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GAINS BY FRENCH OUTFLANK LA FERRE

Southern Pivot of Western Line Trembles.

TRAVECY VILLAGE CAPTURED

Haig Advances North of Epehey and Near Vermand.

FLANDERS IS RAIN-SOAKED

British Push Lines Forward During Storm and Gain Footing in Pelziers—Huns Use New Kind of Gas Shell on New Zealanders.

PARIS, Sept. 11.—(Havas.)—The village of Travecy, near the southern end of the main Hindenburg line, has been captured by the French, say reports received here.

LONDON, Sept. 11.—The British, in local operations, have further advanced their line north of Epehey and in the neighborhood of Vermand, west of St. Quentin, according to Field Marshal Haig's communique issued tonight.

BRITISH ARMIES IN FRANCE, Sept. 11.—(By the Associated Press.)—British troops today gained a footing in Pelziers and Epehey, on the railroad between Rotsel and Marcoing.

New Projectile Used. Just before the British launched their attack this morning on the enemy trenches northwest of Pelziers, below Gouseaucourt, the Germans for the first time employed a new kind of projectile in an effort to drive the New Zealand troops from nearby positions.

The projectiles, which were about the size of an orange, were fired at short range in salvos of from 200 to 300 each, and were sprinkled over an area of two to three acres.

British Advance Continues. The British are continuing to close in on the Hindenburg line by small actions and maneuvers. The lines in the northern part of the battle zone have now been advanced through Trecault, three and one-half miles southwest of Marcoing, to the eastern edge of the place, where the troops are actually in the old British trenches facing the Hindenburg line.

In the south, Australian troops have advanced in the area from Vermand to the outskirts of Attilly, on the edge of Holnon wood, from the other side of which the whole flat country up to the famous German defensive positions and the spires of St. Quentin are clearly visible.

In the center, the British have gained a footing in Pelziers and Epehey and this morning an attack was launched against the enemy trenches northwest of Pelziers.

Storm Falls to Deter. The enemy positions were stormed during a downpour of rain. The troops were reported to have gained their objective, although the advance was made over oozy, slippery mud.

The enemy has delivered several small counter attacks. The line west of Gouseaucourt was attacked last night, but the advancing Germans were met with a withering machine gun fire and were repulsed everywhere except at one place, where they managed to penetrate a British post at the crossroads known as Deadman's Corner.

Another party tried to enter the British trenches southwest of Moeuvres, but was repulsed with comparatively heavy casualties.

The enemy delivered a hurricane bombardment in the Sennee valley last night, and soon after the British posts north of Ecourt-St. Quentin were attacked and some of them were withdrawn.

Lowlands Are Blocked. A heavy rain still is falling over the whole area and many of the smaller streams have been flooded. In the Flanders lowlands the ground has become almost impassable.

WITH THE FRENCH ARMY IN FRANCE, Sept. 10, 11 P. M.—(By the Associated Press.)—The Germans have relieved several of their tired divisions in the region of Vauxaillon, on the front north of the Aisne, and with some of their best troops are making a strong effort to stop the further eastward progress of the French.

The attempt has been without success, however, as the French forces took some additional lines of trenches in this region today, gaining ground also to the northeast of Laflaux.

Foe Attacks in Val. Repeated counter attacks in this vicinity were repulsed. The enemy reacted violently north of the Oise, but also without stopping the progress of General Humbert's troops, toward the road from La Fere to St. Quentin, which they now hold from La Fere two miles northward to Travecy. The wooded region of Venduill also fell into their hands.

WITH THE BRITISH IN FRANCE, 4 P. M., Sept. 11.—(By the Associated Press.)—There are indications that when the retreating Germans reach the

RECORD CLAIMED FOR OREGON BANKS

ALL SUBSCRIBERS TO TREASURY CERTIFICATES.

Series 3 Quota for State \$3,105,000 and Amount Absorbed Reaches \$5,640,000.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 11.—Every bank in the state of Oregon subscribed to the United States Treasury certificates of indebtedness of the series of September 3. Reserve bank officials, who made this announcement here tonight said that Oregon claimed this is a record achievement.

With a quota of \$3,105,000, the Twelfth Federal Reserve Bank district subscribed \$1,600,000 to United States Treasury certificates of the series of September 3.

This subscription makes up the remaining deficiency of \$13,850,000 due to under subscriptions of the issues of June 25 and July 8, leaving an excess of \$260,000.

