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HUNS SURRENDER UNCONDITIONALLY? HOSTILITIES CEASED AT 2:00 O'CLOCK THURSDAY

Washington Has Not Been Officially Notified of Latest Action of Germany

Washington Wild.

"Good" is Only Comment Made by President Wilson When Given News of Armistice Having Been Signed.

The afternoon papers served by the United Press carry the news dispatches below. While they are unofficial, they are given for what they are worth. If the war is not already over, the end is at least in sight.

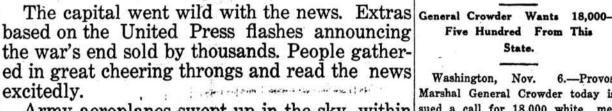
WASHINGTON GOES WILD WITH JOY BIG GUNS AT FORT MYER BOOM

Americans Had Taken Historic City of Sedan Before Signing of Armistice. Greatest War of All Times Has Come to An End. Revolt at Kiel Hastened the German's Decision.

Paris, Nov. 7.-The greatest war in history officially came to an end at two p. m. today. ficially came to an end at two p. m. today. The Allies and Germans signed an armistice **REPUBLICAN HOUSE**

three hours earlier on the field of battle. The German delegation had come into the allied line under a white flag.

At the time the document was signed the Allied armies were smashing forward on a 150mile front, from the Scheldt to the Meuse, tear-



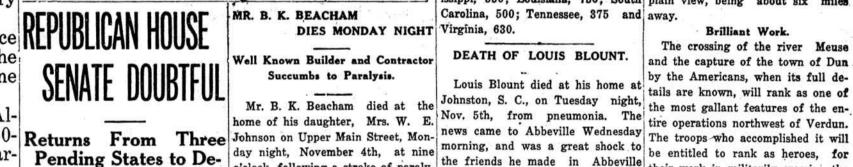
Army aeroplanes swept up in the sky within 15 minutes after the news came, looped the loop and flashed over the city from line to line celebrating the event.

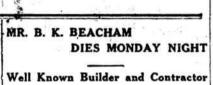
The big guns at Fort Myer boomed froth with joy.

Work stopped in all the departments over the city as the news was phoned to one after another ty of officers favored their continufrom the United Press offices. Everywhere there ation until the actual conclusion of were shouts of joy that the struggle had ended.

When Secretary of State Lansing left for his many. lunch at 12:45 he had no official confirmation of the closing of hostilities. He considered the news as having arrived surprisingly soon but was of the opinion that the Kiel disorders and other in- 27. ternal disturbances had hastened the very quick

compliance of the Germans to the armistice terms.





Succumbs to Paralysis.

Mr. B. K. Beacham died at the o'clock, following a stroke of paraly-

Five Hundred From This State. Washington, Nov. 6.-Provost Marshal General Crowder today is-Capture of Dun Accomsued a call for 18,000 white men

SERVICE MEN SOON

for limited service. Crowder's call furnished indications that there is to be no let down in prosecution of the fighting.

CALL FOR LIMITED

At Crowder's office, it was stated that draft calls would go on as usu-

armistice terms and that the majoripeace, holding that any other course would be unsafe in dealing with Ger-

The call issued by Crowder today American forces this afternoon were provides for voluntary induction of fighting within sight of Sedan, fammen until November 20. They will ous for the great battle fought in entrain between November 25 and the France-German war in 1870.

Men from the following states Chemery and Maisoncelle, where the are included in the call: Alabama, Americans, according to last ac-650; Arkansas, 350; Florida, 175; counts, were advancing despite stub-Georgia, 1,085; Kentucky, 100; Miss- born resistance, the buildings are in issippi, 550; Louisiana, 750; South plain view, being about six miles Carolina, 500; Tennessee, 375 and away. Virginia, 630.

DEATH OF LOUIS BLOUNT.

Louis Blount died at his home at Johnston, S. C., on Tuesday night, the most gallant features of the en-Mr. B. K. Beacham died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. W. E. Nov. 5th, from pneumonia. The tire operations northwest of Verdun. day night, November 4th, at nine morning, and was a great shock to be entitled to rank as heroes, for

He had been sick only a few

plished in Brilliant Action. AMERICAN FORCES IN SIGHT OF SEDAN

UTMOST DARING

AMERICANS

al at least until Germany had signed Men Had to Swim, Wade ... Through Mud and Used Grappling Irons to Scale Bare Walls of Canal -Strategy Big Feature.

> With the American Forces on the Sedan Front, Nov. 6.-4:30 p. m.-

From the hills in the region of

Brilliant Work.

The crossing of the river Meuse and the capture of the town of Dun by the Americans, when its full details are known, will rank as one of the friends he made in Abbeville their work in militarily crossing the stream was a strategic move of unusual daring. The crossing involved the forcing of a way over the 160-foot river, a half-mile-wide stretch of mud and a 60-foot canal in the face of a frightful enemy fire. It also involved swimming by those who knew how and the pulling of others over with ropes. Grappling irons were used to scale the sheer walls of the canal, along which machine gunners had been posted, under the fire of scores of batteries from the hills adjoining.

ing the German defense to pieces and driving the enemy into utter route. The Americans took Sedan this morning, and great gains were made CLOSE IN NEW MEXICO, at all points on the battle front. Before the terms were submitted to Germany the Kaiser was forced to apply to Marshal Foch and Admiral Wemyss as military and naval representatives of the Allies, under a flag of truce.

While virtual peace was thus being concluded, Germany was in the throes of an incipient revolution at Home. A revolt of sailors at Kiel had spread throughout Schleswig-Holstein and several large cities were reported to be in the hands night was centered on contests in of the revolutionists.

