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Rains Hinder War Operations In West

Interest in War Has Been Transfered to Russian, Rumanian and Macedonian Fronts

A FIERCE BATTLE HAS BEEN RAGING IN WEST LUTSK

In Galicia the Russians Are Trying to Reach Lemberg, Which the Teutons Are Striving Energetically to Hold.

SERBIANS GAIN GROUND

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FRESHMAN AT TEXAS IS INJURED

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MIDDLE WEST CHEERS WILSON AT EVERY STOP

CROWDS THRONG STATIONS WHERE STOPS ARE MADE AND IN MANY PLACES BANDS PLAY. PRESIDENT REFUSED TO MAKE SPEECHES WEDNESDAY.

IS ENROUTE TO OMAHA

At Chicago the President Stopped for Brief Visit at Western Democratic Headquarters. Will Confer With Count Bernstorff Next Monday.

CHICAGO, Oct. 4.—Wilson practically [illegible] the Middle West today on a speaking tour [illegible] Nebraska, Colorado, Utah and Nevada.

Every station was crowded and in many places bands played.

The president refused to make a speech, but many times was forced to appear on the platform out of courtesy to crowds. He made a brief stop at Chicago for visits with western Democratic headquarters.

Crowds generally cheered him over the eight hour railroad law.

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TODAY'S CALENDAR.

Local forecast for today: Fair. Light to moderate southerly winds.

At the Theatres.

Majestic—Vaudeville presents Eden Gardens in "The Making of Madaleen" for last time. Olivet Morosco photoplay, Rex—"The Caravan" a special Universal feature.

Dixie—Free rides latest Keystone motion pictures.

Today's Local Calendar.

Weekly luncheon Rotary Club, Nueces Hotel, starting at 12:15 o'clock.

Election of officers. Young Men's Democratic Club, at meeting tonight at 8 o'clock at the city hall.

WEATHER BULLETIN.

WASHINGTON, October 4.—West Texas: Fair Thursday; fair Friday and colder in south. East Texas: Fair Thursday and Friday and colder in North Texas.

TERRAUCHI WILL FORM NEW JAPANESE CABINET

HIS SELECTION BRINGS TO HEAD STRUGGLE BETWEEN OPPOSING POLITICAL PARTIES

TOKIO, Oct. 4.—The resignation of Premier Okuma and the Emperor's designation of Count Terauchi to form the new cabinet brings to a head the intense struggle between bureaucratic forces and advocates of representative government in Japan, which resulted in victory for the bureaucrats.

The new move leaves only the conservative party in opposition to the representative government, and to bring about the two party political system in Japan similar to that in the United States.

Terrauchi's selection is also believed to be a victory for the army party as he always has been considered a military man above question.

BLIND, BUT THEY KNOW WORLD'S DOINGS, THANKS TO SOCIETY WOMEN'S READINGS

THEY SEE THE WORLD THROUGH ANOTHER'S EYES

Photo by American Press Association.

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FRIGHTFUL CRIMES CHARGED AGAINST ROUMANIAN TROOPS

GERMAN CORRESPONDENTS SAY WOMEN WERE DRIVEN IN THE TRENCHES, ASSAULTED AND THEN MURDERED

VILLAGES WERE BURNED

BERLIN, Oct. 4.—Further details of alleged Roumanian atrocities in Transylvania are contained in a report from Hermannstadt. Refugees from villages which were in the neighborhood of Hermannstadt have arrived in Hermannstadt with William Wolfram, American Church in Berlin.

He says reports have been received of massacres and incendiarism.

Entire villages were destroyed by fire and their inhabitants, of course, deprived and many persons slaughtered. The peasants report that the Roumanians were driven into the houses and then the houses were fired.

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RECREATION WORKERS TO MEET IN GRAND RAPIDS OCTOBER 6

IMPORTANT ANNUAL MEETING OF AMERICAN RECREATION CONGRESS IS PREDICTED BY LEADERS

ALONG PRACTICAL LINES

NEW YORK, Oct. 4.—Would anyone believe that there are difficult problems, serious problems, involved in the management of playgrounds, and serious problems, involved in playgrounds have been used to do everything from dancing to be discussed and solved at the Fifth Annual Congress to be held at Grand Rapids, Michigan, October 6.

Instead of courtesy and [illegible] as, Gene will be posted, political [illegible] to pose the questions to national experts in the various lines. Informal discussions will give everyone opportunities to propose additional questions or to contribute actual experiences in the solution of problems. No time is to be wasted in the general discussions as to whether playgrounds and recreational activities are needed in every community. That has been settled to a vigorous affirmative by the 625 municipalities, large and small, which now have supervised recreation. To the practical problems as to how to secure finance, conduct, and develop playgrounds and other recreational facilities, urban and rural, the entire six days of the Recreation Congress will be devoted.

