

GERMANS FAIL TO BEAT BACK ENGLISH GAINS

New Attempt to Drive British From Positions in Bourlon Wood Defeated; Artillery Active in Verdun Region; French Check Meuse Attack; Franco-British Join Italians; Russia Declared to Be on Verge of Civil War

New German attempts to drive the British from their positions in Bourlon wood and the high ground dominating the Cambrai region have failed. General Byng's men have repulsed another enemy counterattack at the northeast corner of the wood. There was much severe fighting Monday around Moeuvres, west of the Bourlon wood, and in the outskirts of Fontaine Notre Dame immediately east of the wood and toward Cambrai.

German artillery, however, has been active in the Ypres and Verdun regions. In Flanders the British positions at Passchendaele, the northern part of the Passchendaele-Gheluvelt ridge are being bombarded heavily by the enemy, but Crown Prince Rupprecht of Bavaria has not attempted infantry attacks.

On the right bank of the Meuse where the French gained the first and second German defenses on a two-mile front Sunday, German efforts to attack have been checked by French artillery, while the enemy guns have been bombarding the new French positions. The activity of the big guns also has been violent in Belgium and north of the Chemin Des Dames.

French and British soldiers have reached the fighting zone north of the Venetian plains to aid the Italians in their brave defense against the invading Austro-German forces. Between the Brenta and the Piave the Italians are withstanding successfully massed enemy attacks. The invaders attempted to rush the defending lines on the left, in the center and on the right of the short front between the rivers, but were crushed everywhere by the Italians.

British cavalry is now three and one-half miles west of Jerusalem and is closing in on the Turkish defenses from the southwest. The Turks are offering some resistance and are holding the Jerusalem-Schechem road to the north in strength. North of Jaffa British patrols have been driven back to the southern side of the Mahr-el-Aujel.

The situation in Russia shows little improvement and the country

WOMEN SECTION HANDS ON PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD



This photograph was taken on the Pittsburgh division of the Pennsylvania Railroad. Women, it proves, have actually taken up the hard work heretofore performed by men. They clean the tracks of the road, and it has been said by officials that they keep the tracks cleaner than did the men they supplanted.

EVERY POSTMAN TO SELL NEW LIBERTY BONDS

Five-Dollar Certificates For \$4.12 to Be Put on Sale Monday

"Better than the Liberty Bond" is the way that post office authorities to-day described the "thrifty cards," which arrived in Harrisburg this morning, much to the interest of the government employees. This "thrifty card" is the latest device of Uncle Sam for saving money in small quantities and it is principally intended to attract the boys and girls of the nation.

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WOMEN COME TO AID OF PENNSYLVANIA WAR LABORERS

Work on Tracks and Roadbeds, Handle Freight and Work in Shops

To date the Pennsylvania Railroad has found women a valuable acquisition to their working forces. While the weaker sex have not fit well into some positions, they are more than meeting expectations in many branches. The total number of women employed on the Pennsylvania Railroad, it was said to-day was 5,000.

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ITALIANS HOLD TEUTON ARMIES ALONG ASIAGO

Defenders of Italy Oppose Fearful Odds; Morale of Troops Improving

Rome, Nov. 27.—An entire division of the enemy made an attack yesterday in the Brenta valley in order to break through the Italian northern front. To-day's official statement says these troops, which attacked in mass formation, were driven back.

Italian Army Headquarters in Northern Italy, Monday, Nov. 26.—(By the Associated Press.)—During a trip of one hundred miles to-day through the fighting zone in the north, the correspondent met the major general in command of the most exposed front between the Brenta and Piave rivers, where the pressure has been greatest and the losses heaviest and obtained from him details of the situation. As the general spoke, a heavy cannonading resounded through his field headquarters and he looked out upon a great stretch of the Brenta valley where the enemy is concentrating his forces to break through to Bassano and the Venetian plains.

Staff officers and orderlies were arriving with reports from all vital points and hurrying off with orders for the maneuvering of troops. It was a striking scene but the general paused long enough to give a good general idea of the situation and details of the conditions of the troops and the splendid fight they are making against heavy odds.

BYNG FORCES BATTER HINDENBURG SUPPORT

Byng's British troops, including some from London, last night continued to bore their way forward through the Hindenburg support line west of Moeuvres. There was vigorous fighting at close quarters in this region, and as a result the British to-day were in possession of a further section of support trenches 2,000 yards long running east and west just south of Pronville and Inchy-en-Artois. The British advance in the last few days had made this section of the line virtually untenable and the Germans were forced to withdraw when pressed by a new attack.

