

DEADLOCK IN GREAT BATTLE OF DOBRUDJA

Russians and Roumanians Appear to Have Checked Mackensen.

GERMANS FAIL TO REACH GOAL

Effort to Capture Railroad Line Frustrated for Present—Struggle Lessening in Intensity, Fall aRins Hindering Operations on Nearly All Battle Fronts, Cold and Snow Adding to Difficulties in Mountainous Regions.

Latest reports regarding the Roumanian campaign in Dobrudja indicate a lessening in the intensity in the struggle between the invading armies of the central powers and the Russians and Roumanians facing them.

Field Marshal von Mackensen's attempt to break the allied lines formed to defend the Constanta-Tchernavda railroad evidently have failed and the opposing forces apparently are now deadlocked along the front from the Danube to the Black sea.

The Roumanian report success in an attack at Hermannstadt, where 300 men and five machine guns were captured. Nearly 7,000 prisoners have been taken by the Roumanians so far in their Transylvania campaign.

Official reports and private dispatches indicate that the fall rains are interfering with progress of hostilities on virtually all battle fronts in mountainous regions, such as the Alpine districts, and the Caucasus, cold weather and snow add to the difficulty.

Creten insurgents held island. London, Sept. 25.—Fully armed Creten insurgents, numbering 30,000, are in complete control of the island, according to a Reuter's dispatch. Canea, Heracleon and other coast towns are in their possession.

The Greek authorities have turned over all government buildings to the leaders of the separatist movement. Only eleven members of King Constantine's Creten guards remain loyal. The others are being disbanded.

German attack on Verdun front. Paris, Sept. 25.—German troops made an attack on the Verdun front last night on the Vaux-Chapitre wood. The war office reports of this afternoon say the attack failed.

Bulgars make successful defense. Sofia, Bulgaria, Sept. 25.—The Bulgarians have successfully defended Kaimakalan height on the westerly side of the Macedonian battle front against repeated attacks by entente forces, the war office announced today.

On the Struma front there has been lively firing. Several enemy battalions that advanced against the villages of Nevozin, Dolno, Karajovo and Gudelit were thrown back to the right bank of the stream.

In Dobrudja there has been artillery and infantry fighting of minor importance.

Inactivity on Somme front. Paris, Sept. 25.—Inactivity prevails on the Somme front although heavy artillery engagements are in progress.

On the Macedonian front there was spirited artillery fighting last night in various sectors and also south of the river. On the right bank of the River Meuse we easily repulsed a German attack on one of our works to the east of the Vaux-Chapitre wood.

The following statement was issued today: "Enemy aeroplanes yesterday after 8:20 p. m. threw down about ten bombs in the region of Luneville. One woman was slightly wounded. The material damages were insignificant. During the day of yesterday an enemy aeroplane attacked by one of our machines was disabled."

On the Macedonian front. Paris, Sept. 25.—Russian troops on the west end of the Macedonian front took the offensive last night. The war office announced today that they had captured hill 196, west of Florina, which had been fortified strongly by the Bulgarians. A Bulgarian counter attack was checked.

French artillery fire caused an outbreak of fire in Dolran and French troops made progress on their left wing. On the Broda river Serbian troops reached the frontier and French infantry made a slight advance to the north of Florina.

GERMANS ADMIT ZEPPELIN LOSS

Berlin Statement Concedes Two Airships Were Hit During Raid.

LARGE FLEET IN ATTACK ON LONDON

Many Killed or Wounded by Exploding Bombs—Berlin Statement Says Much Property Was Destroyed, British Report Makes Denial—Third Zeppelin Damaged—French Airmen in Raid Over Essen.

Berlin, Sept. 25.—Extensive fires were observed to have been caused by the Zeppelin bombardment of London and the midland counties on Saturday night, it was announced today in the official report. Two of the Zeppelins were lost as the result of the fire of anti-aircraft guns in London, the statement adds.

U. S. WAR EXPORTS AT HIGH FIGURES

Finally Pass Half Billion a Month Mark, Record For This Country and For Entire World—Imports Also Show Increase in Valuation.

Washington, Sept. 25.—American exports have finally passed the half billion dollar a month mark. Statistics issued today showed that goods sent abroad in August were valued at \$510,000,000, a record not only for this country but for the world. The total is \$35,000,000 above the previous high record established in May, and \$45,000,000 higher than the June figure.

