

BRITISH STRIKE BARRELS BLOW ON WEST FRONT

General Haig's Forces Penetrate German Defenses Near Amcre to Depth of a Mile, Say Correspondents.

TROOPS DASH FORWARD BEHIND SHELL CURTAIN

Villages of Beaumont and Hamel Located in the District Captured.

London, Nov. 13.—(U. P.)—General Haig's forces struck another terrific blow at the German lines about the Amcre today. After thunderous artillery preparation, the infantry took German positions to the depth of a mile, according to press dispatches received from the front this afternoon. The British troops, dashing irresistibly forward, captured the villages of Beaumont and Hamel, just north of a deep bend in the Amcre and about seven miles west of Bapaume, the objective of the great English offensive.

Allies Renew Attacks.

London, Nov. 13.—(U. P.)—British troops on the Somme front are attacking German positions both north and south of the Amcre river, according to the official report issued by the war office today. A number of German prisoners have been captured.

VILLA BAND SAID TO BE MOVING ON AMERICAN FORCE

Same Band Raided Mexican Central Railway Train and Murdered Soldier Guards.

El Paso, Texas, Nov. 13.—(U. P.)—About 300 mounted Villistas, under the bandit leader, are reported to be proceeding from the vicinity of Gallegos toward the outskirts of General Pershing's American expedition at El Paso, about 50 miles distant, according to an announcement made by the Mexican de facto government authorities at Juarez. This is the same band that raided a Mexican Central railway passenger train and killed 29 guards while searching for Americans at Laguna recently.

The Carranzistas, however, do not believe the bandits will hazard a small reconnoitering force of Americans. United States military authorities reported today that a military train of Carranzistas was captured at Fresno, just outside Chihuahua City, by Villistas. The bridge was burned behind the train, it was learned, and the de facto forces were forced to abandon it. Consul Soriano Bravo, at Juarez, stated he had heard nothing of such an attack.

Friends of Captain H. B. Scobell, British consul at Chihuahua City, declared today that officers have been received by the consul by special messenger from the British ambassador at Washington, advising Scobell to abandon his post for the present. The consul was reported leaving Chihuahua City this week.

The release of the two Americans held at Juarez was taken up by Consul-General Garcia again today.

Americans Are Still Alive.

El Paso, Texas, Nov. 13.—(U. P.)—Three Americans, sentenced by Carranza military authorities to die at dawn, still were alive today, while renewed efforts were being made from this side of the border to save their lives.

Albert Harrold is held in jail at Chihuahua as a cattle thief; Joseph Williams, who supplied General Pershing with beef, is being held at Juarez on the same charge; and Benjamin Brown, a Pershing scout, also is in jail at Juarez. He is accused of being a Villa spy.

The statement was made to United States Consul Edwards at Juarez, to be transmitted to the state department at Washington.

Coldest Night Brings Shivers to City Folks

Northeast Wind Adds to Discomfort and Thermometer Tumbles Around 29 Degrees Mark.

Portland had its coldest night of the present season last night. At 5 a. m. and until almost 8 o'clock when the sun's rays began to be felt the thermometer hovered around 29 degrees.

A northeast wind, fairly strong in the suburbs, added to the discomfort. The weather bureau expects more of the same kind of weather during tonight and Tuesday.

Cold Weather in California.

San Francisco, Nov. 13.—(U. P.)—Both of California's big interior valleys and the coast today are in a cold snap, which is shared by the rest of the country west of the Mississippi, according to Weather Forecaster G. H. Wilson.

About the bay water pipes were frozen last night and there was ice on the milk. From outside points temperatures ranged as low as 29 degrees and most of the San Joaquin and Sacramento valleys were below the freezing point.

For the most part the crops have been harvested, but citrus fruits and rice are still out.

A killing frost was predicted for tomorrow morning, with the weather continuing fair but cold today.

Wheat Not Hurt Yet.

Goldendale, Wash., Nov. 13.—The Klokik valley is experiencing the coldest winter weather yet known here. The government thermometer at Goldendale registered 10 above zero last night, and the cold snap was accompanied by a strong east wind.

Much fruit and vegetables not put away for the winter have been frozen and surface water pipes not protected were frozen solid.

