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BRITISH AGAIN ADVANCE LINE AROUND HAMEL

Americans and French Active About Chateau Thierry.

AUSTRALIANS SCORE OVER ENEMY FORCES

serious Fighting Expected on Macedonian Front—Murmur Coast People Turned Against Russia.

On the British front east of Amiens, Australian detachments, with whom American troops are brigaded, have pushed farther east from the village of Hamel, south of the Somme river. The Australians carried their line forward over a front of almost four miles at that point on Thursday. In their last assault they have surged ahead at the center of the new front, which they created last week. The operation was successful, in that objectives were reached and the positions taken are being held by the men from the tipodes.

While there have been encounters of more or less local importance along the battle line in France, there has been little activity of significance in its bearing on the general tense situation from the North to Switzerland.

Heavy Artillery Duels.
Farther north, along the southern slope of the Lys salient, there has been quite heavy artillery firing, especially in the Hinges sector. During the fighting in April, when the Germans had pushed far ahead in the Flanders area, the battle north east of Hinges was one of the most desperate character, the village of the Locon being the scene of repeated combats in which German attacks were crushed by the British defense.

Franco-American Gains.
The Americans and French have been quite active near Chateau-Thierry, where the French have made an advance in the neighborhood of Hill 204, on the north side of which the Americans attacked and captured the village of Vaux last week. The French report some measure of success in this fighting and the Germans claim that the French and American assaults were repulsed with heavy losses.

Austrians Driven Back.
Austrian troops have been pushed across the Piave river along lower reaches of that stream. In the mountains the Italians have all the ground they have won since fighting east and west of the Brenta river.

There seems to be some indication of fighting of a serious character being impending on the Macedonian front, especially on the western side of the line, where it passes through Albania to the Adriatic.

A STAG SUPPER.

Andrew Hill gave a delightful supper Friday night to his friends and in compliment to Gary, who left Monday for Poland.

Young gentlemen are all invited and many pleasant days have been spent by them at the hotel. They talked over the world after the war and enjoyed the dainty supper. The table was beautifully appointed and many guests added to the brightness of the room.

Young men present at this affair were: Frank Gary, Swetenburg, Frank Thornton, Wilson, Charlie Calvert, Max Smith, James Coleman and Earl

Men of Abbeville Co. Registered on June 5

LISTED IN ORDER OF CALL NUMBER, WITH REGISTRATION CARD NUMBER.