Imports decreased in August, the total of \$199,247,391 being \$47,000,000 below that of June, the record month. It was greater, however, than the total for any previous August. Exports for the year ending with August aggregated \$4,750,000,000, and the imports \$2,300,000,000, both totals being far in advance for those for any similar period.

The favorable trade balance for August was \$311,000,000, compared with \$119,000,000 in August a year ago, and a balance of \$19,000,000 in August 1914, against the United States.

EARL OF ESSEX DEAD

Prominent British Land Owner Passes Away After Long Illness.

London, Sept. 25.—The Earl of Essex was found dead in bed today. He had been ill for some time.

(The seventh Earl of Essex, George Devereux de Vere Capell, was 59 years of age. He was a large land holder, and owned about 15,000 acres. His second wife, whom he married in 1893, was Adelaide Grant, daughter of Beach Grant, of New York.)

NO DISCRIMINATION AGAINST AMERICA

Anglo-French Commercial Bureau Recently Established Not Designed to Restrict United States Trade, State Department is Assured.

Washington, Sept. 25.—An explanation of the purposes of the new Anglo-French commercial bureau cabled today by Consul General Skinner, at London, satisfied state department officials that no discrimination against American commerce is to be feared. The bureau, the consul said, was established to expedite Anglo-French exchanges of merchandise and its effect upon American trade would be limited to a few articles.

Final conferences on commercial disputes between the United States and the entente allies, preparatory to his return to London, were held today by Walter Hines Page, American ambassador to Great Britain, with Secretary Lansing, Counselor Folk and foreign Trade Advisor Letcher. Mr. Page will leave tonight for New York to sail within a week.

MAKE THRILLER CAPITOL

Statehouse Work Neglected As Clerks Watch Movie Actors.

Des Moines, Sept. 25.—A robbery, the chase and capture of the bandits, a runaway, a kidnapping, two lovers' quarrels, one reconciliation, and the "arrest" of a grater, were witnessed by state employees from the windows of the capitol today. Work in several departments were at a standstill all morning while clerks watched the work of a motion picture company.

AUTOS COLLIDE; ONE DEAD

Paulina Farmer Killed When Cars Come Together at Cross Roads.

Sheldon, Sept. 25.—Howard Sutter, of Paulina, was killed Sunday in an automobile accident. He was a farmer north of Paulina, 43 years old. His automobile was struck by another at a road intersection. Sutter's two children were injured, but not seriously.

Yellow Fever Commission Returns. New York, Sept. 25.—The yellow fever commission of the Rockefeller foundation arrived here today on the steamer Braso from San Juan, after a two months' study of sanitary conditions on the west coast of South America. The commission, it was said by Major General Gorgas, surgeon general of the United States and chairman of the commission, will remain here only long enough to obtain accommodations on the next steamer leaving for the South American east coast. Among the countries visited were Chile, Peru, Bolivia, Ecuador and Panama.

WILSON TO ANSWER EIGHT HOUR CRITICS

President to Defend Law in Speech Before National Grain Dealers' Association at Baltimore—Special Train Delayed by Fire.

Long Branch, N. J., Sept. 25.—President Wilson left here at 9 o'clock this morning for Baltimore, where he was to discuss the railroad eight-hour law and other campaign issues before the National Grain Dealers' Association at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

The trip to Baltimore was made by special train. The president arose early and motored from Shadow Lawn to the railway station, accompanied by Mrs. Wilson and Secretary Tamm.

Fire Delays Train. Philadelphia, Sept. 25.—President Wilson, traveling in a special train from Long Branch to Baltimore, was held up eight minutes in the north wing of the Pennsylvania building by a fire in a carload of straw on the New York division of the Pennsylvania railroad. While the car was being shifted to another track, the president chatted with city firemen at the blaze and members of the train crew.

Runner-ups Make Gains. Pennant Hopes of Chicago and Detroit Slightly Revived. Chicago, Sept. 25.—Pennant hopes were revived in a slight degree today for the Chicago and Detroit Americans, Texas says: "The game between Boston and Cleveland, Boston, which has eight games yet to play, is two and one-half games ahead of Chicago and three ahead of Detroit. Chicago and Detroit still have five and four games respectively on their schedules."

