

ESTABLISHED 1861

BIG BATTLE STOPPED

HEAVY SNOW STORMS SILENCE BATTLE GUNS

On the Frontier, while Rains and Floods in Other Parts of Theater of War Interfere With Operations

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

LONDON, Sept. 25.—The weather conditions which were exceptionally favorable to modern military operations during the first six weeks of the war have now changed radically and are in the main responsible for the lull prevailing over all the war areas with the exception of the combined Montenegrin and Servian assaults on the coveted provinces of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Accompanying the reports of bad weather comes the ominous news of the presence of disease. Hungary has acknowledged an outbreak of cholera among her troops and while it is denied officially the same scourge is said to have attacked the Servian troops.

The operations in Alsace-Lorraine are said to have come to a complete stop on account of snow storms. Rain and floods are reported also from the scene of the Galician operations and probably account for the secession of the Russian attack on the retreating Austrians. Storm conditions will interfere greatly with motor transports and troops taking the offensive may be greatly handicapped by inability to bring up their artillery.

ALLIES TAKE SIEGE GUNS

Several of the great German siege guns, probably destined for use against the fortifications of Paris, have fallen into the hands of the enemy, having become stuck in the mud when the Germans began their retirement from the Marne. The French are now digging this artillery but the same cause which led to their abandonment may prevent the allies turning them on their former owners.

The latest official communication was even more laconic than usual. It said that the battle was developing on the left wing of the allies, that there was a lull in the center and that the attack on the allies' right had been repulsed.

Petrograd reports that Russian troops in pursuit of the Austrians are now within one march of the river, Vistula, and the city, Karnow, which is only two marches from Cracow and connected by rail with Budapest and Vienna.

GREAT BATTLE IN EAST PRUSSIA

Copenhagen reports a great battle in East Prussia, the despatches declaring also that a Russian army is marching on Breslau.

Despatches from Nish, Servia, report a continuous advance into Bosnia saying also that all the efforts of the Austrians to cross the river, Danube, have been checked after furious fighting.

In the diplomatic field the pressure on Italy to join the cause of the Triple Entente increases daily. The allies point out that in case of their victory, Servia must be given a port on the Adriatic and the bait of Avlona on which port Italy long has cast hungry eyes is being held before the Servian government as a possible reward particularly if Italy fails to join the allies.

AUSTRALIANS ARE SUCCESSFUL

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

LONDON, Sept. 25.—The following official statement was issued this afternoon:

"The admiralty announces that a telegram has been received from Vice Admiral Sir George Patey, stating that the town and the harbor of Frederick-Wilhelm, the seat of government of Kaiser Wilhelm's land (the name applied to the German portion of New Guinea) have been occupied by an Australian force without opposition. The armed forces of the enemy appeared to have been concentrated at Herbertshohe, where they were annihilated. The British flag has been hoisted at Frederick-Wilhelm and a garrison has been established there."

ENEMY'S ARTILLERY IS SEIZED BY RUSSIANS

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

PETROGRAD, Sept. 25.—An official announcement from Grand Duke Nicholas, commander in chief of the Russian forces, says:

"On the southwest front the Russian troops have taken possession of the fortified positions of Vyzschky and Foulstyn, which covered Khyroff and other positions in the Radymno region between Jaroslau and Przemysl, taking all the enemy's artillery. The Przemysl garrison has evacuated Bourgade and Medyka and has been repulsed in the eastern segment toward the line of forts. There has been no fighting on the German front."

EMPEROR OF GERMANY HAS A SEVERE COLD

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

LONDON, Sept. 25.—Emperor William is suffering from a severe cold,

according to the Geneva correspondent of the Chronicle. He caught it in the trenches before Verdun where he was drenched by the rain when reviewing his soldiers.