The allotments assigned to the Pacific Northwest and their subscriptions follow: Idaho, \$1,328,000, \$2,157,000; Oregon, \$3,105,000, \$5,640,000; Washington, \$4,935,000, \$8,109,500.

Simultaneously with the closing of the subscription books yesterday, an announcement was received here from Washington of a new series to be dated September 17 and to mature January 16, 1919. Books on this issue will close September 24.

GASOLINE SHORTAGE NEAR

Supply Sufficient for Month, Says Fuel Administrator.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 11.—Fuel Administrator Garfield informed the Senate today, in response to the Lodge resolution of inquiry, that unless conservation steps are taken immediately, there would be a deficit of approximately 1,000,000 barrels of gasoline at the end of the year.

At the rate of consumption in August he estimated that there was only about one month's supply ahead.

A shortage of gasoline in California is shown in the report which states that stocks on hand in that state January 1, last, were 1,502,000 barrels and that on August 1 the supply dropped to 848,000 barrels.

MIRVIN DRIER SET ON FIRE

Ladder Found Placed at Upper Window, Where Flames Started.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Sept. 11.—(Special.)—That the Mirvin drier, near Fielda, was deliberately set on fire seems to have been proved. Mr. Mirvin, seeing the drier on fire, thought to save two expensive ladders which he had left near the plant when he quit work that day.

The oil was thrown in the upper window and the fire set and the building burst into flames in a few minutes.

PRINCE OF HESSE WILLING

Kaiser's Brother-in-Law Would Accept Finn Crown.

LONDON, Sept. 11.—Prince Frederick Charles of Hesse has declared his willingness to receive the crown of Finland, says a dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company from Copenhagen today.

The prince is visiting Finland, accompanied by a strong guard. The Finnish landtag is summoned to meet September 26 for the election of a King.

Prince Frederick Charles is a brother-in-law of Emperor William, having married the Emperor's youngest sister.

SHIPYARD PLANT BURNS

About \$150,000 Damage Is Done at Camden, N. J.

EMPLOYEES' PAY IS BOOSTED

New York Companies Grant Wage Increases of 20 Per Cent.

NEW YORK, Sept. 11.—Increases in wages to its 7500 employees, aggregating \$1,350,000 a year, were announced today by Theodore P. Shontz, president of the New York Railways Company.

SOLE IS MADE CAPTAIN

Representative Johnson, of Washington, Receives Commission.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 11.—Representative Albert Johnson, of Washington, has been commissioned as Captain in the Army chemical warfare service.

PETROGRAD FLAME; ANARCHY SUPREME

People Massacred in Streets of City.

REIGN OF TERROR IN SWING

Former Russian Capital Burning in Twelve Places.

STATESMEN PUT TO DEATH

Conditions Chaotic at Moscow—Two Attempts Made on Life of Hefferich Following Assassination of Morbach.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 11.—Today's advices indicate that a reign of terror recalling the days of the French revolution is in progress at Petrograd.

A dispatch from the American legation at Christiania said reliable information had reached there that Petrograd was burning in 12 different places and that there was indiscriminate massacre of people in the streets.

Secretary Lansing, in announcing receipt of the message, said it did not indicate whether the massacre was organized or merely was a result of a general state of anarchy.

Bolshevik Role Undisclosed. There was nothing to show what part the Bolshevik authorities were playing in the situation.

STOCKHOLM, Sept. 10.—(By the Associated Press.)—July and August were months of horror that never will be forgotten by persons who watched Russia's two great cities—Petrograd and Moscow—pass through the mad attempt of the Bolsheviks to shoot or imprison all persons who disagreed with their wild efforts to control crumbling European Russia.

Leon Trotsky, the Bolshevik Minister of War, is evidently determined that his dictatorship of the proletariat will not repeat the history of the former provisional government and fall through being too merciful.

Ex-Premier Kerensky refused to impose the death penalty, and his government fell almost without the loss of a life; but observers of the Russian political situation say that no such bloodless end can come to the soviet republic.

As a good roads advocate Mr. Webster was very active. He also took a great interest in the juvenile hotel, which was under his jurisdiction. He was a widower and lived at the Mallory Hotel.

LIONEL R. WEBSTER INSTANTLY KILLED

EX-COUNTY JUDGE FALLS IN ELEVATOR SHAFT.

False Step in Leaving Office for Dinner Proves Fatal for Prominent Lawyer.