"Recreation and Community Centers" are the theme of the first thirty-one sections printed in the exhibitions handbook published for free distribution by the Playground and Recreation Association of America, 1 Madison Avenue, the philanthropic national organization which is financing and organizing the Recreation Congress. Every person interested in solving the knotty free problems of his own family or of others should have one of these handbooks of the practical problems to be overcome.

"What games can young men and young women play together under proper leadership in the recreation centers? What is the place of social dancing in a municipal neighborhood center? Should

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TRAINMENS EIGHT HOUR LAW IS DEFENDED BY SECRETARY BAKER

Secretary of War Says that Overwork Causes Wrecks Costing More Lives than the Marne and Verdun Battles.

TRIES TO WIN CONGRESS FOR THE DEMOCRATS

REPRESENTATIVE DOUGLAS

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UNION LABOR COERCED WILSON SAYS W. H. TAFT

FORMER PRESIDENT IN ADDRESS AT TRENTON CRITICIZES THE DEMOCRATIC ADMINISTRATION

TRENTON, N. J., Oct. 4.—Wm. H. Taft, opening the state Republican campaign here today, attacked the Democratic federal policy which he said was extravagant, attacked the free trade tariff and the foreign policy, and forecast to the eight hundred [illegible] "It was an unique experience to witness of labor leaders and their efforts in shaping in Wilson's dealing with the threatened railroad strike."

He said Wilson could not shift the blame for his inaction to Merlin, he knew he had a chance also when he went into office.

MAN REPORTS BEING HELD UP.

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HUGHES HAND CALLED BY PROHIBITION CANDIDATE

NEW YORK, N. Y. Oct. 4.—Secretary of War Baker delivered Wilson's message of the eight hour legislation here in an address here tonight. He and his friends with a following speech [illegible] had been come to the Fulton's door all night to receive the latest bulletins of wrecks caused by engineers who had been asleep owing to long hours of work.

He referred most wrecks are caused by overworked engineers, and said the wreck toll in the United States in the aggregate would exceed all casualties of the great Marne and Verdun battles.

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HUGHES IS CALLED.

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HIPOLITO VILLA IS TO RESIDE IN SAN ANTONIO

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Oct. 4.—Hipolito Villa, a brother of Francisco Villa, with his wife and infant daughter, and the five-year-old daughter of Francisco Villa left tonight for San Antonio where it seems he will make his future home.

ENTERS PLEA OF PRIVILEGE

AUSTIN, Tex., Oct. 4.—A plea of privilege was filed today in the fifty-third district court of Travis County by defendants in the case of the State of Texas vs. Farmers and Merchants Bank of Temple, for receiver and forfeiture of charter, claiming that the fifty-third district court is without jurisdiction and asking the transfer of the case to the Fourteenth County district court. Judge Geo. Calhoun is expected to render a decision within the next few days on the question of jurisdiction.

FUNSTON PRAISES TROOPS STATIONED ALONG BORDER

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Oct. 4.—Returning Tuesday from a trip of inspection of militia troops in the Brownsville and the Texas regiments at Corpus Christi, Major General Frederick Funston said that he had found the guardsmen in remarkably good condition, from both military and physical standpoints, and that their spirit was most commendable. A great many of the troops, he said, wanted to remain on duty indefinitely.

The Texas troops at Corpus Christi have the best camp site, and the parade of an Iowa regiment at Brownsville was one of the best he had ever seen, regular soldiers not excepted, said the department commander.

"I should not have missed the trip for a good deal," the general concluded.

Joint Commission Is Unable to Agree

American Commission Members Discuss Internal Troubles of Mexican Republic

STORM WARNINGS ARE LOWERED.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4.—Storm warnings from Norfolk to Savannah were lowered tonight as the Weather Bureau reports that the South Atlantic disturbance has moved inland to Southern Georgia with decreasing intensity and without doing any damage.

ARRIVAL IN PORT OF ICELANDIC VESSEL AROUSES INTEREST

A HEARTY WELCOME WAS EXTENDED TO THE ISLANDERS WHOSE HOME IS ON FRINGE OF ARTIC CIRCLE.

FIRST FOR MANY YEARS

WASHINGTON, D.C. Oct. 4.—With considerable interest was manifested in the arrival of an Icelandic vessel in the harbor of New York recently, the importance of the event was sentimental rather than commercial, says a bulletin issued by the National Geographic Society. "A hearty welcome was extended to the islanders whose home is on the fringe of the Artic circle, but the cordiality of their reception was due to the fact that their vessel was one of the few to arrive in this country from that land since the days of Leif the Lucky, and not to any high expectations of trade possibilities. Iceland with its more than 40,000 square miles and a scant population of scarcely more than two persons to the mile, sends most of her meager exports, valued at $4,000,000 a year, to Denmark, and also buys most of her $3,000,000 imports from that mother country.

"The fact that Iceland is so seldom visited by tourists and is almost a terra incognita to American readers has caused a false impression to obtain in this country concerning its people but on the whole highly intelligent people. Indeed, it has been estimated that in proportion to its population more books and papers are printed and read in this partly frozen island than in any country of continental Europe.

