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TO KEEP THE TEUTON ON THE RUN

French Confident of Ability to Continue the Drive in the West If Good Weather Conditions Prevail

Paris, Oct. 1.—France intends that her great offensive along the western front shall be driven home.

"This is a great offensive, but it has only begun," said Senator Stephen Pichon, former French foreign minister, in an exclusive interview with the United Press today. "It will be thrust home before it stops. Until the present we lacked materials. We had no heavy artillery and our ammunition supplies were insufficient. Now we are amply provided with everything we need, both in big guns and shells. If we are only favored by the weather, I am sure things will go nicely.

"Souchez and positions near Vimy are ours. We are steadily progressing on every front. An occasional slackening need not be a surprise. The battles are not fought as when 100,000 men were a great army and a few hours or a few days sufficed to score a great victory.

"The weather is one of the greatest factors. On account of the extreme importance of artillery, heavy rainfall and muddy roads would seriously hinder operations. It has been demonstrated that French troops, man for man, are superior to the enemy. And because I know the spirit of the men in the trenches I firmly believe that the offensive will continue to a victorious end. Also I feel that Germany will be unable to aid Turkey because she needs her resources nearer home.

"The allies' drive will relieve the Russian situation very much."

Pichon is a powerful figure in France. Regarded as an international authority on the war, he is conservative in his statements.

EASTERN BUYERS ARE PURCHASING NORTHWEST WHEAT

Portland, Oct. 1.—Export interests were greatly excited here today when it was learned on good authority that eastern buyers were purchasing large quantities of wheat in the northwest.

The exporters have a large number of high priced ship charters on their hands and fear that a distinct rise should occur in northwest wheat the vessel owners would absorb most of the profit.

One of the eastern buyers is said to represent Rosenbaum & Company, of Chicago and others with equally substantial connections are reported operating in the interior.

Although the wheat crop in the east, according to the government report, is the greatest in history, it is said to be lacking in quality. This is reported to have necessitated the eastern buyers' presence in the northwestern market, where the quality is of the finest.

NEW WARDEN ASSUMES DUTIES AT THE PEN

Portland, Oct. 1.—John W. Minto, elected by the state board of control yesterday to be warden of the state penitentiary, succeeding his brother Harry, killed Monday night by an escaped convict, went to Salem today to enter upon the duties of the office.

OFFICIALS OF RIGGS NATIONAL BANK INDICTED

Washington, Oct. 1.—Three officers of the Riggs National bank were today indicted by the federal grand jury.

The indicted men are: President Charles E. Glover, Vice-President H. H. Flather, Vice-President W. J. Flather.

It was charged that they falsified statements concerning the bank's alleged stock operations. The charge is perjury.

The bank issued a statement, in anticipation of the indictments, saying that the American Audit company of New York had declared the bank's denial of stock operations was true.

The indictments against the officials are an outgrowth of the bank's action against Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo, Comptroller of the Currency Williams and United States Treasurer Burke, charging them with attempting to wreck the institution.

MANY RUSSIANS TAKEN PRISONERS DURING SEPTEMBER

Berlin, via Sayville, Oct. 1.—The Germans took 421 Russian officers prisoners and 95,464 men on the eastern front during September, it was officially announced today.

Attacks in the Artois and Champagne regions, including violent attempts northwest of the important town of Massiges, it was claimed, were repulsed.

"The English yesterday attempted no attacks," said the statement. "North of Loos our counter-attacks made further progress despite strong resistance.

"Enemy monitors have bombarded Lombartzyde and Middlekerke without results."

"French attacks failed east of Souchez, north of Neuville and northwest of Massiges. At the latter place seven divisions attacked.

"The total French prisoners in the Champagne are 104 officers and 7,019 men.

"French positions near Vauquois (Argonne) were damaged by mining. French aviators bombarded Henin Liutarb, killing eight French civilians."

On the eastern front Field Marshal von Hindenburg was reported to have stormed a position west of Dvinsk.

"Russian attacks east of Madzol and east of Smorgon, southeast of Vilna, failed," the statement continued. "We took 1,360 prisoners. Bavarians under Prince Leopold repulsed the enemy's partial attacks and captured 500."

KING GEORGE WIRES CONGRATULATIONS TO FRENCH LEADER

Paris, Oct. 1.—Telegraphed congratulations which President Poincare and General Joffre received from King George today removed any doubt that the present onslaughts along the western front constitute the beginning of a great drive.

