

THREE ATTACKS BY THE GERMANS WERE REPULSED

Offensive Movements Against the Allies at Nieuport, Dixmude and Labassee Were All Turned Back, According to Official French Statement.

NO NOTABLE CHANGE AT OTHER POINTS

Today's View of the War Situation Seems to Bear Out Belief That Tide of Battle Continues to Turn in Favor of the Allies

Violent attacks and counter attacks for possession of the sea-coast in the extreme north of France continue without decisive results. Only one official statement, and that from Paris, had come through early this afternoon. It threw little light on the situation.

News dispatches indicate the sharpest fighting is in the vicinity of Lille, with a renewal of activity at vital points all along the line. Counter claims regarding the situation in the east leave much to speculation. There appears, however, little doubt that the German advance in Russian Poland has been so successful that Warsaw is seriously threatened.

Przemysl, in Galicia, remains in possession of the Austrian-German forces. A renewal of activity in eastern Prussia is without definite result.

Albania looms again as a possible influence upon the attitude of Italy towards the war. The Italian government to-day denied that Italian troops occupied Avlona, but the Giornale Ditalia of Rome declares that there is a state of anarchy at Avlona and intimates that Greece is taking advantage of disturbed conditions.

It also declares that the Italian government has notified the powers that it will not tolerate a violation of the integrity of Albania. Rome reports that the Anglo-French fleet is still bombarding Cattaro Dalmatia.

Paris, Oct. 21, 2:40 p. m.—A French official communication which was given out this afternoon says that the attacks, yesterday, of the enemy on Nieuport, Dixmude and Labassee were all repulsed by the allies. At all the other points, the situation is without any notable change, the communication says.

From the battle front, via Paris, Oct. 21.—The German invaders, in their effort to shorten their lines and rest their right wing further southward upon the English channel, are meeting with a vigorous offensive by the allies. A good part of the fighting is being done in the obliquity of lines.

French marines on Monday put forth a fine effort against the Germans. The troops of Emperor William had tried a surprise attack on the marines Sunday but they held the field works against superior numbers. The fight lasted all day and then the Germans contented themselves with cannonading the position of the marines.

A thick fog covered the entire region trenches before they were seen. It was too thick for the Germans to see the German trenches. "No shooting," was the order; "use the bayonet!"

The marines got within 30 feet of the trenches before they were seen. It was too late for the defenders, who were bogged in the trenches and beyond the trenches as they ran. Four hundred German prisoners were taken.

One of the places where the French had been most harassed is near the elbow of the western line. The important position there had been taken and retaken frequently during the last three weeks.

The French took the position for the 12th time and held it for 10 hours. Then came a shock to the human battering ram and the French gradually gave way. The Germans began fortifying the place but while they were engaged in this task the earth heaved and a deafening explosion occurred. The ten hours the French had held the point had been sufficient to mine every rod of the ground. It is estimated that three German battalions were annihilated.

The strength of the German positions north of Roye, which facilitated their movements toward Lille, is explained by the fact that they were occupying an unfinished canal extending as far as raised.

NORMAL ENGAGEMENT OFF PRUSSIAN COAST

German Torpedo Boats and Hostile Submarines Reported to Have Fought Each Other.

London, 10:45 a. m., Oct. 21.—An engagement between German torpedo boats and hostile submarines in the Baltic, near Rugen Island, off the Prussian coast, is reported from Stockholm, according to a Central News dispatch from Copenhagen. No details of the fight or its result were given.

PORTUGAL REVOLT SOON PUT DOWN

Rebels Merely Succeeded in Cutting the Telegraph Wires and Stepping Trains for a Time.

Lisbon, Portugal, via London, 12:37 p. m., Oct. 21.—A revolutionary outbreak in the cities of Braga and Vila Rica, under the leadership of Adriano Bessa, a former colonel, has been promptly put down, according to an official announcement to-day. Bessa was arrested and a list of revolutionaries, who went out from Braga, being pursued by troops.

UNFAITHFUL 'TOWN CLOCK' IS SCORED

Barre City Fathers Discuss What They Will Do with the Erring Agent and Whether Will Give It New Coat.

Restoration of the city clock in the tower of the Universalist church is one of the things which the aldermanic property committee has in contemplation as a result of the regular meeting of the city council last night. Acting on a verbal report by Chairman Bancroft, the council authorized the committee to get prices on the work necessary. Proposals to set the clock in semi-perpetual motion once more, after sporadic lapses of duty, came to a head through the recent decision of the church fathers to renovate the exterior of the edifice. Alderman Bancroft set about to get things ready for new face paint on four dials of the clock.