Brooklyn being only a game and a half ahead of Philadelphia. There is more chance for an upset in the National League than in the American, as Brooklyn and Philadelphia each have eleven games before the season ends. No games were played in the National League yesterday.

Des Moines, Sept. 25.—A special dispatch published today by the Des Moines Capital and dated Brownsville, Texas, says: "Regular army officers of the Brownsville district have assured Brig. Gen. H. A. Allen that Iowa National guards will be returned to their homes within a short time. When General Allen communicated the assurance to the troops at bridge camp services yesterday, the soldiers joined in a wild outburst of cheering."

The special states that while no specific information has been received of the return of the Iowa guard, it is rumored that the Iowa regiment will be one of the units released soon.

EIGHT FOOT BALLOT.

Voting Slip For New York Guardsmen Longest Ever Printed.

Albany, N. Y., Sept. 25.—New York guardsmen on the border will use an eight foot ballot on election day. It will be the longest ballot used in a combined state and national ballot, and the first war ballot since 1898.

Illinois Battery Mustered Out. Springfield, Ill., Sept. 25.—Members of F. battery, Illinois artillery, numbering 119 men, most of whom are students at the University of Illinois, were mustered out today and are now departed for their homes after almost three months' state and federal services. The men are again members of the Illinois National Guard.

Commercial Club Secretaries Meet. Cleveland, O., Sept. 25.—Three hundred eighty secretaries of chambers of commerce from all over the United States are here today to attend the convention of the National Association of Commercial Organization Secretaries.

Advance Price in Bread. Pittsburgh, Sept. 25.—As the price of flour, sugar, milk and other bread making materials has advanced, as well as change in loaves. Five-cent loaves will be unwrapped in the future.

HELD FOR WIFE MURDER.

County Prosecutor McDaniel Under Arrest at St. Joseph, Mo.

St. Joseph, Mo., Sept. 25.—A special grand jury will be asked appointed immediately to hear the case of Oscar D. McDaniel, prosecuting attorney of Buchanan county, arrested here last night on a warrant charging him with the murder of his wife, Harriet Moss McDaniel, on the night of July 15, according to B. M. Lockwood, special prosecutor. The fall term of the criminal court opens this morning and Lockwood declared his intention of asking the grand jury appointment.

McDaniel's arrest brought to a head an investigation of many weeks duration. Mrs. McDaniel came from a well known family and was prominent socially.

WEDS AND LOSES \$10,000,000. Mrs. John C. C. Mayo, of Kentucky, forfeits Half of Fortune. Lexington, Ky., Sept. 25.—In marrying Dr. Samuel Pether, of Portsmouth, O., Mrs. John C. C. Mayo forfeited \$10,000,000. A provision in the will of the late John C. Mayo specified that should she marry, her share of her fortune should be forfeited.

Dr. and Mrs. Pether, who were married at Ashland Saturday night, have gone to Paintsville, where they will make their home in the palatial residence left to Mrs. Pether by Mr. Mayo. The marriage of Mrs. Pether to the doctor grew out of an acquaintance that developed after Dr. Pether had restored her son to health.

Slight Increase Among Troops on Border, Both Guardsmen and Regulars—U. S. Trooper Kills Carranza Officer During Saloon Quarrel—Companion Is Captured and Mexicans Refuse to Release Him on Demand of Pershing.

Washington, Sept. 25.—Major General Funston advised the war department today that he had ordered an expression of regret to the Mexican authorities for the action of Corporal Rogers, of the Texas cavalry, for crossing into Mexico with a detachment of men, Sept. 21, and had ordered the corporal to be tried for disobeying orders. The patrol was fired on by Mexican soldiers with the loss of one horse.

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Villa to Disclaim Columbus Raid. Columbus, N. M., Sept. 25.—Army intelligence agents are making an investigation of reports that adherents of Villa were held to secure information to prove that Villa was not at Columbus March 9, but that the raid was made by Pablo Lopez, who was captured in Chihuahua because of his alleged leadership at the Santa Ysabel massacre, when eighteen Americans and other foreigners were murdered. It is said Villa is preparing a manifesto disclaiming responsibility for the Columbus raid.

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U. S. APOLOGY TO CARRANZA

Funston Sends Regrets Because of Action of U. S. Patrol.

