

GERMANS WOULD SOAK ALLIED ARMIES BY OPENING DIKES

French and English Troops Are Being Rushed In To Re-inforce Allies-- Sharp Fighting Continues.

Amsterdam, Nov. 16.—The Germans have blown up the culverts of the Leopold and Schipdout canals with the object of flooding Flanders, it was learned here tonight. They have also destroyed the Moerkerke bridge.

From Lombartzyde allies' patrols have approached close to Ostend, but the Germans have not yet succeeded in crossing the Yser. Merzem and Eason, near Dixmude, have been entirely destroyed. The Germans are reported to be concentrating at Courtrai. Both railway and roads there are busy with the forward movement of troops. On the hills of Klinsberg and Muzie several guns have been placed in position.

All houses between the Schipdout and Leopold canal are being evacuated.

Allied aviators have dropped bombs on Bruges, setting fire to several petrol tanks.

Paris, Nov. 16.—Allied positions at Ypres and Dixmude and being strongly reinforced. Fresh troops, in fact, are appearing all along the line from Ypres to the sea, where the fierce German attack in an effort to open a way to Calais and Dunkirk continues after three weeks of incessant fighting. Canadian troops are having their baptism of fire in this section.

Dixmude has been reoccupied by the allies. The French are assuming a vigorous counter offensive and have driven the jaded troops of the kaiser out of the town.

It was officially admitted today that the Germans had resumed their effort to dislodge the allies from Nieuport on the coast. Fighting has been resumed among the sand dunes and an attack was directed yesterday against the bridge at Nieuport.

A heavy gale is blowing from the sea, and owing to the exceeding rough weather, it is believed here that the allied battleships lying off the Belgian coast have been unable to aid the land forces.

The German attacks have been repulsed, however, and the war office declared tonight that the positions all along the line were practically unchanged.

From Nieuport to Dixmude and on to Ypres, German and allied shells continue to rake the trenches on either side of the Yser. Alternating gains and losses continue within the line, but no strategic advantage is fastening.

The allies' advance of less than a mile east of Bixchoote was reported officially today. A German attack was repulsed at Nieuport and at other points conditions remain practically unchanged.

The weather conditions are terrible. Rain, mist, or fog prevail almost constantly. Operations are hampered between Nieuport and Dixmude because of the inundation by the Belgians. Guns have been captured which cannot be hauled away because they are mired down. The men are suffering from rheumatism and many cases of pneumonia has developed.

The Yser is a sight of horror. Owing to the fighting that has been in progress along its banks for the past three weeks, the waters are literally clogged with bodies of Germans, French and British alike, the carcasses of horses, fallen trees, demolished wagons and gun carriages.

The official report announce the holding of this town or that, but there is little that resembles a town throughout the fighting area. Only shells of houses remain. There is hardly a church tower standing. Streets are littered with the wreckage of houses and bodies of the dead.

Nieuport and Dixmude are literally cities of the dead. There is little left in either city.

Shells have battered down the walls and buildings and all that either the Germans and allies may hold in occupying either post is a pile of shattered crumbling ruins.

The official reports declare weather conditions in the Vosges, the Woerwe region and in Lorraine are also bad.

Broadly speaking the allies, line has not varied much since Tuesday. It runs from Lombartzyde to Nieuport which was further bombarded yesterday by the German heavy artillery, a church being practically demolished. From Nieuport it follows the canal to near Ypres, passing somewhat eastward of that place and also eastward of Armentieres.

Farther south the Germans are ever hurling fresh masses of troops upon this line, but their chances of successfully breaking it grows less. In one respect the bad weather is all to the advantage of the allies. The transportation of German heavy guns is so

impeded that their effectiveness is greatly diminished. Air scouts can be of little use as they cannot ascend without the gravest risk and their observations, made in the perpetual rain, are of little value. But this affects both sides about equally.

The long nights at the front are a severe strain on the nerves. No lights whatever are permitted after 6 p. m. and unless there is fighting, the troops in the trenches and the villages within range of the German guns have to spend twelve hours at a stretch enduring anything but a rest cure. Conversation is only permitted in whispers. Cigaret smoking is, of course, forbidden.

But not every night is like this. Sometimes there is work to be done of the most serious kind and a sudden subdued call to arms means the instant departure in case of the men quartered in the village to a fierce conflict in darkness. The soldiers say that those long nights of sleepless expectation of sudden summons to make or repel an attack are the severest test they undergo.

