

## PRESSURE OF FRENCH DRIVE IS CONTINUED

### Joffre's Methodical But Relentless Offensive Forcing Germans Back.

## NEVILLE EXTENDS LINES NEAR VAUX

### French Hold Own In Fleury-Thiaumont Sector, Where German Counter-Offensive Has Been Most Severe—Violent German Attacks North of Hemwood Unsuccessful—Struggle For Thiaumont Work Continues.

Paris, Aug. 9.—The Germans made violent attacks last night on positions taken by the French north of Hemwood, on the Somme front. The official French statement says these attacks were frustrated.

On the Verdun front heavy fighting continued during the night for the possession of Thiaumont work. The Germans gained a further footing. In the village of Fleury the French made some progress.

General Joffre's methodical offensive continues relentlessly its slow pressure in both theaters of the western front. On the right bank of the Meuse, General Neville has extended his offensive to the Vaux-Chapitre-Le Chenois region, where he has gained a local success.

In the Fleury-Thiaumont zone he is more than holding his own. In the latter district the Germans are concentrating all their efforts and fighting continues there through the night and day.

The Germans succeeded in once more getting a footing in the Thiaumont work, but all efforts to capture commanding positions proved vain. In consequence their position became untenable and a well directed counter attack forced them back, leaving the French again in possession.

Russians Occupy Tymenistia. Petrograd, Aug. 9.—Announcement was made today by the war office that the Russians had occupied Tymenistia, in Galicia, on the river Yonova.

On Aug. 7, General Letichy's army took 7,400 prisoners including 3,500 Germans and sixty-three machine guns.

Austrians Abandon Positions. London, Aug. 9.—The Austrians, pursued by Italian cavalry, have abandoned their principal positions on the Carso and Isonzo front, following the taking of the Gorizia bridgehead by the Italians.

Berlin Announces Retirement. Berlin, Aug. 9.—South of the Dniester river the forces of the central powers have been withdrawn behind the Nizhniof-Tymenistia-Otynia line. This retirement by the Austro-Germans was announced officially today by the army headquarters staff.

Gain Ground on Somme Front. London, Aug. 9.—A further advance by the British on the Somme front, north of Pozieres, was announced by the war office today.

### TURKS UNDERRATED ENEMY.

Suffer Terrible Hardships in March Across Desert to Attack British. London, Aug. 9.—The Turkish army which was routed by the British at Romani, east of the Suez canal, suffered terrible hardships in their march across the desert, according to a Reuters' dispatch. The dispatch says that batches of prisoners continue to arrive in Cairo. Lack of water was one of the principal causes of the sufferings of the Turks. In some cases they suffered so frightfully that they killed their camels and drank their blood. Prisoners say the Turkish losses were excessive, as they attacked in mass formation, in ignorance of the strong defense of the British. The devastating machine gun fire with which the assault was met, was the first indication the privates had of the task that confronted them.

According to a Reuters' dispatch the detachment first killed their German officers before surrendering.

### ZEPPELINS RAID ENEMY COAST.

Bombs Dropped on England and Scotland, Killing Women and Children. London, Aug. 9.—German airships raided the east coast of England and the southeast coast of Scotland early today, according to a statement issued by the war office. Three women and a child were killed and fourteen persons were injured. The statement says:

"A hostile airship crossed the east coast of England at an early hour this morning. Another raider visited the east coast of Scotland. The raiders dropped bombs in various localities near the coast.

"At several places the airships were driven away by anti-aircraft guns. Reports show that three women and one child were killed and fourteen persons injured. No damage of military importance is reported."

From seven to ten Zeppelins took part in the raid early today, according to an official statement this afternoon. About 160 bombs were dropped and twenty-three casualties caused, says a later statement supplementing the earlier announcement.

