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Save Sugar
Sugar means ships
Ships means soldiers
Soldiers mean victory

BELGIUM GETTING TOO HOT FOR HUNS

LONDON, OCTOBER 3.—Evacuation of Belgium appeared to be under way today. Field Marshal Haig announced that the Germans began to retreat on a wide front north and south of the La Bassee Canal yesterday morning. Earlier unofficial reports stated that virtually a complete withdrawal from Belgium has been contemplated by the German high command for some time. Progress of the Anglo-Belgian armies has necessitated immediate steps for evacuation of the great industrial center of Liège and the submarine bases of Ostend, Bruges and Zebrugge. The Germans have begun a retrograde movement between the Meuse and the Argonne forest. The enemy is falling back from his advanced position to the newly constructed Kriehilde-Stellung line, which runs from west of Grandpre to the vicinity of Damvillers. Next in importance to the Belgian situation appears to be the gigantic encircling movement which is gradually pinning of the great St. Gobian massif. General Debeney, operating south of St. Quentin, is reported to be advancing on the whole front between that city and La Fere as the northern half of the encircling movement. To the south General Berthelot is adding to the enemy's danger by striking northward, west of Rheims. His troops are now less than five miles south of Craonne.

WINTER TO SEE BELGIUM FREE

WASHINGTON, Oct. 3.—Winter will find Belgium and northern France out of the grasp of the Teuton. Military authorities made this prediction today as the first of the great German break—the retreat eastward from the La Bassee Canal region—became an actuality. Hammered by untiring legions, including vast reserves, the German retirement is likely to be extensive, probably as far east as Antwerp.

Shift U-boat Bases. Already the enemy is shifting his U-boat bases out of Belgium and preparing to save what he can in the country ruthlessly trampled in 1914.

The objective of the American-allied forces since the Marne turning point battle has been the wrecking of the German army. Today there is a chance that an attainment of that objective will come sooner than has been anticipated.

In any case the retreat in prospect contains many elements of extreme danger to the Boche. He has been fighting hard to escape a ruinous retreat, and it is not at all certain that he will be able to extricate himself without a disaster to his forces.

U.S.S. TAMPA SUNK; ALL LOST

WASHINGTON, Oct. 3.—The U. S. S. Tampa, a former coast guard cutter in naval service was lost off the English coast, September 26, with all on board, while on convoy duty.

Ten officers and 102 enlisted men of the crew, one British officer and five civilian employees, lost their lives.

The navy department statement today announcing the disaster, says the ship was sunk at night in the Bristol channel and that reports indicate that she was struck by a torpedo while escorting a convoy.

BULGARIA QUILTS, YIELDS TO ALL DEMANDS

London, Oct. 1.—No provisions of a political character are contained in the armistice concluded with Bulgaria by the entente allies. The armistice is a purely military convention.

Bulgaria agrees to evacuate all the territory she now occupies in Greece and Serbia, to demobilize her army immediately and surrender all means of transport to the allies. Bulgaria also will surrender her boats and control of navigation on the Danube and concede to the allies free passage through Bulgaria for the development of military operations. All Bulgarian arms and ammunition are to be stored under control of the

allies, to whom is conceded the right to occupy all important strategic points.

The military occupation of Bulgaria will be entrusted to British, French and Italian forces, and the evacuated portions of Greece and Serbia respectively to Greek and Serbian troops. The armistice means a complete military surrender and Bulgaria ceases to be a belligerent. All questions of territorial rearrangements in the Balkans were purposely omitted from the convention.

The allies made no stipulation concerning King Ferdinand, his position being considered an internal matter, one for the Bulgarians themselves to deal with. The armistice will remain in operation until a final peace is concluded.

into Albania on the west and toward Uskub on the north. The Serbians, who are at the apex of the salient, are moving toward Uskub, having taken Veles and its garrison. They are also approaching the Bulgarian border from east of the Vardar. In the Dobruja region the allies are working their way over mountains toward the important line of the Struma river. It is reported that the Austrian forces in Albania are being withdrawn. Thousands of prisoners have been taken by the allied forces.

Northern Palestine has been practically cleared of the Turks. The forces that escaped capture are in flight, with the British in pursuit. More than 50,000 Turks were made prisoner.

Oct. 1.—On all the sectors under attack from Belgian Flanders to the region of Verdun the German front is gradually bending back under the violence of the attacks of the British, Americans, French and Belgians. The latter captured the famous Mesines-Wytschaete ridge. The British are in the process of cleaning up the town of Cambrai, having penetrated its suburbs from the northwest and southwest.

