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TEUTON ARMY PRESSES HARD ON RUSS LINE

Little Hope That Retreat Can Be Checked Before All Ground Won by Brussilloff's Big Drive Last Year Has Been Lost; Government Optimistic That Troops Can Be Reorganized and a New Line Presented to Enemy

KERENSKY PLANS TO WEED OUT DISLOYAL MEN AND TO REPLACE THEM WITH RESERVES

French Emerge From Bitter Battle on West Front as Victors Over the Army of the German Crown Prince; Petain Retakes All Positions Captured by Kaiser's Son, Who Paid Heavy Price in Lives For Short-lived Victory

Russia's shaken armies in Galicia are still in a retreat which bids fair not to end until they reach approximately the line occupied by them last year before General Brussilloff began his big offensive.

Despite this extensive retrograde movement, covering virtually all the front between the North Galician border and the Carpathian foothills, the tone of both official and unofficial dispatches coming out of Petrograd is not pessimistic.

There is apparent confidence that the disorganization in the ranks, induced by the machinations of the extremists and believed to have been largely promoted by German intrigue, will be adequately dealt with and a firm front again be presented to the enemy.

For one thing the Germans by their own admission have not the men to spare to prosecute a sustained offensive on a large scale on the eastern front. The British and the French are keeping them too busy and they are too apprehensive of some extra forceful stroke in the west to transfer any great number of troops from the Franco-Belgian war area.

For another, the Russians have big reserves of men and Premier Kerensky, with the vast powers now in his hands, will find it possible, it is believed, to weed out the disloyal elements rapidly from the front ranks and replace them with the hosts of dependable troops which Russia still possesses.

French Win Ground The inherent strength of the entente position in the west has just received a fresh illustration on the Alsian front. Here the French have just emerged victors in a long-drawn-out struggle with the Germans for possession of the important high ground in the Caronne region.

Yesterday's brilliant attack gave General Petain's troops renewed possession, in almost complete measure, of the slight area gained by the Crown Prince in his costly series of attacks. The French even pushed beyond their old line at some points.

This morning came the test of the German reaction. It was directed against the positions recaptured by the French on the California plateau. Although delivered after a violent bombardment, it was entirely futile, the French retaining the new ground and consolidating their gains.

FLY MEASURING DAY Saturday, July 28, 9 to 12 noon, 11 North Main Square. The Civic Club will pay 5 cents a pint and give prizes also for those turning in the greatest number of flies.

THE WEATHER For Harrisburg and vicinity: Thunder showers this afternoon or to-night. Thursday probably fair. Gentle winds, mostly east. For Eastern Pennsylvania: Fair in north, thunder showers in south portion this afternoon or to-night. Thursday probably fair. Gentle winds, mostly east. The Susquehanna river and probably all its tributaries will fall slowly except heavy local rains may possibly cause rises in some streams. A stage of about 4.8 feet is indicated for Harrisburg Thursday. General Conditions Pressure has increased over the eastern half of the United States and is highest over New England. It has increased also over the extreme northwestern states. The principal area of low pressure is centered over Saskatchewan, Canada, with a second depression over Arizona. Showers have fallen generally in the Ohio valley, Eastern Tennessee, Alabama, the Interior of North Carolina and Virginia and locally in Eastern Pennsylvania.

Temperature 8 a. m.: 74. Sun 4:50 a. m.: 75. Moon: First quarter August 27. River stage: 5.1 feet. Yesterday's Weather Highest temperature 88. Lowest temperature 68. Mean temperature 75. Normal temperature 75.

THERE WERE WISE ONES EVEN IN NOAH'S DAYS



—From New York Tribune.

EXPECT QUICK APPROVAL FOR SHIPBUILDERS

Work, Not Talk, Says Chairman Hurley, in Telling of the Plans

Washington, July 25.—Vice-Chairman Theodore Brent is to-day acting head of the shipping board pending Senate confirmation of President Wilson's appointment of Edward N. Hurley as chairman to succeed William Dennison. Rear Admiral Washington L. Capps, chief constructor of the navy, is in charge of the emergency corporation as successor to Major-General George W. Goethals.

The nominations of Mr. Hurley and Bainbridge Colby, who was selected to fill the vacancy on the

Hershey May Be Elected Mayor to Succeed Miller

City Commissioners Say Harry L. Hershey, ex-internal revenue collector, may be appointed next Tuesday by Council to succeed the late Mayor Charles A. Miller, some of the commissioners admitted to-day. If he is elected, he will serve until November, when he would be succeeded by the man elected to serve out the two years and two months of the late Mayor Meigs.

Canada to Raise Loan of \$100,000,000 in U. S.

Washington, D. C., July 25.—Secretary McAdoo has notified Sir Thomas White, Canadian minister of finance, that the United States government has no objection to Canada's raising \$100,000,000 from private sources in the American money market.