- | Registration No. | NAME. |
|------------------|-----------------------------|
| 154 | David Bowie. |
| 10 | Lycurgus Ayers. |
| 29 | Willie M. Jones. |
| 17 | Eugene Jackson. |
| 74 | John Clarence Alewine. |
| 136 | Allen Luther Ellis. |
| 145 | Joseph Simon Donley. |
| 57 | Manning Bryson Cochran. |
| 76 | Moffatt Grier McAdams. |
| 78 | Dean McKee. |
| 122 | James Martin Crow. |
| 87 | Lewis Underwood. |
| 177 | Byron S. Bonds. |
| 4 | John Henry Lewis. |
| 130 | Bannister Allen Sutherland. |
| 70 | Clyde Crawford Graves. |
| 108 | Johnnie Burriss. |
| 28 | Aaron Tate. |
| 89 | Jessie Bly. |
| 151 | William Lomax. |
| 90 | Newton Randolph Herron. |
| 65 | Oliver Creswell. |
| 125 | James Earle Campbell. |
| 45 | George Donald. |
| 72 | Lewis Orr Clinkscales. |
| 135 | Albert Leonard Bowie. |
| 61 | Eugene W. McCurry. |
| 91 | Wade Andrew Harbin. |
| 51 | Willis Evans Murray. |
| 63 | James Martin Seal. |
| 41 | Robert Henry Scott. |
| 84 | Asberry Hamilton. |
| 32 | Sims Goodwin. |
| 66 | Lewis Jennings Price. |
| 16 | Robert Fisher. |
| 153 | Amos Brownlee. |
| 82 | Buster Martin. |
| 147 | Dock Anderson. |
| 55 | James Horace King. |
| 33 | Clifton McBride. |
| 56 | Clifton Smith. |
| 102 | Horace Martin. |
| 48 | James Clyde Hagan. |
| 13 | Herman Chalmers. |
| 3 | Louis Russell Thomson. |
| 64 | William Otis Bailey. |
| 168 | Frank Archer. |
| 137 | John Robert Uldrick. |
| 155 | Raymond Dawson. |
| 158 | George Boyd. |
| 11 | Bennie William Box. |
| 69 | Walter Alexander Hughes. |
| 35 | William Houston. |
| 113 | Archie Crocker. |
| 62 | Frank McCurry. |
| 18 | Otis Callahan. |
| 143 | William Adger Ashley. |
| 54 | Walter Mann Gilliam. |
| 81 | Wesley Eugene Kay. |
| 173 | Marcus McKinnon Pennell. |
| 88 | Henry Smith. |
| 114 | Mose Roundtree. |
| 39 | Erskine Black. |
| 30 | Jesse Fisher. |
| 119 | Ramsey Gray. |
| 160 | Robert Wardlaw. |
| 98 | John Franklin Lafayette. |
| 49 | Joseph M.T. Daniel. |
| 25 | Robert Dawson. |
| 58 | Willie W. Knox. |
| 12 | Chalmers D. Haddon. |
| 34 | Oscar Hearst. |
| 149 | Johnnie Hunter. |
| 112 | Fred Jordan. |
| 2 | James Sullivan. |
| 95 | Robert Marion Vaughn. |
| 77 | Leo. M. Blanchett. |
| 46 | Joseph Finley. |
| 8 | Thomas A. Martin. |
| 107 | Henry Newton Manning. |
| 93 | Eddie Mason Ferguson. |
| 99 | John Robert Higdon. |
| 131 | Robert McKinley Presher. |
| 123 | James Miller. |
| 120 | William Murray. |
| 150 | Dock Johnson. |
| 94 | Sloan McAdams. |
| 148 | Porter Johnson. |
| 156 | Augustus Eugene Wharton. |
| 67 | Andrew Shillito Ferguson. |
| 40 | John Lewis Magill. |
| 182 | Solomon Williams. |
| 38 | Isaiah Washington. |
| 7 | Charlie Hazzard. |

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BENET TO SUCCEED SENATOR TILLMAN

Governor Manning Appoints Columbia Attorney.

TO GO INTO PRIMARY

Appointee Will Ask for Short Term Nomination Extending to End of Session.

Columbia, July 7.—Governor Manning yesterday appointed Christie Benet, prominent attorney of Columbia and close personal friend and political adviser of the governor, to be the successor to the late United States Senator B. R. Tillman in that the vacancy extends through approximately eight months and as an appointee by the governor could hold but six months, Mr. Benet will go before the people and ask for the short term nomination. Mr. Benet announced that he would go in the primary immediately after the appointment had been made. In making the appointment Governor Manning said:

"My responsibility in appointing Senator Tillman's successor impresses me deeply.

Is Equal to Task.

"The occasion calls for a man of full physical and mental vigor, who can present to the people of our State the grave issues of the war and the supreme necessity that every sacrifice should be made, who can gain for the government the full support of our citizens, and who knows and can explain the colossal task that confronts President Wilson and his assistants. I have appointed one whose sterling Americanism is undoubted, who is familiar with the plans and the needs of the administration, and who will stand four square and undismayed in support of the war and successful and forcible conclusion of it.

"I have appointed Christie Benet of Columbia. He had his papers prepared to enlist in the army, and had notified the proper military officers to that effect, but I am justified in appointing him by the valuable work he can do."

Senator Tillman was a member of the National Democratic executive committee and a successor will likely be chosen by the State Democratic executive committee at the special meeting in Columbia Tuesday.

The appointment of Mr. Benet will necessitate his resignation as a member of the board of regents of the State Hospital for the Insane, and also as a member of the State Council of Defense, of which organization he is vice chairman. Mr. Benet will leave for Washington tonight, where he will be immediately sworn in.

Stands by President.

Following his appointment, Mr. Benet said:

"The honor that Governor Manning has conferred on me is a great one and the appointment must be justified by my acts rather than by words.