Wheat growers say that the fall grain crop has not been hurt yet, but are afraid of freezing and thawing weather which would greatly damage the crop at this time of the year.

No Damage at The Dalles.

The Dalles, Or., Nov. 13.—No damage has been done by the cold here, although there was a heavy frost last night. Minimum temperature this morning was 12 degrees above zero. Yesterday afternoon it was 22 degrees above. Three degrees below zero last night at Manchester Mills, a few miles southeast here, the sudden cold wave halted an epidemic of grip. The whole town had been sneezing for the last fortnight.

The Chamber of Commerce reported that no reports of cold damage had reached that body.

Pendleton Plumbers Busy.

Pendleton, Or., Nov. 13.—Pendleton is experiencing the coldest November weather for some time. The thermometer dropped last night to six degrees above zero, and plumbers are busy men today. Saturday night the minimum was 11 above.

At Meacham it was 15 below last night. The sudden cold snap has frozen the ground so hard that farmers have had to stop seeding operations.

Hood Fruit Threatened.

Hood River, Or., Nov. 13.—The thermometer fell to 18 above zero last night. The Hood River valley and it is reported that considerable damage has been done to the apples that are still unpicked and those that have been picked, it is feared, will be ruined.

It is estimated that there are fully 25,000 boxes of apples unpicked in the Hood River orchards and fully as many standing outside in boxes.

Cold at Eugene.

Eugene, Or., Nov. 13.—The minimum temperature in Eugene yesterday morning before sunrise was 21 degrees, according to the government thermometer. This is the lowest yet and is almost as low as it reaches any time during the average winter. The night before the minimum was 22 degrees.

Seattle Shivers, Too.

Seattle, Wash., Nov. 13.—(P. N. S.)—With zero weather predicted by the weather bureau, Seattle today is shivering with cold. The minimum reached during the cold spell so far has been 29 degrees above.

SCHOOLS' FIRE BRIGADES PUT OUT TWO FIRES

Flames Break Out in Albina Homestead School This Afternoon Following Similar Occurrence in Woodlawn.

PUPILS DO FINE WORK UNDER KROHN'S ORDERS

In Both Blaze Is Out Before Firemen Arrive—None Is Injured.

A small fire at the Albina Homestead school, the second school fire to take place today, gave opportunity for the showing of excellence in fire drill and of the readiness of the school fire squad.

Sparks from the chimney are held accountable for the fire, which consumed but a small portion of the shingles on the roof. There were but 200 children in the building at the time, the others having already been dismissed.

The dispatch with which they left the building did credit to their familiarity with the fire drill.

Robert Krohn, physical director of the public schools, who participated in the extinguishing of the Woodlawn school fire, and C. F. Eastman, janitor, with the help of a school boy, extinguished the fire before the engines arrived.

Water in the assembly hall, over which the fire took place, did most of the damage, which was slight. It occurred at 2:40.

Hugh J. Boyd is the principal of the school. In 15 seconds the Woodlawn public school at Bryant and Union avenue, was emptied of its 501 pupils this morning while a roof fire threatened to destroy the structure.

As soon as the building was emptied of its pupils, the boy's fire department headed by Junior Chief Thomas Eggleston, was at work and assisted by Robert Krohn, physical director and Principal, C. F. Eastman, janitor, had the fire almost under control before the regular department arrived.

So quietly was the fire drill gone through with that few of the children knew a real fire was in progress and they complained bitterly at being forced to leave the building and go out into the cold east wind.

The blaze was discovered by the janitor, and was caused by a spark. It was about the size of a coffee can and damaged a considerable section. School was resumed, however.

U-Boats Reported Off American Coast

New London, Nov. 13.—(I. N. S.)—The German U-boats, which are reported off Block Island, but the report cannot be confirmed. It is supposed they have come to convoy the Deutschland.

Paul Hilken, one of the officials of the Eastern Forwarding company, says he has no information about the U-boats.

A big batch of mail arrived here Saturday night, and the German embassy at Washington and to consist largely of official documents.

California Town Is Swept by Flames

Sacramento, Cal., Nov. 13.—(U. P.)—Starting in a tannery parlor at noon today a fire has swept half the business district of the town of Davis, 13 miles west of here, and is still raging.

