

ALLIES AND GERMANS ENGAGED IN TERRIFIC BATTLE TO DETERMINE FATE OF PARIS; KAISER ARMY REPORTED REPULSED AT RIVER MARNE

BATTLE LINE 140 MILES ON PARIS FRONT

German Forces Hurling United Strength Against Capital Defenders.

COMPEIGNE IS SWEEPED

Allies Cheered by Reported Reverses to Kaiser's Troops at River Marne.

ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT BATTLES OF THE EUROPEAN WAR IS IN PROGRESS TODAY EAST OF PARIS ALONG THE FRONT OF THE ALLIED ARMIES EXTENDING FROM NANTEUILLE LE HAUDOUIN TO VERDUN. THE GERMANS IN THEIR TURNING MOVEMENT HAVE SWEEPED THROUGH THE ENTIRE COMPEIGNE COUNTRY AND FIVE GERMAN COLUMNS ARE NOW HURLING THEIR ENTIRE STRENGTH AGAINST THE FRONT OF THE ALLIES, WHICH EXTENDS 140 MILES.

PARIS, SEPT. 8 (AFTERNOON).—AN OFFICIAL COMMUNICATION SAYS THE LEFT WING OF THE ALLIED ARMIES, COMPRISING PORTIONS OF THE FORCE DEFENDING PARIS, CONTINUES TO MAKE PROGRESS. THE ADVANCE REACHES FROM THE BANKS OF THE RIVER OROUQ INTO THE REGION OF MONTMIRAIL. THE GERMANS ARE RETIRING IN THE DIRECTION OF THE MARNE RIVER BETWEEN MEAUX AND SEZANNE.

PARIS, SEPT. 8.—LEADING MILITARY AUTHORITIES IN THE CITY ARE CONVINCED GENERAL JOFFRE IS AT LAST HOLDING AT BAY THE VAST GERMAN ARMY OF INVASION AND THAT THE FIGHTING WILL PROBABLY LAST A NUMBER OF DAYS.

IT IS UNOFFICIALLY REPORTED THE GERMANS EAST OF THE CITY ASKED FOR AN ARMISTICE TO BURY THEIR DEAD AND CARE FOR THEIR WOUNDED. IT IS UNDERSTOOD THE ALLIES REFUSED.

PARIS, SEPT. 8.—Paris is optimistic this morning. Even the surprise that the Germans have been able to traverse nearly the entire Champagne country does not shake confidence in the outcome of the great battle which, after all the maneuvers, is being fought on ground selected by General Joffre, French commander-in-chief. The famous turning movement of the Germans has finally resulted in a battle formation that puts their own right in jeopardy, as yesterday's advance of the allies' left proved.

Bits of news coming from the wounded show the allies gained a distinct success on the left of the enemy, suffering greatly while trying to cross the river Marne. As fast as pontoons were finished French guns demolished them. Wounded are being brought in by tramway. Two Irish troops, separated from their regiment during the fight at Compeigne, could give no other account of their wanderings than that the last they knew "they were fighting at Copenhagen."

The general opinion of the Morning Press is that if the allies lose the battle they will still make the siege of Paris difficult for the enemy, while if the Germans lose the situation of their entire army in France will be critical.

LONDON, SEPT. 8.—The public is waiting breathless with hope that the allies have finally taken the offensive, but an official communication issued from France indicates the forward movement of the allies is only a feint to ascertain the reason for a strange eastward swing of the German right. No matter, however, what the forward movement may mean, a decisive battle cannot long be postponed. Meantime the western valley of the Seine, recently overrun by Germans, has been cleared of the enemy and has been given a breathing spell. The unexpected swing of the Germans caused a readjustment of the lines of the allies.

The allies' flanks are protected by the great fortresses of Paris and Verdun, while in the German rear Maubeuge is still held by the French, de-

War Bulletins

A SERIOUS CONTROVERSY OCCURRED BETWEEN EMPEROR WILLIAM, CHANCELLOR BETHMANN HOLLWEG AND MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS VON JAGOW, ACCORDING TO A NEWSPAPER IN BERLIN, OVER THE SHOULDERING OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE ISOLATED DIPLOMATIC POSITION IN WHICH GERMANY FOUND HERSELF AT THE OUTBREAK OF THE WAR.

