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## GERMANS VIOLENTLY BOMBARD ALLIES' POSITIONS IN SOMME

FRENCH POSITIONS IN SOYECOURT WOODS, SOUTH OF SOMME, VIOLENTLY BOMBARDED BY GERMANS LAST NIGHT, BUT WITHOUT SUCCESS.

Positions Between Fleury and Thiarcourt, Which Were Recently Taken by French, Also Subjected to Heavy German Bombardment—Strong Attack Launched by Germans on French Positions Near Guillemont, Repulsed According to London Statement—Defeat of Troops of Entente Allies Along the Str River on Macedonian Front Claimed by Bulgarians—Troops Said to Have Taken Flight, Leaving Ground Covered with their Dead, Four Hundred Dead Being Left on Battlefield.

After an intense bombardment of Soyecourt woods, the Germans attacked with grenades the French positions south of Somme last night, but the attacks were unavailing according to today's French war office statement.

Positions between Fleury and Thiarcourt, which had been taken by the French, were violently shelled by the German guns.

The Germans also launched a strong attack last night on Somme front near Guillemont, in an effort to recover lost ground, but the attack was repulsed after a fierce struggle, London claims.

The defeat of the entente forces along the Struma river on the Macedonian front is claimed by the Bulgarian war office, which says that the ententes took flight, leaving the ground covered with their dead and that four hundred dead bodies were counted on the battlefield.

The Bulgarian attack in proceeding against the Serbian positions near Ostrovo on the Macedonian front, where the Bulgarians defeated the counter attacks of the enemy, according to a Sofia statement.

### Heavy Firing Audible.

Amsterdam, Aug. 24.—Advices from the Dutch island of Ameland in the North sea say that continual and heavy firing was audible all morning.

## CONFERENCE IN NEW YORK CITY SEPTEMBER 4

SPECIAL AGENT ROGERS SAYS FIRST CONFERENCE BETWEEN AMERICAN AND MEXICAN COMMISSIONERS LABOR DAY.

Mexico City, Aug. 24.—Special Agent Rogers announced today that the first conference between the Mexican and American commissioners will be held in New York city on September 4. This is preliminary to the general negotiations for a settlement of the border difficulties.

### LEGISLATORS WANT TO MEET IN NEW CAPITOL

Oklahoma City, Aug. 23.—An intimation that the new capitol will not be ready for use by the legislature in January, when the lawmakers shall meet, has aroused a number of the nominees for the legislature to object to the suggestion that the sixth legislature meet down town. They are expecting to have the distinction of being the first legislature to occupy the capitol and they do not intend to be disappointed if they can prevent it. The result is likely to be occupancy

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**WEATHER FORECAST**  
 New Orleans, La., Aug. 24.  
 —The weather forecast for Oklahoma for tonight and Friday is generally fair.  
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## GERMANY SENDS FAMOUS GENERALS TO HOLD SOMME LINE AGAINST ALLIES' ATTACKS



GEN. VON GALLWITZ (MOUNTED) AND GEN. VON MACKENSEN

Unofficial reports from France say that to Field Marshal von Mackensen has been given the task of defending the Somme front against the French and British attacks. A Paris statement asserted that to this mainstay of German tactics, next to Von Hindenburg, has been assigned the supreme command on the whole west front with the exception of the Verdun region, where the German crown prince remains in charge. With Mackensen there have also been shifted to the west front, to act immediately under his orders, Generals von Arnim and von Gallwitz, his lieutenants in the 1915 drive into Russia and in the subsequent Serbian campaign. General von Gallwitz is said to have been placed in command of the lines in the Champagne and in the Argonne.

## DEUTSCHLAND REACHES PORT

REPORTS OF RETURN OF GERMAN SUBMARINE MERCHANTMAN CORROBORATED.

## MADE A QUICK TRIP

Reached Bremen One Week Earlier Than Expected, Traveling Stormy Seas Faultlessly — Bremen Left a Week Ago for United States.