Fighting was renewed to-day between Bourlon wood and Cambrai, about Fontaine Notre Dame, where the Germans were still installed and continued to work machine guns from roofs and windows. West of Bourlon wood and Cambrai the situation remained much as it was last night after the Germans had forced the British out of most of the village in a fierce counterattack which involved still more ferocious hand-to-hand fighting through the streets. The battle continued here to-day.

The fight for Bourlon wood and village will long be remembered as one of the most bitterly contested in the war. It was fought along the British front in France. American officers visiting the Cambrai sector have been thrilled at this re-enactment of old time warfare and with one accord say:

"That's the kind of fighting American troops would like to be in, for you are in the open where you can get at the enemy with cold steel."

The Germans have been concentrating all efforts in the attempt to oust the British from this elevation, which here to-day they are holding if he is to maintain himself in his present positions farther north and west.

The British have clung tenaciously to Bourlon wood, defending partly by tanks, which have taken positions at advantageous locations from which they can work their guns. Fontaine Notre Dame was being hand pressed by the British at latest reports. Throughout yesterday this hamlet remained unmoiled, for it in no way hampered the operations about Bourlon wood.

In a certain British casualty clearing station on the Cambrai front there has been working for several days a well-known New York surgeon, who belongs to the American Medical Corps and who volunteered his services for the present battle. Most of his work has been done among the German prisoners, who have come to look upon this big, cheerful officer as the enemy's savior because of several remarkable operations he has performed. The Germans all swear by the "big American" and treat him with the most deference. It fell to the lot of this surgeon to operate upon a German who had left the Russian front only thirty-six hours before. He was among the reinforcements rushed from the east. It took him twenty-four hours to get into the battle before Cambrai and twelve hours later he was a prisoner in a British clearing station.

CHRISTLEY PLEADS INSANITY OF THREE COUSINS TO SAVE HIMSELF FROM ELECTROCUTION

Argument for a new trial for John O. Christley, convicted of first degree murder on a charge of killing his wife, was based by counsel on the fact that three first cousins of the defendant were insane and that the court erred in not admitting this evidence at the trial. The court at that time ruled that the evidence of insanity was too remote and not admissible as evidence upon objections raised by District Attorney Michael E. Stroup. John R. Geyer, Christley's counsel, cited a number of cases in which rulings had been made on the question and called attention to the fact that in no other case had three cousins, all in one family, been insane. Christley's counsel argued against the motion. The court will make a decision later.

THREE R. R. CROSSINGS IN DAUPHIN COUNTY DANGEROUS TO PUBLIC

Highway Commissioner O'Neil today brought forward a report against three grade crossings on the Philadelphia and Reading Railway lines in Dauphin county as dangerous to the people. This is the second time the crossings have been reported as dangerous by the public service commission to take steps to abolish crossings, and in his letter the commissioner says that he makes formal complaint to facilitate action to obtain better conditions.

The crossings complained of are on state highways and include that on the main road to Reading one mile east of Hummelstown, where a number of accidents have occurred, and crossings fifty feet west of Swatara Station and 300 feet west of that station, which are also on a much-traveled highway from this city to eastern counties.

THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Cloudy and warmer to-night and Wednesday, probably snow or rain; lowest temperature to-night about 25 degrees.

For Eastern Pennsylvania: Cloudy and warmer to-night and Wednesday, probably snow or rain; moderate east to southeast winds.

River: The Susquehanna river and all its branches will fall slowly except the lower portion of the main river, which will remain stationary to-night. A stage of 10 to 12 feet is indicated for Harrisburg Wednesday morning.

General Conditions: Pressure has increased over the Atlantic States and decreased considerably over the North Pacific States. Snow and rain have fallen in the Missouri, Upper and Middle Mississippi and lower Ohio valleys and in the Lake Region, and there have been light rains in Pennsylvania and New York.

There has been a general rise of 2 to 15 degrees in temperature over a broad belt of country extending from the Gulf of Mexico northward into Canada.

Temperature 8 a. m., 20. Sun: Rises, 7:08 a. m.; sets, 4:30 p. m.

Moon: Full moon, to-morrow. River stage, 4.2 feet above low-water mark.

Yesterday's Weather: Highest temperature, 32. Lowest temperature, 27. Wind, northwesterly. Normal temperature, 38.

SHARE OF SALES OF PATRIOTIC SONGS TO BE GIVEN TO THE TELEGRAPH'S TOBACCO FUND

E. B. Chenoweth, manager of the S. S. Kresge Company store, has just announced that ten per cent. of the sales from the song, "The Most Beautiful Flag in the World," during the week, will be given to the Harrisburg Telegraph Tobacco Fund. Two hundred copies of the song were given to children in the public schools, and every girl at every counter in the Kresge store has a pile of the songs to sell.

The song is a patriotic number, written by Newman & Glogau, Jack Glogau is a famous composer.

