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CHANGE IN WAR FRONT IN EAST

Austro-German Armies Receive Check in Russia.

SLAYS TAKEN OFFENSIVE IN PLACES

More Troops Sent From The Eastern Front to Cope With the Italians Who Menace The Austrians.

LONDON, Sept. 15.—The Russian and German forces are battling for the control of Dvinsk. Dispatches today indicate that the Russians are gaining in strength, while the Germans are finding it more difficult to progress. The struggle now raging, it is believed, will have a decisive effect on the fate of Riga and Petrograd. It is officially announced from Berlin today that the German forces have captured Plinsk.

LONDON, Sept. 16.—Field Marshal von Hindenburg's drive toward the Dvinsk-Vilna railway is not progressing as fast as his previous enterprises of a similar kind have done and except at one or two points about midway between these towns, where his cavalry have cut the railway, he is still being stubbornly opposed by the Russians who are making vigorous counter attacks.

Von Hindenburg, however, has reached a point west of the bridgehead across from the town of Dvinsk and is preparing to attack that fortified area.

Along the rest of the line the German advance has also slowed up, while in Galicia the Russians are still attacking and, according to unofficial reports from Bucharest and other points, the Austro-German armies are falling back across the Dniester river. Just north of the Galician border the Russians also are on the offensive and are making an attempt to recapture the fortress of Dabno, which the Austrians took last week.

Tentative Plans Threatened.

This offensive in the south, it is believed, will have an effect on the rest of the front, as reinforcements must soon be sent there, or the Tentative allies will run the danger of being out-flanked.

Despite this the Austrians have sent more troops against Italy and have at some parts of the line assumed the offensive. The country is so rough and the Italians, since they declared war, have been so successful in capturing important positions for defense that an advance by the Austrians cannot for some time threaten the defenders. The operations, however, are likely to take on a more interesting character.

Th heavy guns continue their heavy bombardment along the western front and in the Vosges another battle is in progress for possession of Hartman's-Wellerkopf, which has changed hands often during the past few months.

According to dispatches from Holland, the British warships have again attacked the German positions on the Belgian coast. Air raids by allied airmen on towns now occupied by the Germans, and by Zeppelins on England, are daily occurrences.

Artillery Duels Still Continue.

PARIS, Sept. 15.—The suburbs of Arras were heavily bombarded last night. The French replied and silenced the German batteries. The French also shelled the German munition depots around Roye and Lassigny, blowing up a number of them.

TURKS FEAR REVOLT IN THEIR ARMY

LONDON, Sept. 16.—The Turks are preparing to transfer their government and financial establishments to Asia Minor, fearing an insurrection in their army. Athens dispatches assert. The present plan is to have Germans man the Turkish artillery in an effort to suppress the expected attempt.

The communique reported an artillery battle throughout the Wouvre, Campagne and Vosges regions.

English Admit Loss of Submarine. LONDON, Sept. 16.—The admiralty admitted today that the Turkish announcement claiming that the British submarine E-7 had been sunk and its crew captured, was "presumably correct". The submarine has not returned to its base.

ROSEBURG HAS CRACK SHOTS

Three members of the 4th company coast artillery, Walford, Pearson and Hamilton, besides Capt. Buchanan, have been selected as members of the team to represent the Oregon Guard at the national shoot to be held at Jacksonville, Florida, during October. These men all won high scores at the recent shoot at Clackamas, where the team from Roseburg scored so high.

The medals given there are displayed by the boys with considerable pride, and are of bronze representing a bullet, engraved with the date of the shoot and the class, which in their case is "Class A 1st prize".

Before they start on the trip east, they will assemble at Clackamas, where they will be provided with special guns of the latest pattern, and these will be the ones used in the trials at Jacksonville. The members of the eastern team from this state will all leave in a body, but will doubtless be at liberty to return as they may arrange it from choice.

It can be said for the representatives from the Roseburg company, that they are all dead shots, and it is quite probable that not only will they bring back some coveted prizes offered, but they will participate in the large cash prizes offered. The exact date of their departure for Clackamas, and thence to Jacksonville is no definitely settled yet, the notification of their selection only having arrived yesterday.