EXHAUSTIVE INQUIRY ORDERED BY GERMANY

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

BERLIN, via wireless to Sayville, L. I., Sept. 25.—The German government has ordered that an exhaustive judicial inquiry be made at once by independent lawyer into the destruction of the Belgian town of Louvain. An inquiry already made is declared to have proved that on a signal, given near the Louvain station by red and green rockets, the civilian population began firing at the German troops. The German press formally protests against the bombardment of the open town of Dar-es-Salam, German East Africa, by a British cruiser.

The Petit Parisien says that the French commander in chief has been compelled to send back the African troops, transported to France, because they were not fitted out for a winter campaign. The strengthening of the French forces in Morocco is reported to be necessary.

HUNTERS ARE HOME.

Frank Shuttleworth, Lowell Childs and John J. Denham returned last night from a point beyond Petersburg, this state, where they devoted ten days to fishing and hunting. They found the sport fine. Both fish and squirrels were plentiful.

OLD DONKEY IS FLAYED BY GOVERNOR HATFIELD

HOPE FOR PEACE

Between Generals Carranza and Villa is Still Held by Prominent Men.

MEXICO CITY, Sept. 25.—Prominent men here believe there is still a chance to make peace between Carranza and Villa before the breach becomes irreparable. Meanwhile the general public here does not seem to have been informed of the controversy.

There has, however, been no response to telegram sent by influential Mexicans to Villa, begging him to make peace. Discussion in official circles indicated the belief that Villa's action might avoid a pretext for a continued American occupation of Vera Cruz.

PROTECTION

Of State to Be Sought from Legislature by Chiropractors.

Resulting from a meeting just held at Parkersburg the chiropractors of West Virginia are going to make an effort to secure a law at the next session of the legislature to protect them in their practice. At present, no provision is made for these drugless healers, only medical and osteopathic physicians being mentioned in the code of this state. The chiropractors contend that they should be granted the same rights and privileges as are granted to those of the medical and osteopathic schools.

There are 3,064 languages in the world and more than 1,000 religions.

In a Campaign Address before Audience Assembled in the City of Parkersburg.

JACKASS BRAYING PARTY

Is Shown to Be One of Empty Promises and Too Mulish for the Country's Good.

PARKERSBURG, Sept. 25.—Opening the Republican campaign in the Fourth congressional district here last night Governor Henry D. Hatfield charged the Democratic national administration with the enactment of "blundering, destructive and undesirable tariff legislation," which has not only failed in its promise to lower the cost of living but together with the "profligate extravagance" of the Democratic leaders he declared it has also failed as a "tariff-for-revenue-only" producer, causing a deficit in the national treasury, which the administration would have the people believe is due to the European war and want to cover it up with a "war tax."

Economy a Dream. The governor made the charge that the Panama canal tolls policy of the national administration is "un-American and that in an attempt to pacify the army of office seekers the administration has made civil service a joke, has created new offices, has raised salaries, and has made extravagant appropriations until 'economy' has become a Democratic dream," which has been "ruthlessly shattered and has come back to haunt them as a nightmare." The promised economic administration he declared has resulted only in a "decrease of revenue" and an "increase in expenditures," while "business depression" and "idle men" have taken the place of "prosperity."

Statistics were quoted to show a decrease in exports and a corresponding increase in imports of articles which were manufactured in the

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WILSON AFRAID

To Allow New Jersey Democrats to Endorse Him for a Second Term.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—At the direction of President Wilson, Secretary Tumulty today wrote a letter to New Jersey Democrats declining to have them endorse the president for a second term.

It was understood, the president decided, not to allow the New Jersey Democrats to endorse him for a second term because he believed it would look as though he was seeking re-nomination. His attitude, however, was not taken by friends here to mean that he has decided not to accept the re-nomination if it is offered to him. Democrats in other states have recently endorsed him for a second term and no objection was made at the White House.

As outlined by the president's friends, Mr. Wilson's position is that he is not considering the question of a second term at this time and that future events will determine his stand.

MAXWELL'S RECOVERY

Is Hoped for by Physicians Attending Him at a Hospital.