Heroic efforts are being made to cope with the multitude of wounded, sent down from the lines daily to the various bases. Huge trains, an eighth of a mile long, take a thousand at a time at Dunkirk or Calais, which are the respective main clearing houses of the French and Belgian hospital administrations.

MARMARTH HAS BEGUN FIGHT FOR CO. SEAT

Marmarth, N. D., Nov. 16.—Slope county, with Marmarth as the county seat is finally assured. Two years ago two proposals were made one to establish Golden Valley county, and one to cut off Slope county from Billings county. Both lost, but the former was carried to the supreme court and won.

Slope county was segregated from billings at the recent election by a two to one majority. As a result Marmarth is making the strong bid for the county seat and local men are now exerting all their influence with Gov. L. B. Hanna to secure the naming of the temporary county seat and officers.

MODERN DETECTIVE AT WORK

Little Show for Wrongdoer When the Up-to-Date Sleuth Really Gets on His Trail.

"Sir," said the great detective, "you may as well confess. I always find out everything I go after—if deduction won't work, I use force."

"But confound it, I tell you," spluttered the banker, mopping his perspiring brow, "I say I have nothing to confess! I have been at my desk every afternoon for the past three months, and I can prove it."

"Well, why don't you prove it?" demanded the great detective.

"Because, no matter how hard the wind blows, she is still his mother," retorted the banker sarcastically.

"Is that a species of the capricornus hunkydory on your wrist?" cried the great detective suddenly.

"Where?" said the banker, and flung up his wrist. Quick as a flash of buttered lightning the great detective seized it, stabbed it sharply with a small stiletto which he had concealed in his hand, and as quickly whipped off his hat to catch the resultant six drops of blood.

In the silence of his laboratory that night he examined them.

"Tannic acid! Just full of it," he exclaimed. "He could never get himself in that condition without attending tango teas every afternoon for months! Now to identify the brand of tea by the acid, thus locate the hotel that uses it, and in that way discover the woman—and presto, his wife gets her divorce and I get a \$10,000 fee—hee hee!"—Exchange.

Carl Willoughby, a well-known farmer who has resided in the Mott community during the past five years, is a prisoner at the county jail awaiting a trial on the charge of stealing wheat. He was arrested by Sheriff Barth at his home north of the town.

With 68 bushels of mature corn to his credit from a single acre, Henry Nelson, the 15-year-old son of H. A. Nelson, known as the "Alfalfa King" won the first prize of \$100 in gold offered in the Williams county corn growing contest. The contest was open to boys and adult farmers and more than 200 were entered from all sections of the district.

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THE COUNTRY GENTLEMAN 1837



For Seventeen Days They Live Under Open Skies, Where a Bugle Sounds the Call for Morning Exercise and Camp Work.

Training Dakota's Boys and Girls

Making Play of the Work That Breathes the Very Spirit of the West

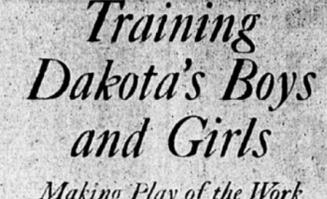
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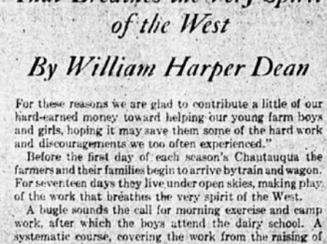
The Girls' Camp, Where Daily Swims are Taken and Instruction in Swimming is Given to Those Who Desire It.



Upward of 1500 Camp Each Year in the Picturesque Valley Near Valley City.



A Few Minutes After Reveille the Boys' Camp Hark Heed. Made Spick and Span for the Day.



The Day is Opened With a Plunge and Swim in the Natural "Swimming" Holes.

For these reasons we are glad to contribute a little of our hard-earned money toward helping our young farm boys and girls, hoping it may save them some of the hard work and discouragements we too often experienced.

Before the first day of each season's Chautauqua the farmers and their families begin to arrive by train and wagon. For seventeen days they live under open skies, making play of the work that breathes the very spirit of the West.