Two chemicals and a pumping engine from the Sacramento fire department were hurried to the town in response to the call for help. Every resident of the city is engaged in fighting the flames.

A strong north wind is spreading the fire rapidly and it is feared the entire town will be wiped out. The loss is already more than \$50,000.

President Confers With Lansing Today

Washington, Nov. 13.—(I. N. S.)—President Wilson today held Secretary Lansing to the White House for a conference which is expected to result in quick action on diplomatic affairs with England, Germany and Mexico.

Newspapers of South America Approve Choice

La Nacion Says Triumph Particularly Agreeable Because of Friendly Conciliation.

By Charles P. Stewart. Buenos Aires, Nov. 13.—(U. P.)—Re-election of President Wilson has evoked widespread favorable comment throughout South America. The press generally approves the choice. This opinion is typically reflected in an editorial in La Nacion, Argentine's most powerful daily.

"President Wilson's triumph is particularly agreeable on account of his friendly conciliation which is invariably inspiring to South American policies," La Nacion says.

The Democratic program, contradicting Republican imperialism, has made justice the basis of the international policies of the United States.

"President Wilson's fulfillment of this agreement in a measure surpasses prediction."

"The pure character of his administration is particularly significant because it has been uninspired by any purposes of commercial advantage, but solely by justice."

La Nacion, however, goes on to point out that there still exists a wide commercial field, which remains to be cultivated.

HUGHES' PLURALITY IN STATE OF OREGON HAS REACHED 7133

All Counties but Four and Partial Returns From Those Give Wilson 117,120 Votes

Complete returns from all but Grant, Harney, Lake and Malheur counties, and incomplete returns from those, give Hughes a plurality over Wilson in Oregon of 7133. The figures are: Hughes, 124,253, and Wilson, 117,120.

State election returns from update counties indicate that the amendment to remove from the state constitution the antiquated prohibition against negro suffrage has been defeated.

Complete figures from all but six counties, with incomplete returns from others, give the following results: For amendment.....\$9,911 Against amendment.....\$9,011

Majority against.....820 The anti-compulsory vaccination measure, which was running close to a tie, has a lead now of nearly 4500. The vote on it is: Yes.....\$2,234 No.....\$8,756

Majority for.....4,475 No material changes appear in the results from those districts published by any of the other measures or amendments.

Corn Products Co. Found to Be Guilty

New York, Nov. 13.—(I. N. S.)—The Corn Products refining company is held guilty of violating the Sherman anti-trust law in a decree handed down by Federal Judge Hand today.

The corporation attempted to establish a monopoly, the decree says, in the manufacture of starch, glucose and syrups.

A plan for the dissolution of the corporation must be filed within 120 days after the entry of the decree, unless there is an appeal to the United States supreme court.

The defendant subsidiaries of the Corn Products company named in the decree are: National Starch company, St. Louis Syrup & Preserving Co. and the Novelty Commodities company. In addition to these, there were a number of individual defendants. All are accused of engaging in a combination to restrain trade.

South Bend Plant Damaged by Fire

South Bend, Nov. 13.—Fire starting in the dry kilns of the South Bend Clayboard company mill Saturday night almost destroyed the plant, entailing a loss estimated at \$600,000. Insurance of \$400,000. Most of the machinery was saved. Palmer & Burpee are the owners. The plant started three months ago.

Colonel Bulger Is Saved From Gallows

Denver, Colo., Nov. 13.—(I. N. S.)—Seven times snatched from the gallows in open market transactions, Colonel James C. Bulger's death sentence was commuted to life imprisonment in the penitentiary at Canyon City today.

MISTAKE CUTS HUGHES' LEAD IN MINNESOTA

Wilson Makes Constant Gains as Count of Ballots Proceeds; Republican Nominée's Lead 202 at Noon.

NORTH DAKOTA SAFE IN WILSON COLUMN

Woman's Suffrage Measure Seems Defeated in South Dakota.

St. Paul, Minn., Nov. 13.—(U. P.)—A big error in Faribault, discovered on official count, with small but constant gains for Wilson in other official figures, including votes by mail and the soldier vote from 13 counties, cut Hughes' lead in Minnesota at noon to 202.