Issac H. Maxwell, of Lost Creek, injured at Point Marion, Pa., Wednesday evening when an automobile occupied by him and others was hit by a passenger train on a crossing, has a fair chance to recover. Advice from a Pittsburgh hospital to which he was taken states that attending physicians hope for his recovery. He is unable to talk but seems to know what is said to him. Fracture of the skull appears to be his worst injury.

British oceanography expedition will travel 21,000 miles on its charting expedition in the next six years.

colleges' colors will present a sight long to be remembered.

BOMB EXPLOSIONS DO GREAT DAMAGE

OSTEND, Sept. 25.—A Zeppelin airship coming from the direction of Chourout, twelve miles southwest of Burges, Belgium, dropped three bombs yesterday. One of them struck the avenue P'De Smet de Naylor bridge on the outskirts of the town; another fell in the harbor and another on the premises of wholesale fish dealer in the fish market partly wrecking the building.

The explosion here made a great cavity in the ground and badly damaged all surrounding houses extinguished the street lamps, destroyed electric wires and created a panic. The Zeppelin returned in the direction of Thielt, twelve miles northeast of Courtra.

The avenue P'De Smet de Naylor bridge crosses the canal De Derivation at the northeast boundary of the famous park Marie-Henrietta in Ostend. The fish market in Ostend is near the railway station. All sales are by auction to the highest bidder.

From Ostend as the crow flies is only about seventy miles across the North sea and the Strait of Dover to the English coast.

GERMAN INFANTRY DEFENDING POSITION IN THE VOSGES RANGE



Photo shows German infantry, screened behind a patch of woods in the Vosges mountain range, defending their position against the French in an attempt to resume the offensive; which, in the neighborhood of St. Die, they have tried without success.

CHURCH DEDICATION TO BE IMPRESSIVE

WITHDRAWAL

Of Troops from Vera Cruz is Not to Take Place within the Next Ten Days.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—Secretary Garrison today ordered Brigadier General Funston, commanding the American forces at Vera Cruz, not to withdraw during the next ten days.

Secretary Garrison announced the order was caused by a delay in the adjustment of many details incident to the transfer of funds and the customs house.

PROGRESSIVE HEADQUARTERS.

The Progressive party has opened commodious quarters for the coming campaign at rooms 507-508 Goff building. Desks, chairs, tables and telephones are being installed and everything is in readiness for campaign work.

EDWARD FOLEY INJURED.

Edward Foley is a patient in St. Mary's hospital suffering with a compound fracture of his right arm and scalp wounds which he received Friday morning when he fell at the new building of the Clarkburg Gas and Electric Company which is in course of construction on West Pike street. While Mr. Foley's injuries are painful they are not necessarily fatal.

There are more than 100,000 cloakmakers in New York City.

New St. Mark's Lutheran Church is to Be Formally Given to Service of God.

The dedicatory services of St. Mark's Lutheran church at Park and Meigs avenues, of which the Rev. W. L. Heuser is pastor, will take place at 11 o'clock Sunday morning. The sermon will be preached by the Rev. A. Stewart Hartman, D. D., of Baltimore, the general secretary of the board of Home Missions of the general synod of the Lutheran church. The services will be continued in the evening with an address by Dr. Hartman.

Monday evening the pastor will be installed by the Rev. W. S. Dyingler, of Wheeling, the president of the evangelical Lutheran synod of West Virginia, who will deliver the charge to the pastor. The charge to the congregation will be given by the Rev. L. K. Probst, D. D., of Fairmont.

Monday afternoon delegates from the women's societies of the Lutheran churches of West Virginia will meet for the purpose of organizing a synodical Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Society. Addresses will be given by the Rev. W. S. Dyingler, A. Stewart Hartman, D. D., and Mrs. J. F. Hartman, president of the Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Societies of the general synod. This convention will be continued on Tuesday morning and afternoon with addresses by Mrs. W. Dyingler, Mrs. G. W. Bangleman, president of the Maryland Synodical Society, and Mrs. T. L. Crouse, president of the Pittsburgh Synodical Society.