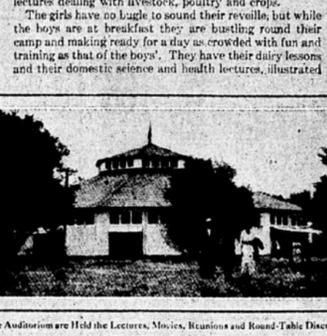
A bugle sounds the call for morning exercise and camp work, after which the boys attend the dairy school. A systematic course, covering the work from the raising of the calf to the operation of a successful dairy, is interestingly taught. Their come actual demonstrations and illustrated lectures dealing with livestock, poultry and crops.

The girls have no lull to sound their reveille, but while the boys are at breakfast they are bustling round their camp and making ready for a day as crowded with fun and training as that of the boys'. They have their dairy lessons and their domestic science and health lectures, illustrated

The girls take their cooking, canning and horticulture, all supervised by experts, Government and otherwise. Interspersed with the practical enlightenment, the girls also have games, and aquatic sports in their own pools, travel lessons, and long hikes through the rim-wooded valley for Nature study. At night they join the boys in the auditorium for the movies, lectures and music.

The encampment, kitchen, where the girls take their cooking lessons and domestic-science courses, is not the general camp outfit. It is fitted with all the labor-saving devices known to modern domestic science; devices calculated to train the farm wives of Dakota's tomorrow to save steps and to take the drudgery out of life.

The girls do the work that in the past has too often been the additional lot of the farm wife. They are told off into squads and work in shifts, one in the kitchen and the other in the dining room. The kitchen squad carries all the water, prepares the vegetables and washes the dishes. The dining-room squad sets the tables and serves the meals. The camp scheme has been worked out to a nicety.



In the Auditorium are Held the Lectures, Movies, Recitations and Round-Table Discussions.



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NEWS OF THE STATE

Oakes is to have a new steam laundry.

Milton is to have a permanent picture show.

A hypocrite is the meanest thing that crawls, next to a scandal monger.

A new N. P. schedule will probably be placed in operation on Nov. 22.

The Fairmount and Vebelin railroad has been completed to Grenville, S. D.

Fessenden will celebrate the opening of its electric light plant on Nov. 17.

Frank Scott living in Emmons county has been sent to the insane asylum.

The Atlantic elevator, the first built in Lidgerwood in 1887 has been torn down.

The Valley City Salvation Army are collecting old linen bandages for the war sufferers in Europe.

A prairie fire in the vicinity of the Merry mine near Mott did considerable damage, destroying a quantity of hay.

There is a young man in Valley City trying to explain to his young wife the presence of blond hair on his coat sleeve.

A garage owner in Sheldon will install an electric light plant with which he will light the opera house, hotel and picture show.

The supreme court on new evidence turned turtle and reversed themselves on the tax suit, instituted by the heads of the state educational institutions.

Some women knead bread when she bakes it, some women bake bread when she needs it and still others need baked bread when she buys it.

Senator Gronna is out with a statement thanking the people for electing him. The senator is wrong it was his enemies that turned the trick and he should acknowledge the act.

On Monday of last week Williams county, this state was swept by a prairie fire reported to have been fifteen miles in width and in which the people of Williston had to turn out in a mass to save the town from destruction. The list of the property destroyed places U. L. Burdick formerly of Munich as a loser to the extent of \$50,000 at his big horse and stock ranch which lies west of Williston.

Lidgerwood has arranged for a six day Chautauqua session next June. It will be conducted under the White & Myers system.

Work is progressing on a new building at Oakes which will be occupied

by the Oakes Steam Laundry and the Oakes Light and Power Company plant. The structure will be a brick one.

Counterfeit money has made its appearance in Jamestown. The coin being passed is a silver half dollar.

The annual poultry show will be held in Fargo during the Tri-State Grain Growers convention January 19 to 22.

One of the bodies found in the river near Fargo some time ago has been identified as Peter Porn of Winamac, Ind.

At Van Hook which is 11 miles from the Missouri river three elevators are being built and grain is being bought. Train service has been established to that point.

At Oberon the Smith Hotel was badly damaged by fire. After hard work the fire was extinguished, but not until the roof of the building had been badly damaged.

Sannes on the Missouri will probably be a division point when the Soo line is finished. It is expected the Soo will operate boats for the handling of grain until the bridge is built.

The village of Flasher has authorized the clerk to advertise for bids for the construction of a fire hall and town hall at that place. The board took action on a petition of the business men of the community.

At Rutland an electric light plant is being put in. The engine and dynamo has been installed, in the garage, and that place is already supplied with the current and wiring of others is underway. In all ten places will be supplied.