The Oregon team will consist of fifteen members, of whom seven are from southern Oregon and belong to the coast artillery. The war department restricted the number to winners at previous matches, so that every man is a crack shot. Sergeants S. W. Pearson, of this city, leads the list with a score of 1139, Sergeant J. H. Walford has 1081 to his credit, and Sergeant R. S. J. Hamilton, 1061.

The local company can certainly feel proud that it furnishes one-fifth of the contestants, as well as one of the team captains.

FRANCE CALLS BOYS OF 18 TO COLORS

PARIS, Sept. 16.—The government today introduced a bill calling the class of 1917 to the colors, and ordering the class of 1888 to be held in readiness for service. This brings to the colors youths of 18 and men of 47. A quarter of a million of French boys, many of them now in the schools, will probably be ordered into the training camps.

ITALIANS SINK TWO AUSTRIAN DESTROYERS IN ADRIATIC SEA

PARIS, Sept. 15.—According to dispatches received today an Italian submarine has sunk two Austrian destroyers in the Adriatic on Monday.

A jitney accident happened shortly after noon today at the corner of Jackson and Douglas streets. When the car operated by Mark Simpson came in collision with one run by Tom Hall. Hall was coming down Douglas and Simpson was going down Jackson at the McClellan hotel corner, and being unable to come to a stop, hit nearly head on, with the result that the Simpson car sustained a broken axle and fenders, with considerable damage to the radiator, making some \$50 repairs necessary. The other car was but little hurt.

ENGLAND FACES WAR SITUATION

Leaders Plead For More Munitions, Money And Men.

WAR DEBT PILES UP TO TEN FIGURES

Nearly Three Million Men Have Enlisted and Another Million Are Now Making Munitions of War.

LONDON, Sept. 16.—Premier Asquith, in the house of commons, and Earl Kitchener, secretary for war in the house of lords, gave an exhaustive survey today in the financial and military situations both making candid statements of what has already been done and of preparations for "carrying the war to a successful conclusion."

Both houses were crowded with members and spectators who followed with deepest interest Mr. Asquith's statement asking for a vote of credit, which was finally passed and which brings the total to 1,262,000,000 pounds (\$6,310,000,000) and to Earl Kitchener's reading of a carefully prepared optimistic speech on the military operations and needs.

Premier had to deal with huge figures to explain the financing of the war and warned his hearers that although the expenditure was now over 3,500,000 pounds daily, there was a likelihood of its increasing, owing to the advance to the allies and dominions, which had reached 250,000,000 pounds (\$1,250,000,000) and provision for munitions.

More Men Needed.

Since the war began nearly 3,000,000 men, he said, had enlisted in the army and navy. Besides 800,000 persons were now engaged in the manufacture of munitions. But both figures would have to be increased, and he appealed to the women to give their assistance, believing that they would make a "gigantic stride towards the solution of one of their most pressing problems."

Mr. Asquith candidly admitted that mistakes had been made and added:

"I do not say even now that we are doing all we might or even all we ought to do."

He protested, however, against the attempts of a section of the press "to belittle and disparage our efforts."

Greater Sacrifices Urged.

After reviewing the operations in Flanders, the Dardanelles and Poland, Mr. Asquith declared that the country had vastly exceeded any standard dreamed of before the war as the way went on; however, that standard would rise and new sacrifices would be demanded in men, munitions and money.

A discussion on the question of conscription followed the premier's speech as the house finally granted the vote asked for.

Earl Kitchener in his speech made the interesting disclosure that the German attacks with gas, liquid fire and asphyxiating shells, lacking as they now do, the element of surprise, have failed in their object and have lost much of "their offensive value owing to the steps taken to counteract them."

LAND GRANT CONFERENCE ON

SALEM, Sept. 16.—The conference on the Oregon and California railroad land grant, to formulate a plan to dispose of the land, and to recommend to congress a policy for its sale and settlement, began here today. W. L. Vawter is temporary chairman, and there are approximately three hundred delegates present. Governor Withycombe addressed the conference, urging it to refrain from taking any action which might be interpreted by congress as presumptuous, and so ultimately injure the cause of Oregon.

value owing to the steps taken to counteract them.