The public is cordially invited to all of these services.

The new church is of Gothic style of architecture, built of tapestry brick

FOOTBALL TEAMS NOW READY FOR BIG BATTLE

Which Will Be Fought to the Bitter End at Union Park Here Tomorrow.

At 3:30 o'clock Saturday afternoon when W. S. Sugden, of Harvard, blows his whistle to start the big football game between Glen Warner's speedy Redskins of Carlisle, Pa., and Frank Mount Pleasant's husky boys from Buckhannon. It will be another case of student versus master. Mount Pleasant played four years on the Carlisle team; and in those four years he was taught by Warner. In tomorrow's game it will be seen how well he learned his lesson.

The Wesleyan team, thirty-three strong, arrived in the city shortly after the noon hour today and have opened headquarters at the Waldor hotel. Coaches Mount Pleasant and Garlow took the boys to Union Park in the afternoon and short practice was had, the lay of the field was noticed and the plan of action for the battle was discussed.

Glen Warner and his bunch will arrive late this evening and they may have a light practice in the morning but this has not been definitely decided. They will be located at the Hotel Goff.

The advance sale of reserved seats which has been on at the Waldor hotel cigar stand will be closed tonight and all local people wishing seats for the game tomorrow should be sure to get them before the sale closes.

Although a large number of seats have been sold a number of choice seats remain and if the local allotment will not be sufficient to take care of the local fans, Harry Stansbury, athletic manager of Wesleyan, is in the city and will place more seats on sale, so every one applying at the Waldor today will be able to secure seats.

The field at Union Park is in perfect condition for the game. The recent rains have been a great help to put the field in perfect playing condition and with the weather forecast indicating fair weather tomorrow, an ideal day for the game is assured.

The field should present a beautiful picture when the teams line up for the kick off, the field covered with white lines and thousands of spectators in stands wearing the different

MOUNDSVILLE FIRE.

At 1:30 o'clock this morning a fire originating on the second floor of the S. T. Courtwright hardware building on Jefferson avenue, Moundsville, spread with amazing rapidity to two other frame buildings, namely the Hammond home, which despite the heroic efforts of the firemen and numerous volunteers will probably be totally destroyed causing a loss of between \$20,000 and \$25,000.

Allowing for losses in slack season three-quarters of the women workers in New York City receive less than \$400 a year.

Miss Christie Holmberg has been elected clerk in Santa Barbara, Calif., by an overwhelming majority over her male opponent.

The telefunken wireless station in Apia is completed and is expected to be ready to transmit messages by September 30.

FIGHTING FORCES ARE IN GREAT VIOLENCE

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

PARIS, Sept. 25.—The following official communication was given out this afternoon:

"First on our left wing there has begun a general action of great violence between those detachments of our forces that are operating between the river Somme and the river Oise and the army corps which the enemy has grouped in the region around Tergnier and St. Quentin. These army corps have come, some from the center of the enemy's line, and others from Lorraine and the Vosges. These last named corps were transported by rail to Cambrai by way of Liege and Valenciennes. To the north of the river Aisne as far as Berry-au-Bac there has been no change of importance.

"Second on the center we have made progress to the east of Rheims in the direction of Berry and Moronbilliers. Further to the east as far as the Argonne the situation shows no change. To the east of the Argonne has not been able to move out of Barennes. On the right bank of the river Meuse the enemy succeeded in getting footing on the heights of the Muse in the region of the Promontory of Hatton Chatel and forced in the direction of St. Michael, he bombarded the forts of Paroches and of Camp Des Romains. To offset this to the south of Verdun we remained masters of the heights of the Meuse and our troops, moving out of Toul, advanced until they reached the region of Beaumont.

"Third on our right wing, Lorraine and the Vosges, we have repulsed attacks of minor importance. To the east of Luneville the enemy has made some demonstration along the line of the river Vegouse and the river, Blette."