Correspondents in the districts visited by the Zeppelin telegraph that the airships flew at a great height. They were compelled by anti-aircraft guns to make a hasty retreat. One Zeppelin dropped twenty and another

## More Than 5,000,000 Soldiers Now Prisoners of War In Europe

New York, Aug. 9.—More than 5,000,000 prisoners, double the number of men engaged in any previous war that the world has known, are now confined in prison camps of the belligerent nations, according to Dr. John R. Mott, general secretary of the Y. M. C. A., who arrived here today on the Danish steamship Oskar II from Copenhagen.

Dr. Mott left here in May for Russia and has visited the prison camps of nearly all the countries at war.

Mr. Mott says that of the prisoners Germany has the greatest number, approximately 1,750,000. Russia, with about 1,500,000, comes next, then Austria, with 1,000,000, followed in order by France, Italy, Great Britain and Turkey. Russia's prisoners, he added, are rapidly increasing, more than 400,000 having been added to the camps since the beginning of the last Russian drive. In six weeks, Dr. Mott said, 250,000 passed thru Kiev.

Twenty-five incendiary bombs. Many of the bombs fell on vacant ground or into the water.

### Italian Troops Enter Gorizia.

Rome, Aug. 9.—Italian troops entered the Austrian city of Gorizia this morning, the war office announced today. Thus far 10,000 Austrians have been captured.

### Germans Check Allies' Attack.

Berlin, Aug. 9.—Attacks by the British and French north of the river Somme have been checked with heavy losses to the assaulting forces, the war office announced today. Nearly 400 British were taken prisoner.

### War Supplies Are Destroyed.

Amsterdam, Aug. 9.—The Telegraaf publishes a dispatch from the frontier saying great supplies of war material have been burned in a fire in German magazines at Aerscht, Belgium.

### Peace Delegate Not Optimistic.

Washington, Aug. 9.—Mrs. Emily Balch, the remaining American delegate to the neutral conference for continuing mediation established by Henry Ford, conferred with President Wilson today and told him of the efforts of the conference to arouse peace sentiment in Europe. She was not optimistic on the prospects for immediate peace.

### WAYS CLEARED FOR NAVAL BILL

Opposition to Larger Building Program Subsides in House and Senate Program Will Be Agreed to, Including Three-Year Continuing Policy and Larger Personnel.

Washington, Aug. 9.—Effective opposition in the house to the senate big navy building program, including four dreadnoughts and four battle cruisers in 1917, has given way before administration pressure, those favoring the plan believed today. The test will come next Tuesday, when the house votes on the senate amendments.

Chairman Padgett, of the house naval committee, has decided to withdraw his opposition. Majority Leader Kitchin announced yesterday, after Mr. Padgett discussed the subject with President Wilson.

Senator Swanson, ranking democrat of the senate naval committee, declared that the house would accede to the large building program, the three-year continuing policy and the increasing personnel provision.

The house was expected to adopt today the conference committee's report on the army appropriation bill, the senate approved the report yesterday.

### FRENCH BLACKLIST ORDER.

Summary by Cable Indicates British List Is Not Greatly Increased.

Washington, Aug. 9.—A cable report summarizing the recent "blacklist order" of the French government supplementing and practically duplicating Great Britain's commercial embargo against American and other firms under the "trading-with-the-enemy" decree has been received at the state department from Ambassador Sharp at Paris. The list of American firms affected by the order was not forwarded by the ambassador but press reports from abroad stated it does not greatly enlarge the British blacklist.

Ambassador Sharp is sending a full French list by mail and officials here stated that action by their government would wait its receipt, with a protest in prospect.

### JOHN M. THURSTON IS DEAD AT OMAHA

Former Senator From Nebraska Passes Away After Month's Illness—Close Advisor of President McKinley—Speech in Senate Precipitated War.

Omaha, Neb., Aug. 9.—John M. Thurston, former senator from Nebraska, and a prominent republican, died here at 4 o'clock this morning. He had been critically ill for four weeks, following a head prostration, and his death had been expected for several days. Trombo-phlebitis was the immediate cause of death according to a statement by the attending physician.

