

Furious Battle Waged For Peronne

French Drawing Ring Of Fire Around Noted Town on Somme Front

PARIS Sept. 14.—The Germans have shifted more troops from Verdun to the Somme front in an effort to check General Foch's forces closing in upon Peronne.

The war office announced today that yesterday's ineffective counter-attack against the southern extremity of Hill 76, north-west of Peronne, was led by a fresh German division hastily transferred from Verdun. The Germans made several more attacks at the same point last night, but were completely repulsed.

South of the Somme the Germans attacked at several different points, but were repulsed. West of Chaulnes one German company was caught under French fire and practically annihilated.

On the northeastern front of Verdun the French easily repulsed several attacks against the new French positions on the Vaux-Chapite front.

French artillery has drawn a ring of fire three-quarters of the way around Peronne, which is almost entirely cut off from communication with the rest of the German front.

Dispatches from the Somme battlefield today said the great eastward push of General Foch's men in the last 48 hours has placed all roads from Peronne within range of French guns. On three sides the French have surrounded the city, with incessant streams of shell fire. Supplies can be brought into the city only under cover of night along the roads entering from the east.

VICTORY OR ALLIES PREDICTED BY BRIAND

PARIS, Sept. 14.—A lasting and durable peace, imposed by an allied victory, has been insured by the establishment of complete unity among the allies, which has put the Teutonic powers entirely on the defensive, Premier Briand declared today in reviewing before the chamber of deputies war developments since the last sessions.

"The intervention of Rumania and Italy's declaration of war against Germany have completed the solidarity of action of the allies," said the French prime minister. "It has completely reduced the central empires to the defensive and has deprived them of all initiative in military operations.

"The allies have intervened in Greece for the double purpose of protecting their expeditionary corps and conserving Greece's own interests. They will not permit the enemy in Greece to interfere with these ends.

"The unity now fully established will insure a lasting and durable peace being imposed by an allied victory."

INDIANA GIRL WILL TEACH IN PORTO RICO

Miss Alpha Weamer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Weamer of this place, left here yesterday for New York city, where she will sail on the steamer Carolina for San Juan. Miss Weamer will later be assigned to one of the government schools in Porto Rico, where she will teach domestic science.

ONE-ARMED MAN DRIVES AUTO FROM OKLAHOMA TO HIS FORMER HOME

Driving an automobile from Sapulpa, Okla., to this county, John Stroup, who has but one arm, completed the trip without mishap and is visiting relatives at Marion Center. He was accompanied by his wife, three children and a nephew.

Mr. Stroup formerly resided at Glen Campbell, this county, but moved west several years ago.

It required ten days to make the present trip. After spending some time with friends in western Pennsylvania, Mr. Stroup will drive the machine home again.

FERRO ENTERED A PLEA OF MANSLAUGHTER

Pietro Ferro, who is charged with the murder of John Rich, last April, at Lockport, this county, entered a plea of manslaughter yesterday afternoon. He will be sentenced Monday.

MRS HILTY IS GIVEN A PENITENTIARY SENTENCE

Mrs. Mayme Hilty of this place, a bookkeeper in the Bon Ton Store, who pleaded guilty to defrauding her employer of a large sum of money and merchandise, has been sentenced to serve a year and one day in the Western penitentiary, pay a fine of \$100 and make restitution of the stolen goods.

TWO ARRESTED AT LUCIUSBORO

Sheriff Harry A. Boggs was summoned to Luciusboro last Wednesday evening to quell a little disturbance among the foreign population. Mike Lupo, and Emery Lupo were taken into custody on charges of surety of the peace. They were brought to the Indiana county jail and will be given a hearing before Squire W. M. Mahan.

INSANE MAN LOCATED

Joseph Smith of Indiana, who escaped from the Warren Insane asylum several weeks ago, is in custody here. He is not violent and it is probable that he will not be returned to Warren. Smith walked the entire distance from Warren to Indiana with only a pair of slippers as covering for his feet.