"I will give my best in the senate and on the stump in support of President Wilson and the war.

"But let not him that girdeth on his harness boast himself as he that putteth it off."

"I shall enter the primary under the rules of the Democratic party, for the nomination for the short term."

THE LIBRARY.

During the absence of Mrs. Norwood, Miss Mary DuPre will have charge of the Library. The hours will be the same, the days for opening, being Tuesday and Friday. Miss DuPre has taken charge before this and has the interest of the institution at heart.

CALLS OFF STRIKE OF TELEGRAPHERS

Konenkamp Acts After Conference With Secretary Wilson.

TO BE NO WALKOUT TODAY

Western Union Strike Indefinitely Postponed Because of Resolution Before Congress.

Washington, July 7.—Indefinite postponement of the strike of telegraphers employed by the Western Union Telegraph Company, called to begin tomorrow, was announced tonight by Secretary of Labor, Wilson, after he had conferred over the long distance telephone with S. J. Konenkamp, president of the Commercial Telegraphers' Union.

To Be No Walk-Out.

Secretary Wilson said Mr. Konenkamp, who is in Chicago, had given him every assurance that the strike order would not be put into effect tomorrow and that any walk-out would be postponed indefinitely. It was understood that the union president agreed to this course, because Congress now is considering a new resolution authorizing the President to take over and operate during the war all telegraph, telephone, cable and radio systems.

Called on Gompers.

In a final effort to avert the strike Mr. Wilson sent Mr. Konenkamp a telegram today urging delay and later called in Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, who also sent a telegram urging postponement of the strike.

HONORING LOMAX, WILSON AND HANNA

One of the most pleasant social events that has taken place recently, was the dinner party, given by Miss Gladys Wilson at her home at Watts on last Tuesday evening in honor of John Lomax and Lowrie Wilson, who leave at an early date for services in the U. S. N., and Hugh Hanna, who will enter services today in the U. S. Army.

The invited guests arrived at eight thirty and at nine o'clock they were asked to proceed to the dining room, which was very artistically decorated with flags and patriotic colors. Place cards of a very neat design being used for the assignment at the table.

Misses Mildred and Annie Wilson dressed in Red Cross uniforms, were the efficient waiters and took great pleasure in seeing that each and every one was served to the utmost.

Little Allen and Herbert Wilson in their uniforms of khaki, gun, etc. stood at attention at the door and guarded same to see that no one passed out with anything less than the full benefit of a real feast.

Immediately after dinner the boys were presented with useful little souvenirs, thence to the dance hall, where every one enjoyed themselves to the fullest up until a late hour.

Among those who shared the hospitality of Miss Wilson were: Misses Sara and Alberta Clinkscales, Julia Cade, of Washington, Ga., Nina Wilson, Henry and Lowrie Wilson, Hugh Hanna, J. T. Clinkscales and John Lomax.

PICNICING IN THE PARK.

The Y. P. C. U. of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian church enjoyed a pleasant picnic at the City Park last Friday evening from seven until nine o'clock. This picnic was the outcome of an attendance contest in which the boys beat the girls and set them up to a picnic. Rev. and Mrs. Placco, Miss Lindsay, Miss Lilly Clark and Miss Mamie Devlin chaperoned the young people.

POLITICS REIGN AT ABBEVILLE OPERA HOUSE

Urgent Call For Skilled Men

WHITE MEN QUALIFIED FOR
GENERAL MILITARY SERVICE
ACCEPTED UNDER CALL

Your attention is invited to the following telegram from the Provost Marshal General:

"The Engineer Corps is in need of certain skilled men. Only white men qualified for general military service may be accepted under this call. No man who is needed to fill the July calls already announced should be allowed to volunteer for this service. Volunteers may be accepted from the 1918 class provided the registrant waives all time limits for classification and examination.

"The following types of men are desired: Auto repairmen, axemen, blacksmiths, boatmen, bridge carpenters, cabinet makers, caulkers, concrete foremen, concrete workers, construction foremen, cooks, draftsmen, electricians, gas engineers, farriers, horse-shoers, lithographers, machinists, buglers, photographers, plumbers, powdermen, quarrymen, riggers, saddlers, shoemakers, surveyors, tailors, teamsters, telephone operators, timbermen and topographers.