Lionel R. Webster, ex-Judge of the Multnomah County Court and one of Portland's prominent lawyers, was instantly killed yesterday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock when he fell from the fourth floor of the Columbia building to the bottom of the elevator shaft.



Lionel R. Webster, ex-County Judge, Killed in Elevator Accident.

He was a member of the legal firm of Emmons & Webster, which has offices in this building, at West Park and Washington streets. Mr. Webster was leaving his office to go to dinner when the accident occurred.

When the elevator stopped at the fourth floor in response to his ring, the bottom of the cage was about two feet above the level of the floor, according to a circumstantial account to the police. Mr. Webster took a false step, fell and rolled between the elevator and the floor.

The cage, which was operated by J. C. Sumner, was descending to the floor level at the time. Mr. Webster was badly crushed before his body released itself and crashed to the bottom of the shaft. The body was sent to the morgue and Sumner was held for investigation by the District Attorney.

Mr. Webster was 66 years old and a native of New York. He practiced law in Southern Oregon and for four years was Circuit Judge in Jackson and Klamath counties. In 1895 he came to Portland and was a member of the firm of Carey, Ideman, Mays & Webster.

Two years later this firm dissolved and Mr. Webster and C. M. Ideman continued in partnership for five years. For two terms, beginning in 1902, he was County Judge, resigning in 1910 and being succeeded by Judge Cleaton.

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M'CORMICK LEADS IN ILLINOIS PRIMARY

Thompson's Defeat in Senate Race Looms.

REPRESENTATIVE FOSS THIRD

Mayor's Support Weakens; He May Not Carry Chicago.

LANDSLIDE VOTE PROBABLE

Down State District Strong for Leading Opponent of Executive of Illinois City—Lewis Unopposed on Democratic Ticket.

CHICAGO, Sept. 11.—Mayor William Hale Thompson was defeated for the Republican nomination for United States Senator in today's Illinois primary election by Medill McCormick, according to returns from more than half of the state received up to midnight. James Hamilton Lewis was re-nominated by the Democrats.

While McCormick apparently won the state by a comfortable majority, Chicago returned a plurality for Thompson, who had been charged by his opponents with numerous anti-war activities. In the Ninth (Chicago) Congressional district, where the loyalty issue also had been raised, Congressman Fred A. Britten has been re-nominated on the face of the returns.

Ex-Governor Yates Leads Mason. In another loyalty fight which was waged for the Republican nomination for Representative-at-Large, ex-Governor Richard Yates led Representative William E. Mason and Harry R. Rathbone, of Chicago. With two candidates to be nominated, Mason led Yates in Chicago, but was forced into second place by returns from down-state.

At midnight returns from 2948 precincts out of 5454 throughout the state gave McCormick a plurality of 30,399. At the same time 1728 Chicago precincts out of the 2204 in the city gave Thompson 53,994 and McCormick 39,749. Representative George E. Foss ran third in both the city and state.

Thompson's Lead Slows. In Chicago the incomplete returns have placed Thompson in the lead from the start, but by a constantly diminishing margin on the basis of police returns from approximately one-third of the city precincts, Thompson has a plurality of 24,000 over McCormick in Chicago, but the Mayor's vote has been dropping with every batch of returns coming in.

From the way figures have been fluctuating a possibility still exists that Thompson's present city lead may be overcome.

Downstate the returns so far indicate that Thompson has carried Monroe county, the heart of downstate pro-

AIR MAIL FLIGHT MOST VITAL ONE

CHICAGO TO NEW YORK TRIP RECORD EVENT.

Run Is Declared Quickest Ever Made

Between Two Cities in Transporting Anything.

NEW YORK, Sept. 11.—The importance of Edward V. Gardner's airplane flight with mail from Chicago to New York yesterday was emphasized today in a statement which the Aero Club of America issued with the announcement that the Journey was a record for mail carrying between the two cities.

"This is the first time mail has been carried between the two cities in less than 20 hours, and the time is the best ever made between these two cities in transporting anything," the statement said. "The importance of the flight was lost last night because Gardner landed late and in the dark, having failed to find Belmont Park after searching for the landing place for two hours. In future the air-mail landing places will be lighted so that pilots can readily find them and starting or landing at night will be comparatively easy."

Pilot Gardner left Chicago yesterday morning at 6:25 and arrived over Belmont Park at 8 o'clock, having stopped at Cleveland, O., and Lock Haven, Pa., on the way. The airplane cut down the distance between Chicago and New York to less than 700 miles. This service will be of great benefit to business men, because it will permit making earlier train and ship connections for mail going east and west.