John Dodge, according to the alderman's report, offered to do the painting, renew the little gilded blocks that mark off the minutes, and to re-gild the hands and numerals, all for \$40. But Mr. Dodge, it appears from the report, was moved to call in his offer after surveying the steeple and scrutinizing the while the notoriously high cost of painting or the prohibitive cost of high painting. Alderman Cook thought that gold leaf on the dial of a clock that was forever laying off its hands, so to speak, would be approximating the height of extravagance. Alderman Bancroft voiced the opinion that the clock would "go" all right if it were regularly wound. By way of showing that all public clocks are sometimes derelict to their duty, Alderman Bruce cited the occasional failure of the clock in the Howland block to record faithfully the flight of golden moments; but he was promptly informed that Mr. Howland's clock and the clock which the city owns are separate and distinct timepieces.

Chairman Bancroft explained that the city is paying a Goddard seminary student \$10 a year to keep the clockwork in motion. Alderman Cook suggested that the \$10 be diverted to other channels by letting some of the firemen wind the clock when necessary. The matter was finally allowed to rest in the hands of the property committee, the council instructing the members to inquire into the reason why the timepiece has caused so many people to miss their appointments in recent years.

For a few moments after the clock discussion the Barre and Montpelier Traction & Power company, through its traction superintendent, William Corry, occupied the center of the stage. At the request of the council, Mr. Corry appeared to answer questions concerning the proposal to regulate the halting places of cars near the city square. Mr. Corry explained the company's wishes in the matter of effecting passenger connections between the Washington and South Main street lines, and the mayor and Alderman Cook, as well as others, gave their reasons for believing that the company should co-operate with the city in relieving traffic congestion in the square. After a rather futile attempt on the part of Mr. Corry and the aldermen to explain just what each thought would be proper, it was decided to have a closer investigation. Accordingly, the mayor, the street committee, the chief of police, who was called in counsel, and Superintendent Reynolds, arranged to meet at the junction of the car lines this morning at 9 o'clock.

Reporting on the complaints regarding sanitary conditions along the river bank in the manufacturing district, the aldermanic committee of the whole described its investigation and recommended that the health committee be instructed to see that careless manufacturers, who have already been warned by the committee to improve their surroundings, be held to the promise of giving proper and sanitary accommodations to their workmen. In notable instances, the report stated, manufacturers had consented to make much-needed changes along the river bank. The report was accepted and the recommendations ordered carried out.

The report of Chief Sinclair of the police department for September was read as follows and accepted: Total number of arrests, 17; offenses, intoxication 17, breach of the peace, operating autos without lights 3, operating autos without number plates 2, larceny 1, adultery 2, malicious mischief 1. Superintendent Reynolds' September report of conditions in the water department was read, accepted and ordered filed. A petition for a street light on Farwell street, largely signed by residents of that locality, was referred to the lighting committee on the motion of Alderman Keast. Alderman Keast's reference to the committee of Farwell street was turned over to the street committee, the chairman explaining that repairs to the street were in immediate prospect.

A letter from the water department of Springfield, Mass., to the local water superintendent explained that the lighting companies there are compelled to pay a tax for grounding their wires on city water pipes. An inquiry followed a request from the Consolidated Lighting company that the grounding formula be allowed in Barre. Mayor Ward thought the city should take advantage of any opportunity to increase its revenue, but the matter was allowed to rest while the water committee is completing its report on Superintendent C. F. Miller's request, which was brought before the board of aldermen last week. On the report of the committee of the water committee, it was voted to charge local refrigerating plants five cent per cubic foot for water used.

Building Inspector Rand reported favorably on the following applications to build and permits were granted: J. J. Dasher, to build two piazzas at 100-102 Washington street; Patrick Heron, to move old feed store, build foundations and erect piazzas at 431 North Main street; A. L. Noyes, to build a garage at 128 Washington street; J. K. Johnson, to build an annex to shed at 40 Maple avenue; W. A. Lane, to erect addition to finishing mill on Burroughs' meadow; Church of the Good Shepherd, to cover shed of barn off Washington street. Warrants were approved for payment as follows: Street Department payroll, \$1,000; water department payroll, \$1,000; police department payroll, \$1,000; fire department payroll, \$1,000; S. A. Feltus, \$14, services as janitor.