Please give the widest publicity to this call. Remember that no man that comes within the July call is eligible upon the terms set forth in said telegram. Make report to this office of number of volunteers by 17th inst.

ADDITIONS TO THE LIMIT CLUB

The following names added to the list published brings the total to about ninety in the War Savings Stamp campaign: Barnes, D. L., Lowndesville, S. C. Carpenter, R. H., Honea Path, S. C. Bell, J. R., Due West, S. C. Bell, Miss Lola, Due West. Pressly Bros., Due West. Bank of Due West, Due West. Agnew, Mrs. Lidie C., Due West. Boyce, Mrs. Jennie, Due West. Brownlee, Mrs. R. C., Due West. Brownlee, R. C. & Co., Due West. Nance, J. N., Due West. Erskine College, Due West. Clinkscales, M. B., Due West. Acker, Mrs. Jane, Due West. Due West Teachers Club, Due West.

Workers in the Districts of the county are requested once more to hand in any names entitled to entry in the Limit Club, so that they may be acknowledged and published.

F. E. Harrison,
County Chairman.

Excitement of Previous Years Absent at Campaign Meeting

AUDIENCE OF FOUR
HUNDRED PRESENT

The War, Taxation, and the Educational System Made Chief Issues in the Race for Governor.

Saturday morning and early forenoon, the Opera House was the scene of the debates and arguments of the various candidates for state offices. Concerning the occasion, the State said in part: "The state campaign meeting here today was quiet and the audience undemonstrative, a marked contrast to the hectic verbal gymnastics and fistic efforts of the last few days. The crowd today, which comfortably filled the local theatre, numbered about four hundred and was extremely patient, but demonstrated little enthusiasm."

William P. Greene was in the chair and, after a short speech of welcome, introduced the various speakers. In accordance with a resolution adopted the previous day by the campaign party, the candidates for governor spoke last, the morning being given over to the minor candidates. While this gave the crowd an opportunity to arrive, it caused the major speeches to run over the dinner hour and, consequently, many people left before the gubernatorial candidates had finished speaking. The arrangement was not altogether a happy one.

The candidates for State Superintendent of Education, J. E. Swearingen and V. E. Rector, appeared first on the speaking list. S. F. Wolfe, R. P. Searson and C. N. Sapp, candidates for Attorney-General, and those running for Commissioner of Agriculture, H. B. Morrison, W. B. Garrison and B. Harris, followed in the order named. Messrs. Whiteman and Liles, presenting their respective qualifications for the office of Lieutenant Governor, immediately preceded the main speakers. Mr. Whiteman made economy the chief note of his speech and opposed a policy of liberality towards the educational system. Mr. Liles laid emphasis on his experience as member of the Ways and Means Committee in the legislature and closed with a strong patriotic appeal.

Lieut. Governor Andrew J. Bethea was the first gubernatorial candidate.

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WILSON DECLARES ANEW AMERICAN INDEPENDENCE

In Shadow of Washington's Tomb President Pledges That United States and Its Allies Will Not Sheathe the Sword Against Central Powers Until Settlement Comes "Once and for All."—Approval of Words Voiced in Many Languages by Foreign Born Citizens Gathered at Mount Vernon.

Washington, July 4.—From the shadow of Washington's tomb, President Wilson today offered America's declaration of independence to the people of the world with a pledge that the United States and its allies will not sheathe the sword in the war against the central powers until there is settled "once for all" for the world, what was settled for America in 1776.

Foreign born citizens of the United States of 33 nationalities, who had placed wreaths of palms on the tomb in token of fealty to the principles laid down by the father of this country, cried their approval of his words in many languages and then stood with reverently bared

heads while the voice of John McCormack soared over the hallowed ground in the notes of "The Star Spangled Banner."

"Washington and his associates, like the barons at Runnymede, spoke and acted, not for a class, but for a people," the president said. "It has been left for us to see to it that it shall be understood that they spoke and acted, not for a single people only, but for all mankind. We here in America believe our participation in this present war to be only the fruitage of what they planted.

But One Issue.
"There can be but one issue. The

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