The executive board of the North Dakota G. A. R. and W. R. C. has decided to hold the next annual meeting and encampment in Minot, the invitation recently extended by this city being accepted.

Three hundred and ten schools in North Dakota are getting state aid. Among these are the rural, graded and consolidated schools. This statement is made by the State Superintendent E. J. Taylor. He also said that every county in the state has at least one state aided school in the common school division.

The new German Reformed church at Streeter was dedicated Sunday. Rev. M. Nuss of Artas, S. D., delivered the dedicatory sermon. The Streeter

people have built themselves a very nice house of worship that is a credit to themselves and to the town.

An estate of approximately \$160,000 will be divided between the heirs of W. S. Parkin former banker who died recently.

The automobile of A. G. Jacobson of Minot crashed into the Ford machine of H. J. Melos on the viaduct, little Roy Melos, a baby falling out and Bill Bradford, a little son of B. H. Bradford both in the Melos car, being bruised about the face.

The coroner's jury that investigated the death of Ole Lee of Minot, killed when the automobile of Ole Stenseth of Lansford was driven head-on into the car driven by L. D. McGahan, of this city, returned a verdict, finding that Stenseth was driving on the wrong side of the street.

Mrs. Elmer Earsley living between Chola and Grano, was bitten by a horse. The horse, usually a mild mannered beast, reached out and garbled Mrs. Earsley by the lip taking a piece of the lip along. The lady is not feeling much discomfort and is happy to think that the injury is no worse.

Shooting himself in the stomach, J. C. Tobey of Epping inflicted injuries that may prove fatal.

The telephone exchange is being installed at Leipzig.

It is expected that the new school house at Makoti will be completed by Dec. 1st.

Fire which caught in a large wood box in the kitchen of the Frank Mougey residence at Sheldon came very near destroying the place.

Unknown parties did great damage at the farm of Charles Dansiezen of Morton county in the vicinity of Flasher. They stole a quantity of harnesses and tools, took the burrs off the sulky plows and not satisfied with that tore down two and a half miles of pasture fence, breaking the posts.

The little town of Ray, N. Dak., has donated a thousand bushels of wheat to feed the starving Belgians.

Peter Miller was arrested by the Fargo police charged with having broken into a boarding car of a railroad construction gang at Englevale, and confiscating a number of articles among which was a half a gallon of whiskey. The enraged owner followed told his story to the police with the result that Miller was soon in the hands of the law. The Ransom county officials were notified.

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PILLSBURY CORN SHOW A BIG SUCCESS

The corn show which was held at Pillsbury on Saturday, was a most excellent exhibit, and there was a very good attendance. There were some splendid talks given along agricultural lines. Miss Nellie Farnsworth of the State Normal school faculty gave a lesson in cooking, and talked on "Home Problems." Mr. E. A. Greenwood, assistant State Dairyman, gave a talk before the meeting on "Silos." Among others present was T. X. Calnan of the Better Farming Association, who judged the agricultural products, and addressed the meeting on "Cattle" and Miss Minnie J. Nielson County Superintendent of Schools, talked on "Teacher Ages."

Miss Gladys Fridt of the Baldwin consolidated schools, gave a number of vocal selections. The exhibits and the program were held in the Pillsbury Consolidated school house, Miss Caroline D. Wood being the principal of that school. Those from Valley City who were in attendance at the meeting on Saturday report a most interesting and helpful program. The ladies of the Presbyterian church at Pillsbury served an excellent chicken dinner following the program.

C. O. P. Smith, Chiropractor, Rooms, 6 and 7 Grand Theatre Building. 11-6-25th-31w

FOR SALE—in the Bitter Root Valley, Montana—one seven room house, good condition, cellar, woodshed, store-room, barn, cow shed, chicken house and runs, two acres around house in town, part in fruit and berries rest in garden, and ten acres nearby of irrigated land under cultivation. Price \$5,000 for all. M. B. Featherstone, Valley City, N. D. 11-18-11w*

It has been ascertained that the copy of the Bismarck Tribune in which the new born babe was wrapped that was found on Thursday's train, No. 2, was addressed to the Cosmopolitan Cafe at Mandan. This fact has been communicated to the authorities here and they are trying to unravel the mystery. Nothing definite can so far be ascertained here but it would seem probable that the suit case containing the child was very likely placed on No. 2 at Mandan on Thursday evening.

Times-Record Want Ads bring results