LONDON, SEPT. 8.—The Evening News reports that General Pau announces a victory by the allies over the German Imperial guard, under command of Crown Prince Frederick Wilhelm, in which the British have annihilated the opposing Germans. An unconfirmed rumor says that the surrender of the German guard, with the crown prince in their midst, has been demanded.

LONDON, SEPT. 8.—The African World, a weekly publication, has received information regarded as reliable Austrian source that Emperor Francis Joseph died 12 days ago. News of his death was suppressed in Austria-Hungary papers on account of the dangerous internal situation.

PARIS, SEPT. 8.—According to reliable advices Russian cavalrymen are now upon the crests of Carpathian mountains.

LONDON, SEPT. 8.—Another Grimshy steam trawler has been blown up by a mine. The skipper and two engineers were injured. The rest of the crew escaped.

SPITE THE FALL OF THREE OF ITS FORTRESSES. In the eastern theatre of war General Ruzziski's Stonewall Jackson tactics have been checked by the strong fortress of Przemysl, but this delay will not prevent the general forward movement of Russian forces along the border from Tilsit to Lemberg. The Russians consider it necessary to capture Przemysl so the Austrians may not have a single stronghold left in Galicia. Reports his soldiers have slept an average of three hours nightly and have marched at the remarkable speed of 35 miles daily.

6,000 GERMAN PRISONERS. LONDON, SEPT. 8.—There are at present 6,000 German suspects and prisoners of war in the concentration camps of Great Britain. They are well fed and when given special work they are paid for it.

PARIS, SEPT. 8.—Fighting at Compeigne lasted three days and two nights, according to a wounded English cavalry officer, who is here recovering. He says the Germans wasted a good many shells, but finally got range.

CLAIMS TERRIBLE GERMAN LOSSES. LONDON, SEPT. 8.—The Havre correspondent of the Morning Post telegraphs: "During the first part of last week the entire valley of the Seine from Havre to Paris was menaced by Germans. The Germans now seem to have disappeared from that section, due in large measure to British action south of Chantilly after the battle of Compeigne in which terrible losses were inflicted on the Germans. The Germans are sweeping around Paris to crush the eastern forces of the French as between the jaws of a nutcracker. These hordes count upon annihilating the French armies of the east and devouring Paris at their leisure."

NO CHANGE IN ALSACE. PARIS, SEPT. 8.—Violent encounters occurred on the French center between Fere Champenoise and Vitry LeFrancois at the southern point of the forest of Argonne. The French have fallen back now here. The Germans lost ground. There is no change in the situation in Alsace.

FRENCH AND ENGLISH TROOPS ENGAGED IN THE BATTLE NOW PROGRESSING EAST OF THE CAPITAL HAVE TAKEN NUMEROUS PRISONERS, INCLUDING A BATTALION OF GERMAN INFANTRY AND A COMPANY SERVING RAPID FIRE GUNS. They also captured many carriages.

ANNIHILATION CONFIRMED. WASHINGTON, D. C., SEPT. 8.—The French embassy is advised from Bordeaux, "The Campine (Belgian) and Limbourg have been evacuated. Transports of German troops from the west to the east are reported from several sources. Annihilation of 12 Austrian divisions during the capture of Lemberg is confirmed."

BELGIANS TAKEN IN CZAR'S ARMIES. PARIS, SEPT. 8.—A Petrograd dispatch says Russian authorities have authorized Belgian reservists and recruits of 1914 to attach themselves to Russian armies. The foregoing dispatch, if true, would be confirmatory of previous reports, notably today from Rome, that Russian forces had landed in Belgium.

WILSON SETS OCT. 4 AS DAY FOR PRAYERS

People of United States Called On to Plead for Ending European War.

ISSUES PROCLAMATION

All God-Fearing Persons to Repair to Places of Worship and Join in Petition.