London, Aug. 24.—Reports of the return of the German submarine Deutschland from the United States to her base at Bremen yesterday were corroborated in a telegram from Amsterdam today.

The submarine merchantman traveled forty-two hundred miles on her return voyage and was able to navigate the stormy seas at the beginning of the voyage faultlessly. Members of the crew refused to discuss the trip in detail. The owners were surprised to see the ship so soon, as she was not expected to dock for a week yet.

### Bremen Left Week Ago.

London, Aug. 24.—The German submarine Bremen left a week ago for America, according to a telegram from Bremen to Amsterdam. The owners of the Bremen would not let the ship sail, it was said, until favorable word was heard from the return trip of the Deutschland.

### NEW CHARTER TO FRISCO

Articles of Incorporation for Reorganized Company Filed.

Jefferson City, Mo., Aug. 24.—Articles of incorporation for the reorganized St. Louis and San Francisco railroad were filed today and a charter issued. The capital stock is \$150,000,000. All of the directors are from St. Louis.

## GLAD THAT THE GRAND JURY IS BEING CALLED

BUSINESS MAN EXPRESSES HIMSELF IN UNMISTAKABLE TERMS THIS MORNING—"INVESTIGATE THE WHOLE BUSINESS."

"I am glad the district judge is going to call a grand jury" remarked a prominent professional man this morning. "and I want that body to investigate every county official in the county, from the county judge down. There have been charges and counter-charges made and it is time that the public should see a show-down." This is about the sentiment of every one interviewed on this subject. There has been a court of inquiry going on in this county from time to time during the past year, but a consultation of the convictions had in the courts is not very encouraging from the expense involved, but a grand jury may be conducive of better results.

Just what the particular investigation will be has not been clearly defined by any of the county officials, but that there will be a general shake-up is apparent and all the county officials are welcoming it as they want the public to know just what is going on. Aside from the county officials there are other matters that are going on in the city and county which need investigating, according to a statement of the county officials, and everything will be thoroughly investigated while the tribunal is in session as it is costing the taxpayers money and they want results for what they are expending.

## COLLAPSE OF TWO CRANES KILLS EIGHT

TWO HEAVY CRANES AT PLANT OF NATIONAL FOUNDRY COMPANY AT ERIE COLLAPSED, KILLING FIVE WORKMEN.

Erie, Pa., Aug. 24.—At least five workmen were killed when two heavy cranes collapsed at the plant of the National Foundry company today. Officials of the company believe that eight workmen were killed.

## OPPOSE SALE OF ISLANDS TO AMERICA

DANISH LANDSTHING, OR UPPER BRANCH OF PARLIAMENT, REJECTS PLAN TO SELL ISLANDS TO UNITED STATES.

London, Aug. 24.—The Danish Landsting, or upper branch of parliament, has rejected the proposal to sell the Danish West Indies to the United States, says a Reuter's Copenhagen dispatch.

### GERMANY CALLS OUT YOUTHS.

Dispatch Says All Boys of 17 Must Report for War Duty.

Paris, Aug. 23.—The Intransigent publishes under reserve, a dispatch from Lausanne of the effect that Germany has ordered all youths of 17 to report immediately to recruiting bureaus. This class in normal years would be called to the colors in 1919.

With a view or saving to be gained by an overhauling of old stock, it is said that the Chesapeake and Ohio, the Delaware and Ohio, the Delaware and Hudson, the Nickel Plate and the Minneapolis and St. Louis will have a total of more than 5,000 cars repaired by contract.

## BROTHERHOODS AGAIN HOPEFUL OF SETTLEMENT OF DIFFERENCES

REPORTS ARE CURRENT IN WASHINGTON TODAY THAT SETTLEMENT OF THE RAILROAD CONTROVERSY IS NOT IN SIGHT.