REAL 'PUNKIN' PIE COSTING LESS THAN 'CAMOUFLAGED' VARIETY IS STILL KING

J. A. Kepner, New Cumberland, says that his daughter's receipt for real "pumpkin" pie has it all over the "camouflaged" one published in last night's Harrisburg Telegraph. Mr. Kepner's daughter makes her "pumpkin" pie from real pumpkins and comes out cheaper in the end. Here's how he figured it:

The cost of Mrs. King's materials for the "camouflaged" pie as published yesterday was: Milk, ten cents; eggs, ten cents; sugar, three cents; spices, one cent; cornmeal, three cents; cream, one cent. The total cost of the materials is twenty-eight cents for five pies, or five and three-fourths cents per pie. Now, here's the way the New Cumberland girl makes her pie:

Pumpkin, five cents; milk, five cents; corn-starch, five cents; spices, one cent; syrup, one cent; sugar, three cents. The total cost is twenty cents for 4 pies or a nickel for each pie.

"When you sink your teeth into these, you get real pies," said Mr. Kepner to a Telegraph reporter. "Come over and taste them for yourself."

ATTACK ALMOST CONTINUOUS

The general estimated these odds at four to one based on reports reaching him and which were much heavier than heretofore known. But even against such odds his men were fighting with a power of resistance, courage and dash beyond all praise. Attacks were almost continuous at one point or another, his men were fighting with a power of resistance, courage and dash beyond all praise. Attacks were almost continuous at one point or another, his men were fighting with a power of resistance, courage and dash beyond all praise. Attacks were almost continuous at one point or another, his men were fighting with a power of resistance, courage and dash beyond all praise.

WEEK FAVORABLE TO ALLIES

Washington, Nov. 27.—"The week just closed has been one very favorable to the allied arms," says the War Department's official communique issued to-day, reviewing operations for the week ending Saturday.

French take prisoners: Paris, Nov. 27.—The French last night overcame the resistance of Germans still holding out on the field of operations of the French attack on the Verdun front Sunday, says to-day's official report. Prisoners were taken in raids elsewhere on the battle line.

MAYOR KEISTER TAKES OATH OF OFFICE TODAY

New Chief Executive Inducted Into Office by Mr. Bowman

IS GIVEN BIG OVATION

Fred L. Morgenthau Succeeds Samuel F. Dunkle

Mayor Daniel L. Keister took the oath of office this morning shortly after Council convened at 10 o'clock, letting Mayor J. William Bowman administering it. Shortly after Commissioner Fred L. Morgenthau was sworn into office for his forty-two day term and Commissioner Samuel F. Dunkle retired. Both Mr. Dunkle and ex-Mayor Bowman were requested to remain during the remaining session of Council.

The retiring, ex-Mayor Bowman introduced Harrisburg's fifth mayor of the year with these words:

"Mayor Keister, it gives me great pleasure to be able, in person, to surrender to you the gavel, that symbol of order which has been used for so many years by the presiding officer of this body.

"It is with regret, tempered with pleasant memories of my association with the men of this body, that I am compelled to sever my relations.

"In congratulating you upon your installation into this office, I feel safe in making the statement that I believe you have the full confidence and the goodwill not only of your fellow-workers in this body but also that of every good citizen, who will stand ready to uphold your hands in the administration of the law and in any steps that you might take for the welfare of this community.

"As a private citizen, I wish to pledge my support and to you and through you to the city offer my service at any time or place you may see fit to command. May God grant you a good and successful administration, which shall add honor to yourself and the city."

Ex-Mayor Bowman also mentioned the splendid nonpartisanship displayed in the election of Mayor Keister, which shall add honor to the evening in honor of the new mayor.

Mayor Keister's Speech

Mayor Keister's statement as he took the chair in Council follows:

"To the members of Council and my fellow citizens:

"It is indeed an honor to be selected by the citizens of a great and growing city like Harrisburg to be their chief executive. But to be selected at a time such as this, when the very bowels of the nation are quaking, and the very vitals of our democratic form of government are being threatened by the hand of a foreign foe, when the young blood of our standing is being threatened.

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KALEDINES HAS CONTROL OF FOOD SUPPLY IN RUSSIA

Head of Cossack Troops Now Believed to Be Master of Situation

ARMY WITHOUT BREAD

Employees of Finance Ministry Walk Out Rather Than Support Rebel Government

London, Nov. 27.—General Kaledines, Hetman of the Don Cossacks, according to the Petrograd correspondent of the Morning Post, is the master of the situation. With a trustworthy and disciplined army he is reported to control the bulk of the grain-growing territory and is rapidly capturing the remainder.

The Russian gold reserve, which the correspondent says, was removed to the interior of Russia in 1913 is now held by General Kaledines.

