

## ABOUT THE STATE

News of Especial Interest to Minnesota Readers.

### GATHERED FROM ALL SECTIONS

Happenings of the Week Briefly Told for the Convenience of the Busy Reader.

Charles A. Allen has been appointed postmaster at Millaca.

Minneapolis has been chosen for the 1917 convention of the Shriners.

There are eight cases of infantile paralysis in the Twin Cities, three in St. Paul and five in Minneapolis.

William B. McIntyre, aged sixty-five, an employe of the Omaha road for thirty-seven years, is dead at St. Paul.

Joe W. Tupa, a farmer living near Northfield, was crushed beneath his automobile and died of his injuries two days later.

William Apelt of Minneapolis was instantly killed when struck by an automobile in that city. The machine dragged Apelt fifty feet.

Safeblowers wrecked the large ticket office of the Chicago and North-western railroad at Rochester and escaped with \$500 in cash.

State banks now chartered in Minnesota number 1,001 and with 281 national banks make a total of 1,282 banking institutions in the state.

The first regiment, Minnesota national guard, started for the Mexican border July 12, just two days after the departure of the Third regiment.

F. E. Resche of Duluth, colonel of the Third regiment, has been appointed commander of the Minnesota national guard to succeed A. W. Wright of Austin, rejected by the medical examiners.

Charles E. Hughes, Republican presidential candidate, will speak in the Twin Cities about Aug. 10. He will open his campaign in Detroit on Aug. 7 and will be in the Twin Cities a few days later.

Martin Landert, employed on the new concrete bridge over the Minnesota river at Mankato, fell from a rowboat while taking a rope across the river and was swept away in a swift current.

C. S. Brown, deputy state auditor, will retire shortly. He will be succeeded by Roy Chase, now an assistant in the office. Mr. Brown has been connected with the auditor's office fourteen years.

George Lech entered a saloon at St. Paul and ordered a glass of beer. When the bartender reached the table at which Lech was sitting the latter was dead. The coroner decided apoplexy was the cause.

The validity of the Minnesota oil inspection law has been upheld by the state supreme court in its decision on the appeal of the Pure Oil company. An appeal to the United States supreme court is expected.

Dean W. R. Appleby of the University of Minnesota has been advised that Minneapolis will be the location of a mines experiment station under the new federal law. Ten such stations are to be established.

The first war order for horses for the allies since last October is being filled by Barrett & Zimmerman, St. Paul horse dealers. The order is an open one and there is no limit placed on the number to be supplied.

Determined to die because his sweetheart had jilted him, Albert Knapp of Minneapolis, after firing five shots into his body without fatal results, calmly reloaded his revolver and sent a bullet through his brain.

Governor Burnquist has received word that conditions on the iron range are quieting down. A letter from the president of the police commission of Virginia says miners are returning to work at Virginia and Eveleth.

An unidentified beneficiary returned to the St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance company \$340 in currency. The money will be credited to the conscience fund of the company. The officers say the money probably was paid on some dishonest claim.

Fred Sherman, commissioner of immigration, is preparing to send exhibits of Minnesota products to all of the state fairs held in states from which Minnesota might draw immigration, and to many of the district and important county fairs as well.

Bud Anderson, one of the greatest football guards, if not the greatest, ever developed at St. Thomas college, St. Paul, has been killed in action somewhere in France. Anderson was a resident of Winnipeg and enlisted when the European war broke out.

A. C. Gooding, state treasurer, has received \$50,000 from the United States government for the benefit of the agricultural schools in Minnesota. This is an annual appropriation and will be credited to the agricultural department under the University of Minnesota.

George Branstrup, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Branstrup of Albert Lea, was killed while operating a ditching machine. George and his three brothers are railroad men. The mother, fearing her sons might be killed, had urged them frequently to change their vocation. Just recently George consented and started working on the ditcher.

## ELIZABETH G. FLYNN.

Leading I. W. W. Speaker Arrives at the Iron Range.



Photo by American Press Association.

With the arrival of Elizabeth G. Flynn, noted I. W. W. speaker, who was a leading figure in the silk mills strike in the East, the situation on the iron range in Minnesota assumes a new tenseness.

Mrs. Grace Boone, thirty-one years old, wife of Peyton Boone of Hermiston, Ore., and daughter of the late Captain John Kent of Stillwater, was burned to death with her six-month-old baby at Hermiston, according to information received by relatives in Moorhead.

Minneapolis grain merchants have complained to the interstate commerce commission that the Mill City is being discriminated against in favor of Milwaukee and Chicago in rates on grain and grain products from Washington, Oregon, Idaho, North and South Dakota and Montana.

