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AUSTRALIANS REACH TOP OF THE HILL

British Troops on Crest of the Ridge, With Enemy on the Rolling Slope Below.

SEVEN MILES YET TO GO

Immediate Object of Offensive, in some, is Close in Sight and Will be Stormed.

LONDON, Aug. 7.—The crest of the important ridge west of Martinpuich is now firmly in British hands. Dispatches from war correspondents' headquarters at the British front revealed this fact today.

Entrenched on the newly won heights, Australian troops now look down a slope rolling away to the city of Bapaume, the immediate object of the great British offensive and now less than seven miles away. British artillery already is preparing the way for another advance on both sides of the Bapaume highway. The village of Courcellette where the Germans erected strong defensive works, has been completely leveled by terrific fire from British guns. Long range artillery was trained on Courcellette Saturday and the village came under a still heavier bombardment when other pieces were moved into action north of Pozieres.

Martinpuich itself has been under systematic fire since Saturday, when British guns began battering the German lines on a three mile front in a steady stream of fire.

On the eastern front, the Austro-Germans under supreme command of Field Marshal Von Hindenburg, are attempting to resume the initiative from Volhynia to Bukovina. Despite heavy Austrian counter attacks, the Slavs have made another successful drive against the enemy's front south of Brody, where they crossed the Sereth and captured six villages. The Austrians counter attacked in great force on this front yesterday and the outcome of the fighting is still in doubt. In the Carpathian fighting, where the Austrians have been reinforced, the Russian line has been under attack since Saturday.

Checking Attacks.
PARIS, Aug. 7.—French fire checked two violent German attacks on the northeast front of Verdun last night, the war office announced today. The Germans were repulsed on the sectors of Thiaumont, Vaux and Chapire before they were able to debouch from their positions. The Germans first launched an attack against the Thiaumont work, following artillery preparation. French screen fire caught the Teutons who were thrown back upon their own works.

In the Vaux-Chapire wood, a German blow, which had been expected because of Sunday's heavy bombardment, fell at 7:30 last night. The attack was completely stopped by French machine gun screen fire.

On the Somme front intense artillery occurred last night. Many air combats occurred in this region yesterday. Three German planes were brought down. Three others, badly damaged, fell behind the German lines. Two German captive balloons were destroyed.

General Haig's Report.
[By Ed L. Keen, United Press Staff Correspondent.]

LONDON, Aug. 7.—Repulse of several small German counter attacks against British positions east of Pozieres, was announced by General Haig in official dispatches to the war office this afternoon. The situation on the Somme front is unchanged as a result of last night's encounters, General Haig reported. German artillery

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ANNOUNCE VOTE ON TOMORROW

Strike Ballot of Railroad Men Has Been Counted and Tabulated by the Officers.

GRIMLY DETERMINED

Most Far Reaching Industrial Battle in Nation's History is Likely to Occur.

NEW YORK, Aug. 7.—Grimly determined, leaders of the 400,000 unionized railroad men of the United States, cleaned up today the work of ballot tabulation and prepared for the threatened strike which will, unless heroic efforts prevent it, tie up 250,000 miles of railroad lines in the United States.

Formal announcement of the result of the strike ballot will be made tomorrow when the railway managers and executive officers of the big four brotherhoods meet. Unless the roads at that meeting concede the eight hour day and time and a half for overtime the most disastrous and far reaching industrial battle in the nation's history is likely.

Railroad managers again today emphasized their point that to grant the demands will mean \$100,000,000 additional cost yearly to their business. Big brotherhood officials today answered with "cut off the countless millions paid titled sons-in-law to marry the daughters of Wall street and you have millions left over, after paying railroad employes a living wage. We want to keep our children from saying when we occasionally sit down to a meal with our families, 'mamma, who is the strange man taking dinner with us?'"

In a final effort to prevent a strike, Secretary of Labor Wm. B. Wilson held conferences here with Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor yesterday. Neither would talk after the meeting. Labor and management were heavily talked on the rail strike as an incidental topic. They said the men are becoming worried over industrial troubles of the last few weeks and so close to election time.

Further Optimism.
WASHINGTON, Aug. 7.—Further optimism was reflected in administration circles today over the threatened railroad strike situation when it was learned that the switchmen involved, probably would sign an agreement before night, accepting arbitration.