His wife and two daughters were at the bedside when the senator died. Senator Thurston was born at Montpellier, Vt., Aug. 21, 1847. He was one of President McKinley's closest advisors and was regarded by President McKinley as one of the country's ablest men.

In his first term in congress he won national fame. A speech in the senate precipitated the Spanish-American war.

### Train Reported Blown Up.

New York, Aug. 9.—Police headquarters received a report today that a train had been blown up in the yard of the Westchester railroad, and that two ambulances and four doctors had been dispatched to the yards.

## HUGHES SHOWS WEAR OF TRIP

### Candidate Greatly Fatigued and Voice Giving Him Trouble.

## DECLINES COMMENT ON SWEET DENIAL

### Hughes, in Chicago Address, Attacks Wilson Administration as Wasteful and Vacillating—Promises to End "Pork Barrel Legislation"—Speaks Before Audience of 12,000 at Coliseum—Evinces Repeated Applause.

St. Paul, Aug. 9.—The strain of unaccustomed campaigning had told somewhat upon Charles E. Hughes when he reached here today. He was fatigued and his voice was hoarse. The throat specialist accompanying him urged him to save his voice for his two meetings here and at Minneapolis.

At Winona Mr. Hughes expressed gratification in the interest of the crowd which had brought them so early to the station.

Mr. Hughes declined to comment on the telegram sent him yesterday by Acting Secretary Sweet denying charges made in the Detroit speech in reference to the retirement of E. Dana Duran, of the census bureau, and an "eminent scientist of that country," and geodetic survey," who Mr. Hughes asserted had been displaced by an "excellent stock breeder and veterinary surgeon."

### WASTE AND VACCINATION.

Hughes Charges Wilson Administration With Many Shortcomings.

Chicago, Aug. 9.—Charles E. Hughes last night told an audience that crowded Chicago's great Coliseum, the hall where he was nominated for the presidency of the United States, that Mr. Hughes charged the present administration with waste, extravagance and vaccination. He declared that it had kept the country out of war but that it had fought an ignominious war in Mexico and had withdrawn from that war ignominiously. He charged the administration with having brought the country much nearer to participation in the European war than the country would have been had the administration "stood for American rights."

### Expect No Protection.

He declared that there was no more possible to expect tariff protection to American industries from a democratic congress than it would be to expect a "revival sermon out of a disorderly house."

The nominee assailed the administration also for its appointments to office and declared that if elected he would appoint to office only men who were well qualified.

Democratic expenditures for rivers and harbors were attacked by the nominee.

"I propose that we shall stop this pork business," he said. "I propose that we shall have government in a business-like way. We won't have any more of it. I'll kiss you, appropriations in congress." He promised to stand for a "business-like responsible budget" based on facts.

### Wants No Hot Air.

"I do not want any hot air in mine," he added.

The democratic party, Mr. Hughes said, was approaching the idea of a protective tariff, a skittish horse to a brass band. In 1912, he added, the democratic platform had said in effect that a protective tariff was unconstitutional.

"They say in effect now that the European war has changed the constitution of the United States," he continued. "But do you think they have converted? Don't you trust them a little mite with protecting American industry. They haven't got it in their bones."

Mr. Hughes reiterated much of his Detroit speech regarding the administration's Mexican policy.

### Policy Destructive.

"It has no right," he said, "to commit this country to a course of conduct which landed Mexico in anarchy, left our citizens a party to the ravages of revolution and made our name a word of contempt in a sister republic."

"We have gone forward," the nominee said in speaking of the administration's Mexican policy, "with a determination to be destructive not constructive, to destroy all they had."

As to the administration's foreign policy, Mr. Hughes said:

"We have allowed our words to be eaten up by hesitation, by delay. We have somehow or other convinced the world that our talk is cheap."