Lifting the veil of secrecy, he announced that 11 divisions of the new army had reinforced Field Marshal Frenche's force in France, and others would follow quickly. He, too, spoke optimistically of the situation on the various fronts, expressing the opinion that "the Germans have shot their bolt," in their offensive against Russia without achieving their object of destroying the Russian army.

As far as the Turks were concerned, Lord Kitchener said, there was an abundance of evidence on the process of demoralization having set in in Mesopotamia, where the resistance of the Turks had terminated.

Without referring directly to conscription, the war minister said provision to keep up the strength of the army in 1916 was causing anxiety owing to the falling off recently in the number of recruits offering themselves for service, and he promises an impartial inquiry as to the best means of keeping armies up to their full strength.

TOO BUSY TO START STRIKES

VIENNA, Sept. 16.—Austria has not interfered and will not interfere with the internal affairs of America. We are too busy with European affairs to bother with strikes in America. The request for the recall of Ambassador Dumba cannot disturb our friendly relations. A high Austrian official gave the foregoing information to the United Press today. It is not determined whether a successor to Dumba will be appointed or not.

FIND GOLD ORE LONG STOLEN

SACRAMENTO, Sept. 16.—Twenty five thousand dollars worth of high grade gold ore, stolen from the Empire mine at Nevada City, was found today in the basement of a house here. The officers have been on the trail of the ore for months.

HOOPER'S PAL SENTENCED TO STATE PENITENTIARY

GRANTS PASS, Ore., Sept. 15.—Joe Collings, who was awaiting trial on the charge of attempted assault on a 5-year-old girl, and who assisted John Austin Hooper in his escape a few weeks ago, was sentenced by Judge Calkins, of the circuit court to from three to ten years in the penitentiary after Collings had pleaded guilty to the charge of assisting a prisoner to escape.

J. HAMILTON LEWIS OPPOSES BILLION LOAN

CHICAGO, Sept. 16.—Opposition to the proposed billion dollar loan to the allies was voiced today by Senator J. Hamilton Lewis, in a letter to the public. He contended that the loan would "invite a repetition of the '73 and '93 panics."

ENGLISH LOSE MANY IN THE DARDANELLES

LONDON, Sept. 16.—The British losses in killed and wounded in the Dardanelles operations total 79,283. Under-Secretary Tennant announced today in the house of commons.

Extensive arrangements are being made to observe "Rally Day" at the Baptist church next Sunday, and a great day is anticipated.

A large crowd was present last night to hear the concert given by the Moore band in front of the Grand hotel on Cass street. A number of excellent pieces were played, many people expressing their surprise that a band which had been practicing together for only a short time over a month, could furnish the high class music that was rendered under the leadership of Director McLaughlin.

RECORD CROWD AT FAIR TODAY

Premiums Are Awarded To The Successful Exhibitors.

FRUIT DISPLAYS ARE CREDIT TO COUNTY

Running Races As Usual Are Splendid Drawing Card and Sharp Brushes Are Seen.

The second day of the Douglas county fair has been as fair and ideal in every respect as though the directors had ordered the weather for this particular occasion. While the attendance of yesterday was not in any way a record breaker, those having the fair in charge were well satisfied and were confident that a much larger attendance would be noted today. While the unfortunate accident befalling Aviator Barin doubtless curtailed the attendance from the rural districts to a certain extent, still it was noticeable early this morning that a number of automobiles and other conveyances were wending their way into the city, loaded down with human freight.

At this time it is impossible to give even a partial list of the many prize winners in the pavilion as the books are still being worked upon by the clerks in charge.

In The Grange Tent.

As was expected it was a very hard proposition for the judges to make the final awards in this section, but after a lengthy discussion it was decided to award the first prize to Evergreen Grange, of Greens station, Melrose and South Ner Creek split second and third prizes as it was an impossibility to make a decision between the two. Glendale took fourth prize out of the seven entries. Each of the seven Granges represented were awarded \$20 for making the exhibit and the remaining \$250 is divided on a percentage basis.