A definite report thereon from Commissioner Hangar of the United States board of mediation and conciliation, now at New York, is expected soon. Preliminary word from him indicates that the switchmen are the only ones thus far to reach a decision, but President Wilson and others watching developments, continue optimistic as to the outcome.

STREET CAR STRIKE ENDS

Agreement Between the Men and President Shonts is Thought Satisfactory.

NEW YORK, Aug. 7.—Belief among city officials, street car heads and labor officials that the street car strike would be ended today entered a certainty late this forenoon.

Police officials were so confident the agreement reached between union leaders and President Shonts of the "Green Car" system, would be ratified, that policemen were told they could expect to resume interrupted vacations beginning tomorrow.

This forenoon only 855 out of the normal 20,494 cars on all systems of the city were operating. Right of the men to unionize, but not formal recognition of the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway employes is understood to be the chief point agreed upon.

First Adult Death.
SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Aug. 7.—The first adult death in Illinois from infantile paralysis was reported today from Lovington, Moultrie county. It was that of Miss Alma Cateau. A death also was reported at Loda, Iroquois county. New cases were reported from Evanston and Chicago.

HOT SUNDAY WAS FATAL TO TEN IN ONE CITY

Mercury Went up to 95 in Chicago and One Point Higher in Iowa.

CHICAGO, Aug. 7.—Another day of heat suffering struck the middle west today. Relief from the torrid wave which started last Saturday and has already taken many lives since then is promised by tomorrow. The mercury reached 95 Sunday. In Chicago's toll of death from the heat wave Sunday is ten. Seven were drowned and three overcome. Half a million persons, it was estimated, went swimming here yesterday.

Some of the beaches had temporary hospitals set up on the sand and these were kept busy not only in reviving persons rescued from drowning, but also in helping victims of slight heat prostrations. Five other cities reported high temperatures. It was 96 at Concordia, Kansas, Cincinnati, Des Moines, Fort Dodge, Iowa and St. Paul, Minn. It was a trifle cooler on the border. In El Paso the mercury registered 94 and 85 at San Antonio.



Justice: "In Europe They Wouldn't Arbitrate"

Big Cable Deal Closed By the United Press

Service is Extended to South America Which Heretofore Got its News From European Agencies

BUENOS AIRES, Aug. 7.—Long term contracts were closed here today by which the United Press service is extended to South America, with principal headquarters in the office of La Nacion, South America's greatest newspaper.

Coincidentally the Central and South American Cable company has reduced the press rate between New York and South American cities from twenty-two cents to fifteen cents per word.

This deal which establishes the first comprehensive news service between the two continents was closed by Roy W. Howard of New York president of the United Press and Jorge Mitre, publisher of La Nacion. Charles P. Stewart, formerly general European manager of the United Press, will be in general charge of the South American service.

It is believed here that the closing of these contracts marks a new epoch in the development of social and commercial relations between North and South America. Heretofore, the principal newspapers of South America have received their foreign news from European agencies. The United Press now will cover the world for South American papers. On account of cable transmission conditions, much of the service will be filed direct from the London, Berlin, Paris and Rome bureaus of the United Press, but a large part of the transmission will be handled through New York.

THREE DROWNED ON SUNDAY

One Girl Rescued, But Fell Back Into River and Lost Her Life.

CEDAR RAPIDS, Iowa, Aug. 7.—Deaths from drowning this season in the Cedar river were raised to ten Sunday when three lives were lost while swimming at the Yellow Banks near here and only heroic work by rescuers prevented the death list from being much greater.

The dead: EDNA WHITNEY, 13. BEATRICE WHITNEY, 16. RALPH OLNEY, 22. A large party of girls were bathing in the river from an overturned boat when one of them got beyond her depth and started to sink. The others tried to save her and soon half a dozen were struggling with each other and sinking. Olney went to the rescue and was dragged down. Frank R. Whitney, father of the dead girls, saved Edna and placed her on the water again and was drowned while the father was trying to save others. Charles Pink dashed into the water and dragged four girls to safety by their hair and other rescuers saved others. Olney's body was recovered in twenty minutes and Beatrice Whitney in fifteen minutes, but they could not be saved.

Dyer is in Lead.

TOPEKA, Kans., Aug. 7.—Complete but unofficial returns from every Kansas county today indicate that Dan B. Dyer, has been nominated for state auditor on the republican ticket with a lead of 100 votes over Fred W. Knapp.