"I propose that we have a new birth of American purpose and courage. We have no occasion to fear war in the assertion of those rights, which all recognize and only respect us for maintaining. But if we are glib in speech, if we indicate that we are not ready to meet the full responsibility that our words imply, we are pushed a little further and a little further until some fine day events occur which arouse an implacable resentment from one end of the country to the other. This is the danger of war."

"This administration has come near to landing us in war by its weakness that it would ever have come had it stood faithfully for American rights and had let it be known that they would be defended."

### Efficient Administration.

"I believe that with our peaceful purpose, our just purpose, we have no occasion to be drawn into strife, if we are prepared, if we are dignified, if we show that we mean what we say, and I desire that as we look to the

future we shall have American citizenship the proudest title in the world; American administration as efficient as any in the world and American honor the cherished thought of every American citizen."

Mr. Hughes spoke for nearly an hour. He entered a hall that was so jammed that even the posted crowd-ers were utilized for seats. The audience cheered him for five minutes before he spoke. A brass band perched in a loft at the far end of the hall, played three stanzas of the "Star Spangled Banner" during the demonstration, but the music was lost in the volume of other sound.

The nominee left at 10:45 last night for St. Paul.

### Willcox Returns East.

Chicago, Aug. 9.—W. R. Willcox, chairman of the republican national committee, left today for New York, leaving the western campaign in charge of Alvin T. Hert, of Louisville. No statement was made by Mr. Willcox on the factional fight reported from San Francisco, but he said before leaving he might give something on it as he passed thru Cleveland.

## TWO MEN NAMED

### President Selects Brandeis and Secretary Lane For Mexican Peace Board.

### THIRD MEMBER HAS BEEN PICKED

### Has Not Yet Accepted Place—Polk and Arredondo Deputed to Arrange Time and Place For Conference—Mexican Ambassador Gives Added Assurance of Willingness to Extend Scope of Discussions.

Washington, Aug. 9.—Secretary Lane, of the interior department, and Associate Justice Brandeis, of the supreme court, have been selected as two of the three American members of the joint commission which will undertake settlement of the American border difficulties.

Formal announcement that United States and Mexican governments had reached an agreement for discussion of differences by a joint commission was made by Acting Secretary Polk.

Formal announcement of the appointment of the commission was delayed today only to await acceptance by the third man asked by the president to serve.

The Mexican members already have been designated and Eliseo Arredondo has been authorized to arrange with Acting Secretary Polk details as to the time and place of meeting.

Mr. Arredondo called at the state department and gave further assurance of the willingness of the de facto government to have the scope of the commission's discussion as broad as the United States desires.

General Carranza asks the withdrawal of the American troops from Mexico and would ask that this question be taken up first. It is regarded as possible that the meeting will be held at some resort on the Jersey coast.

### Commission Given Free Hand.

As it begins its task the commission will be required to reach some conclusion on specific points outlined by General Carranza. The first subject would be the withdrawal of American troops from Mexico to be followed by the issuance of a protocol covering activities on the border.

The immediate military situation on the border disposed of, the commission will be ready to proceed with its remaining specific task, investigation to determine whether interests deserving intervention have inspired border raids. It is believed the commission will be left to map out its own course in tracing these raids. Without doubt it will have power to travel to the border or into Mexico to follow up its inquiry.

### Villa Bandits Attack Train.

Chihuahua City, Aug. 9.—Villa bandits yesterday attacked a passenger train on the Torreon & Durango railroad at Noria, but were repulsed by an escort of government troops on the train. In a running fight, General Aguilar, of the Mexican government staff, was killed. The bandit numbering about twenty, scattered to the foothills.

## EPIDEMIC DEATH RECORD BROKEN

### Fifty-Seven Children in Greater New York Succumb to Plague in Twenty-Four Hours—One Hundred Three New Cases Reported.

