



GERMAN ARMIES UNABLE TO CHECK ALLED ADVANCES AT ANY POINT

FRENCH CAPTURE 1,500 GERMANS IN STEADY DRIVE ON ENEMY'S CENTER

Poilus Continue to Push Foe's Armies Back to the East of Canal du Nord With Their Successful Advance

VESLE IS CROSSED AT SEVERAL PLACES

Important Villages Fall to General Mangin's Men Now Driving Forward Along the Ailette

Paris, Sept. 4.—French troops yesterday and last night continued to push back the Germans to the east of the Canal du Nord and between the Ailette and the Aisne, says to-day's war office announcement.

In their advance the French took the Chapitre wood, north-east of Chevilly, and approached the town of Croisilles, three miles north of Noyon.

North of the Ailette the French reached the outskirts of Coney-le-Chateau and Juven-court, and south of the river they drove farther east from Louilly and attained the suburbs of Clamecy and Bray.

On the Aisne, the town of Bucy-le-Long was penetrated. Prisoners to the number of 1,500 were taken.

Along the Vesle, parties of French troops crossed the river at several points.

LONDON, Sept. 4.—In their push beyond the Drocourt-Queant line, British troops have reached the line of the Canal du Nord, says Field Marshal Haig's official statement to-day. North of the Arras-Cambrai road they have occupied the town of Ecourt St. Quentin.

North of Peronne the advance has carried the British through the Vaux woods, above Moislans. Slight advances have been scored at other points.

Continuing their advance in Flanders, the British are approaching Neuve Chapelle and Laventie. In the same region they have gained possession of Saily-sur-Lalys and Nieppe.

STORES TO CLOSE Saturday next being Rosh Hashana, a Jewish religious holiday, the Jewish merchants of the city will keep their stores closed during the day, until 6.30 p. m. after which they will be open until the usual Saturday closing hours.

HUNT UP CARDS AND PLEDGE YOUR GASOLINE SAVINGS EVERY SUNDAY FOR THRIFT STAMPS You'll Be Glad Some Day

THE WEATHER For Harrisburg and vicinity: Increasing cloudiness, followed by rain late to-night and on Thursday; somewhat cooler Thursday; moderate to northeast winds. For Eastern Pennsylvania: Rain late to-night and on Thursday; somewhat cooler Thursday; moderate to northeast winds.

APPENDICITIS DOES NOT KEEP AVIATOR FROM JOINING UNIT

Lieut. Lewis Attempts to Sail For France Despite Need of Operation; Now Recovering in Canadian Hospital and Hopes to See Action Soon

Lieutenant William E. Lewis, Jr., who received his commission in the English Royal Air Forces in July after having undergone training since December, 1917, is in an Army hospital at Toronto, Canada, recovering from an operation for appendicitis. He spent the month of August at Mt. Grenna with his mother, Mrs. William E. Lewis, 709 Capitol street, and was called back to Toronto by telegram to join his command, about to sail. He suffered an attack of appendicitis before he left this city, but refused to stay here for fear it would prevent his sailing. Arrived at Toronto, he was forced to remain while his comrades sailed for England. He is now recovering from his operation, and expects to return to this city during his convalescence, after which it is likely he will sail for France.

Lieutenant Lewis is only 23 years old, and is one of eighteen to be commissioned from a class of 200 cadets. He enlisted in the English Royal Air Force because the aviation service had not been developed to any extent at the time of his enlistment. He was trained in no less than eight camps, from Toronto to Texas, in order to qualify as a pilot. Dips, loop-the-loops, vrilles, and aerial tumbles are nothing to him, and he tells about them as if they were as common as the turn of a tree. He has fallen from the clouds into the lake near his training camp twice, and once fell into a tree. He sustained no injuries.

His training has not ended with the completion of his course, in Canada. Arrived in England he will receive supplementary training and then must spend two weeks in the trenches in France. Following that he will do his fighting in the air.

Lieutenant Lewis is widely known here, having been graduated in the Central High school 1914 class. He was a junior at the University of Pennsylvania when he enlisted. He was best known in Harrisburg during his school days as a baseball player.



LIEUT. WILLIAM E. LEWIS, JR.