WASHINGTON, D. C., SEPT. 8.—PRESIDENT WILSON TODAY SIGNED A PROCLAMATION CALLING ON THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES TO PRAY FOR PEACE IN EUROPE.

The president's proclamation sets aside Sunday, Oct. 4, as a day of prayer. The proclamation in part says:

"I designate Sunday, the fourth day of October next, a day of prayer and supplication, and request all God-fearing persons to repair on that day to their places of worship, there to unite their petitions to almighty God that, overruling the counsel of men, setting straight things they cannot govern or alter, taking pity on nations now in the throes of conflict, in His mercy and goodness, showing the way where men can see none, He vouchsafe His children healing peace again and restore once more concord among men and nations."

POPE URGES PEACE PRAYERS. Rome, Sept. 8.—The first consistory of Pope Benedict was held today. Participation was limited almost entirely to ecclesiastics and officials of the vatican. Surrounded by almost all the cardinals at present in Rome the pope was carried into the consistory and greeted with loud applause. He imposed the red hat on Johann C. Serenoch, primate of Hungary, creating him cardinal. Following the ceremony the pontiff delivered an allocution urging the faithful to pray fervently for cessation of the war.

OPERATORS HOLD THEY'RE IN RIGHT

Brief Attacks Michigan Copper Miners' Statement Made to Committee.

WASHINGTON, D. C., SEPT. 8.—"The record amply justifies the copper mine operators of Michigan in refusing to recognize or have anything to do with the Western Federation of Miners, and the congressional investigating committee ought to give utterance courageously and in no uncertain terms to the truth in regard to the Michigan strike," declares a brief filed today with the house mines committee by counsel for the Calumet operators.

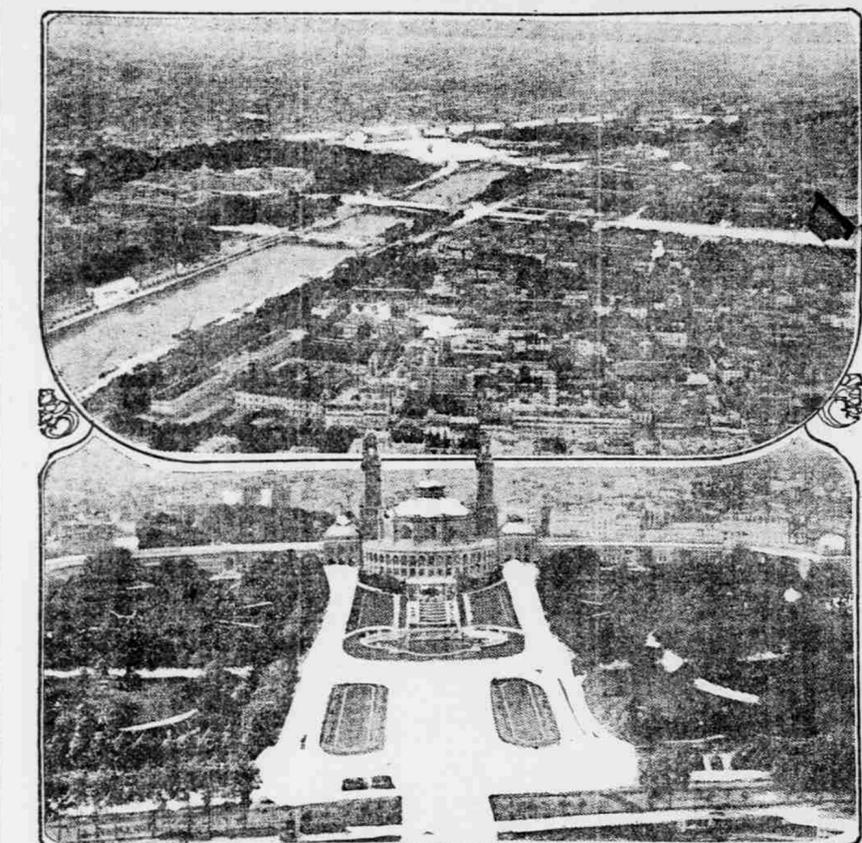
A brief for the miners denouncing the operators and charging perjury and interference with the mails and other federal activities was filed months ago. The operators attacked the brief of the miners as "an amazing illustration of how testimony can be misquoted and distorted and as an argument that the Western Federation is an organization of red socialists." It contends the national guard maintained discipline and praises the Citizens' alliance.