New York, Aug. 9.—The epidemic of infantile paralysis broke all previous death records here today. The plague killed fifty-seven children during the twenty-four hour period ending at 10 a. m. One hundred three new cases were reported.

### Yeomen Order Abolished.

Aurora, Ill., Aug. 9.—The Yeomen of America, a fraternal insurance society which had a deficit of \$78,000 in its death benefit fund August 1, has been merged with the Loyal American Life Insurance Company of Chicago, which will guarantee the Yeomen life policies. It was announced today. Old policies of the Yeomen which were on what was declared an inadequate rate will be discontinued and old age claims of \$2,000 coming due in the next ten years will be compromised. Lee Mighell, general counsel of the Yeomen said today. The Yeomen has about 12,500 members in the north central states.

### Importation of Jewelry into Australia Has Been Prohibited.

## RAILWAY MEN MAY MEDIATE

### Employees Favorable to Acceptance of Arbitration Offer.

## TENDER REFUSED; RECONSIDERED

### Road Managers and Brotherhood Officials Jockeying For Position in Controversy Over Eight-Hour Day—Federal Board Tenders Services and Offer is Accepted by Managers—Offer Agreed to by Brotherhoods.

New York, Aug. 9.—The threatened strike of the 400,000 railway employees of the United States was averted today when the railroad brotherhoods accepted a proffer of the United States board of mediation and conciliation to mediate their differences with the railroads.

New York, Aug. 9.—Whether the threatened strike of 400,000 railway employees in the United States will be averted thru mediation by the federal board of mediation and conciliation depended at noon today on whether the brotherhoods were willing to accept the good offices of that body.

The railroad officials today rejected the demands of the men and suggested that the difficulties be submitted to the board. The federal board, which is in session here, then offered its services to the brotherhoods. The indications were that this time the reply would be favorable.

The national conference of railroad managers, after again rejecting the demands of the four brotherhoods, proposed submission of their differences with the men to the United States board of mediation and conciliation.

### Jockeying For Position.

This proposal A. B. Garretson, of the order of railroad conductors, rejected on behalf of the brotherhoods. Chairman Lee then announced that he would nevertheless appeal to the federal board of mediation and conciliation.

Mr. Lee's announcement came after Mr. Garretson had expressed his willingness to have the railroads make the appeal. In that event, he said, the unions could make a reply as to their attitude to the federal board. This reply, it was indicated, would probably be favorable.

Judge W. L. Chambers, chairman of the United States board of mediation and conciliation, announced that the railroads had formally appealed to the board to mediate their differences with the union.

The board immediately prepared a communication to the brotherhoods offering their services.

### Time Not Ripe, Says Garretson.

Meantime, it was stated, the board would remain in session to await this brotherhoods' reply.

It was indicated by members of the board that the communication was being sent on the assumption that the brotherhoods would accept their offer. Both sides after adjournment went into executive session.

Mr. Garretson explained to newspaper men that the unions had not declined mediation unequivocally, but had asked to join with the railroad in asking for it, because they did not believe in it at this time.

The brotherhood chiefs reiterated that their position was that they had not exhausted all possibilities in dealing with the road managers.

### Wilson Kept Advised.

Washington, Aug. 9.—President Wilson was advised today by Secretary Wilson of developments in the threatened railroad strike. Secretary Wilson will remain for the present in New York. So far he has not advised the president to take any formal steps in the situation. He is keeping in close touch with the members of the federal board of mediation and conciliation.

### All Street Car Strikes End.

New York, Aug. 9.—The street car strikes in this city were over today. Organizers of the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employees hastened their efforts to induce all the employees of the subway lines, the elevated and the Brooklyn rapid transit system to join the union.

### DESTROY FAMOUS PAINTINGS.

Cloudburst in West Virginia. Great Damage Done by French Shells in City of Peronna.