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Oct. 2.—French troops have entered St. Quentin, an important enemy stronghold on the Hindenburg line. In Flanders the Belgians and British in the region from Dixmude to Armentieres, have further driven in their sharp wedge eastward, capturing important towns. From Cambrai to St. Quentin, notwithstanding most violent reactions from the Germans, the British, Americans and French again have won heavily fortified positions of the enemy all along the front.

Booped Milk Prices. Toledo, Sept. 30.—Retail milk increased in price today from 7 cents a pint and 13 cents a quart to 8 cents and 14 cents.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Woods are the parents of a brand new boy. Art is now in the service of your Uncle Sam.

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

Again the Government comes to the people of the country, with the request that they lend their money, and lend it upon a more liberal scale than ever before, in order that the great war for the rights of America and the liberation of the world may be prosecuted with ever increasing vigor to a victorious conclusion. And it makes the appeal with the greatest confidence because it knows that every day it is becoming clearer and clearer to thinking men throughout the nation that the winning of the war is an essential prerequisite. The money that is held back now will be of little use or value if the war is not won and the selfish masters of Germany are permitted to dictate what America may and may not do. Men in America, besides, have from the first until now dedicated both their lives and their fortunes to the vindication and maintenance of the great principles and objects for which our Government was set up. They will not fail now to show the world for what their wealth was intended.

Woodrow Wilson

RECORDER AND DEPUTY ALL ROLLED INTO ONE

Urban G. Hinders has been appointed as Deputy County Recorder, with full authority in the office, in the absence of County Recorder Albert Wolfe, who is seeing limited service at Syracuse, New York. The appointment has been confirmed by the County Commissioners.

Mr. Hinders has been Deputy County Clerk for three years or more, a place he most efficiently and courteously filled. We doubt whether the clerk's office has had a more competent and trustworthy man in the place in years, or one who has done so much work and has received so little public credit. He takes hold of the work of the Recorder's office, being Recorder and his deputy all rolled into one, and is confident he can take care of the work in the absence of his chief.

Clerk of Courts Haslinger, under whom Mr. Hinders has been serving, has now shouldered the extra work of his office, so we to-day have the pleasing spectacle of having two of the county offices in the court-house without the luxury of deputies.

Mr. Haslinger is on the last lap of his second term of office, no one will accuse him of making a grand stand play for re-election. If Mr. Hinders' extra efforts to conduct the Recorder's office without extra expense to the people has the appearance of being to promote his candidacy for office at some future time, we will have to let it go at that.

Percherons in Peace and War Under the above caption, a story, told in moving pictures, of the efficiency and superiority of Percheron horses in war, farm and city use, will be seen at the Ideal Theater on Thursday, Oct. 10. The leading Percheron prize-winners and champions of the 1917 shows are portrayed in these pictures, and a close-up view of Lagos, champion stallion of the Panama Pacific International Exposition and of the International show, is one of the features of these two-reel films.

Miss Mayme McKirman has resigned her position as a teacher in the St. Henry schools and will spend the winter at home with her mother, whose health is far from good.

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Wife Leaves Him, Now He Wants Tie Legally Cut

Wm. Peggs, of Montezuma, has filed a suit for divorce in the Common Pleas Court against his wife, Harriet Peggs. He says for the past five years she has associated with persons of ill-repute, staying out late at night with men, and also had the habit of wrestling with old John Barleycorn. To make matters worse, last May she left his bed and has refused to return. The couple were married in 1896 and had two children.

SCUDDER

Albert Siebert and wife called on Steve Siebert and family Tuesday afternoon. Steve Wilson and family spent Sunday with Ezra Laftin and family.

A. J. Boise, wife and son Dwight, Samuel Sell and family, Clarence Bricker and family, Ernie Bader and family spent Sunday with Clella Jenkins and family.

Cleve Smith and family spent Sunday afternoon with Nick Humbert and family. Joe Wilson and wife and Kenneth Teeters spent Sunday with John Davis and family.

Mr. Chas. Zent, of Wapakoneta, spent several days here with Mr. and Mrs. S. Dixon. Steve Wilson and family spent Sunday evening with John Davis and family.

Mrs. S. Dixon spent Tuesday with Virge Dixon and family at Celina. Adam Bolleneber visited Clella Jenkins Sunday evening.

Steve Siebert and family spent Sunday with T. G. Brandon.

PHILOTHEA

On account of the lack of efficient help, Henry Rentz has disposed of his milk route, Krensens, the butcher of Coldwater, being the purchaser. Joe Dues, the general merchant at this place, has taken the school at Genoa City for the winter. George Stamas and wife are the happy parents of a new boy that arrived at their home Saturday. Henry Rentz and wife welcomed a new daughter at their home Monday.