Poland Proclaimed A Republic Today.

Berne, via Zurich, Nov. 7.-Poland was proclaimed a republic Monday by Premier Swier- congressional districts were missing zinski, it was announced here today.

State Department Not Yet Advised.

Washington, Nov. 7 .- The State Department house-16 more than the 118 votes received an official message from Paris shortly after 2 o'clock this afternoon saying that the those returns had 195 seats and if armistice had not yet been signed at the time the five missing districts were to be that message was filed. The United Press message announcing the signing of the armistice and the cessation of hostilities was filed in Paris late this afternoon, undoubtedly, considerably that Speaker Clark, instead of belater than the message received by the State Department.

Official advices here stated that the commissioners at the front were to meet later this afternoon. This fact checked up with the transmission of the United Press cablegram which was passed by the censor in Paris, showing that there 47 Republicans. was sufficient time for the cablegram to have reached New York at 12 noon, New York time, when it was received and passed by the naval censor in New York.

cide Control.

With Trio of Seas Still to Be Determined, Democrats Stand One Behind in Upper Body. Final Result May Show Tie.

Washington, Nov. 6 .- With control of the house of representatives in the hands of the Republicans by a majority of 16 and probably more the attention of the country tothe three States, Michigan, Idaho and New Mexico, which will decide whether the Democrats shall lose control of the senate as well. At midnight returns from five in Montana, New Mexico and South Dakota.

Without them, however, the Republicans have 234 seats in the necessary for a majority.

The Democrats on the face of conceded to them they still would lack 18 votes of the number necessary to control the house.

Tonight's returns show plainly ing defeated, as was reported, has been re-elected by a substantial majority.

contests there are 46 Democrats and now waiting assignment.

In New Mexico where Republicans Miss Mamie Devlin returned to complete returns.

when he lived here several years sis on last Saturday.

ago Belton Knox Beacham was born in Pickens County, South Carolina, on days before pneumonia developed. MICHIGAN AND IDAHO March 5th, 1855. He was therefore, His mother, Mrs. Louis Blount, Sr. in his 64th year. His parents were and his brother, Henry Blount, lef Hartwell Lowrie Beacham and Lois Abbeville Tuesday morning for his Sheppard Beacham. bedside, and reached there in the

He moved to Abbeville in . 1881, afternoon before his death. and since then has followed his busi-Mr. Blount was married and ness of builder and contractor. He leaves a wife and two small childwas a member of the Baptist church. ren. His father and mother, Mr. and In 1883 he was married to Miss Mrs. Louis Blount, of Warrenton, Hessie Miller, daughter of Jacob his brother, Henry, and his sisters, Miller, of Abbeville, S. C. She and Mrs. J. D. Miller and Mrs. James H. three children survive him, the child- Sherard, of Abbeville, survive him. ren being Mrs. Johnson, Mr. Lowrie They have the deep sympathy of the M. Beacham, a farmer of Laurens, people of this city. S. C., and Ensign Worth Beacham, The interment will be in Abbeville of the Pay Corps, United States at Melrose cemetery, this morning,

Navy. All of them were with him services being conducted at the during his last illness. He is also grave. survived by four brothers and one

sister.

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demie.

ASSOCIATE REFORMED

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Funeral services were at the house on Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 after which the interment took place The Associate Reformed Presbyat Long Cane, the religious services terian Church will open its doors for

being conducted by Rev. H. W. worship of the Supreme Being next Sabbath morning, November 10th.

Mr. Worth B. Beacham, of Atlan- Services of public worship in the ta, and Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Beach- morning at 11 o'clock and in the evam, of Honea Path, attended the ening at 7:30. Strangers and visitfuneral, as did Mrs. A. W. Jones, a ors are cordially invited to worship sister of Mrs. Beacham, and Mr. with us. A prayer house is a power and Mrs. J. E. McDavid of Columbia. house.

CORP. HEMPHILL.

CANTEEN.

Corp. James C. Hemphill, who is will have an exchange on Saturday, The contests which will decide the now serving in the Light Artillery Nov. 9th. Will sell cakes, chickens, political complexion of the senate at Camp Jackson, has been notified eggs, butter, canned goods and other had not protected themselves with were very close. As the senate he has been recommended for the good things to eat. Come and help trenches here only because they stands without a decision in these next officers training camp and is the good cause.

HERE FOR THE FUNERAL

are claiming the election of Senator Greenwood Thursday after a vaca- Mr. and Mrs. J. E. McDavid came

Fall by a majority of 1,000, at least tion of a month, the schools being up from Columbia last Tuesday to not a single county had reported closed there on account of the epi- attend the funeral of Mr. B. K. Chester Wednesday for treatment at Beacham.

The Order to Cross.

The order to cross the canal came at mid-afternoon Monday. The troops received their grim instructions under sun which was shining for the first time in days. The men knew almost as well as their commanders the difficulty of the task and realized how well nigh. impossible its accomplishment would be. Yet they never doubted or hesitated. The orders were to send over one brigade first and if it failed to send another and others, one after the other, if it became necessary. It was with dash that the Americans tackled the problem. Theoretically they had the choice of crossings anywhere for five miles. Actually they were limited to one point, where the two-thirds of a mile of mud lay between the river itself, and the canal 'The ladies of the Canteen Service; that roughly parallels the river.

> The Germans were too firmly entrenched at all other points. They never dreamed that the Americans

would be so daring as to try to negotiate the passage. This was a Hon. and Mrs. A. W. Jones and short distance north of Brieulles.

> Miss Sadie Magill went over in Dr. Pryor's hospital.