CONSENTS TO RELIEVING THE SYRIANS

WASHINGTON, D. C. Sept. 14.—The Turkish Government, in a communication received today at the State Department, consents to shipment of relief supplies from the United States to famine sufferers in Syria. The action reverses the previous attitude of Turkish officials who had refused two urgent pleas by the Department for the privilege to make such shipments.

Distribution of the supplies, which already have been offered in large quantity by Syrian and Armenian relief societies would be made under the Turkish plan, through the port of Beirut. State Department officials believe that, inasmuch as the French Government has been anxious to get such supplies through and may itself contribute, assent of the Entente Allies for shipments through the blockade of Turkey may be confidently expected.

The department regarded Turkey's action as especially timely, since October 21 and 22 have been named in a proclamation by President Wilson as relief days for raising further funds and supplies for Syrians and Armenians.

The consent of the Ottoman Government with respect to Syria does not apply to Armenia, but negotiations are being continued for similar concessions there. As forwarded by the American Embassy at Constantinople, the Turkish communication fixes only one condition, that the supplies for Syria be distributed from Beirut through the Red Cross and Red Crescent societies.

Instructions to arrange for transportation of 65 American women and children out of Palestine on the cruiser Des Moines were cabled by the State Department today, to the American Embassy at Constantinople. They will embark at Jaffa, where the cruiser is to deliver a supply of medicines and will be taken by the cruiser to the nearest Italian port and transferred to ocean liners for the United States.

COURT MARTIAL FOR MAN WHO LOST GORIZIA

VIENNA, Sept. 15.—An Austrian court-martial, sitting at Klagenfurt, has begun the trial of Gen. Riedel, who was in command in Gorizia, on a charge of having left his post on a pleasure trip on the eve of the Italian attack, and of having been absent during the first 48 hours of the Italian offensive. Two colonels have been charged with the same offence.

TRANSCONTINENTAL AUTO RACE IS BEGUN

PLYMOUTH, Mass., Sept.—An automobile trans-continental race against time, in which the war department is taking an active interest, started from Plymouth today. The finish is to be Fort Lawton, Seattle, Wash., and if plans materialize the last relay should reach its destination Saturday.

RUSSIANS IN THE FRENCH TRENCHES



Some of the Russians now fighting on the western front are here seen in a French trench, wearing French helmets. General Lohvitsky, their commander, is leading an inspection party through the trench.

Two More Cases Of Infantile Paralysis

Two additional new cases of infantile paralysis in its most virulent form have developed in this county, Grant and East Wheatfield townships being the effected areas. The victims are William R. Kanarr, Jr., five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. William Kanarr, who resides about three miles from Cherrytree, and Mary Fay, three-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Piper, near Wehrum. Both children are similarly affected, both legs being paralyzed. Mr. Piper is the conductor of the Pennsylvania train known as "The Mountain Goat." Dr. E. E. Hileman of Hillsdale is attending the Kanarr boy, while Dr. W. A. Evans of Wehrum is attending the Piper child. Both cases have been reported to the county medical inspector, William A. Simpson of Indiana, and the physician has visited both homes and placed them under strict quarantine.

INDIANA COUNTY PLANT IS SOLD

J. Blair Kennerly of Philadelphia, a coal operator, has consummated a deal for the purchase of the entire plant and holdings of the Meco Coal company, one and a half miles from Homer City, Indiana county, along Yellow Creek, says the DuBois Courier. The consideration is about \$100,000.

The Meco Coal Company controlled 1,000 acres of Miller coal and about 600 acres of E seam coal. The plant has been in operation about two years and is considered one of the best plants in Indiana county. Mr. Kennerly recently took over the Wentz Smokeless Coal company's plant near Holsopple.

ROBERT McINTYRE KILLED BY TRAIN

Robert McIntyre a prominent resident of Elairsville, was killed on the railroad at Greensburg Thursday while he was attempting to cross the tracks in front of an approaching train.