German Great Headquarters, via Berlin and London, Aug. 9.—Since yesterday the famous old city of Peronna has been under French artillery fire, resulting in a great conflagration which threatens to wipe it out. Already the collection of fine paintings of Italian and Flemish masters has been destroyed by shells, which landed in the city hall.

In addition to the paintings, which were torn to shreds, the shells destroyed collections of medieval Germanic silver and semi-precious stone work, Celtic coins dating from the time of the Roman invasion and medallions.

### HARDING LEADS FIGHT.

Democrats, in Second Effort to Create Shipping Board, Face Opposition.

Washington, Aug. 9.—The second attempt of the administration to create a shipping board began in the senate today under conditions marked contrast to those which characterized the hotly-fought losing struggle in the last congress.

When Senator Simmons called up the measure there was a quorum present and the sergeant at arms had to seek absentees. Senator Penrose moved adjournment and it was more than half

## NEWS OF THE DAY

### T-R BULLETIN.

The Weather. Sun rises Aug. 10 at 6:55; sets at 7:5. Iowa—Generally fair and warmer tonight; Thursday partly cloudy, probably cooler.

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Telegraphic News: Railway Strike Averted. Wild Jump in Wheat Prices. Some Options Advance 10 Cents. French Drive Continues. No Halt in Battle at Verdun. Mexican Peace Board Picked. Hughes Fatigued by Campaign. War Prisoners Number 5,000,000.

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Iowa News: Typhoid Fever Warning. Big Corn Crop Despite Drouth. Brown Was Mabray Gang Member. Iowa May Get Training Farm. Capture Mrs. Karbia. Canada Gains by War.

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Editorial: Real Ten—One of Them. War Cost of Newspaper. Pajamas, Nightgowns and Kimonos. Topics of the Times. Iowa Opinion and Notes.

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### CITY NEWS:

Two Ward Principals Selected. Miss Hostetter is Appointed. Mason City Beats Ansons. Abandoned Baby's Mother Found. Williams, in Jail, is Deftant. Will Enlarge Building.

### MARKETS AND GENERAL:

Ten Cent Gain in Wheat. Corn Shows Individual Strength. Cattle Steady. Makes Added Advances. Whiskey and Whisky Campaign Issues.

an hour before the vote could be mustered to defeat the motion.

Informal conferences of democrats and republicans early in the day disclosed that the republicans were anxious to dispose of all pending legislation as rapidly as possible.

Senator Harding, of Ohio, who will direct the fight against the shipping bill, said he thought the measure could be disposed of in less than a week. Senator Harding explained that the republicans hoped that adjournment might be reached as early as Aug. 26.

### HANCOCK MINISTER KILLED.

Skull Fractured When Engine Hurl Trunk From Tracks.

Council Bluffs, Aug. 9.—Rev. J. N. Hoskins of Hancock died last night from the injuries sustained when a truck, thrown by an engine at the Rock Island railroad station at Hancock, hit him and fractured his skull.

Mr. Hosier was in the act of picking his grip up from the truck when he was hit by the train for Des Moines to visit his daughter, Mrs. Frank Harvey, of that city. The funeral will be held Thursday.

### DECORATE BRAVE YANKEE.

Douglas MacMonagle Wins Cross of Honor on Field of Battle.

Paris, Aug. 9.—Douglas MacMonagle of San Francisco, a graduate of the University of California, and now member of the American ambulance service, has been decorated with the cross of honor. The general of the division says:

"While a bomb burst in the midst of his ambulance section, Mr. MacMonagle remained calmly at work and succeeded in carrying away three seriously wounded men."

### BRITISH SPOIL ROMANCE

Permit for Marriage of German Officer Captured With Mail.

Baltimore, Aug. 9.—An imperial decree permitting First Lieut. Paul Hesse, of the converted cruiser, Eltel Friedrich, who came from Germany to join her fiancé, after the internment of the ship at Norfolk, for six months ago, is believed to have been sent from Germany and to have been captured with other mail by the British. Without it, as German subjects, they may not marry.

