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FRENCH STILL PUSH ONWARD TWO SECTORS

IN VERDUN SECTOR AND ALONG ALLETTE RIVER, FRENCH ARE VICTORS

MANY FIERCE ARTILLERY DUELS

Both French and British Hammer Teuton Lines and Meet With Warm Big-gun Reply

Paris, Nov. 5.—Premier Lloyd George, Field Marshal Haig and General Pershing held a long conference today.

Paris, Nov. 5.—Notable artillery activity is continuing on the Aisne front, north of the Chemin des Dames, where the French are occupying advanced ground along the Allette river, the war office announced today.

In the Verdun area the Germans followed up their heavy bombardment with two attacks north of Chaume wood, with both of which the French artillery dealt successfully, causing the Germans to sustain heavy casualties.

A surprise attack in the Damloup region was repulsed, as was a similar German enterprise northwest of Rheims.

Berlin, via London, Nov. 5.—Lively artillery fire and reconnoitering clashes along the Allette river front in northern France are reported in today's army headquarters statement in the western war theater. In the Verdun region German defensive fire prevented a French attack which was preparing at Chaume wood.

In Flanders the improvement of the German lines at various places, together with the repulse of local British attacks, is reported.

London, Nov. 5.—On the Flanders battle front last night small detachments of British troops captured from the Germans two strong defensive points, east of Broodseinde and southeast of Poelcapelle, the war office announced. Irish fusiliers carried out a successful raid southwest of Havrincourt. Two raids by the Germans on the Arras front near Monchy le Preux were repulsed.

London, Nov. 5.—According to information received from Belgian sources the Germans are systematically dismantling and destroying factories and workshops throughout Belgium.

In the Liege district the blast furnaces have been taken down and the machinery and materials sent to Germany. At Ougree preparations have been made to pull down three blast furnaces, and seven rolling mills.

TURKS DRIVEN FROM BLACK SEA POSITION

Petrograd, Nov. 5.—The Russians have driven the Turks from their first lines near the Black sea coast and advanced to the third line. At some points, considerable booty in the way of war provisions, were taken.

OREGON MILLS FURNISH TIR FOR AEROPLANES

Portland, Nov. 5.—Oregon mills are expected to furnish 4,000,000 of the 11,000,000 feet of fir lumber recently ordered for airplane construction by the British and American governments. Oregon lumber producers have agreed to make every effort to do their share.

PHONE SITUATION REMAINS SERIOUS

Only Commandeering of Plants by Government Will Induce Union Strikers to Return to Work

San Francisco, Nov. 5.—The telephone strike situation in Los Angeles has been declared "critical" where the employees are thought likely to follow the northwest strikers and walk out.

Seattle, Nov. 5.—Representatives of the striking telephone employees went from here to Tacoma today to confer with delegates from Portland and other northwestern cities. A plan has been broached and is under discussion, for the forming of a separate organization to carry on the strike in Oregon and Washington, distinct from the national federation.

Portland, Nov. 5.—Company officials say telephone service is normal and they see no reason for the government commandeering plants.

Request of District Council of Electrical Workers and Operators at San Francisco is received, but Portland locals refuse to accede and remain out, explaining they would, by returning to work, automatically remove the emergency which caused Mediator Reed to recommend commandeering.

Officials of the unions issue statements in which they lay their case before the public and also make denial of rumor that they have asked union members throughout the city to order out Pacific telephones.

Nothing short of government commandeering plants and recognition of operators will cause return to work they say.

EASTERN RAILROADS WANT HIGHER RATES

Washington, Nov. 5.—Comptroller of the Currency John Skelton Williams declared today that the present rates allowed the railroads of the country were not sufficient to maintain the credits of the eastern railroads. He predicted that the commerce commission would be asked to grant a revision upwards within a short time.

PORTLAND LAND SHOW HAS A GOOD OPENING

Portland, Nov. 5.—All county exhibits with the exception of that from Tillamook were pretty much in place when the Land Products Show opened here Saturday night. The big creamery exhibit, featuring General Pershing, was nearing completion. The show has a special significance this year with food conservation a prime issue. It is a demonstration of the immensity and variety of Oregon products. State officials participated in the opening of the show, which will last until November 24.

Y. M. C. A. WORKERS ON RUSSIAN FRONT

Petrograd, Nov. 5.—The first American Young Men's Christian association detachment, organized in New York for work on the Russian front, has arrived in Petrograd. Through David R. Francis, the American ambassador, the Americans have gained the ardent support of Premier Kerensky, and will establish recreation huts, equipped with phonograph, cinematographs and refreshments, similar to those organized in France.