With North Dakota definitely in the Wilson column, interest today turned to the formation of the state legislature, which will be completed under the domination of the Farmers' Non-partisan league. Candidates elected with the indorsement of the farmers' organization have complete control of the legislature. The league, organized last fall as an outgrowth of the Equity Cooperative exchange, had for its sole object state owned elevators and marketing of grain direct from the farmer to the miller, eliminating entirely board of trade speculation in all foodstuffs.

In South Dakota, woman's suffrage and the Richards direct primary law seem definitely defeated. The former is 4455 behind and the latter law, thrown out by the United States supreme court twice, is 1073 votes behind.

Madison, Wis., Nov. 13.—(I. N. S.)—President Wilson received 64 votes and Charles E. Hughes 16 votes in the ballot cast by Company E, First Wisconsin regiment, on the Mexican border.

Strike Threatened Again by Railroads

Big Four Brotherhoods in Session Say Eight-Hour Day Must Be Put Into Effect Jan. 1 to Avert Walkout.

New York, Nov. 13.—(I. N. S.)—Unless the railroads put an eight-hour day into effect by January 1, the 400,000 members of the "big four" brotherhoods will strike, it was threatened today by officials of the brotherhoods, the organization of the union men who went into a secret conference.

The conference committee of the railway managers was present also. Those representing the brotherhoods were W. S. Carter, president of the Brotherhood of Firemen and Engineers; W. G. Lee, president of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen; Warren Stone, president of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen; and J. E. Shepard, vice-president of the Order of Railway Conductors.

Mr. Lee, spokesman for the brotherhood heads, said he did not care what the supreme court decided about the constitutionality of the Adamson eight-hour law.

Prendergast Must Face Both Charges

United States District Judge Wolverton this morning overruled a demurrer to an indictment against William J. Prendergast, Portland attorney, charged with sending threatening postcards through the mails in the operations of the Merchants' Mercantile company. Prendergast is now on trial on a charge of using the mails to defraud in the operations of this company.

The indictment means that he will have to face trial on the other charge as well.

Buried Artillery Defends Front

Germans on Somme Prepared Allies Are Only on Outskirts

By Carl W. Ackerman. Somewhere on the Somme, Nov. 10. Via Berlin and Wireless to Sayville, L. I., Nov. 13.—(U. P.)—Germany is defending the Somme with buried artillery.

In their assault the French and British are attacking only the surface of the greatest fortifications in the world.

Germany built a surprise for the allies in her wonderful series of artillery-proof fortifications. These are built so close together, dug so deep and cover such a wide area that the allies, today attacking with infantry, tanks and artillery, are only on the outskirts of a wonderful system of underground forts.

Bombardment is terrific. Fields, woods and towns are torn to pieces by constantly exploding shells. But underground nothing is touched. And it is from her subsurface forts that Germany is repelling the allied attack.

For a week I have been over the Somme battlefield. From a height near Peronne and to the south of Arras our party twice penetrated the shell area, viewing Peronne and Bapaume, the two immediate objects of the attack. It marked the first time since the Somme battle began that a neutral has been permitted to inspect this part of the underground fortifications constructed by the German forces.

German Diver of Battle Type Sighted, Report

Craft Believed to Have Come Across Atlantic to Protect Deutschland.

New York, Nov. 13.—(I. N. S.)—The Evening Sun late this afternoon carried a report that a submarine had been sighted off Point Judith, R. I., and that from its description, the undersea craft was believed to be a German war submarine.

The theory was advanced here that it was a U-boat probably was lying off the coast awaiting the departure of the Deutschland and is to act as a convoy to that vessel on its return trip to Germany.

REPUBLICANS APPEAR TO CONTROL IN HOUSE FOR ITS ORGANIZATION

Have 218 Votes Including That of Schall, Minnesota, Elected as Progressive.

Washington, Nov. 13.—(U. P.)—On the face of the returns, as tabulated unofficially in Washington today, the Republicans will have 218 votes for organization purposes in the next house of representatives, the Democrats 216, and one, Meyer Loudon, Socialist, unattached.