GRAVES ARRIVES AT VLADIVOSTOK TO LEAD YANKEES

More Than 1,600,000 American Soldiers Now on All Fronts

SOUTHERN TROOPS LEAD Michigan and Wisconsin Soldiers Participate in Capture of Terny-Sorny

Washington, Sept. 4.—Arrival of Major General William S. Graves and his staff at Vladivostok to take command of all American forces fighting on the new eastern front, was announced to-day by General March.

General Graves took with him from the United States forty-three officers and 1,838 men who will lead the regiments from the Philippines already on the ground.

General March announced that the total embarkation of American soldiers for all fronts, including the Siberian expedition, had passed the 1,600,000 mark August 31.

In answer to question, General March said it was estimated that more than 250,000 had landed in France during August. The record for monthly shipment, he added, was 285,000.

The chief of staff identified the American unit which participated in the Flanders advance as the Twentieth division composed of troops from Tennessee, North Carolina and South Carolina.

The French advance north of Soissons, resulting in the capture of Terny-Sorny was participated in by troops of Michigan and Wisconsin troops, under Major-General Haan.

Taking up the military situation, General March said the object of the Canadian drive across the old Quent-Drocourt switch line was Cambrai, which now was within seven and one-half miles of the British advance according to official advice.

Officials of munition and other war material plants in the city and vicinity, together with businessmen and others interested in the development of Harrisburg as a great industrial center are showing increased concern because of the lack of housing facilities since the government has just issued a decree that war orders to sixty cities in the country are to be cut to a minimum because of congesting housing and transportation conditions.

Such an order may include Harrisburg, where the Bethlehem Steel Company plant is located, is cited. Chester, Easton, Erie, Eddy, Stone, Milton, Butler and Sharon are other plants named.

Plants at Capacity Officials of local plants said that at present they have war orders

YOUR OLD RUBBER IS NEEDED BY RED CROSS Great Pile to Grow on Post Office Lawn in Three-Day Campaign to Open Tomorrow; Valuable as War Aid

"S. O. 3." Mercer D. Tate was handing out that mystic talisman this morning. "What does it mean?" he was asked. "Save Old Rubber!" replied Mr. Tate. "And why?" "For the Red Cross." This is the idea. There are tons of old rubber floating around Harrisburg, doing no one any good. A junkman comes along once in a while and gives Little Willie, the son and heir of the household, a penny for a dozen old overshoes. The junkman comes out all right and Little Willie gets an "A" day-sucker, so he's all right, too. But should these days be worth real money. So the Red Cross the last three days next week will receive rubber contributions from the 55,000 people in Harrisburg. Beginning Thursday and continuing over Saturday of next week rubber may be thrown on the triangular glass plot in front of the post office corner. This is Walnut street. Contributions are asked consisting of old automobile and bicycle tires, rubber boots, rubber shoes, inner tubes, steam hose, garden hose, rubber gloves, hot water bags, gas hose—anything and everything that is rubber. When the three days are over the Red Cross will have an auction. Junkmen will be asked to bid on the pile. Rubber sells at from 4 to 20 cents a pound. It should be possible to secure many hundreds of dollars for the Red Cross. Reading several weeks ago sold rubber enough to net the Red Cross \$1,739.36. Harrisburg has the largest pile of rubber in the country. The committee in charge of the affair held its first meeting this morning. It is composed of Mercer D. Tate, A. S. Patterson, P. Neefe, Ezra Hershey, E. A. Downey, J. Clyde Myton and M. H. James.

First Registration Day Is Tomorrow

To-morrow is the first day on which voters can register for the fall election. Unless they comply with the personal registration act, either to-morrow or on Tuesday, September 17, or Saturday, October 5, they will be unable to cast their ballots for any officer at the fall election.

All previous registrations are void. An elector desiring to vote must appear at one of the polling places on one of the three days. No person can vote who has not paid a state or county tax within two years.

City assessors are sitting at their homes for the purpose of registering voters. County assessors will also sit to-morrow for the same purpose, all of them having been at the polling place to-day to register voters.

The hours on which the polling places will be open to-morrow and the two succeeding registration days are from 8 a. m. to 4 p. m., from 7 a. m. to 6 p. m. and from 7 p. m. to 10 p. m.

BOSSSES HERE TO PLACE BONNIWELL ON SLIDING BOARD

Palmer-McCormick Faction to Run State Committee Meeting With High Hand

Federal officeholders from all over Pennsylvania gathered at the Board of Trade building this afternoon to make an effort to cover up the troubles in the Keystone State Democracy. There were men from Washington, too, and a fair sprinkling of men who would like to be there. Democratic National Chairman Vance C. McCormick, otherwise chairman of the war, and A. Mitchell Palmer, Joseph F. Guffey and others holding federal places were all or hand. Their faction was in overwhelming force and was very apparent that the factions of the last half dozen years would all be paraded again.