The exhibit of Clark and Clark is well worthy of mention and many who saw their exhibit at the state fair two years ago declare it exceeds their efforts of that time. The exhibit of fruits is large and varied and to the visitor from away is a splendid advertisement for the fertility of the soil and climate of Douglas county. L. B. Skinner and Sons took first prize for their display of apples which was in every way a splendid exhibit and showed great skill and patience in the arrangement and packing of the fruit.

Brand Has Wonderful Grapes.

The display of grapes from the Overland Orchards brought forth the highest praises from the judges in charge of this department. They were awarded first prize over all other entries. Basket after basket was filled with the choicest bunches of Tokays, Malagas and other varieties from these famous orchards and the many visitors had difficulty in refraining from sampling the delicious fruit spread out so temptingly before them.

The local Indian agency had a large and interesting collection of Indian relics which had been collected by Mr. H. G. Wilson, superintendent of the local agency. This was a new feature in the line of displays and was the center of an interested crowd at all times.

The J. G. Flook Co. under the able management of William Dyringer have a very interesting display of goods and workmanship in woods. This exhibit attracted a great deal of favorable comment from the many visitors in the pavilion.

No prizes have been awarded in the industrial exhibit as yet, although the individual exhibits have all been passed upon. Superintendent Brown stated this afternoon that the work along this line shows remarkable improvement over that of last year and shows clearly the interest taken in this work by the many pupils in the rural schools. Schools from Wilbur, Riddle, Canby, Yoncalla and Cleveland have splendid displays of work of the pupils. The Benson and Fullerton schools also have very creditable

displays and the school scoring highest in the total prizes will be given first prize.

PAPER EARLY TOMORROW

In order that the force may enjoy the fair The News will be published at noon tomorrow.

There were in all 127 entries in the stock section and included horses, sheep, cattle and pigs. The ribbons have not yet all been awarded in this section.

In the poultry section the prizes are being awarded to E. A. Kruse, Howard Church and L. B. Skinner. The books are still in the hands of the clerks and will not be finished before night.

The races this afternoon were the drawing card and the grand stand was well filled with a laughing merry crowd of men and women. The business houses for the most part closed for the afternoon and both proprietors and their clerks wended their way to the fair grounds. On account of not having the aerial flights the management of the fair decided to have separate auto races each day and offered attractive purses to the local speed fiends in order to get them to compete. The second day of the motorcycle race brought out new starters and resulted in Peole, who took the place of Lewellen, winning, the time being 15:2 1-5; Carter second, 15:49 and Lumsden third, 17:40. Wilbur ran ahead until the 16th lap when he was slowed down by engine trouble and was forced to quit in the 18th.

The automobile race, which was the drawing card of the afternoon had only two starters, Smith of the Roseburg garage and Claude Welch, Smith won with a time of 14:51, Welch finishing 15:19. Smith made one lap in forty-three seconds. Stewart rode with Smith and Genoy with Welch.

The horse races were as follows: Half Mile Dash—Maxwell, 1st; Rogge River, 2nd; Abella, 3rd. Time 51 seconds.

Three-Fourths Mile Dash—Gift, 1st; Sterling, 2nd; Greenlow, 3rd. Time 1:17.

The two-mile relay race was won by V. R. Smith, running against the string of racers entered by H. R. Roadman.

PRIZE COURT TAKES MILLIONS

LONDON, Sept. 16.—Cargoes of ships detained while enroute from America to Copenhagen to the value of ten millions, were confiscated today by the admiralty prize court. The heaviest losses fall on the meat packers. Sir Samuel Evans charged that a number of American shippers attempted to evade the German blockade by using false manifests, and only a small part of the cargoes was released.

WILL TAKE WEEK TO COOL DOWN

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16.—Germany and the United States are undergoing the "cooling off" process, which will continue for a fortnight, leaving leaves on a vacation tomorrow and Bernstorff is not expected to return in the meantime.

AUSTRIANS ARE FORCED BACK TWENTY MILES

PETROGRAD, Sept. 16.—The Austrian right wing has been forced to retire 20 miles into Galicia, but are fighting desperately. The Russians continuing the pursuit have crossed the Strypa river and now occupy positions on the west bank. They claim to have taken three thousands prisoners.

Mrs. J. A. Walker, from Ten Mile, is visiting at the home of Mrs. E. B. Perrine, and taking in the county fair.