BERLIN SAYS ITALIANS ARE FALLING BACK

TAGLIAMENTO RIVER IS CROSS-ED AND DEFENDERS' LINE IS AGAIN BROKEN

ROME ADMITS SERIOUS POSITION

A Shorter Front Nearer Supply Basis Should Help Italians Protect Their New Formed Lines

Berlin, Nov. 5.—The Austro-Germans have crossed the Tagliamento river and took 6,000 prisoners. They are advancing toward the west.

Italian Headquarters, Nov. 5.—The general situation presents many reassuring features, but its continued gravity is not to be underestimated. The enemy advance is being held back west of the Tagliamento river. The Italian cavalry is again demonstrating its value.

From the strategic standpoint the Italian retreat in northern Italy has certain compensations. It has shortened the Italian front from an irregular curve of 70 miles to a compact straight line.

The old line, moreover, had no rivers as natural defenses. Now, however, the front is greatly shortened, with the entire army massed and back by natural defenses. Thus strategically, the invading forces are at present standing with a wide and turbulent mountain stream before them, on the edge of winter, besides confronting an army which is rapidly reforming along the new line.

During its retirement the third army had become separated from the second, leaving a gap. In this gap enemy forces pushed forward and soon put into operation a cunning device. Austrian soldiers were dressed in Italian uniforms, so as to permit them to scatter over the country or mingle with the Italian forces on both sides of the gap. The Austrians, thus garbed, were enabled to advance unopposed and then opened fire with machine guns on retreating parties. Some of the Austrians were smuggled forward in motor lorries and then turned against the westward moving force.

Berlin, Nov. 5.—More than 200,000 prisoners and 1,800 guns have been taken in the Austro-German campaign on the Italian front. The booty in machine guns, mine throwers, motor vehicles, baggage and other war material cannot be estimated, even approximately.

RAMP OF ROSEBURG TALKED TOO MUCH

Portland, Nov. 5.—Floyd Ramp, an attorney of Roseburg, was indicted here today for violation of the espionage act. Ramp is alleged to have addressed a trainload of soldiers enroute to the training camp at American Lake, when the train stopped at Roseburg for a meal, endeavoring to spread disloyalty and unrest among them.

NEW PEACE OFFER THOUGHT PROBABLE

Copenhagen, Nov. 5.—It is generally believed in diplomatic circles that the visit to Berlin of Count Otto Karacheerain, the Austro-Hungarian minister, may be the preliminary to a new peace offer by the central powers.

SLAVS WANT DEMOCRATIC WORLD PEACE

PETROGRAD IN HANDS OF BOL-SHEVSKI, WHO ANNOUNCE THEIR PROGRAM

DEPEND ON GERMAN PEOPLE

Expect Common Citizens of Teutonic Nations to Force Nations Into Peace. Fight for This End

London, Nov. 5.—At a meeting in Petrograd, representatives of the entire Petrograd garrison passed under the influence of the Bolsheviks, or radical peace group. According to the dispatch, there is great excitement in the city.

Petrograd, Nov. 5.—Leon Trotsky, president of the Petrograd Soviet, and strongest in the opposition, is planning a demonstration for immediate peace, outlines the Bolshevik program in an interview.

"We, the Bolsheviks," he says, "want an immediate peace, but not a separate peace. We speak for the mass of the army, which refuses to remain another winter in the trenches unless they are convinced that an immediate democratic peace is impossible with Germany. But in demanding an immediate peace we find it inevitable that Russia act alone, because we believe that is the only way to get quick action."

"The Paris conference," he declares, "only interests us indirectly, because we are going to make a direct offer of democratic peace to the German people. If the present government refuses to act alone and directly we must have a government which will. We intend, by every possible means, including millions of proclamations dropped by aeroplanes, to urge the German people to revolt and join us in demand for peace. The indications, such as the recent revolt in the German navy, give us hope of success. An effort must be made to reach the German people directly."

"But how are you to get Germans to accept your terms of peace without annexation contributions?" was asked.

"The German government won't, but the people can force it," was Trotsky's answer.

"Suppose the Germans fail to revolt and pay no attention to your offers?" was asked.

"Then every soldier in the Russian army," was the answer, "will know he is fighting to save revolution and that he does not know now. I know the state of mind of the army. I received delegations daily and they demand that every effort be made for an immediate peace or they will leave the trenches. If Germany refuses, they will fight like lions."

CROWD MEDDLES WITH CARS ON TROOP TRAIN

Oroville, Cal., Nov. 5.—Two cars of a Western Pacific troop train filled with soldiers were uncoupled as the train stood on the track here Saturday night. A crowd, singing I. W. W. songs, hooted and jeered. A few climbed on the cars, but were soon disburbed by the soldiers. The uncoupling was not discovered until the train started.

