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ondly, because practically all communi-rations across the San westward lead through the narrow defile between Jaro-siav and Przemysl.

Smaller provisional structures. The per-manent forts are all provided with armored gun turrets.

All the forts are connected by circular

Przemysł is a first class fortress situated on both banks of the San. The town itself has 54,000 inhabitants. It is encompassed by a strongly fortified enceinte forming redoubts about the whole fortress. In a wide ring encircling the town are forty-one detached forts—nine large and ten smaller permanent ones, and sixteen large and six indicated gun turrets. All the forts are connected by circular railways and each group is connected with the enceinte by transverse railways. The full armanent is supposed to include more than a thousand guns. The garrison comprises between 50,000 and 60,500 men. Against a fortress of such strength a slege will be long and difficult and will be likely to delay further operations considerably.

On the other hand the St. Petersburg respondent of The Times insists that Germans have realized the utter fu-

in France.

g to this view Germany is leaving in east Prussia only troops of her second line to resist the Russians, while her trained soldiers are being thrown back into France in the hope of repairing the disaster of the Marne. Military critics assert that the German reneral staff was guilty of a great reneral staff was guilty of a great reneral staff.

general staff was guilty of a great to breat blunder in detaching 300.00 men from the western field of war, thus making possible the defeat on the Marne, and that tremendous efforts are being made the line.

Kaiser to Hurl 750,000 Against Poland, Report

objective.

EONDON, Sept. 18.—British military ment that the Germans have concentrated 750,000 men in that quarter for an invasion of Poland, with Warsaw as the objective. ations thus far, but they point to the fact that East Prussia becomes now the center of interest. Concerning the state of affairs there the reports are conflicting. On the one hand there is the state. the Germans have realized the utter fu-tility of the operations in East Prussia and have detached eight army corps from that theater to relieve the dis-tressed armies in Northern France. General Von Hindenberg, the victor of Allenstein, has been hurried from East the best it is said, to command an army in France.

Germany Denies Loss of Any Aricraft to Enemy

By KARL H. VON WIEGAND.

BERLIN, Sept. 18, via Sayville, L. 1. beaving in east Prussia only wireless to the United Press.—The war office today emphatically denied that any German air craft have been lost to the enemy. It also stated that the general battle in France continues with all attempts of the French to break throug the German lines repulsed. The statement said:

"Reports circulated abroad that German airships have been captured or destroyed by the enemy are false. All of the German aerial craft have come up to expectations. In a series of long

to expectations. In a series of long and dangerous flights a few were dam-aged, but all have been repaired and are now ready for any action that may

the deemed advisable.

"The battle between the Oise and the Meuse continues unchecked, although there are sure indications that the French offense is declining. The French efforts to cut through the German right wing was broken down without notable exertion by the German troops. The German army is slowly but surely advancing." deemed advisable.

HOUSE ALLEY BILL PASSED IN SENATE

The bill which was close to the heart of Mrs. Wilson, wife of the President. in her last hours, and which she had long worked for prior to her death, was passed by the Senate today. This is the bill intended to wipe out the sium alleys of the city of Washington.

The bill already has been passed by the Wilson. House. It will now

dent for signature.

Some time ago the Senate passed the bill. The House recently passed it accepting the Senate provisions, but passed it as a House measure and modified the title. It came back to the Senate today, and on motion of Senator Prometree, was promptly but through omerene was promptly put through, thas passed as the House bill, thus traightening out the matter of the

Under the terms of the bill, the use or occupation of any building or other structure along slum alleys as a dwell-ing by any person is made unlawful after July 1, 1918. It is made unlawful after the passage

of the act to erect any dwelling on any exect of ground in the District fronting on an alley where such alley is less than thirty feet wide throughout its en-tire length and does not run straight to and open on two of the streets border-ing the square and is not supplied with ewer, water mains, and gas or electric ght. The term "alley," as used in the ill, includes all courts, passages, and horoughfares, whether public or pri-

a dwelling on an alley less than mirty feet wide has depreciated or been amaged more than raif its original raise, it is not to be repaired or recon? rirocted for dwelling purposes. Pro-islon for the condemnation of alley houses, which are repreciated or dam-aged more than half the original value is made. Penalties are provided for violation of the law.

WEATHER REPORT

the forecast for the District of mbia-Fair tonight and Saturday; not such change in temperature. Maryland-Fair tonight and Saturday. ot much change in temperature; light moderate variable winds. Virginia-Partly cloudy tonight and Saturday, moderate northeast winds.

