

PARIS OPTIMISTIC OVER REPULSE OF GERMAN ADVANCE

PARIS, Sept. 8, 6:30 a. m.—Paris is optimistic this morning. Even the surprise at finding that the Germans have been able to traverse nearly the entire Champagne country does not shake confidence in the outcome of the great battle, which after all the maneuvers, is being fought on ground selected by General Joseph Joffre, the French commander-in-chief.

Germans in Jeopardy. The famous turning movement of the Germans has finally resulted in a battle formation that puts their own right in jeopardy as yesterday's advance of the allies left proved.

As far as may be inferred from the meagre official news the army now called the army of Paris must be acting as an independent force, holding the convex side of a curved battle line and free to menace the communications of the enemy.

Bits of news already coming in from the wounded show that the allies gained a distinct success on the left, the enemy suffering greatly while trying to cross the river Marne. As fast as pontoons were finished the French three-inch guns demolished them before they could be utilized.

Fought at "Copenhagen." They wounded are being brought in by tramway. Among those arriving yesterday were two Irish troopers, who, separated from their regiment during the fighting at Compeigne, could give no other account of their wanderings than that the last they knew "they were fighting at Copenhagen."

The general opinion of the morning press is that the allies may lose the battle and still make the siege of Paris difficult for the enemy, while if the German lose, the situation of their entire army is critical.

GASOLINE TANKS MENACE SAFETY MEDFORD HOMES

Distributed over the city residence districts are 140 gasoline tanks containing from five to twenty-five gallons of fluid, stored in barns, close to hay, in woodsheds, chicken houses and cellars, according to investigations to date being made by Fire Chief Lawton. All of the 140 tanks located constitute a fire menace, as none possess the crudest form of protection. Those stored in barns near the hay will be ordered out at once. The authorities say that it is surprising that the human instinct of self-preservation would not assert itself and cause more caution.

All citizens storing gasoline on their premises will be compelled to comply with the city ordinance requiring the securing of a permit from the fire department and put a lock faucet on the tanks. The blanks for securing a permit can be obtained at the fire hall at any time. Notices have been sent out warning citizens to secure permits or be subject to prosecution under the city ordinance passed two weeks ago.

An inspection of conditions in the business district shows that some caution is used in the storage of gasoline and highly inflammable material and that conditions as a rule are good. This morning an inspection of business house chimneys was made. A few built before the civil war showed loose bricks and others collections of soot since those trying times. Citizens are urged to clean out all chimneys and flues before putting up their stoves for the winter.

MEXICAN CAPITAL WATER SUPPLY OFF

WASHINGTON, Sept. 8.—Official dispatches today telling of the cutting of Mexico City's water supply for three days, presumably by Zapatista bands, concerned administration officials because they reflected the relentless activity of the southern leader, following the recent parleys with Carranza representatives.

It was considered practically certain that if Carranza and Villa unite in forming a strong central government, recognition by the United States will follow.

Do It Today Resolve to speak for Johnson, the best, and thereby patronize home industry.

250,000 RUSSIAN TROOPS REPORTED LANDED IN FRANCE

ROME, Sept. 8, via London, 12:45 p. m.—According to the Rome Tribuna there is in France today a total of 250,000 Russian troops. This newspaper attributes Emperor William's presence at Metz to this concentration of the Russians.

The steamer Mauretania which reached New York September 3, brought the first reports to this country of an extensive landing of Russian troops at French ports. The strict British censorship prevented the transmission of this intelligence by cable, and for this reason the news had to come by word of mouth and by mail.

Letters from London, dated August 27, corroborated the reports of the Mauretania passengers. From these sources it was gathered that England had placed more than 80,000 Russian forces in France by means of transports sent north of the Scandinavian Peninsula to Archangel, where the Russians embarked. The movement was surrounded with the greatest secrecy. According to one version the Russians were landed from the transports directly at Belgian or French ports. Another said they had been landed at Aberdeen, Scotland, then taken on special trains across England and then conveyed by ship to Ostend.

It was pointed out at this time that if this movement could be accomplished successfully once there was no reason why it could not be repeated and a Russian force much in excess of 80,000 men might be landed in France by this northern route.

RUSH OF REFUGEES AT LONDON TODAY

LONDON, Sept. 8, 11:52 a. m.—The American relief committee was virtually overwhelmed today. It was confronted by a rush of refugees from Germany and Austria, many of whom could not speak English. No fewer than 2000 refugees today made application for assistance, two-thirds of them women and children, who have been visiting friends and relatives in Germany and Austria unaccompanied by male members of their family.