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TEN CENT LOAF IS PREDICTED

Bakers All Over the Country Are Talking About Raising the Price.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Aug. 7.—With ten cent bread an issue, the nineteenth annual convention of the National Association of Master Bakers opened here today. About 1,500 bakers from all corners of the country were in attendance. All past presidents of the organization met in executive session this afternoon. A "get acquainted" reception will be held this evening. C. N. Power, a Colorado delegate, will open the discussion of ten cent loaves in tomorrow afternoon's session. Harry Zimmerman of Duluth is on the program for another address on the same subject. Sentiment today favored higher prices for bread.

Six Cents a Loaf.

WINNIPEG, Man., August 7.—Bakers will tomorrow start charging six cents for the one pound loaf of bread usually sold for five cents. They blame soaring wheat prices.

Considering Advance.

CHICAGO, Aug. 7.—Prospects of a general increase in the price of bread throughout the country, were considered today by Chicago bakers. Starting advance in the price of flour is responsible. This followed sensational advances in the wheat market, due to black rust and storm and heat damage throughout the northwest.

"Flour has advanced \$1.50 a barrel in the last month," said John W. Eck.

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PLEASED WITH NATIONAL GUARD

General Funston is Highly Satisfied with Citizen Solidarity on the Border.

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Aug. 7.—General Funston may take exception to grumblings or other shortcomings in some individual cases, but he expressed himself to the United Press today as "highly satisfied" with the progress of the national guard on the border, "so far."

When the militiamen first arrived they had visions of crossing the border immediately, killing Mexicans and distinguishing themselves generally. They were totally unprepared, mentally or physically, for regular military camp routine. But now they are getting hardened to it in both respects and the men themselves seem to be elated at the fact they are developing into real soldiers. There have been cases recently of guardsmen turning down discharges obtained for them by relatives.

Funston intends to establish a "freshman class" to harden men who have failed to come up to physical requirements. This is aimed particularly at those who have fallen out on short hikes.

Most of the complaints emanating from the border districts are those of newspaper correspondents who accompanied the troops.

The Village Blacksmith.
CHANUTE, Kansas, Aug. 7.—Geo. W. Williams, Chanut's pioneer blacksmith and the man Longfellow wrote about, was 73 years old today. He celebrated the event with 602 girl friends from 6 to 14 years old.

LAST COLONY HAS BEEN TAKEN

British Forces in German East Africa, Closing in on the Kaiser's Armies.

TURKS ARE REPULSED

Ottoman Troops Driven Back Eighteen Miles, and Many of Them Were Taken Prisoners.

LONDON, Aug. 7.—Closing in upon the Kaiser's last colony, German East Africa, separate British forces have won victories both on the south and east it was officially announced today.

British naval forces, co-operating with General Smuts, occupied the small German port of Sandan last Tuesday after slight opposition. Other naval operations are progressing along the coast line where the German central railway, extending through Kilimatinde Dodoma, Kikombo and Vandevanter has been reached, the enemy having been dislodged from this area.

In the region of Mywaywa, 150 miles west of the coast, a British detachment engaged the enemy force which surrendered after a vigorous resistance in a blockhouse.

General Northey, operating in the southern part of the German colony defeated the Germans in an engagement July 24 near Matangali, the Germans losing 150 in killed and wounded besides prisoners. Northey's column has advanced to Madbira, thirty miles north of the road leading to Iringa station.

Turks on the Run.
LONDON, Aug. 7.—The Turkish force routed by the British east of the Suez canal, has been driven back a distance of eighteen miles, it was officially announced today. The fleeing Turks have now been entirely cleared from the Katia-Umalla basin.

Thus far forty-five officers and 3,100 men have been captured. The official dispatches characterized the prisoners as "a very fine body of men," indicating the Turkish attack was by no means a raiding venture of irregulars.

British artillery and rifle fire was very effective, the Turks suffering heavily in killed and wounded in the fighting near Katia. Territorial troops carried a strong Turkish rear guard position Saturday.

Saved From Mob.

KANKAKEE, Ill., Aug. 7.—Jack Thomas, discharged farmhand, charged with killing Victor Cryer, farmer, by a blow of the fist, was brought to the grand jury here today by a coroner's jury on a charge of murder. Thomas was saved from a mob which threatened to lynch him, by deputy sheriffs, who rushed him to a jail.