Wheat-sowing and corn-cutting are about all done in this community.

DRY FEDERATION MEETING TO-MORROW

The dry federation in this city to-morrow (Saturday) afternoon at 2 o'clock. All members are urged to be present. Matters of importance are to be discussed.

Local Briefs

Sales of war savings and thrift stamps in the public schools last week totaled nearly \$500.

Fire Chief Wenning has tendered his resignation to council, which was accepted, and his assistant, Wm. McElroy has been appointed to the place.

Prof. J. W. Pogue, for several years superintendent of the Celina public schools, left for Chicago Friday to begin Y.M.C.A. training for war service.

The Presbyterian aid society will be entertained this afternoon by Mesdames J. E. Headington and John Raubabaugh at the home of the latter, East Market street.

Wm. Deitsch, of Godfrey Heights, fell from a load of hay Tuesday morning at his home, where he was afterwards found unconscious. He suffered no further serious consequence, notwithstanding he is getting along in years.

Prof. Wm. H. Thoms, perhaps the oldest teacher in active service, as well as in years, in Mercer county, has tendered his resignation as teacher and principal in the East Building of this city. Miss Mable Andrews has been appointed to fill the vacancy.

Rev. Chaney, of North Main street, had the thumb of his right hand fractured last Tuesday morning while cranking a Ford. A few hours later his 2-year-old son Walter, while at play, fell and broke his right arm at the wrist. "Nuff to make a preacher swear."

Marriage Licenses Issued

Adolph Rosner, age 25 years, farmer, of Fremont, and Miss Catherine P. Spoltman age 26 years, housekeeper, of Coldwater.

JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP MAN DRAWS FIRST DRAFT NUMBER

Wm. Craft, a resident of this township, has the distinction of holding the first number—322—drawn at Washington last Monday for the 13,000,000 draft registrants enrolled September 12. This number was drawn by President Wilson, who was blindfolded.

THE JIG IS UP

Many of our readers who have failed to pay their subscriptions in advance will find no paper coming their way next week. The jig is up. Uncle Sam runs the mail wagon, and he has given us orders and we are ready to toe the mark if it takes the hide off. We have no desire to start an opposition mail line.

Those in arrears will find statements coming their way as soon as they can be made out. Papers hereafter stop when the subscription expires; so if you fail to get yours, you may know the reason.

GOV. COX TO MAKE AN ADDRESS HERE

Governor Cox is to make a patriotic address in Celina next Wednesday, the 9th, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. It will not be peace propaganda, you can set that down, unless it's the American kind. If you have a yellow streak you had better stay at home, because what he says might rub your feelings the wrong way. If you want to hear American talk, take an hour off and come out and hear him. A Camp Sherman quartet will accompany them. If the weather is pleasant the meeting will be held in the court house park. Otherwise it will be held at the city hall.

Dead Coldwater Youth Paid Fitting Honor

The attendance at the funeral of Clotair Desch at Coldwater last Monday was one of the largest ever noted on such an occasion at that place. Many Celina people were present. Young Desch, who had volunteered his services to his country, was in the Great Lakes training camp at Chicago when stricken with influenza. Mention of his death was made in last week's Democrat.

TO CELEBRATE GOLDEN JUBILEE

Holy Trinity congregation will celebrate the golden jubilee of the parish on Thursday, Oct. 10. The religious services will consist of a solemn jubilee mass at 10 o'clock a.m., with the Most Rev. Archbishop present, and the solemn dedication of the new \$6,800 organ at 7 o'clock p.m. The organ is the most beautiful done. The organ is the most complete, artistic and beautiful instrument in this part of the country, being considered one of three best in the state.

The social features will consist of a grand jubilee bazaar, which will be held in the school hall.

The officers appointed for the mass are: Deacons of honor to the Archbishop, Very Rev. Dean Anthony Menlik and Very Rev. George Hindelang, C. P. S.; celebrant, Rev. Mark Hamburger, C. P. S.; deacon, Rev. Lawrence Schirack, C. P. S.; subdeacon, Rev. Constante Vogelmann, C. P. S.; first master of ceremonies, Rev. Joseph Riverman; second master of ceremonies, John J. Antov, seminary; festival preacher, Rev. John L. Schopp.

The sermon at the dedication of the organ will be preached by Rev. George X. Schmidt, of Cincinnati, a past master in rhythmic eloquence.