Commissioner Chambers of Federal Mediation Board, after Conference with President Wilson, Carried Message to Brotherhood Leaders, Which is Supposed to be Some Form of Proposal Made by the President to the Railroad Executives Last Night—Contents of Message Kept Secret, But Trainmen Said "it was not Depressing"—Railroad Executives are Expected to Give Wilson an Answer to His Note Tomorrow at the Latest—Arrangements Made Today for Immediate Conference with Wilson.

### Washington, D. C., Aug. 24.

—Renewed optimism on the prospects for averting the threatened railway strike prevailed today among the representatives of the railroad employees and at the White House. Commissioner Chambers of the federal mediation board, after conferring with President Wilson, carried a message to the brotherhood leaders today which is supposed to be some form of proposal made by President Wilson last night to the railroad executives. It was kept a secret, but the leaders of the trainmen said "it was not depressing."

It is expected that the railroad executives will give President Wilson an answer tomorrow at the latest. Arrangements have been made for a group of the railroad executives to see Wilson immediately.

There were reports today that a settlement of the controversy is in sight.

After continued conferences today between Wilson and the select committee of railroad executives, the situation surrounding the threatened strike was described as having narrowed down to the following:

The railroads are willing to accept the eight-hour day, insisted on by President Wilson and the trainmen. In return they ask to be assured as fully as possible the proper support to be given and the proper means to be used to assure a freight increase from the interstate commerce commission.

They also ask congress to create

a permanent board, similar to the Canadian commission, to handle labor differences.

### HUGHES' BLUNDERING DESTROYING HIMSELF

Washington, Aug. 23.—An attack on Charles E. Hughes was made in the house today by Representative Aswell of Louisiana, democrat, who charged the republican presidential nominee with egotism and with being the candidate of monopolistic interests. "It is regrettable," said Mr. Atwell, "to see a man retire from the highest court in the land and destroy himself by his own blundering hand."

Mr. Aswell denounced Mr. Hughes as the "present noisy would-be champion of women," who when governor of New York vetoed a bill to give women teachers in New York the same pay as men teachers.

### TO CANVASS TEXAS VOTE.

Saturday's Senatorial Primary to be Canvassed One Week Later.

Austin, Tex., Aug. 24.—The attorney general's department held today that the canvass of the votes in Saturday's senatorial primary will be made by the county Democratic executives throughout the state on September 2.

### Daylight Holdup in Skyscraper.

Chicago, Aug. 23.—Six men, patrons of a broker's office, were lined up against the wall in a room high up in the Baltimore building, a downtown skyscraper, today by two robbers, who took about \$1,000 from them.

## GETTING THE MONEY FOR NEW BUILDINGS

COMMITTEE HAS STARTED TO WORK WITH A VIM AND WILL GATHER SHEKELS FOR COMPLETION OF BUILDINGS.

The committee appointed by the Chamber of Commerce to raise funds for the grandstand and poultry buildings at the fair are giving their whole time and are meeting with success in their efforts. The merchants of the city have subscribed more than twelve hundred dollars which has gone into the big exposition building, which is almost complete and an additional thousand dollars is required to make the fair what it should be.

The committee is composed of J. E. Hamilton, John McCarty and Walter Colbert and they are appealing to the property owners to do as well as the tenants of their buildings.

The committee should receive a ready response to its appeal as all are giving their whole time to help make the first free fair a great success.

The first free fair promises to be a big success. Every farmer in the county is interested and the display in every department will be large. The first fair will stimulate greater activity so that each succeeding one will be greater than the last and before many years it is believed that the fair at Ardmore will be a southern Oklahoma fair instead of a county fair.

### MILLION DOLLAR WRECK LOCATED IN OCEAN

Newport News, Va., Aug. 23.—Capt. George O. Stillson, commanding the expedition of three tugs engaged in salvaging the \$1,000,000 cargo of the sunken steamer Merida off the Virginia Capes, said today that the wreck had been located. The tugs are to leave here today to resume the attempt to salvage the cargo. They were forced to put into this port a few days ago for provisions and additional diving apparatus.

"The Merida," said Captain Stillson, "is in 200 feet of water. The bottom is hard and the hull is in good condition."