Most of the men here professed ignorance when the name of Eugene C. Bonniwell, the party's candidate for Governor, was mentioned and as for the Fair Play party it was all newspaper talk. The program was to be Wilson. It is a big subject and safe.

No Platform To-day Indications are that the Democratic State Committee will not adopt any platform to-day. Lawrence H. Rupp, the chairman, could not get here for the meeting and the committee in charge will likely be dissolved.

Ex-Senator Hiram Peoples Dies at Lancaster Home

Lancaster, Sept. 4.—Former Senator Hiram Peoples, for five terms a Republican State Senator, died suddenly this morning at his home at Lancaster. He was 84 years of age. Death was due to infirmities incident to old age.

Serving in the Legislature during the period between 1877 and 1893, he took an important part in the deliberations of the Fish Commission during that time. Since 1900 he has lived at New Providence where he has devoted much of his time to fish culture, having at the time of his death some thirty fish ponds wherein were bred black bass, blue gills and gold fish. He was known throughout the United States as a fish authority. While in the Legislature, he served on other important committees, his membership on the Committee of Agriculture being one of the most important.

Debs Must Face Jury; Trial Set For Sept. 9

Cleveland, Ohio, Sept. 4.—Federal Judge D. C. Westenhaver yesterday overruled a motion filed by attorneys for Eugene V. Debs, four times candidate for president on the Socialist ticket, to quash the indictment against Debs for violation of the espionage act. Debs' trial is set for September 9. Debs was arrested here on July 7 charged with violation of the espionage act in a speech at the Socialist state convention at Canton, Ohio, June 16.

Feeling of Revolt Is Sweeping Over Germany

Paris, Sept. 4.—A dispatch from Bern to the Matin quotes a prominent Swiss citizen coming from Germany as declaring that in the last six weeks a formidable feeling of dissatisfaction has swept over Germany. If the German military situation does not improve, the informant said, trouble that may surpass the acts of the Bolsheviks in Russia menaces the German empire.

WHEAT FLOUR BAN PARTLY RAISED IN NEW FOOD ORDER

Housewife Need Only Purchase One Pound of Substitute to Four of Wheat

'VICTORY FLOUR' COMING First Carload of Mixed Flours Is on Its Way to City

Shipment of the new "80-20 flour" with its 80 per cent. wheat flour and 20 per cent. substitutes, will soon be received in Harrisburg. One carload, containing approximately 300 barrels, is on its way to the city and is expected at almost any time by the Witman, Schwarz Company to whom it is consigned.

Official interpretation of the new wheat conservation regulations as they affect the wholesaler, retailer and consumer were made public this morning by Donald McCormick, Dauphin county food administrator. Regulations governing bakers, hotels, restaurants and clubs, exchange mills and other businesses will be issued later.

The regulations governing retail dealers are as follows: "The fifty-fifty regulation has been rescinded. Retail dealers are now required to sell one pound of substitutes with each four pounds of wheat flour.

New Substitutes "The substitutes which the retailer is now permitted to sell to the consumer along with straight wheat flour are as follows: "Corn flour, corn meal, barley flour, rice flour, potato flour, sweet potato flour, buckwheat flour, oat flour, peanut flour, bean flour, millet flour, kafir and feteria flours and meal.

"Pure rye flour or meal may also be sold as a substitute, but only in the proportion of at least two pounds of rye with three pounds of wheat flour.

"The retail dealer selling standard wheat flour is required to carry in stock either by Donald McCormick, Dauphin county food administrator, or by a wholesaler, but he is not permitted to require that a customer shall take any other substitutes with wheat flour than one of these three, but the customer may require, instead of these three, any other of the permitted substitutes which the dealer has in stock.

"The retail dealer is no longer required to purchase substitutes or give certificate in connection with his purchases of wheat flour. "Victory Mince Flours" may be sold by the dealer without substitutes.

"The quantity restrictions on the sales of wheat flour by retail dealers to private consumers have been removed, but the customer is limited in his purchases to not more than a 60-days supply.