Archbishop Bonzano in Strong Plea for Closer Christian Brotherhood

JOHNSTOWN, Pa., Sept. 15.—Addressing the assemblage at a banquet which had been arranged in his honor by the Johnstown council of the Knights of Columbus in the Fort Stanwix hotel Sunday afternoon, the Most Rev. Archbishop John Bonzano, papal delegate to the United States, made an eloquent plea for a closer union of people of all nationalities in America and for unity for God and country.

He paid tribute to the members of the Knights of Columbus for the example of loyalty to their church and to their country that they are setting before the world.

"Bigots have accused you of being disloyal to the flag of your country," he said pointing to two large flags—one the stars and stripes and another the flag of the Knights of Columbus. "Tell of the Knights of Columbus is your greatest encouragement to loyalty to your own flag—the stars and stripes.

The archbishop complemented the people of Johnstown upon the occasion of the morning—the dedication of the new church of St. Anthony, which he was here to dedicate.

"I wish also to thank the Knights of Columbus," he said. "I wish to thank you for showing yourself true knights. In the name of the head of the church, I thank you, too, for being so good to the Italian people."

REYNOLDSVILLE BOY SUFFOCATED, DIGGING CAVE WITH COMPANION

REYNOLDSVILLE, Pa., Sept. 15.—Imitating cliff dwellers they had read about, Francis Howlett, aged 14, was suffocated and Francis Strouse, aged 14, was seriously injured, when a cave they were digging in the hillside on the outskirts of the town collapsed. The Howlett lad was dead when dug out and the Strouse boy unconscious.

PENNSYLVANIA HAS A NEW TRIPLE ALLIANCE

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Sept. 15.—A new triple alliance has been formed in Pennsylvania, according to L. R. Stevens, agricultural expert for the Lehigh Valley railroad, who addressed the Pennsylvania State Millers association here today.

The alliance consists of the farmer, the miller and the railroads. As a result of this teamwork, said Mr. Stevens, almost unprecedented prosperity has sprung up in the agricultural districts. He lauded the farm bureaus in operation in the state; but while much had been done, he said, in educating the farmer in soil science and seed selection, yet there is a great opportunity for improvement. He pledged the support of the railroad to any action that the millers would take to intensify interest among farmers in scientific farm management.

The following officers were elected: President, S. H. Pyle, McDonald; vice president, George B. Dayton, Towanda, and John M. Hay, Williamsport; treasurer, E. J. Eshelman, Lancaster; H. B. White, Gloomsburg; Paul E. Eisler, Butler; Dr. C. M. St. Clair, Latrobe, and A. H. Etzler, Thurmont, Md.

\$100,000 LIBEL SUIT IS ANSWERED BY FORD

WASHINGTON, Sept., 15.—Henry Ford, through counsel, filed in the District of Columbia supreme court today his answer in the \$100,000 libel suit brought against him by the Navy League of the United States on account of a newspaper advertisement impugning the motives the league and its officers in their preparedness propaganda.

Mr. Ford does not retract the statements complained of, but declares he had reason to believe they were true.

HUNGARIAN PARLIAMENT HOLDS SECRET SESSION

ZURICH, Sept. 15.—The first session of the Hungarian parliament was held on Tuesday when the new political complications resulting from the entry of Rumania into the war were discussed.

LIST OF LETTERS

Remaining uncalled for in the Indiana office on September 9, 1916:

Mery Biandas, John Binko Blanford (2 letters) Don Carnahan, Mr. H. B. Clawson, Miss Eleanor Clark, Miss Hilda Carlson, S. J. Dickie, Miss Mary Es-culish, Miss Marie Gaul, M. W. Graft, Mr. George C. Knox, E. R. Livingston, Mrs. Nancy Milesell, C. G. Meyers, Leonardo Manna, Mrs. Kate Ord, Mr. R. D. Pifer, Seriah Sleppy, Mr. H. S. Smith.

When inquiring for letters in this list please state that they were advertised giving date.

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