TURKS PREPARING FOR RUSS ATTACK

Eighty Thousand Men Have Been Concentrated Along Sea of Marmora.

LONDON, SEPT. 8.—An Athens dispatch declares the Turks, in order to oppose the possible landing of Russians, have concentrated 80,000 men at Tebatalla, 25 miles northwest of Constantinople, and at Rodosto, on the Sea of Marmora. They are also fortifying along the Sea of Marmora at other points. The correspondent says beginning today the Servian army will assume the offensive against Austria.

Advance on Paris Recalls Siege of 1870-71



The presence of the German army outside of the gates of Paris recalls the siege of 1870 and 1871 in the Franco-Prussian war, which figures as one of the most dramatic episodes in the history of the city.

15,000 PYTHIANS PARADE CHICAGO

Jubilee Reaches Climax in Colorful Procession of Marchers and Floats.

CHICAGO, ILL., SEPT. 8.—An army of Pythians, 15,000 strong, swept down Michigan avenue yesterday afternoon. For nearly three hours, with bands playing and banners waving, it poured along the street, a kaleidoscopic mass of colors.

Afloat, on horses, in carriages and in automobiles the Knights of Pythias and the Pythian Sisters paraded.

It was the climax of the three-day golden jubilee of the order, which closed last night with a reception and ball in the First Infantry Armory.

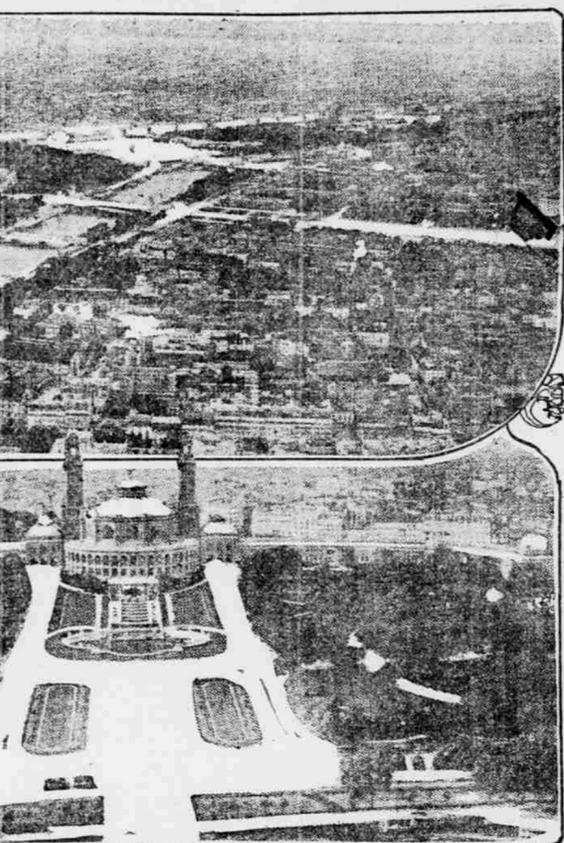
The parade, with enough men and women in its ranks to populate a small city, started at Twenty-sixth street and Michigan avenue at about 1:30 o'clock. At 2 o'clock it had reached the Auditorium Hotel, where Supreme Chancellor B. S. Young, Past Supreme Chancellor Thomas J. Carling, Supreme Vice Chancellor John J. Brown, Grand Chancellor William K. Whitfield and Supreme Representative William G. Edens reviewed it.

Floats emblematic of Pythian principles were numerous. Each portrayed an epoch in Pythianism. There were fifty-one of them.