The king mentioned the allies' successes "at the outset of our common offensive," and Poincare replied similarly, recalling British victories.

TURK SHORE BATTERIES SINK TORPEDO BOAT

(By United Press Leased Wire.) Constantinople, Oct. 1.—Turkish shore batteries sank a torpedo boat in the Dardanelles Wednesday, it was officially announced today.

NO MORE \$5 DEPOSIT ON PHONE

State Public Service Commission Issues Order Abolishing Advance Required of Telephone Patrons

(By United Press Leased Wire.)

Salem, Oct. 1.—The state public service commission today issued an order abolishing the \$5 advance deposit required of certain patrons of the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company. It has always been the custom of the telephone company to require applicants for flat rate service to deposit \$5, which was to be forfeited if the connection was not retained one year.

The commission's order does away with this, and after November 1, when it goes into effect, the only requirement will be that subscribers pay in advance.

Except for meter or measured service no deposit shall be demanded from any customer for service.

ROBERG SUCCEEDS WHITE AS STATE HEALTH OFFICER

(By United Press Leased Wire.) Portland, Oct. 1.—Dr. David N. Roberg became state health officer today, succeeding Dr. Calvin S. White. He was elected to the office by the state board of health last May.

DEATH LIST IN PATH OF SOUTHERN STORM INCREASED IN LATE REPORTS

(By United Press Leased Wire.) Baton Rouge, La., Oct. 1.—Casualty returns from the hurricane which swept New Orleans and vicinity are gaining hourly. It was estimated this afternoon that the dead will number 80 and the injured 200. Forty-three are reported to have been drowned at Rigolletta and Lake Catherine.

No word has come yet from Houma.

New Orleans, Oct. 1.—Twenty lives were snuffed out by the West Indian hurricane which hit here Wednesday morning and lashed the city and outskirts until three o'clock Thursday morning, according to estimates late this afternoon. At the same time \$15,000,000 of property was wrecked.

Two to three feet of water covered the city for a day and a half, while the water front suffered heavily. Nine boats sank in the harbor and several dry docks containing vessels were hurled by the 130-mile gale from one side of the river to the other. Five million dollars damage was done along the river front alone. Illinois Central officials estimated the road's loss at \$2,000,000.

Most of the dead are negroes, killed under the wreckage of sheds and small buildings in which they had sought refuge. Practically every house in the city suffered under the terrible lashing. Five churches were tumbled into ruins, and a score of others were damaged.

Schools, theaters and exchanges are closed, business is at a standstill and the crescent city is shut off from the outside world except by wireless.

Biloxi, Miss., Oct. 1.—Thirteen persons perished in the West Indian hurricane at Rigolletta, La., including nine in one family, according to fishermen arriving here today in a storm-torn craft.

MOVIE TRUST IS ORDERED DISSOLVED

Federal Court at Philadelphia Rules That the Combination Is in Violation of the Sherman Anti-Trust Law

(By United Press Leased Wire.)

Philadelphia, Oct. 1.—The motion picture trust is broken. Judge Dickinson, of the federal court, today ordered this big combine dissolved.

The government sued the Motion Picture Patents company, twelve other corporations and eleven individuals under the Sherman act. The court failed to find proof of the charge that the Melios company was a party to the alleged combination and dismissed the action against it.

The government filed its dissolution petition August 16, 1912, naming as defendants the Motion Picture Patents, the General Film, Biograph, Kalem, Inc., Vitagraph of America, J. A. Borst, Henry Marvin, J. J. Kennedy, Samuel Long, all of New York; Thomas Edison, Inc., Frank L. Dyer, Wm. Pelzer, of Orange, N. J.; Gaston Melles, George K. Spoor, W. H. Sells, George Kleine, Selig Polyscope, Melies Manufacturing and Essanay Film company, of Chicago; Armat Moving Picture, of Washington; Lub, Philadelphia; Albert E. Smith, Brooklyn, and Pathe Freres, New Jersey.

JOSE MAYTORENA WOULD BE MEXICAN REPUBLIC CHIEF

Nogales, Ariz., Oct. 1.—Governor Jose Maytorena has quit Sonora. He is after the Mexican presidency.

This was learned here on good authority today. Maytorena came over the line last night, accompanied by his entire staff, ostensibly en route to the Pan-American conference. At present he is stopping at his wife's house here, closely guarded by American soldiers.

The Yaqui General Urbalejo is expected to make a bid for the governorship of Sonora, relinquished by Maytorena. Carlos Randall, state treasurer, is governor pro tem.