Gardner and Edward Radel, his mechanic, were only slightly injured when they made a forced landing at Hicksville late last night.

RADIO STATION POWERFUL

Annapolis Wireless Has Operating Extent of 4000 Miles.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 11.—The new naval radio station at Annapolis, Md., the most powerful in America, is now in operation. First messages sent were from Secretary Daniels to the First Lord of the British Admiralty, the French Minister of Marine and the Italian Minister of Marine.

The station, which has an operating radius of 4000 miles, was completed in ten months and cost \$1,500,000.

FULL HONOR GIVEN WOMEN

Army and Navy Union Admits Ambulance Drivers and Nurses.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Sept. 11.—Women who serve as ambulance drivers and nurses on the war fronts will be admitted to the full honors of the Army and Navy Union, according to plans mapped out by the national executive committee of the organization here today.

The union has 52,000 members, comprising men honorably discharged from the Army, Navy or Marine Corps.

LICENSE OF 1911 IS USED

Dr. J. S. Davies and Ruth E. Irie Married in Jacksonville.

JACKSONVILLE, Or., Sept. 11.—(Special.)—Dr. J. S. Davies and Miss Ruth E. Irie were married in Jacksonville by Rev. A. H. Gannon.

The marriage license was issued by the County Clerk for Jackson County in 1911, but had never been used by the parties.

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REGISTRATION DAY BODES ILL FOR HUN

Nation Assembles Its Vast Man Power.

OREGON TO FURNISH 100,000

Millions of Americans Will Respond to Liberty Call.

MODERN REVERES TO RIDE

First Patriotic Demonstration Held Last Evening Before Liberty Temple; Bands Will Give Concerts During Day.

SOME THINGS THE MAN REQUIRED TO REGISTER MAY NEED TO KNOW.

Men required to register today under the selective service act should be prepared to give this information:

Date of birth and correct age; home address and that where employed, with name of employer or employing firm; present occupation; explanation of citizenship status; name and address of nearest relative.

Other registration pointers are these: Time of Registration.—Today, between the hours of 7 A. M. and 9 P. M.

Who Must Register.—All unregistered men not enlisted in the country's service who have attained the age of 18 and have not on or before today become 46.

Place to Register.—All but absentees and men who are ill will register in person in their home voting precinct. The list of registration places in Portland precincts was published in The Sunday Oregonian September 8, and corrections and additions are given this morning.

Further Pointers.—If you do not know your precinct number, call "Information Desk," Liberty Temple, Main 313 or A 6151, or call in person there or at room 145 Courthouse. If a sojourner in Portland, a "maverick" you are asked to register in room 145 Courthouse.

Something near 100,000 men of Oregon will today tuck into one of their pockets for safe keeping a little blue-green card—the Government calls it blue, most folks swear it's green. Through the 47 other states comprising this domain of freemen, something like 13,000,000 other men will stow away similar cards of similar color and purport into inside pockets.

Nation Pays Homage. To this very ordinary little slip of cardboard attaches no innate element of significance, yet the Nation pays homage today, almost lays aside its business, in deference to this miniature card that some say is green and others call blue.

It's the certificate of registration, certifying that the man named thereon has properly enrolled under the selective service regulations of the United States. This is the day on which the millions of American residents newly asked by the Government to place themselves in position to serve as warriors as emergency may demand will comply by registering under the draft law. Those affected by the enlargement of age limits by Congress are the unregistered men between the ages of 18 and 45, inclusive.

New Independence Day Kept. Throughout the Nation citizens will parade, patriot-orators will fling out their messages, bands will play, whistles sound, bells ring, flags flutter as youth and sire march to the places of registration and fulfill their

STORY OF U. S. DESTROYERS VIVID AND INTERESTING. Every word in the graphic story of "The Fighting Fleets," Ralph D. Falne's great account of our destroyers in the war zone, which will begin in serial form in The Oregonian Sunday, September 15, carries a punch. Every word will hold the reader's interest and will show, for the first time, just what America's sea fighters are doing to put the submarines of the enemy out of business.

Readers of The Oregonian should not miss the first installment of this stirring serial, which is told by a master writer who has been in close touch with the great fleet in actual service. This isn't a story which, once started, you will read the headlines and then drop it. It will carry you right through to the final period and keep you waiting eagerly for the next installment.

TODAY IS THE DAY.