SUBMARINE WAS SIGHTED

Seen Off the Coast of Maine and Traveling Toward United States Shore.

MACHIAS, Maine, Aug. 7.—A submarine, unidentified, was sighted off Machiasport early today by Life Saver Dunn of the Machiasport life savings station. In making his report to Captain Small of the station, Dunn said he saw a submarine rise to the surface for a few minutes and then submerge, traveling in a westerly direction. He said he was unable to discern any distinguishing marks.

Not U. S. Boat.

BOSTON, Mass., Aug. 7.—"An unidentified submarine, apparently of large dimensions, was sighted by a coast guard near Machiasport, Maine, early today."

This brief message, unconfirmable, was followed by the word that "the submarine was seen to rise to the surface for a few minutes and then

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FIRST LAP OF JUNKET BY HUGHES

Republican Candidate for President is Given Quite an Ovation When He Reaches Detroit.

ADDRESSES TONIGHT

Advisory Committee to be Named With Loeb, Cortelyou and Hill as Members.

[By Perry Arnold, United Press Staff Correspondent.]

DETROIT, Mich., Aug. 7.—Charles Evans Hughes arrived in Detroit early today on the first lap of his transcontinental tour amid the reverberations of bombs, the blast of band music and vigorous handclapping on the part of a few hundred people assembled at the Michigan Central depot. The special train bearing the republican nominee and party was about twenty minutes late into Detroit.

Although there were but few outbreaks of cheering along the line of the parade from the station to the Hotel Pontchartrain, the demonstration was remarkable in the size of the crowd that lined the route of the procession. The candidate, seated in an automobile with Mrs. Hughes rode from station to hotel with hat in hand, smilingly acknowledging the greetings from the crowds.

Hughes' two addresses tonight will be the first stump speeches of the actual campaign. Shortcomings of the democratic administration, it was learned today, will be the big theme of these addresses. The governor is expected to concentrate his attack on the president's Mexican policy, but in addition will touch upon the tariff and foreign relations, enlarging and expanding his address of acceptance of the nomination.

Formation of a republican advisory committee which, with Chairman Willcox will be in direct charge of the republican campaign, will be announced within a few days, it was learned. The committee will be entirely separate and distinct from the republican national committee and from the campaign committee recently formed. The advisory committee will consist of from five to nine members and three of the places already have been tentatively assigned. The men already selected are Wm. Loeb, former secretary to Colonel Roosevelt; George B. Cortelyou, also a former secretary to the colonel and Charles D. Hill, formerly Wm. Howard Taft's secretary. The complete personnel of the committee will be announced within a few days.

Hughes is taking a very personal interest in the matter of the selection of a vice chairman of the national committee, to be in charge of the western headquarters at Chicago, and it is likely that he will confer with Chairman Willcox and other leaders on this subject in Chicago. No announcement of the candidate's own preference for this job has been forthcoming, but it is said that A. T. Hurt, of Kentucky, is being seriously considered.

Plea for Americanism.

[By Perry Arnold, United Press Staff Correspondent.]

DETROIT, Mich., Aug. 7.—Republican Nominee Hughes' first appeal for votes on his campaign tour for the presidency was a plea for Americanism, expression of a hope of a get-together spirit of co-operation between capital and labor and endorsement of a national movement for the welfare of American workers.

The nominee spoke the first of his campaign talks in a stiffly close

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QUAKER STREET CAR MEN STRIKE FOR HIGHER WAGES

Quitting Work by Hundreds and Expect to Tie up Lines by Tomorrow.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 7.—The threatened attempt to tie up Philadelphia's transit system was begun early today when 500 carmen—members of the Amalgamated Association of Electric and Street Railway Employees—declared a strike because the traction company refused an increase in wages and recognition of the union. By three o'clock this afternoon at least one thousand—or one-third the entire force of carmen in this city—

are expected to have quit. "Let there be order and rely upon the public to help us win a just fight," was the order Harry F. Flynn, president of the local union sent to every barn in the city by special messengers.

Thousands of workers today waited in vain for cars to carry them to work. Transportation was slow and while many cars seemed to be in operation at eight o'clock, they were all crowded.

"We will have 2,500 men with us by tomorrow morning and not even a subway train will be running," declared Flynn early today to the United Press. "In forty-eight hours, this number will be swelled by one thousand more and there will not be a car running."