The temperature today as registere the United States Weather Bureau

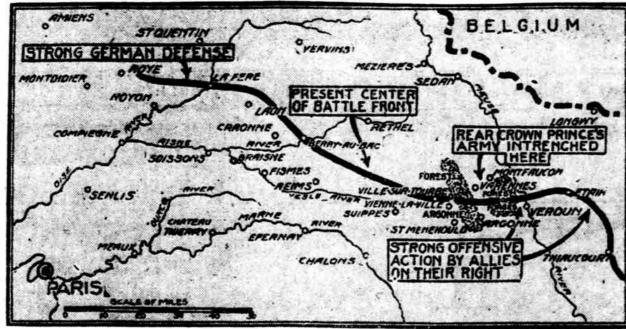
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WHERE ALLIES MEET GERMANS TODAY



POSITION OF OPPONENTS ON THE AISNE.

The late reports indicate little or no change in the position of the allies in the great hattle along the Aisne. The Germans are making a very strong defensive on the right while the French are on a strong offensive action on their own right, the latter movement evidently directed more especially against the retreating crown prince's army. The rear of this army is now endeavoring to fortify its position by intrenchments at Montfaucon. The center of the line, which now lies between Berry-au-Bac, on the River Aisne ,and the Argonne forest, shows no change in situation. The Germans are apparently fortifying their position here against a French offensive.

Artillery Duel in Progress Begs Court to Give All Along Line, Is Report

fighting front in France indicate that who was killed in action. the German lines are holding under

Filibuster Blocks House. The German center, especially the Business was halted in the House to-

army of the crown prince, has been heavily re-enforced by troops from Lux- day by an old-fashioned filibuster led failed. It is stated that an artillery duel is in progress at many points along about two hours. emburg, and all efforts of the French by Minority Leader Mann, and supduel is in progress at many points along the line.

Among the casualties reported is the duel is in progress at many points along about two hours to obtain the approval of yesterday's journal, a proceeding which ordinarily requires o ne minute.

Because of the filibuster it required a paralytic, But I loved her so find I foolishly hoped I might be save if foolishly hoped I might be save if foolishly hoped I might be save if foolishly hoped I might be save with held.

Wife Diro ce

NEW YORK, Sept. 18 -- A spectacle nique in the history of the city was seen in the supreme court in Brooklyn when Dr. Joseph Hand, a helpless paralytic, pleaded from the witness stand for a divorce frem his wife. With his wife hiding her face in her hands and sobbing. Dr. Hand told the court she should have her freedom.
"I should never have married her,"

"I should never have married her," did wrong and she

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CANADIAN BOATS CRASH; 13 PERISH

Montgomery Goes Steamer After Hitting Coal Ship at Beaujeau Banks.

QUEBEC, Sept. 18 .- At least thirteen persons, including one woman, and four children perished today when the Canadian government steamer Montmagny collided with the coal ship Lingan at Beajeau Banks, one mile below Crane Tie Montmagny was carrying Mrs. Richard, wife of the lighthousekeeper at Belle Isle, and her seven children, and Mrs. Lavalle wife of the lighthousekeeper at Flower Island and her four children. Mrs. Lavalle and all of her children were drowned. How many of the Richard family were saved is not yet known.

Second Officer La Chancee lost his life endeavoring to save two of the Lavalle children. He had them in his arms when he went down. The survivors were picked up by the Collier Potana, and taken to Cross Island. Later they will arrive in Quebec on the Government boat Alice.

Brazil Slow to Explain Affront to American Ship been crippled by shells from vessels

The Brazilian government has not vet furnished the State Department with ac explanation of her refusal to grant clearance papers at Rio Janeiro to the steamer Robert Dollar, of San Francisco. Solicitor Cone Johnson, of the State Department, said a reply might State Department, said a reply might conveyed ashore.

not be forthcoming for several days.

State Department authorities are inclined to think that the refusal of clearance papers was the action of a customs officer, and is not representative of the attitude of the Brazilian government.

President to Vote.

Fresident Wilson next Tuesday will cast a vote at Princeton for Congressman Allan B. Walsh in the Democratic primary.

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German Ships Shelled Each Other, Says Report

PETROGRAD, Sept. 18.—Several German cruisers are said to have of their own fleet, who mistook them for ships of the enemy, while hunting down passenger steamships in th



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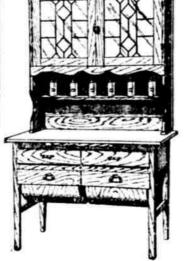
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