U. S. PROTEST S. S. WORKERS IS PRESENTED OF STATE COME

Washington Government Is Big Convention to Cover Aggrieved by British Seizure of Tank Steamer Three Days Opened To-day

FORMAL STATEMENT MADE TO GT. BRITAIN MANY DELEGATES ARE IN THE CITY

Announcement Made To-day by Acting Secretary of State Lansing Delegates Given a Hearty Welcome and Are Assigned Places

Washington, D. C., Oct. 21.—The United States has protested to Great Britain against the seizure by a British warship of the American tank steamer, John D. Rockefeller, according to an announcement made to-day by Acting Secretary of State Lansing.

MOVES WITH LEGISLATURE. Vermont Historical Society Decides Not to Be Independent.

The annual meeting of the Vermont Historical society took place yesterday afternoon at the State House, there being a fair attendance. Hon. W. W. Stickney presided. Reports were made and accepted and the acknowledgment of two gifts of importance to the society during the year was made, these being a gold watch which was given to Gen. George J. Stannard during the Civil war, presented by his daughter, and a three-quarter length oil painting of Gen. Jedediah Baxter, a native Vermonter. The painting now hangs in the room given over for this purpose at the capitol.

An important change in the constitution was made, it being decided that the annual meeting of the society should be held on Tuesday before the third Wednesday in January, the change being made to conform with the change in time of the convening of the legislature. Officers were re-elected as follows: President, W. W. Stickney of Ludlow; vice-president, Joseph A. DeBoer of Montpelier; corresponding secretary and librarian, Doran B. E. Kent of Montpelier; secretary, Fred A. Howland of Montpelier. There were 25 new members admitted during the year, bringing the total membership to 450. A resolution by Walter H. Crockett was adopted, asking permission of the legislature to erect bronze statues of Ira Allen and Thomas Chittenden on the terrace in front of the state house. If permission is granted the society will endeavor to raise an amount sufficient to purchase and erect the statues in memory of those Vermonters. It is expected that a public meeting of the society will take place the middle of January and although the program has not been completed, one feature will be an address on the late Redfield Proctor by Frank C. Partridge of Proctor.

HORSES DRAWING A DEAD PASSENGER

Francis Hoyt, Stage Driver Between Hardwick and Craftsbury, Probably Died of Heart Trouble.

Hardwick, Oct. 21.—Francis Hoyt, a resident of Craftsbury and driver of the stage between that place and Hardwick, was found dead a few miles from this town Tuesday morning by some men who were going to their work of repairing the road. The odd behavior of the horses first attracted attention and closer examination revealed the fact that death was due to heart failure. The remains were taken to his home in Craftsbury.

COMPLETELY KNOCKED OUT.

'Gunboat' Smith a Mere Child Before Sam Langford.

Boston, Oct. 21.—Sam Langford, the negro heavyweight of Boston, knocked out 'Gunboat' Smith of New York in three rounds here last night. It was the first time that the leading 'white hope' of this country, who gained a decision over Langford here a year ago, has been knocked out.

CAPTURED IN SOUTH POULINERY.

Man Wanted for Alleged Murder in Granville, N. Y.

Granville, Oct. 21.—Garston Robine of Granville, N. Y., who is wanted for the alleged murder of John Kendrick, a grain dealer, by shooting at a Granville saloon last Saturday night, was arrested at 3 o'clock yesterday morning by Special Policeman James P. Daniels of this city and Deputy Sheriff A. C. Mason of Pawlet in some woods in South Poulinery, where he was hiding. Robine was brought to this city by automobile about 6:30 o'clock and was locked up at the city jail. He was taken a 10-mile auto by motor car to Granville to face the homicide charge. He made no objection to crossing the state line. According to one of the stories that is told, the shooting of Kendrick was unintentional, the bullet having been aimed at another man, who stood inside of a saloon from which Robine fled. The bullet struck through the open door and struck Kendrick, who was walking by the door. The man died soon after being hit. Robine is 24 years old and unmarried. He was once in city court for larceny.

ADDED ARSON TO BURGLARY

Postoffice Robbers Worked at North Conway, N. H., This Morning

BURNED POSTOFFICE AND FIRE A STORE

They Got Total of About \$ and Then Fleed on Hand Car

North Conway, N. H., Oct. 21.—The safe in the local postoffice was dynamited early this morning and after securing their booty the burglars set fire to the building as well as to the store of Carter & Bean just adjoining. The postoffice building was destroyed by the flames but the Carter & Bean store was saved. The burglars secured stamps to the value of \$150 and about fifteen dollars in money. The thieves then boarded a handcar on the railroad and disappeared going in the direction of Portland.