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HANLY ANSWERS WETS. Replies to Personal Liberty Arguments in Speech at Flagstaff. Flagstaff, Ariz., Sept. 25.—Personal liberty arguments were answered by

NEWS OF THE DAY

T. R. BULLETIN.

The Weather. Sun rises Sept. 25 at 5:52; sets at 5:51. Iowa—Probably showers tonight or Tuesday; cooler Tuesday.

Telegraphic News: Deadlock in Dobrudja Battle. Fleet of Zeppelins in Raid Over London. Two Zeppelins Destroyed. Labor Taking Strike Ballot. U. S. Apologizes to Carranza. PAGES TWO, THREE AND FIVE.

Editorial: The German-American Vote This Fall. It May Come to This. General Business. Topics of the Times. PAGES SIX, SEVEN, EIGHT, NINE.

City News: Rev. W. G. Crowder New Methodist Pastor. Rev. Mr. Hurlburt Becomes Superintendent Davenport District. M. H. S. Wins Football Practice Game. Actor and Actress Wed on Stage. Marshalltown Twenty-five Years Ago. General and Brief City News. PAGE TEN.

Markets and General: Wheat at New Record Price. Corn Gains Strength. Cattle Trade Steady. Hogs Unchanged to Lower. West Hit by Democratic Free Trade.

J. Frank Hanly, the prohibition presidential candidate today during the second day's tour of Arizona. "I have not much patience with the cry of 'personal liberty,'" he said. "We live in a complex civilization. Our lives touch each other at thousands of points of contact and we can not live into ourselves."

"When Robinson Crusoe found himself shipwrecked, he might have done as he pleased, but when he found a footprint in the sand by the sea his relations changed. He could no longer do as he pleased, for what he pleased to do affected another man. Thus man, in our complex civilization, can not do as he pleases, for if he did so he would constantly affect others."

Besides Flagstaff and Winslow, Ariz., the dry speaker will visit Gallup and Albuquerque, N. M., today.

WILSON TALKS TO GRAIN DEALERS

President Delivers Address Before Convention of National Organization at Baltimore—Ovation Given Nation's Executive.

Baltimore, Sept. 25.—President Wilson came to Baltimore today to deliver the second speech of his campaign for re-election. He was driven immediately to the Lyric Theater, for his address before the national grain dealers' convention.

The president's progress thru the streets was marked by a continuous ovation. Four automobiles carried his party. There were no bands because of Mr. Wilson's insistence that the occasion be kept non-partisan. A committee representing commercial organizations and the grain dealers' association met him.

As he stepped on the platform at the theater the audience stood and clapped. President Wilson, in his speech before the grain dealers, upheld his tariff policy, defended the federal reserve act and the shipping bill, and declared that if business is properly conducted, America has an unexcelled future before it.

The demonstration which marked the president's arrival at the theater lasted nearly five minutes. The people stood and cheered. Several times Mr. Wilson stood and bowed while the band played. "We want Wilson," shouted one man.

Lee G. Metcalf, head of the association, introduced Mr. Wilson, with the simple words, "The president."

HUGHES ADDRESSES VETERANS.

Tells Dayton Audience Dignity of America Must Be Upheld.

Dayton, O., Sept. 25.—The United States, Charles E. Hughes today told an audience of civil war veterans, will not endure unless each generation stands firmly for the dignity of American citizenship and the honor of the flag.

"What I want most to see," said Mr. Hughes, "is to have our young men, our middle aged men, and our aged men, too, fired with the spirit of '61.' Mr. Hughes had intended to deliver four addresses here today but the throat specialist accompanying him vetoed the arrangement. He will deliver one more address in Dayton, at the Auditorium tonight.

RECORD STOCK ACTIVITY.

For First Time in Ten Years Trading Totals 2,000,000 Shares.

New York, Sept. 25.—For the first time in nearly ten years trading on the New York stock exchange today totaled more than 2,000,000 shares. This enormous overturn was reached a half hour before the close of the market. Nearly one-half the trading occurred in United States steel and in copper shares with a new high record for steel and for mo' of the copper.

Bloody Outbreaks Mark Campaign. San Salvador, Republic of Salvador, Sept. 25.—Advices were received here today from Nicaragua of another outbreak in connection with the presidential campaign, which recently was marked by an attempt on the life of Dr. Arias, the liberal candidate for the presidency. Liberals and conservatives clashed with rifles at Masaya, capital of the department of that name. Several persons were killed or wounded.