British Sailors Say They Saw U-boats Attack American Transports

Halifax, N. S., July 25.—British sailors arriving here to-day, who claim to have been among crews of vessels in the vicinity of the transports which conveyed the first American troops to France, say they were credibly informed that German submarines made a concentrated attack and were beaten off with a loss of six U-boats, only one submarine escaping.

STATES BEGIN WORK CALLING DRAFTED MEN

Details For Calling Those Accepted Into Service Are Being Worked Out

Washington, D. C., July 25.—The race between states for the honor of being first to fill their quotas under the selective draft bill was on to-day in earnest. Calling men for physical examination began this morning in several regions.

President Congratulates Father Whose Six Sons Enlisted in U. S. Army

Washington, July 25.—In a letter to J. H. McShane, of Omaha, Neb., expressing admiration for the action of McShane's six sons in enlisting, President Wilson wrote: "May I not turn away from the duties of my office for a moment to express my admiration for the action of your six sons in enlisting in the service of the country? They are making a very noble contribution to the fine story of patriotism and loyalty which has always run through the pages of American history."

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May Decide Not to Hold Kipona Day Celebration

A meeting of the executive committee of the Greater Harrisburg Navy will be held on Friday evening in the offices of the city park department to discuss the advisability of not having the annual Kipona Day celebration on the river in September.

ALLIES CONFESS HINDENBURG LINE IS IMPREGNABLE

American Officers Find German Empire Is Able to Care For Internal Difficulties

IN NEED OF U. S. AID

Airplanes Badly Wanted to Gain Supremacy Over Teutons

Paris, July 25.—General Pershing, yesterday visited the French front and reviewed incidentally one of the most famous battalions of French Chasseurs which figured in the fourteenth of July review in Paris. General Pershing expressed high admiration of the dash and smartness of the men.

Washington, July 25.—Nine American officers who accompanied General Pershing to France and made a tour along the western front have returned to Washington prepared to submit a report to the General Staff.

These officers represent virtually every arm of the service. They were present upon reaching here yesterday, first hand observations and to come back immediately to the capital that they might give the War Department detailed reports on conditions in the trenches and outline the principal needs of the Allies.

The group went to the War Department upon reaching here yesterday, and then went to the War College.

CITY MUST ACT AT ONCE ON ASH DISPOSAL PLANS

Have Only Short Time Until Contract With Reduction Company Expires

MAY PURCHASE PLANT

Required to Give Owners Six Months' Notice; Council Meets Tonight

Council will meet in special session at 8 o'clock this evening to act on the ash survey report, which was presented yesterday, and to discuss the Riverside annexation question.

Because of the contract with the Pennsylvania Reduction Company, which expires next February, the commissioners must take immediate action if they intend to purchase the plant of that company, as recommended by Tribus and Massa, engineers making a study of local conditions.

FUGITIVE PLACES PHONE ON THE TOP OF HIS HEAD

New York, July 25.—A telephone noticer man holding a telephone receiver on top of his head while standing in front of the mouthpiece will take over the phone as quickly as possible with Chief Dunn, of the Omaha, Neb., police.

BROTHERHOOD MEN HERE

Harrisburg.—National officials of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers came to Harrisburg late this afternoon. They will investigate charges to be presented at special meeting of members of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers, held at Third and Cumberland streets. The meeting opened this afternoon. The nature of the charges was not stated.

HOT LARD CAUSES FIRE

Harrisburg.—Slight damage was caused by a fire in a frame dwelling in Currant street near Verbeke shortly before 3 o'clock to-day. The fire was caused when some hot lard on a stove boiled over on the floor.

80 KILLED IN MINE DISASTER

Halifax, N. S., July 25.—Eighty workmen were killed to-day in an explosion at No. 6 mine of the Dominion Coal Company at New Waterford, C. B., according to advices received here from Sydney. Twelve bodies had been recovered at noon.

HURLEY ENDORSED BY COMMITTEE

Washington, July 25.—Reorganization of the shipping board and the Emergency Fleet Corporation was in full swing to-day. The Senate/Commerce Committee quickly recommended confirmation of Edward N. Hurley, of Chicago, as the new chairman. Acting Chairman Brent to-day also offered his resignation, but the President took no action on it.

WAR COST MOUNTS UPWARD

Washington, July 25.—America's war bill for the fiscal year will total \$17,000,000,000 Senator Smoot told the Senate to-day, instead of the \$14,226,000,000 he estimated yesterday.

OPPOSITION TO FOOD BILL DWINDLES

Washington, July 25.—The administration food bill was sent to conference in the House to-day under a rule without a record vote. Opposition which developed yesterday disappeared.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Terence V. Palmer, Lemoyne and Mary S. Ruby, New Cumberland; Roy F. Fairchild, Millburg; and Hattie C. Reish, Covans; George E. Keifer and Vertie M. Emery, city; Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Slater and Monroe Williams.