This aligns Schall, elected in Minnesota as a Progressive, with the Republicans. It counts with the Democrats as an independent against a Republican; Randall of California, elected as a Prohibitionist, though with the Democratic organization's support, and Whitmartin, Progressive Protectionist, of Louisiana.

The house line up by states on the present returns follows: Republican, California 6, Colorado 1, Connecticut 4, Idaho 2, Illinois 21, Indiana 9, Iowa 11, Kansas 3, Kentucky 2, Maine 4, Maryland 2, Massachusetts 11, Michigan 12, Minnesota 8, Missouri 2, Montana 1, Nebraska 3, Nevada 1, New Hampshire 2, New Jersey 10, New York 26, North Carolina 1, North Dakota 3, Ohio 8, Oklahoma 2, Oregon 2, Pennsylvania 1, Rhode Island 2, South Dakota 2, Tennessee 2, Vermont 2, Virginia 1, Washington 4.

New Cars on Way To Relieve Shortage

Public Service Commission Informed That 70 Are on Way to Oregon, With Others Going to Other Parts.

Salem, Or., Nov. 13.—The Southern Pacific will soon have 2500 new freight cars to help it in overcoming the shortage, according to letters received by the Public Service commission this morning from officials.

President Sprule denied that there was any truth in the report that the Southern Pacific had permitted the Union Pacific railroad to place car orders with builders in advance of its own. He said new cars are now coming from the builders in the east and the company should receive 3500 per day until the order for 3500 is completed.

J. H. Dryer, assistant general superintendent, told the commission, that of 138 new box cars received, 70 of the very first were billed to Oregon. The hundred cars are on their way to the Southern Pacific's rails, he said.

Steamship Kapunda Victim of Torpedo

London, Nov. 13.—(I. N. S.)—A Lloyd's dispatch tonight reports the sinking of the 2097 ton British steamship Kapunda, presumably by a submarine.

Petrograd, Nov. 13.—(I. N. S.)—A Russian submarine, the Blag, has destroyed a Turkish steamship and a schooner and captured another schooner, says an official statement today. It further reports that attacks by Turkish submarines on the Caucasus (Armenia) were repulsed.

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BULLETINS

American Woman Decorated. Berlin (Via London), Nov. 13.—(U. P.)—Mrs. Jacques Mayer of New York, wife of the millionaire American manufacturer, has been decorated with the Red Cross medal by order of Emperor William.

Mrs. Mayer, who was born in San Francisco, was decorated simultaneously with the wives of General von Mackensen, who is leading the Bulgarian-German forces on the Dobruja front in Roumania, and General von Falkenhayn, former chief of staff. Mrs. Gerard, wife of the American ambassador to Germany, is the only other American woman who has received this honor.

Hotel Burns, Woman May Die.

Steamboat Springs, Colo., Nov. 13.—(I. N. S.)—A woman guest of the Onyx hotel, Mrs. C. R. Crutcher, whose address is unknown, is dying and another guest, said to be a man tourist from the east, is missing. The hotel is a fire which broke out in the hotel to the ground today. The temperature was 12 below zero and water hydrants were frozen. Many guests are suffering from exposure.

Teuton Troops Defeated.

Petrograd, Nov. 13.—(U. P.)—Teuton troops that persistently attacked Russian positions in the wooded Carpathian south of Odessa, met with cold steel and repelled after suffering great losses, the war office announced today.

Hugh Miller Wins Race.

Phoenix, Ariz., Nov. 13.—(U. P.)—Hugh Miller, driving a Pope-Hodgson racing automobile, won the Douglas-Phoenix road race, finishing here, in 8 hours and 45 minutes, a distance of 150 miles. The distance covered was 235 miles. Fifteen cars started.

McCredie Signs Semi-Pro.

Los Angeles, Nov. 13.—(P. N. S.)—Herman Schallin, Los Angeles semi-pro, was today signed by the Portland Beavers.

World's Record Is Broken.

Phoenix, Ariz., Nov. 13.—(P. N. S.)—Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, for a circular dirt track, Don John of Pasadena, Cal., today covered five miles here in 3 minutes, 58 seconds.

I. C. C. ORDER PERMITS O-W. R. & N. TO MAKE NEW ASTORIA RATES

Modifies Former Order; Permits Higher Rates From Seattle to Interior.