Three ships sailed today for the United States from British ports. Two more sailings for the United States are planned for tomorrow, and it is expected that these will relieve the present congestion.

FIGHTING AT COMPIEGNE LASTED THREE DAYS

PARIS, Sept. 8, 12:30 p. m.—An English cavalry officer wounded in the fighting at Compeigne and who today is recovering from his hurts in Paris, has given the following account of the engagement at that place:

"The fighting lasted three days and two nights. The German artillery wasted a good many shells in locating the positions of our trenches. Their shots fell to the right and to the left of us, in front of us and behind us. Finally they got the range."

RAIN EXTINGUISHES FIRES IN FORESTS

SEATTLE, Wn., Sept. 8.—The rain that fell in western Washington last night and continues today has quenched the numerous brush fires or made them harmless. The Washington Forest Fire association will close its season next Saturday. In spite of the dry spell of seventy two days, the longest on record, there was no loss of big timber. Fires broke out and assumed alarming size in a hundred localities, but the flames were everywhere controlled. More money was spent in fighting fire this year than in any year since 1910. More logged-off land has been cleared for farming than in any previous year.

ASKS AMERICANS TO PRAY FOR EUROPEAN PEACE

WASHINGTON, Sept. 8.—President Wilson today signed a proclamation calling on the people of the United States to pray for peace in Europe.

TYPICAL SCENE AS GERMANS ADVANCED ON LOUVAIN.



PEASANTS FLEEING FROM THE CITY OF LOUVAIN. PHOTO. COPYRIGHT BY UNDERWOOD & UNDERWOOD.

ASHLAND DAY AT JACKSON COUNTY FAIR TOMORROW

The Jackson county fair will open Wednesday and officials and exhibitors are making ready for the opening day. The races will begin Thursday. This is also Ashland day, and a large attendance is expected from the Granite city. Friday is Medford day, when the schools and business houses will be closed after one o'clock.

The fare to the grounds this year will be ten cents, instead of the old rate of 25 cents, officials of the fair making this arrangement with the auto owners.

School Superintendent U. S. Collins has arranged for the exhibiting of industrial exhibits of the Medford schools in the industrial fair, and the winners in this class will be sent to the state fair at Salem.

Fruitgrowers, farmers, and miners will have exhibits.

The following are the rules for exhibitors this year:

Exhibits will be received only on Wednesday, between 8 a. m. and 6 p. m., and every facility for displaying the exhibits effectively will be provided, but all exhibitors of poultry or stock must provide their own feed.

Exhibitors will not be required to pay entry fees, nor to purchase season tickets, the entry fee of 20 per cent being deducted from the money awarded.

No prizes will be awarded for any exhibit which does not comply with the classifications given in the catalogue, but special exhibits will be welcome, and will be judged according to their merit.

RAILROAD EXECUTIVES TO MEET PRESIDENT

WASHINGTON, Sept. 8.—Names of the railroad executives who will confer with President Wilson on the finance situation growing out of the European war were announced today. They are: Trumbull of the Chesapeake & Ohio, President Rea of the Pennsylvania, President Willard of the Baltimore & Ohio, Harrison of the Southern, Ripley of the Santa Fe and Vice-President Holden of the Burlington.

ALLIES CAPTURE MANY PRISONERS

PARIS, Sept. 8, 2:32 p. m.—French and English troops engaged in the battle now progressing to the east of the capital have taken numerous prisoners, including a battalion of German infantry and a company serving rapid-fire guns. They captured also many gun carriages.

MILLION DOLLARS VOTED FOR DIPLOMATIC EMERGENCY

WASHINGTON, Sept. 8.—The million dollar emergency appropriation asked by Secretary Bryan to meet extraordinary diplomatic and consular expenses because of the European war, was passed today by the house.

RUSSIANS NOT TO CALL OUT RESERVISTS

LONDON, Sept. 8, 3:05 p. m.—The Russian military authorities have decided not to call to the colors the reservists of that country now abroad, according to an announcement made today by the Russian embassy. All the reservists will be permitted, however, to enroll in the ranks of any of the allied armies.

AUSTRIAN EMPEROR IS REPORTED DEAD

LONDON, Sept. 8, 8:35 p. m.—The African World, a weekly publication, has received information that what it regards as a reliable Austrian source to the effect that the Austrian emperor, Francis Joseph, died twelve days ago.

The news of the emperor's death was suppressed in Austria-Hungary, the paper says, on account of the dangerous internal situation.