### BREMEN EXPECTED IN PORT.

German Merchantman to Make New London Stopping Point.

New London, Aug. 9.—The German submarine Bremen is expected to arrive in this port at any time, according to the New London Day, this afternoon.

The Eastern Forwarding Company, which is the American corporation for handling the traffic of the submarine line, has leased space for one year on the new state pier for a large warehouse, and this city will be the principal point of business.

### Tug Crew Commended.

Washington, Aug. 9.—John J. Phillips, master of the navy tug Pentucket, and nine men of his crew were commended by Secretary Daniels today for their "excellent work and unhesitating exposure to danger following the great explosion at New York, July 30."

### Will Seize Medical Supplies.

Amsterdam, Aug. 9.—The Nord Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung of Berlin published a memorandum today, set by the German government which states that owing to the British treatment of Red Cross supplies, Germany will no longer allow free passage for such supplies. German naval forces will receive orders to take such articles for their own use when they come within their reach.

### Fire in Passenger Coach.

New York, Aug. 9.—The blowing out of a fuse in a case of an east-bound passenger train of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad, today, set the car on fire, injured one woman passenger, and caused a panic among the others.

### Turks Capture Armenian Towns.

Constantinople, Aug. 9.—Turkish troops yesterday captured from the Russians the Armenian towns of Bitlis and Mush. It was officially announced today by the Turkish war office.

## WILD JUMP IN WHEAT PRICES

### Advance of 10 Cents Per Bushel in Some Options on Chicago Market.

## FEDERAL REPORT IS RESPONSIBLE

### Reported Shortage in Crop Cause of Excited Buying and Marked Advances—Options on Chicago Market Advance 10 Cents Above Yesterday's Close, and Additional Advance as Trading Progresses—Wild Scenes in Pit.

Chicago, Aug. 9.—Wheat prices shot up, and 8 cents a bushel today right at the start. The December option touched \$1.45 on first trading, as against \$1.37 at yesterday's finish.

Sensational crop damage confirmed by the government report was the cause of the advance.

So much excitement ruled in the pit that transactions in many cases were 3 cents apart at some instances. The initial range on December varied from \$1.42 to \$1.46.

Jumps in the value of other options than December, altho radical, were not quite so severe. Taken as a whole, the market opened 5 to 8 cents higher, and when relative steadiness was established, showed 5 to 6 cents gain as compared with yesterday's close.

In later dealings the May delivery rose to the phenomenal price of \$1.50 a bushel, an extreme amount of 3 cents over yesterday's figure, and 46 cents up as compared with the price a year ago.

### More Advances.

After midday the fever to buy grew more intense, and the market soared to 10 cents a bushel above yesterday's close. December wheat touched \$1.47. At times the market appeared to be entirely bare of offerings. An incentive for the late demand was an estimate by a leading authority that owing to the increase of black rust the Canadian crop this season would be only 300,000 bushels, as against 1,000,000 bushels under last year's total.

At tip top prices today wheat showed an advance of 11 cents a bushel over night. The market through the session gave evidence of great tension owing to millions of bushels in domestic crop losses officially confirmed, and because of further losses indicated in Canada.

The market closed excited, 10 to 11 cents net higher, with September at \$1.44 to \$1.44 and December at \$1.48 to \$1.48.

### Sharp Advance at Duluth.

Duluth, Minn., Aug. 9.—On the federal crop report, September wheat opened 2 1/2 cents up at \$1.42, and sold to \$1.46; December opened 1 1/2 cents up, at \$1.41, sold up to \$1.79. December then bulged 7 cents to \$1.60. September, during yesterday's trading, set at \$1.35 1/2, and December 7 cents to \$1.38 1/2.

### Wild Market at Kansas City.

Kansas City, Aug. 9.—All wheat options registered wild advances at the opening of the market today. May, which closed yesterday at \$1.35 1/2, was quoted at \$1.4