TO ARDMORE AFTER LONG ABSENCE

OLD TOWN LOOKS BETTER THAN EVER TO JOHN R. WHAYNE AND FAMILY WHO WILL RESIDE HERE IN THE FUTURE.

Mr. and Mrs. John R. Whyne and children arrived here last night over the Frisco and are at the home of Mrs. Whyne's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Ritter. They packed their furniture and shipped it to Ardmore and that means they have come here to reside. Mr. Whyne made no preparation for a home before he came and now he must board until he can build or get some one else to build for him. Houses are scarce here in spite of all the building that has been done in the past two years. Mr. and Mrs. Whyne moved away from here six years ago and they stayed about as long as they can stay away from a good town. In speaking of Ardmore, Mr. Whyne said, "hoist a flag and you can determine in which direction the wind is blowing, just so with a city, watch which way the people are going and you can select the liveliest town in the state. Ardmore is now the liveliest city in Oklahoma and it has just begun. Everybody is talking Ardmore and for the next three or four years there will be a building campaign here that will make it a modern city, that will make it a new city and that will make it the busiest city in the state."

Mr. Whyne owns a large acreage of oil lands about Healdton in 3-4, in 2-4, and in 2-3 in the Fox district. Besides these holdings he owns in fee 1180 acres near the Robinson well in Muskogee county. He has made his home for several years on the 1180-acre farm, nearly all of which is in cultivation. Besides these lands he has 329 acres in the Francis district in Pontotoc county. He will leave here next Monday for New Jersey to organize a company of eastern capitalists to develop his oil lands. He has come to contribute his full part toward the growth which he sees for this city.

### MAYORS FOR PREPAREDNESS.

Mayor Mitchell of New York Says Democracy is On Trial.

St. Louis, Mo., March 3.—"Democracy is on trial in the western hemisphere, and congress must meet the test by establishing complete and adequate national defenses," said Mayor John Purroy Mitchell of New York in an address today before the national conference of mayors on defense.

"The preparedness of the European nations at the beginning of the war," he asserted, "taught the United States that its conditions are precarious and humiliating."

### TEXAS POPULATION GROWS

Births Exceed Deaths in That State By Considerable Margin.

Austin, Tex., March 3.—Five thousand seven hundred and thirty births and 3,102 deaths occurred in Texas during February, according to the vital statistics bureau announcement today.

Washington, D. C., March 3.—By a vote of sixty-eight to fourteen, a greater majority than was expected by the administration forces in the senate. That body today tabled the Gore warning resolution and thereby finally quelled the agitation which had embarrassed President Wilson in his submarine negotiations with Germany.

The resolution, a substitute by Senator McCumber, republican, and an attempt by Gore to strengthen his original proposal, were defeated at one time on roll call.

The fight has now been transferred to the house. The result of the vote in the senate is said to be satisfactory to Wilson.

McCumber later introduced substantially the same resolution as he offered as a substitute for the Gore resolution and it will go on the calendar. Gore, himself, voted to table the resolution.

Senators Chamberlain and O'Gorman were the only democrats who voted against the administration in the senate.

### Wilson Endured Ridicule

Washington, D. C., March 3.—Further revelations on Wilson's position in the international situation came today when it was learned that he had told congressional leaders that it was months after Bryan's resignation before the United States government was earnest in its position on submarine warfare. He is understood to have mentioned that to show his belief that action by congress would further weaken the position of the United States abroad. He wanted to keep out of war, he said, and had endured jeers and ridicule for two years because of his efforts to maintain peace.

Three Americans on Board. New York, March 3.—The White

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EUGENE V. DEBS.

Leader of Socialist Party Will Deliver Address at Opera House Tonight.



Eugene V. Debs, acknowledged leader of the socialist party in the United States is in the city today and will deliver an address at the opera house tonight. Mr. Debs is an eloquent earnest speaker of rare personal attainments and his lecture will no doubt be interesting. The socialist party of this county will hold their county convention today for the purpose of naming a full county ticket to be voted for at the coming general election.