After sweltering through the hottest day of the year in a stuffy courtroom at Winona, attorneys for Mrs. Johanna Gundlach, in an action to recover damages for the death of her husband under the workmen's compensation act, found they had brought suit against the wrong insurance company.

Threats to take the life of Minnesota's governor and to dynamite the capitol have been made within the past week by sympathizers with the Iron Range strike, it is believed. As a result special precautions have been made to protect both Governor Burnquist and the property of the state.

The Democratic nominees for state offices, at a meeting in St. Paul, voted to leave the selection of a chairman to the new state central committee, but recommended Fred E. Wheaton of Minneapolis. It is understood that R. W. Hargadine, the present secretary, will be re-elected if he will accept.

Henry F. Selvard of Duluth has paid \$5,000 for a Minneapolis chamber of commerce membership, thereby bringing the price to a maximum figure. There are 550 memberships, but the directors are authorized to issue additional ones at \$5,000. The last previous sale of a membership was at \$4,800.

Dan Patch, 1:55, famous as a record breaking pacer, is dead at the Savage farm near Minneapolis. He was foaled April 26, 1898, and was purchased by M. W. Savage of Minneapolis fourteen years ago for \$60,000. "Athletic heart" is given as the cause of death, which was sudden and unexpected.

The state timber board will ask the next legislature to appropriate sufficient funds to provide for resale under all state timber contracts on which the statute of limitations has not operated and to amend the laws regulating the sales of state timber so as to establish a more businesslike system in the timber department.

M. W. Savage, millionaire Minneapolis horseman, manufacturer and railroad promoter, died suddenly at Hillcrest hospital, Minneapolis. His death came thirty-six hours after that of Dan Patch, the world's greatest pacer and the horse which founded Mr. Savage's wealth. Between horse and man there had been the keenest friendship.

State Treasurer A. C. Gooding has accepted the resignation of Edward L. Erickson, for sixteen years connected with the state treasurer's office and for the last six years first assistant state treasurer. Mr. Gooding said that the resignation was the aftermath of investigations made following the peculations of former State Treasurer Walter J. Smith.

The amended petition of Charles L. Sawyer and others, charging Thomas Frankson with violating the corrupt practices law and asking that he be barred from the Republican nomination for lieutenant governor, has been served on Mr. Frankson's attorneys. It contains a mass of items, aggregating about \$40,000, which Mr. Frankson is alleged to have spent.

John A. Swenson, eighty-three years old, his face seamed by the lashing winds of the Far North, has returned to Hitterdal, this state, to visit relatives after an absence of six years. A cyclone which swept Canada several years ago was reported to have killed Swenson, but he escaped and went to the Far North, where he wandered within the Arctic circle, hunting and trapping.

## BRITISH FOLLOW UP ADVANTAGE

Freely Use Artillery in Preparing for an Attack.

### GERMANS STRIKE DURING FOG

Succeed in Carrying Two French Positions, but Paris Reports That the Ground Was Later Regained—Russians Say They Have Defeated the Turks in Armenia.

British Front in France, July 17.—Continuing their offensive the British, who broke through the second German line of defense, now have taken all of Delville wood, which was stormed by the South Africans, and the High wood, establishing themselves beyond Bazentin-Le-Petit, advanced parties and some other points close to the third German line of defense.

The weather remains dry and warm. The operations were more in the nature of open fighting, the Germans using points on favorable ground, which were good machine gun positions to gain time in rallying reinforcements which arrive and dig new trenches while the British dig in opposite of them with each stage of the advance.

Frequently they are so near each other that neither side dares use its guns. Every possible protection is seized and stoutly held by both sides.

Possession of stretches of woodland becomes as important as that of villages. The German defenders of Trones wood had orders to stand to the last man and the orders virtually were obeyed.

Cases have been numerous in the woods fighting where Britons and Germans have been pierced by each others' bayonets. It is amazing that in the thick of the struggle at all points stretcher bearers manage to bring out the wounded.

Heavy Volume of Artillery Fire. The Germans are keeping up a heavy volume of artillery fire in answer to the British, indicating the arrival of fresh artillery.

British guns were able to reach the main road to Mortinpuich, which was crowded with transports, aeroplanes reporting immense destruction and confusion.

Every one coming from the front remarks upon the paucity of German aeroplanes and anti-aircraft guns, despite the reinforcements in other arms. British airmen in many instances have descended as low as 300 or 500 feet, firing upon German infantry with their machine guns and receiving the cheers of British infantry. Such low flights have resulted in remarkably intimate scouting.

The scene of action has been carried for the first time beyond the second main line of German defenses since stationary warfare began on the Western front. Officers returning from the front line speak of seeing abandoned German guns, but say they are too busy fighting to bother to bring them in.

The most dramatic situation in the battle comes when the German gunners strive to draw off their guns with British infantry within rifle range.