"When the Scandinavian sea rovers discovered Iceland about the middle of the ninth century they found a small colony of Irish Culdees in possession. During the succeeding century and a half there was a strong wave of immigration to the desert island, and in addition to the Norse nobles and the vikings there came Queen Aud, widow of Olaf the White, king of Dublin, and numerous followers. Trade with the island underwent many vicissitudes in succeeding centuries, being confined first to Norway, then with the smuggling merchants of Bristol, England, and later the Hanseatic towns of Germany. Finally, Denmark established a governmental monopoly which was in force until 1786 when all English subjects were permitted to enjoy trade relations. The island was opened to all nationalities in 1854, and 10 years later, when the Danes granted local government to the islanders, commercial life received a strong impetus.

"The chief industries of Iceland are cattle breeding and fishing, the latter activity having had a remarkable growth in the last few years. Herring, which constituted the sole cargo of the ship which arrived in New York recently, is one of the principal products of the neighboring seas, but cod and train-oil and the salmon fisheries are also considerable. Other exports are live sheep, salt meat, eider down, wool, and hides. Imports include salt, cereals, metal ware, coal and various manufactured articles. Owing to the long winters, which are extremely severe, the islanders find ample time to devote to spinning, weaving and knitting at home and the tweed which they make is the chief material used for clothing. Tourists, however, find climates intolerable as the climate is extraordinarily damp in the southern half of the island, where the capital and principal city, Reykjavik, is situated (population about 12,000).

"Many Icelanders emigrated to America from 1872 to 1900, and several thrifty colonies have been established in Manitoba, but during the last decade there has been a decided tendency to stay at home. Under its own legislature (Althing), which has 34 members elected by household suffrage and six appointed by the king of Denmark, the island is apparently prospering, for there is no public debt, and no contribution is required for military or naval purposes. Import taxes are few—on tobacco, sugar, coffee and spirits—and these are not burdensome. All higher education is free. The annual expenses of the government do not exceed $175,000.

"With a length of nearly 300 miles, and a width slightly under 200 miles there

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MEXICANS ASSERT QUESTIONS ARE NOT AT ISSUE

Americans Especially Referred to Status and Rights of Foreigners Residing in Mexico and Investors.

NO AGREEMENT REACHED

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Oct. 4.—A satisfactory solution of internal questions having an international bearing must be an integral part of the general program for the rehabilitation of Mexico, the Mexican members of the joint commission were informed today by the American members.

The Mexicans claimed, during the discussion of taxation and banking systems today, these were internal questions. The Americans took the stand, there could be no settlement of border problems until there is evidence of an intention by Mexico to handle such affairs so there will be no occasion for constant diplomatic correspondence with other governments.

The Americans especially referred to the status and rights of foreigners residing in Mexico and foreigners investing in Mexican enterprises.

No agreement was reached.

NORTHERN RECRUITS ARE HEAVIER THAN SOUTHERN

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4.—The average weight of men south of the Mason and Dixon line is from four to six pounds lighter than the average weight of men north of it, say United States Marine Corps recruiting officers operating there, in a report received at Marine Corps headquarters today. These recruiting officers have asked that the minimum weight for recruits in the south be reduced from 124 to 120 pounds, stripped.

"The large raw boned Southerner" is seldom seen, the recruiting officers aver, and, while the men of the south are as sound and fit as the men of any other section, they are usually small boned and light in weight. The officers point out in their recommendation that some of the best "hikers" and fighters in the Marine Corps are the lean, wiry men from the southland.

PRESIDENT OF WESTERN NEWSPAPER UNION DEAD

WAS ONE OF THE PIONEES IN "BOILER PLATE" FOR NEWSPAPERS

OMAHA, Nebr., Oct. 4.—Geo. A. Joslyn, president of the Western Newspaper Union, died at his home here this afternoon. He was a pioneer in the ready print business in which he amassed a fortune of eight million dollars. He has been failing in health for months.

SWEDEN IS IN HARMONY WITH THE UNITED STATES

PRIME MINISTER OF SWEDEN OUTLINED THE ATTITUDE OF HIS GOVERNMENT.

STOCKHOLM, Sweden, Oct. 4.—Swedish Prime Minister Hammarskjold, discussing with The Associated Press today, certain measures of belligerents, including the sinking of neutral prizes at sea, and the British blacklist, said Sweden was in harmony with the United States in protesting against such measures.

He said Sweden proclaimed her neutrality at the outbreak of the war and all her actions since then had borne out that proclamation, despite accusations to the contrary. "Whenever Sweden takes steps displeasing to one or another of the belligerents, her actions is dictated by her own necessities and not by partisan reasons. We hope the belligerents will not make it impossible for us to maintain this attitude until the war ends," he said. Premier Hammarskjold said Americans are too far away to realize the critical situation of Sweden, but denied his country is on the point of entering the war.