The Russian gold reserve, which he made a "ghastly failure" of their attempt at administration, the correspondent says. He adds:

"Let behind or beyond all this apparently hopeless chaos, the forces which made Russia an empire are still there and those who know Russian history understand perfectly well how matters will end.

"The elections to the constituent assembly will take place but the constituent assembly will not meet. It is understood that eventually the government may take over the control of the present assembly, which means that additional contracts would be awarded. The cargoes which are to be turned out by the company weigh approximately thirty to thirty-five tons when completed.

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MILLION DOLLAR CONTRACT IS LET HERE BY U.S.

Gun Carriages to Be Made in City For Coast Defense Work

GET NEW MACHINERY

Entire Output of Boiler Company Taken Over by Government

Announcement was made to-day that the Harrisburg Manufacturing and Boiler Company, Nineteenth and Naudain streets, has been awarded a government contract to manufacture gun carriages to be used for coast defense.

The statement was made to-day by Samuel F. Dunkle, president of the company, and retiring city commissioner. Mr. Dunkle said that he will now devote his time entirely to the business of the firm.

The contract for the gun carriages will mean an expenditure of almost a million dollars and will keep the big plant running for about a year at least. President Dunkle said. New machinery is being installed and in order to get the machines and other supplies here at once the government is commandeering whatever is needed and is rushing it to the city at once. It is understood that eventually the government may take over the control of the present assembly, which means that additional contracts would be awarded. The cargoes which are to be turned out by the company weigh approximately thirty to thirty-five tons when completed.

No Scarcity of Turkeys Although Price Is High

Vendors of turkeys this morning stated that the birds are fairly plentiful, but predicted no decline in price. The price of the live fowls is from 33 to 35 cents a pound, with an additional cost of about 10 cents where they are dressed. Stories of lower prices are heard, but are unconfirmed by turkey dealers. Most of the turkeys come from Perry and Adams counties, it is said, the supply from Cumberland apparently being low this year.

URGED TO SAVE FUEL

Washington, Nov. 27.—Declaring American homes are overheated, the fuel administration to-day urged householders to maintain a temperature of not more than 68 degrees, recommended by eminent American physicians. With that temperature the saving in coal will go far toward meeting the enormous war demand for fuel officials announced.

BRITISH TROOPS MAKE NEW ADVANCE IN CAMBRAI

BRITISH HEADQUARTERS IN FRANCE, NOV. 27.—THE BRITISH HAVE MADE ANOTHER ADVANCE IN THE CAMBRAI AREA AND ACCORDING TO THE LATEST REPORTS, HAVE WORKED THEIR WAY FORWARD THROUGH THE NORTH-WESTERN PART OF FONTAINE-NOTRE DAME, WHICH THEY CAPTURED AT THE BEGINNING OF THE ATTACK LAST WEEK BUT SUBSEQUENTLY LOST. THEY ARE NOW SAID TO HAVE ADVANCED ALMOST TO THE MAIN STREET WHICH RUNS EAST AND WEST THROUGH THE CENTER OF THE VILLAGE.

GERMANS ASSISTING LENIN

London, Nov. 27.—Information was received here to-day from Petrograd that a number of German staff officers have arrived there and are acting in an advisory capacity to Nikolai Lenin, the Bolshevik premier.

MEXICAN FORCES BATTLE

Juarez, Mex., Nov. 27.—Fighting between Villa and Mexican federal cavalry detachments is reported to have occurred last night and to-day at Laguna station, 170 miles south of Juarez. The federals were on a troop train southbound. Federal reinforcements are being entrained here.

P. & R. TELEGRAPHERS GET INCREASE

Reading, Pa., Nov. 27.—The Reading Railway Company has granted its telegraph operators a flat increase in wages of about six per cent, effective November 16. About 1,000 men are affected.

DEATH OF MISS EMILY LETT

Harrisburg—Word has just been received here of the death of Miss Emily Lett in New York city, after an operation. Miss Lett lived at 218 Pine street.

BANDITS SECURE \$35,000

Toledo, O., Nov. 27.—Five bandits to-day attacked the Huebner Brewery Company paymaster, and got away with \$35,000 according to a report received by the police.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Harvey C. Wagner and Lillie M. Herman, York; James W. Hoffman, Lykens, and Emily F. McNeal, Nicotown township; William W. Howard and Alvena E. Hoesinger, Millis township; Dean S. Reese, Frankstown, and Elsie J. Kussman, Altoona; Maurice E. Hoover and Martha E. Beidler, Harrisburg; John L. Hrace and Mabel A. Johnson, Harrisburg; Guy E. Delp, Lansing, Mich., and Nell L. Musgrove, Middletown.