The "Dokkies," or Dramatic Order Knights of Khorassan, lent a dash of color to the parade. They were garbed in every conceivable color and combination of colors and marched like veterans.

Crowds lined the curbs of "Boul Mich" from Twenty-sixth to Randolph street. At first they were only ten or twelve deep on the sidewalks, but down by the big hotels people were packed from the building walls to the edge of the curb.

The hill whereon is placed the Logan statue was packed with humanity, and the Art Institute steps were equally well covered. Windows of the skyscrapers were filled with faces and automobiles were parked in the side streets.



when a bombardment of the city began. On Jan. 27 an armistice was signed, and the city was re-provisioned. The Germans entered Paris on March 1.

Paris is the City Beautiful of the world. She has for centuries stood first in art. Her streets are full of buildings magnificent from an architectural and artistic standpoint. Among the famous places in Paris

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THE WEATHER

Forecast Till 7 P. M. Tomorrow, for Rock Island, Davenport, Moline and Vicinity.

Probably showers tonight; Wednesday generally fair and warmer. Temperature at 7 a. m., 53. Highest yesterday, 66; lowest last night, 52. Velocity of wind at 7 a. m., 10 miles per hour.

Precipitation, .27 inch. Relative humidity at 7 p. m., 94; at 7 a. m., 92. Stage of water 4.9, a rise of 1.2 in last 24 hours.

J. M. SHERIER, Local Forecaster.

ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS.

Evening stars: Mercury, Venus, Mars, Jupiter. Morning star: Saturn. Aldebaran, first magnitude, of constellation Taurus (the Bull), known as the Eye of the Bull, rises north of due east 10 to 10:30 p. m.

ity and at her feet were children beseeching alms. A horn of plenty rested in the woman's lap and she poured to the children from its abundance. Above was suspended a golden ball, indicative of the fifty years of Pythianism.

Other floats were those of Fort Dearborn lodge No. 488, showing the blockhouse about which revolved the Fort Dearborn massacre; Defiance lodge, showing knights in armor and helmets; Humboldt Park lodge No. 137, portraying the fabled Phoenix rising from the flames; Standard lodge No. 196, with its subject, "The Black Knight Rescuing Lady Rowena in the Fight at Torquilstone Castle," and Republic lodge No. 80, with figures of Uncle Sam and Columbia.

SOCIALIST CHIEF KILLED IN BATTLE

Berlin, via London, Sept. 8.—The Vorwarts learns that Sept. 3 Dr. Ludwig Frank of Mannheim was killed near Laneville. He was a member of the reichstag and a leader of the socialist party.

Killed in Auto Collision. Peoria, Ill., Sept. 8.—Miss Iva Mills was killed and Miss Gertrude Sucher and Ezra Radcliffe of Knoxville, Ill., were seriously injured here yesterday when a heavy automobile truck collided with a touring car filled with Labor day merry-makers.

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BERLIN, SEPT. 8 (via London).—The 20th casualty list just issued contains the names of 187 dead and 1,000 wounded. The total casualties thus far published aggregate 2,273 dead, 10,714 wounded and 3,249 missing. The last list contains the name of Joseph Philipson of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., among the dead.

GERMANS LEAVE TERMONDE A RUIN

LONDON, SEPT. 8.—Describing the burning of Termonde by Germans the Chronicle's Ghent correspondent says: "By midday Sunday the blaze had assumed gigantic proportions, and by Sunday evening not a house stood upright."

SEVEN BURNED TO DEATH

HAY BARN FIRE TRAPS CONSTRUCTION EMPLOYEES AT LA CROSSE, WIS. La Crosse, Wis., Sept. 8.—Seven men, railway construction employes, were burned to death in a fire in a hay barn just outside of the city yesterday.

Lynxville, Wis., Sept. 8.—In a lively stable fire here yesterday Roland Keeley, aged 19, was burned to death. Robert Brewer, aged 20, was fatally burned and is now dying at a hospital in La Crosse, and John Kirwin, a telegraph operator, is missing.

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RUSSIA SENDS BIG ARMY TO FRANCE

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