ALLEGED CARELESS DRIVING.

Two Cases Will Be Tried Growing Out of Recent Accidents.

Fred S. Cheney, the chauffeur who was piloting a Buick auto truck belonging to Miss Alice V. Beckley when the car collided with a bicycle on which Mario Zenoni was riding Tuesday forenoon, was arrested this morning by Officer John S. Murley on a complaint made by Chief Juror William Wislart. When charged and fined Magistrate H. W. Cheney in city court Cheney, through his counsel, E. R. Davis, pleaded not guilty to a charge of having operated an automobile in a careless and negligent manner and exceeding the speed limit. Bail was fixed at \$100 and furnished and a hearing was set for next Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock.

In the city courtroom Friday forenoon there will be a hearing in the case of state vs. Marion A. Gitchell of Montpelier, who was arrested by Chief Sinclair on a warrant charging her with operating a car negligently and in such a manner as to exceed the speed limit on the afternoon of Tuesday, Oct. 13. When arraigned before Judge Scott at a preliminary hearing, the respondent entered a plea of not guilty and furnished bail in the sum of \$100 for her future appearance. This case grows out of an accident in which one Giacomo Cecchini of 29 Maple avenue is said to have been knocked down by the Gitchell car near North Seminary street. Cecchini is recovering from the effects of serious bruises and his physician predicts he will be able to be out of doors in a fortnight. Grand Juror Wislart represents the state in the proceedings.

One of the defenses which the respondent's counsel will use, it is said, has to do with statutory restrictions on the nature of the highway in which the auto laws may be violated. Under the law action can be brought only in cases where the offense is alleged to have been committed on an accepted street or highway. It is stated that the spot where the accident occurred last week is private property and not a part of the highway or sidewalk owned by the city.

BECAME VIOLENTLY INSANE.

Montpelier Man Had to Be Forebly Restrained.

Laura Maza, a granite cutter, residing at 167 Barre street, Montpelier, was taken violently insane yesterday afternoon and two policemen and a physician and outside help were summoned to the house to quiet the man. He complained of not feeling well last Friday when he commenced to act queerly and around noon he became so violent that his wife was forced to summon help. Dr. V. M. Coffey was called along with the police and with the combined strength of several men the man was overcome and was given a hypodermic. A consultation of doctors was held later in the day and steps will probably be taken to have him committed to the state hospital for the insane at Waterbury. He is a native of Santarini, Spain, coming to this country several years ago.

LIQUOR CASE CONCLUDED

And Charge Was Given to Jury This Afternoon.

Arguments were completed in Washington county court to-day in the case of state vs. Mrs. Leonard Bergin, charged with illegal sale of liquor, and the charge to the jury was given on the conclusion of court this afternoon. At the conclusion of this case the jurors will be released for the term.

WATERBURY NOMINATIONS.

Republicans Nomed Henry F. Hill and Democrats, Charles D. Swasey. Waterbury, Oct. 21.—Both the Republican and Democratic caucuses were held Monday evening. The Republicans elected in nomination Henry F. Hill of the center, and the Democrats, Charles D. Swasey. The union parties ticket is as follows: H. Dale, H. F. Robinson, James A. Patterson, F. C. Lane, W. J. F. Hill, F. C. Swasey, A. L. Smith, M. C. Barber, J. B. King, A. A. Newcomb, E. E. Gagnier, C. C. Crosson. The caucus was held under the auspices of the Democrats, who have nominated John Dillon. The Republican candidates, D. R. Doremus, has the nomination papers and John Dillon as Progressive candidates.

Burlington, Oct. 21.—An original kind of burglary was committed at the mill of the Burlington Flouing company some time during Monday night, as discovered when the plant was opened for business yesterday morning. The cash register in the office had been broken into and something over two dollars in change taken. A small safe was then dragged from its place of safety and handed down to the banks of the river about 20 feet below, with the evident intention of the fall on the rocks being allowed to break it open. The safe was not damaged, however, and did not even yield to some steel punches which were applied to it. The safe is the old fashioned kind that locked with a key and weighs about half a ton. Had the burglars succeeded in getting to the contents there would have been something left to be taken. Entries to the building were made by breaking in sight of the glass and then entering the window from the inside.