### GERMANS CAPTURE FRENCH POSITIONS

London, July 17.—While the British and French rested on the Somme front and consolidated their positions, now at a point where the allies make a junction, Germans crept forward along the Somme under cover of fog and hurled violent attacks against Maisonnette and the village of Blaches.

Both places fell into the hands of the Germans, but Paris says they were recaptured by counter attacks.

In the region of Verdun the French to the northwest of the fortress have captured German positions, and southwest of Thiaumont, on the east bank of the Meuse, have penetrated enemy first line trenches.

In the east, around the region of Lutsk, heavy fighting has commenced again, with the Russians the aggressors. According to Vienna all attacks have been repulsed.

Neither the Vienna nor Petrograd official communication touches on the operations in the Carpathians region, but Petrograd records the capturing by the Russians of the important town of Baiburt from the Turks in Turkish Armenia, sixty miles south of the Black sea port of Trebizond.

The Italians are still making headway against the Austrians.

### STRIKE TO BE ARBITRATED

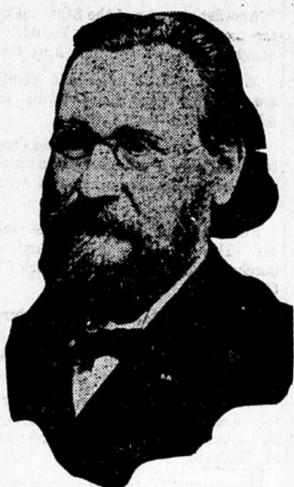
General Tieup of Labor in Spain Is Called Off.

Madrid, July 17.—The striking railway employes agreed to submit their differences with the railway company to arbitration.

The strikers have notified the miners in Asturias and workers in various trades to suspend the general strike which had been planned for today.

## ELIE METCHNIKOFF.

Scientist Who Studied Means to Prolong Life Is Dead.



Paris, July 17.—Professor Elie Metchnikoff, the famous bacteriologist and exponent of life, is dead. He was seventy-one years old.

Professor Metchnikoff had been in poor health for several months. Professor Elie Metchnikoff was world-famous as an exponent of theories for the prolongation of human life.

### BRITISH TROOPS RAID TURKS OF SUEZ GULF

London, July 17.—Two columns of British troops operating on the eastern shore of the Gulf of Suez have raided sixty miles of difficult country held by the Turks, according to an announcement made by the secretary of the British war office.

"The commander-in-chief of the Mediterranean expeditionary force," the statement says, "reports that two columns operating from Tor and Aqu Seneima, on the Sinai shore of the Gulf of Suez, have returned to their bases after successful raids of the enemy posts in the peninsula.

"Sixty miles of difficult country were traversed, prisoners were taken and live stock secured. Despite opposition and considerable sniping no casualties were sustained by either of the columns."

### PASS THE THOUSAND MARK

State Banks in Minnesota Are Steadily Increasing.

St. Paul, July 17.—State banks chartered in Minnesota number 1,001 and with 281 national banks make a total of 1,282 banking institutions in the state.

This announcement was made by A. H. Turrittin, state superintendent of banks, after he signed the charter that took the number of existing state banks past the 1,000 mark. The distinction went to the Farmers State bank of Sunrise, with John A. Sjoberg, Center City, as president, and Charles W. Wallin, Minneapolis, cashier.

The first bank chartered by the state was the Bank of the State of Minnesota, organized Oct. 1, 1858, with N. P. Langford of St. Paul as cashier.

### CASTRO ORDERED DEPORTED BY SPECIAL BOARD.

New York, July 17.—General Cipriano Castro, former president of Venezuela, and his wife, who arrived here from Port of Spain, Trinidad, on the steamship Vauban, were ordered deported from the United States by a special board of inquiry at the Ellis Island immigration station.

### BATTLE CRUISERS NEEDED

Rear Admiral Knight So Informs Secretary Daniels.

Washington, July 17.—In response to a request by Secretary Daniels for an opinion of what lessons might be drawn for the naval expansion program from the Jutland battle between the British and German fleets Rear Admiral Knight of the naval war college has replied that, far from discrediting the battle cruiser, although vessels of that type bore the brunt of the losses in the engagement, the fight added a new area of field of usefulness of the fast fighters.

The battle has not changed the admiral's opinion that dreadnoughts are, and will continue to be, the backbone of any fighting fleet, but it has caused him to recommend that if congress decides to add only four capital ships to the first line all should be battle cruisers.

### Reformed by Doctor's Knife.

Trenton, N. J., July 17.—Among the prisoners released on parole by the court of pardons was Jonas S. Szikely, serving thirty years for murder. He submitted to an operation for the removal of a bone that had been pressing the brain and was restored to normal mentally.

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