"It is desired to insure a supply of ready-mixed flours on the market and to have millers and dealers of all kinds encourage the use and sale of this flour, so that the country may be on a mixed flour basis without the necessity of retailers making combination sales of flour and substitutes.

"No mixed flour shall be made or manufactured except of the ingredients and in the exact proportions prescribed below: "Mixed wheat and barley flour shall contain the proportion of four pounds of wheat flour to one pound of barley flour.

"Mixed wheat and corn flour shall contain the proportion of four pounds of wheat flour to one pound of corn flour.

"Mixed wheat, barley and corn flour shall contain the proportion of eight pounds of wheat flour to one pound of barley and one pound of corn flour.

"Mixed wheat and rye flour shall contain the proportion of three pounds of wheat flour to not less than two pounds of rye flour.

"Whole wheat, entire wheat or Graham flour or meal shall contain at least 95 per cent. of the wheat berry.

"All such mixed flours, made in accordance with the foregoing regulations, must be labeled 'Victory Mixed Flour' and the label must state the ingredients and their proportion. "The flour so mixed must be milled in accordance with the standard of the United States food administration.

BRITISH PRESS HARD ON HEELS OF BEATEN FOE

Field Marshal Haig Takes Important Towns and Positions While Huns Hurriedly Retreat to Lines Prepared For Last Stand

The British have driven home their push through the Wotan line as far as the Canal du Nord and as yet their progress is not reported checked.

Already the wedge they have driven into the German defenses in the sector between the railway centers of Douai and Cambrai is a menacing one to the enemy, who must stop the British on the canal line here if he hopes to save these bases—vital points in the German defensive system in the west.

German Ranks Disorganized Disorganization in the German ranks is reported in unofficial advice from the front, however, and there seems to be more possibility that the enemy command will not be able to reconstruct defensive formations even in time to hold up the British temporarily along the canal positions.

The main force of the British push seems to be in the direction

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GERMANS FLEE BEFORE FRENCH CAVALRY WHO NEAR GUISCARD WITH THE FRENCH ARMY IN FRANCE—THE GERMANS ARE IN RETREAT ON THE FRENCH FRONT EAST OF THE CANAL DU NORD FRENCH CAVALRY WAS IN PURSUIT DURING THE NIGHT, AND THIS MORNING HAD PUSHED TO WITHIN TWO MILES OF GUISCARD, ON THE NOYON-HAM ROAD.

COUNTY RED CROSS TO SHARE FINE Philadelphia—Charged with having violated the fuel regulations C. W. Stahl, a Lewistown, Pa., coal dealer, was ordered to contribute \$2,000 to the Red Cross or be prosecuted under the Lever act, the state fuel administrator's office announced to-day. The money will be divided between the Dauphin county, Mifflin county and Philadelphia chapter of the Red Cross. This is the most severe penalty yet imposed in Pennsylvania on a coal dealer for disregarding the federal fuel regulations.

PALMER MAKES CHARGES Harrisburg—A Mitchell Palmer addressing the 93 of the 113 Democratic State Committee meeting here this afternoon charged that a liquor dealer named John Sinnot, Philadelphia, had asked him to support Bonniwell for judge and in the course of conversation told him Bonniwell was in the pay of Republican politicians when induced to run for Governor and he did so with Republican approval. Sinnot said he would be in control if Bonniwell were elected. "It is 1910 over again," said Mr. Palmer heatedly. "Personally I repudiate Bonniwell and will have none of him." Jury Commissioner Brennan, Allegheny county, replying said: "It is easy to see Palmer wants to defeat the ticket and elect Spruell."

London—The Germans are contemplating a general retirement from the Vesle region, where they have been facing the Americans and French along the river, according to indications reported from the battle front to-day. The recent Franco-American successes in the south apparently have prompted such a move.

LENINE IS WORSE London, Sept. 4.—The condition of Nikolai Lenine, the Bolshevik premier, against whose life an attempt was made last Friday, has become highly critical, according to a dispatch from Moscow to the Central News. The crisis is expected within three days. Surgeons have removed a bullet from Lenine's body.

MARRIAGE LICENCES Harry E. Freed, Harrisburg, and Hannah M. Manning, Dauphin; John H. Leibert and Laura May Dettling, Harrisburg; Arthur D. Murray, Frankfort, and Caroline L. Steadman, Harrisburg; Forrest L. Nesmith and Blanche Kaufman, Mechanicsburg.