It is believed here Maytorena will go direct to Washington for a conference with General Angeles with respect to a new movement. Inasmuch as Angeles has repeatedly declared himself innocent of presidential aspirations, it is expected here the new faction will declare Maytorena president of Mexico and then make a bid for American recognition.

Maytorena is the only constitutional official who has held office during five years of revolution. He can not proceed to Washington until permission is received from the American war department.

FATE OF BELGIUM NOT DECIDED YET SAYS THE KAISER

Berlin, via Sayville, Oct. 1.—Germany has not determined what disposition she shall make of Belgium, Under Foreign Secretary Zimmerman declared today in a newspaper interview. But she is determined that Belgium "shall not be England's vanguard."

"Germany always has wanted peace," he said, "and she now wants guarantees that war will not be repeated."

He added that Poland's future, too, has not been decided, but declared that Germany will determine both cases and that no nation will be able to impose its will upon Germany.

The interview was granted to the correspondent of the Nieuwe Rotterdamse Courant. Zimmerman assured him that Germany does not intend to violate Holland's neutrality nor to attack her economic and political independence. He added that Germany appreciates Holland's neutrality.

CREW OF FOUNDERED SPANISH SHIP LOST

(By United Press Leased Wire.) Madrid, Oct. 1.—The crew of the Spanish steamer Millan Carrasco, 687 tons, is reported to have perished when their vessel foundered Thursday off Luarca.

son was killed when a signal tower fell on him. Two unidentified men were crushed by the collapse of a water tank, and an unidentified negro was killed in Algiers.

Fears were felt today for thousands of people in the levee district south of here, and the death list may be swelled considerably when full reports from all of Louisiana are in.

The immigration station is housing 175 persons, rescued in a big boat by a single attaché of the station last night at Lee's Lane.

The city is strewn with debris and workmen began today the work of clearing this. Churches and schools were hard hit.

Police and firemen have rendered valiant service. At one point policemen risking death in a shaky cigar factory while the storm raged, took two hundred panicky girls to places of safety in automobiles and patrol wagons.

ALLIES READY TO OCCUPY MACEDONIA

Will Also Land Troops at Salonika to Aid the Serbians If Bulgaria Casts Lot With the Austro-Germans

London, Oct. 1.—The allies are not only ready to land troops at Salonika, but are considering military occupation of Serbian Macedonia, bone of contention in the Balkan situation. If this step is taken, it would be for the purpose of protecting Serbian territory while negotiations between Serbia and Bulgaria continue. It would also be undertaken for its moral effect on the Balkan states.

As an offset to German financial influence in the Balkans, the allies are planning to loan to the states to meet the expenses of mobilization. The allies are determined to checkmate every German move calculated to secure Bulgaria's aid.

In some quarters it is not believed that the Austro-Germans plan to fight their way through to Constantinople. The 300,000 troops they have massed on the Serbian frontier are deemed inadequate for such a thrust. There is a strong belief among some authorities that this massing is merely a plan to terrorize the Balkan neutrals so that they will submit to any scheme for the relief of Turkey which Germany may devise.

Foreign Minister Grey authorized the press bureau to state:

"This action is precisely similar to that which preceded Turkey's entrance into the war on the side of our enemies. You remember that German officers forced Turkey to make an unprovoked attack upon Russia in 1914. Since the allies are bound to support the states threatened by such proceedings, the news from Bulgaria is regarded most gravely."

The announcement created a sensation. Everywhere it was taken as an indication that Bulgaria has finally cast her lot with the Austro-Germans and is about to enter the world war.

ESTIMATE GERMAN LOSS ON WESTERN FRONT AT 150,000

(By United Press Leased Wire.) London, Oct. 1.—The seventh day of the powerful Anglo-French offensive on the western front found the allies sweeping closer to the Vimy heights and towards the Basancourt-Challerange railway, their two main objectives.

With these places in their hands, the allies would be in a position to administer a crushing blow to the enemy.

One hundred and fifty thousand in dead, wounded and captured are the estimated losses of the Germans since the big new drive started. No accurate figures on the allies' casualties are obtainable, although Berlin said they had suffered heavily, particularly in the fighting about Loos.

The Paris war office declared the French left wing is within two miles of the strategic Basancourt-Challerange railway, and added that allied shells have made this line useless to the enemy.

The French right wing is plunging toward Cernay against a steel resistance.

H. G. Marshall, of Leland, spent the day in town.