All former pastors and a number of visiting clergy are expected. A large concourse of people is also anticipated, and the ladies of the parish are making extensive preparations to provide for the needs and the entertainment of the crowd. A fine country dinner will be served for 50 cents. A candy stand, refreshment booth, bowling alley, fancy stand and various other booths will also be on display at the bazaar in the school hall. The famous combined Coldwater-Celina band will be in evidence during the afternoon and evening.

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Chas. B. Rike, of Maria Stein, and J. H. Post and Chas. B. Franks, of Coldwater, were this week officially reported as severely wounded in action while at the front in France.

Word received this week from Mrs. W. H. Bretz, who is with her son Hubert at Chicago, is that he is improving slowly. He was stricken with influenza when it first struck the Great Lakes training station.

DON'T

Don't get peeved at the man who urges YOU to buy Liberty Bonds. He isn't working for himself. There isn't a penny in it for him—nothing but honor after the hardest kind of work. He is rendering a patriotic service to his country—YOUR country. OUR country.

Every member of the Liberty Loan organization is entitled to some kind of patriotic service bar. So when he comes to YOU, meet him with a cheerful smile. Give him the glad hand. Welcome him as a friend.

When he works for Uncle Sam he works for YOU. Make his work easy. Help him to help YOU. And when you have come across with your subscription, shake him by the hand, give him a hearty, cordial pat on the back, bid him God-speed—and then shake hands with yourself as a good American citizen.

TO-MORROW EVENING

It is hardly necessary to tell you Uncle Sam's Trophy train will be here tomorrow (Saturday) evening. It is scheduled to arrive at 6 o'clock and will remain till ten. Celina will no doubt have a record-breaking Saturday night crowd to see some of Kaiser Bill's Hun togs. Come in and see them.

LUTHERANS WILL CALL NEW PASTOR

At the quarterly business meeting at the local Lutheran church at 2 o'clock next Sunday afternoon the pastor, Rev. Keltz, having resigned owing to the condition of his eyes, a successor will be called at this meeting. All members are urged to be present.

The farewell and communion service will be held at 7:30 p.m., with a short confessional service at 7 p.m. The choir will furnish special music for the Sunday services.

Sunday-school at 9 a.m. This is the first Sunday in the last quarter. How many will be credited with perfect attendance by the last of the year?

Confirmation service at 10:30 a.m.; text, Rev. St. John, 2nd chapter, 10th verse. Parents' come and have your children remain for divine service.

INFLUENZA CLAIMS TWO MORE BOYS

Arlen Kennedy, a Mendon boy who enlisted in the army last July and called into service the 3rd of last month, being located at the Great Lakes naval training camp, died there on the 26th ult. of Spanish influenza and pneumonia. His remains were brought home last Friday, funeral services being held Sunday. He was a son of Frank Kennedy.

Another death from influenza, in which the third Mercer county boy has fallen a victim to the disease, was reported Tuesday, when Mr. and Mrs. Tony Fullenkamp, residing near St. Henry, received information of the death of their son George at Camp Sherman.

The young man had only been in camp a few weeks. He was leaving here with the last contingent of select.

THE GRIM REAPER

Mrs. Henry Juneman, a well known Celina lady, aged 60 years, passed away at her home here last Monday evening after an illness of but a few days. Death was due to heart trouble. The deceased was born in France, had two brothers and one half sister—Mesdames Maggie Schwartz, Geo. Kistler, Rose Taylor, Hugh and John O'Neil and Mrs. Isabel Overley.

Funeral services were held from her late home yesterday afternoon, Rev. Geo. Horn conducting the service.

Hugh West, a well known resident of Rockford, aged 77 years, was stricken with apoplexy while buying a railroad ticket at Lima last Friday, and an hour later breathed his last. He had been visiting a son at the latter place, and was in company with his wife and daughter-in-law. The remains of the deceased were taken to Rockford, where funeral services were Monday.

Sarah Margaret Tester, aged 63 years, died on the 26th ult. at the home of her son, Charles Tester, in this city. Death resulted from paralysis. The deceased was born near Chickasaw. For many years she was a resident of Center township, coming to Celina about five years ago. Funeral services were held last Sunday afternoon at Fairview church, Rev. Turner conducting the service.

Mrs. Anna Katherine Heyne (nee Bruns), aged 50 years, died at her home four miles southwest of Coldwater, last Sunday morning. She was a victim of dread cancer, with which she had suffered for more than a year, and had been bedfast for more than a year. The deceased is survived by her husband, John Heyne; her aged mother, Mrs. Katherine Bruns, at three brothers and two sisters. Funeral services were held at Cathage last Wednesday.

Carl Heffner, a former Celina boy, a son of Mrs. Lizzie Heffner, died at Dayton, O., last Friday as the result of an attack of typhoid fever. He is survived by a wife.