SERBIAN INVASION OF BOSNIA BEGUN

LONDON, Sept. 8, 5 p. m.—A dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company from Nish, Serbia, says the Serbian army has begun the invasion of Bosnia and has crossed the river Sava near Mitrovitch.

While the Serbians attempt the conquest of Bosnia from the north, Montenegrin troops expect to effect the conquest of Herzegovina from the south.

BATTLE EBBS AND FLOWS

(Continued from page 1) have been checked by the strong fortress of Przemyśl, but this delay will not prevent the general forward movement of the Russian forces along the border from Tilsit to Lemberg. The Russians consider it necessary, however, to capture Przemyśl that the Austrians may not have a single stronghold left in Galicia.

Remarkable reports continue to come in regarding the speed of General Ruzsky's campaign. The soldiers slept on an average of three hours nightly and made thirty-five mile marches daily.

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TO KEEP GERMANS OUT OF GHENT

LONDON, Sept. 8, 2:42 p. m.—In a dispatch from Ghent, Belgium, a correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph company says that the burgomaster has negotiated an agreement with the commander of the German troops before the town, the purpose of which is to avoid the entrance of German soldiers.

GERMANS DRAWING NEAR TO HOLLAND

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 8, via London 3:58 p. m.—The News Van Den Dagu says that the Germans are steadily drawing nearer to the Dutch frontier. The inhabitants of the Belgian frontier villages are fleeing to Dutch territory after forsaking their property. Many destitute fugitives have arrived in Dutch Flanders.

Planning for the Stork's Arrival

Among those things which all women should know of, and many of them do, is a splendid external application sold in most drug stores under the name of "Mother's Friend." It is a penetrating liquid and many a mother tells how it so wonderfully aided them through the period of expectancy.

At any rate it is reasonable to believe that since "Mother's Friend" has been a companion to motherhood for more than half a century no more timely advice could be given the inexperienced mother than to suggest its daily use during expectancy.

Ask at any drug store for "Mother's Friend," a penetrating, external liquid of great help and value. And write to Bradford Regulator Co., 302 Lamar Bldg., Atlanta, Ga., for their book of useful and timely information to expectant mothers. It contains many suggestions that are of interest to all women.

BATTLE OF CREIL INTENDED TO MASK GERMAN STRATEGY

LONDON, Sept. 8, 4:30 a. m.—A dispatch to the Adly Mail from Mantes, thirty miles northwest of Paris, says:

"The battle of Creil, fought on Wednesday and ensuing days was intended to mask the German movement to break through the line of French forces ranged northeasterly through Rheims.

"I, myself, was a witness of the continual pouring eastward and northward of reinforcements to build up and strengthen the rampart of the allies that was to check the German torrent. It became clear, I suppose, to the German general staff that, just when they were within reach of the objective, Paris, the strength opposed to theirs was more than their fatigued and shaken men could penetrate within any period that would suit the moving, in addition, of the Russian problem. They therefore wheeled suddenly as though in desperation in an effort to destroy at first that part of the French strength."

UNPRINTED POEM BY TENNYSON IS CALL TO ARMS

LONDON, Sept. 8, 4:55 a. m.—Lord Tennyson, son of the poet, at a patriotic meeting last night, quote the following hitherto unpublished poem of his father:

"O who is he the ample fool,
Who says that wars are over,
What bloody portent flashes there
Across the straits of Dover?
"Are you ready, Britons all,
"To answer yea with thunder?
"Arm! Arm! Arm!
"Nine hundred thousand slaves to arms.
"They seek to bring us under—
"But England lives and still will live
"For we'll crush the despot yonder—
"To answer foe with thunder?
"Arm! Arm! Arm!"

FORCE AT LIEGE MOVED TO GERMANY

LONDON, Sept. 8, 8:51 a. m.—An official communication issued at Antwerp, according to a dispatch to the Reuter Telegram company, says: "The German authorities at Liege have forbidden the inhabitants to leave their houses for three days in order to conceal, it is supposed, the fact that large numbers of troops are being moved to Germany.

"The railway lines are now guarded by German marines, appearing because the reserves are becoming scarce.

"A German military doctor admits that the German losses at Capelle au Bois Friday amounted to 2,000."

PERMIT WIRELESS STATION TO REOPEN

WASHINGTON, Sept. 8.—Announcement was made here today that the wireless station at Tuckerton, N. J., would probably be opened tomorrow to receive messages of the belligerent European powers. Lieutenant Felix D. Gygax has been placed in charge of the station.

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