***** Order Modifies Order. ***** Washington, Nov. 13.—The effect of the order is merely to modify the original order to the extent of allowing the O-W. R. & N. company to raise the rates on Puget sound freight basis to Astoria, either by way of its own rail and boat line or in connection with the Spokane, Portland and Seattle line, by way through Kennewick or Portland. The order therefore makes no change in the rate basis. It allows the O-W. R. & N. company to avoid application of the Astoria rates direct by its own line.

***** Washington, Nov. 13.—(U. P.)—The Interstate Commerce commission today authorized the Oregon-Washington Railroad & Navigation company to maintain higher rates from Seattle to inland Empire points than from Astoria, Or., to the same points.

The order revokes a previous order of the commission, effective November 1, and is a further adjustment of the rate case, Seattle to Puget sound, which is now pending before the commission.

The O-W. R. & N. Co. on July 31 had asked the Interstate Commerce commission for relief from the order in the Astoria rate case, in so far as traffic to and from the region of the Puget sound is concerned. It asked that, inasmuch as conditions of traffic and distance differ from those of competing lines, it be permitted to raise the Astoria rate only to such an extent as it saw fit.

Today's commission order is taken to mean, therefore, that the O-W. R. & N. is not required to make from Seattle, via Portland, the same rate to the inland Empire region as it may establish from Astoria to meet the competition of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle railway.

The railroad company had set out in its application to the commission that it already has in force higher class rates from the territory in question to Puget sound, and that it was entitled to rate on certain commodities which it makes by joint arrangement with one of its competitors.

The commission apparently has recognized the principle of a higher rate for a longer haul as to Seattle with reference to Portland. The O-W. R. & N.'s line from the region between Seattle and Portland is longer to Seattle than any of the other routes. In addition, to reach Astoria, it is required either to transfer the freight from the cars to one of its river boats at Portland, or else turn the cars over to the Spokane, Portland & Seattle railway at Portland, for the last 100 miles of its journey to Astoria. Either the latter alternative requires longer charges, which must be absorbed out of the common point rate ordered by the commission.

These facts were put before the commission by the O-W. R. & N. Co. Whether the order may be taken as a precedent for the establishment of lower rates for shorter distances, based on the water level haul down the Columbia, is yet to be ascertained.

Compensation Law Cases Are Reopened

Washington, Nov. 13.—The U. S. supreme court today reopened for argument cases involving the workmen's compensation laws of the states of Washington, Iowa, New York, Ohio and New Jersey.

OREGON NOT DRY AS BONE UNTIL LAWMAKERS SIT

Attorney General Brown Says Present Arrangement Will Stand Until Legislature Provides Law for New Bill.

PROCLAMATION WILL HAVE NO EFFECT

Constitutionality of Webb-Kenyon Act Will Have a Bearing on Law.

Salem, Or., Nov. 13.—The bone dry constitutional amendment will not go into effect in Oregon until the legislature acts, Attorney General Brown said this morning. Until the legislature provides laws to go with the amendment, the present law, which permits the importation of two quarts of whiskey or wine or 24 quarts of beer every four weeks, will be in effect, he added.

There will be nothing to prevent express companies from carrying liquor into the state, as at present, until the legislature acts, he said.

Proclamation Not Effective.

Brown said that the issuing of a proclamation by the governor early in December, declaring the result of the election, would not affect the situation.

The legislature will meet January 5, and it will probably take several days to enact a law providing regulations and penalties to carry out the provisions of the amendment recently adopted. The latest amendment is in line with the Webb-Kenyon federal act, which is now before the supreme court at Washington. The Oregon bone dry amendment will be void if the supreme court finds the Webb-Kenyon act unconstitutional, said the attorney general. Otherwise, the prohibition law will not be affected.

Situation Is Discussed.

Governor Withycombe and Attorney General Brown discussed the situation at some length, and at the conclusion of the conference, Governor Withycombe stated that he would lay the bone dry proclamation immediately after the canvass of votes by the secretary of state. This canvass will take place early in December, he expected, and not later than December 7.

In view of the ruling of the attorney general, the governor said he saw no reason why the matter of holding up the proclamation until the legislature should meet and act need be considered further.

"The