GOOD ROADS ASSOCIATION IS FORMED AT PENDLETON

Pendleton, Nov. 5.—An organization known as the Umatilla County Water Grade Good Roads association has been formed here for the purpose of securing a water grade from Pendleton down the Umatilla river down to Echo.

GERMANS WORK AGAINST AIRSHIPS

Government Officials Discover Systematic Pro-German Campaign to Hinder Air Fleet Construction

Washington, Nov. 5.—Government officials are convinced that pro-German influences are at work on an effort to prevent or hinder the program of airship building. It is believed here that drastic action may be necessary against these agitators, whose activities just now are particularly noticeable in the spruce forests of the northwest.

Numerous cases of sabotage are reported from the mills cutting airplane wood. Labor disturbances, fostered by the I. W. W. are also hindering the government in its air fleet construction program.

AMERICA MAKES LOAN TO LITTLE ROUMANIA

Washington, Nov. 5.—Coincident with the news that the conference now meeting in London was considering the Roumanian situation it became known here that the United States had advanced to Roumania \$3,000,000 through Russia.

FIRST AMERICAN CASUALTY LISTS

Washington, Nov. 5.—The official announcement of the casualty list of American losses in their first clash with the Germans, shows that privates Thomas Edwright, James Gresham and Merle Hay were killed and privates Hopkins, Box, Givens, Orr, and J. Smith had been wounded.

The list of those captured or missing included Sergeant Haliburton, Corporals Hulhall and Haines, and Privates Godfrey, Kendall, Grigsby, McDougal, Gallagher, Lester, Langham, Kern and Keckon.

None of these names mentioned were from the Pacific coast.

The statement says that the Germans cut off a salient from the rest of the line by a barrage fire. One wounded German was captured by the wounded Americans.

WOMAN CHARGED WITH BEING WHITE SLAVER

Portland, Nov. 5.—Mable Hazen was indicted by the federal grand jury here today on a white slavery charge, her victim being the 16 year old wife of an itinerant preacher. This is the first instance where a woman has been indicted in this state for this offense.

WILSON APPROVES STEEL PRICES FIXED BY BOARD

Washington, Nov. 5.—The president has approved the agreement reached by the war industries board fixing prices on steel.

CONTRACT LABOR LAW IS NOT FOR SEAMEN

Washington, Nov. 5.—The decrees of federal courts that the contract labor law was not intended to apply to seamen, was upheld by the supreme court. The decision was rendered on the appeal of Paul Scharenburg of San Francisco, who has sued the Dollar Steamship company for alleged violation of the act.

FOOD SAVING WORK SHOWS GOOD RESULT

JOSEPHINE COUNTY'S CONSERVATION PLEDGE WEEK WAS A REAL SUCCESS

NINETY-TWO PER CENT SIGN

Work of Faithful Committee Meets Ready Response From Patriotic People of This County

Chairman Sam H. Baker in charge of Josephine county's food conservation, announced that the work of his committee has practically been completed. There remains only a few stragglers here and there, to have the canvass complete.

The result of the county campaign is entirely satisfactory. More than 1,600 pledge cards have been signed, which marks a percentage for the county of about 92 or 93. The city's percentage runs about 95 but the inability of the committee to cover thoroughly all the more remote sections of the county, brought down the total percentage somewhat. Where the county districts were covered, the response was excellent, showing that the rural folks were fully alive to the needs of the great food campaign.

Any housewife who has signed the pledge card and who has not received a membership card for her window, is requested to telephone Sam H. Baker at the Josephine County Bank, and a card will be sent. Also if there be any homes that have been overlooked in the canvass it is requested that their occupants communicate with Mr. Baker and a pledge card will be mailed without delay.

MANY OPERATIONS TO PERMIT ENLISTMENTS

Portland, Nov. 5.—Three hundred young men have been saved or reclaimed for the navy in the past eight months by means of operations by naval surgeons or patriotic Portland physicians, the local navy recruiting office has announced. These men would otherwise have been rejected and lost to their country's service. The operations are free.

Among correctable diseases which are grounds for rejection, but have been corrected are: hernia, tumors that are not malignant, hammertoes or stiff fingers, hemorrhoids, fistula, tonsillitis. Any other condition remediable by operation is cared for by the physicians. Defective teeth are attended to by patriotic dentists, free of charge except for expensive crown or bridge work.

SHIPYARD MEN ARE TALKING OF STRIKE

Seattle, Nov. 5.—Shipyard employees of the northwest are dissatisfied with the federal wage board's decisions respecting the points involved in their recent strike troubles. Representatives of the workmen here state today that another meeting of the various union delegates will be held in the near future to consider a further strike to enforce a greater wage demand.

LABOR MEN REFUSE TO SIGN AGREEMENT

San Francisco, Nov. 5.—None of the labor representatives conferring with the federal mediation board, signed that board's awards in the shipyard strike controversy.