LABORERS TAKE STRIKE BALLOT

New York Unions to Determine Question of Sympathetic Strike.

NEARLY 180,000 FAVOR SUSPENSION

Secretary Bohn, of Conference of Labor Leaders, Gives Out Result of Ballot—Many Unions Ready Taken by Labor Organizations, Laundrymen and Butchers.

New York, Sept. 25.—Labor organizations, including about 100,000 workers, meet today to vote on the question of joining in the general strike to take effect Wednesday morning. Ernest Bohn, secretary of the conference of labor leaders, asserted that unions representing 175,000 workers, already have voted to quit work.

A meeting of the leaders will be held this afternoon to hear the reports from the local unions. Among those to vote today are the machinists, metal workers, laundrymen and butchers. Secretary Bohn asserts that if the general strike becomes effective it will not last more than two days, as he believes it will quickly force the traction companies to arbitrate with the striking employes.

According to Bohn, the strike of drivers of the Borden Condensed Milk Company, which began yesterday, was due to an attempt to force upon the men the "master and servant" form of contract. The Borden company's example was being followed by other employers, he said, and would not be tolerated. The milk drivers strike would be extended to other milk companies, he said.

Street Car Lines Picketed. While several unions, representing various trades discussed plans for the threatened "suspension of work" Wednesday in aid of the carmen who quit their places Sept. 6, active picketing of the transit lines, which have been declared "unfair" by organized labor was begun by thousands of men and women.

Sentinel was posted thruout the city to watch for union men riding on the cars. All cases of the kind will be reported to the unions to which the men belong and fines will be assessed, it was said.

Coopers Vote to Strike. Eight hundred coopers affiliated with the longshoremen's union, it was announced, voted in favor of a general strike. They will take no further action, however, until a definite decision is reached by the longshoremen, it was said.

Except for sporadic attacks against elevated railway trains by men lurking on house tops, there was little outward change in the situation. Service on the subway and elevated lines continued normal, while surface car travel showed improvement.

Jobs Do Big Business. What few attacks there were upon cars today were of a minor character, according to the police. No one was injured. Streets and various other vehicles pressed into service during the strike apparently did a thriving business, especially on the east side of the city, where many union sympathizers refused to patronize the transit companies.

BOMB THROWER CONVICTED. Man Who Hurled Explosive During Frisco Parade Gets Life Sentence. San Francisco, Sept. 25.—Warren K. Billings, tried here for the murder of Mrs. Myrtle Van Loc, one of the ten persons killed by the explosion of a bomb during the San Francisco pre-parenthood parade July 22, was found guilty in the first degree. The jury recommended life imprisonment. Billings will be sentenced Tuesday, it was announced.

The jury was out four hours from 10:50 a. m. to 2:50 p. m. Most of that time was spent at lunch at a cafe. The jury reported almost immediately after returning to the hall of justice that it had arrived at a verdict. Assistant District Attorney Brennan after the verdict stated that he hoped to be able to use Billings' testimony in the prosecution of Thomas J. Mooney, his wife, Rena, Israel Wineberg and Edward Nolan upon an indictment similar to that upon which Billings was convicted.

Earlier in the day Brennan made the statement that he considered Billings only a tool in the hands of bigger men and that if he were convicted, Brennan would be the first to go to the governor and ask for a pardon or commutation of sentence if Billings would consent to tell what he knew of the bomb conspiracy.

STREET CAR RUNS AWAY. Dashes Twenty-Two Blocks in Omaha Street, Seriously Injuring Six Men. Omaha, Sept. 25.—Six men were badly hurt, two probably fatally, early today, when a street car on the Omaha and Benson line was so badly damaged by collision with a loaded wagon at Thirty-eighth and Cummins streets that its brakes refused to work and it dashed down the street twenty-two blocks before leaving the track. The car was demolishing by striking a telephone pole when it jumped the track at Sixteenth and Cummins streets.

Epidemic on the Wane. New York, Sept. 25.—A new low record was established for the twenty-four hours ending at 10 a. m. today, in the waning epidemic of infantile paralysis. There were but fourteen new cases and five deaths.