

## GERMANS RESIST ALLIED ADVANCE

### PUTTING FORTH FULL STRENGTH TO PREVENT ALLIES FROM GETTING THIRD LINE.

## AUSTRALIAN TROOPS GAIN

### Allies Have Captured 26,000 Prisoners, 140 Big Guns and Many Machine Guns Taken Since July 1st.

London.—Australian troops have established themselves in Poziena and are said to have gained a position on both sides of the road in the direction of Bapaume, in a new British attack against the Germans on the entire front from Poziera to Guillemont. The Germans have been putting forward their full strength in attempts to prevent the British forces from reaching their third line positions. Fighting of the fiercest character is in progress.

The fact that General Haig has been able to resume the offensive so soon after the unsuccessful German counter-attacks of last week in which very strong German forces were brought forward is regarded as a good augury.

At Guillemont and Longueval fortunes fluctuated, both places changing hands several times. Late tonight the fighting was proceeding with the utmost violence.

The German counter-attacks recently delivered against the French front have proved equally unsuccessful and the Entente Allies now are fighting slowly in the direction of Comblis, which is only two miles distant from Guillemont.

According to reliable estimates the British and French together have captured since July 1 more than 26,000 prisoners, 40 guns and hundreds of machine guns. British troops operating in the northeastern section of German East Africa have occupied Muheza and Amani.

## HERRERA SENDS GENERAL TREVINO TO MEXICO CITY

Commander of Carranza Forces in Northeastern Mexico is Transferred. Washington.—Gen. Jacinto Trevino, commander of the Carranza forces in northeastern Mexico has been ordered to Mexico City and will be succeeded at least temporarily, by Gen. Luis Herrera, commander of the Chihuahua City garrison. Despatches to the War department from General Bell, reporting the transfer, contained no explanation as to the cause. Army officers here were plainly surprised at such an important change at this time.

General Trevino has personally directed the campaign against bandits in Chihuahua and it is said to be largely because of his efforts that the Carranza soldiers have continued their operations against Villa and other outlaw leaders on such a broad scale. For that reason some regret over the transfer was expressed here, though officials said they were confident that General Herrera would use every resource at his command to continue the campaign.

## VILLA IS MOVING TOWARD TORREON

San Antonio, Texas.—Villa has not attacked Torreon nor cut the communications between Torreon and the border but was moving southward through the State of Durango in the direction of Torreon six days ago, according to information received here from General Bell. Army officers here do not share the optimistic views of Carranzista officers that Villa is being cornered by Carranza forces.

## GERMANS CLAIM ATTACK HAS BEEN ABANDONED

Berlin, via London.—The German army headquarters staff in an official statement claims that the great unofficial Anglo-French attack on the Somme sector in France has been abandoned.

## JAMES WHITCOMB RILEY, HOOSIER POET, IS DEAD.

Indianapolis, Ind.—James Whitcomb Riley, the Indiana poet, is dead. Death was due to a stroke of paralysis. Riley, born of the Middle West, sang the joys, sorrows, fancies and honors of his folk largely in his own dialect. The world was so touched by his inspiration and the realism of his homely symbols that he was one of the few, that, devoting their lives to poetry, attained a fortune.

## BOMB EXPLODED IN CROWD KILLS FOUR, INJURES 41.

San Francisco.—At least four persons were killed and 41 or more injured here when a timed bomb, concealed in a suit case, exploded on San Francisco's main thoroughfare in the midst of a throng viewing a presidential parade. A one-story brick structure against which the suit case had been wedged, and the explosion blew a gap through the crowd, blasting men, women and children.

## FOOD GOING INTO FLOOD DISTRICTS

### CITIZENS HAVE TURNED TO RELIEF WORK IN THE DEVASTATED DISTRICTS.

## FEDERAL AID IF NECESSARY

### War Department Engineers Are Investigating—Believed Now That Death List Will Stand Near One Hundred.

Charlotte.—With the southeastern floods virtually over, North Carolina citizens have turned to the work of relief and supplies of food and other necessities are going into devastated districts from half a dozen cities in the state.

Representatives Page and Webb, in Washington, have called the War Department's attention to conditions in the Yadkin Valley and Secretary Baker has ordered a report from district engineers with a view of asking congress for authorization to extend help to sufferers if federal action should become necessary.

Conditions are described as serious in Wilkes, Ashe and Watauga counties, where many are said to be facing famine through inability to get food supplies into the district because of lack of transportation. In North Wilkesboro a committee appointed by the mayor has sent out appeals for help. All food supplies are said to be exhausted or greatly curtailed and with roads and railways washed away the transportation problem is serious.

Flood victims in the Asheville district are being provided with food from that city, and wagons and motor-trucks are leaving other points with supplies.

Rutherfordton has sent wagon trains and pack horses over the mountains with food for 350 persons in the Chimney Rock and Bat Cave section. About 100 tourists and summer vacationists are among those penned up in the hills. Two additional bodies have been recovered from the Catawba river near Belmont, leaving six of the 20 who went down with the Southern Railway bridge Sunday unaccounted for. It is believed now that the death list from the food will be less than 100.

The armies of repair men sent to the flooded section are making rapid progress and prospects are that next week normal schedules will be resumed on the main lines of the railroads affected. Various branch lines will be out of commission much longer.

## BILL TO PROVIDE GREAT NAVY PASSES THE SENATE

### Amendments Voted Down Overwhelmingly and Bill Goes to Conference.

Washington.—The naval appropriation bill with a three-year building program including the immediate construction of four dreadnoughts, four great battle-cruisers and 68 other craft, passed the Senate by a vote of 71 to 8. It carries \$35,826,843, or \$45,857,588 more than the total as the measure passed the House.

Many proposals to curtail the enormous building increases written into the measure by the Senate Naval Committee were defeated overwhelmingly and as soon as final passage was announced the Senate voted to insist on its amendment and send the bill at once to conference.

## ROTARY CLUBS TO MEET NEXT YEAR IN ATLANTA

Cincinnati, O.—Atlanta, Ga., was selected as the convention city in May, 1917, of the International Association of Rotary Clubs here by the new and retiring officers empowered to make the selection.

## PROHIBITIONISTS PICK HANLY FOR PRESIDENCY

St. Paul, Minn.—The Progressive National Convention, which has been in session here, adjourned sine die after nominating J. Frank Hanly, former governor of Indiana, as candidate for president of the United States and Dr. Ira D. Landreth of Nashville candidate for vice president. Dr. Landreth's nomination was made unanimous after the other vice presidential candidates had been withdrawn. Mr. Hanly was nominated on first ballot.

## The State Department of Agriculture was busy answering questions by long distance telephone as to the condition of the public highways of the state and many called in person seeking information.

The Carolina & Northwestern Railway, which suffered an appalling financial loss during the recent hurricane, is rapidly getting its tracks and trestles, with the exception of the Catawba river in shape again. It was announced that the general offices in Chester that the damage to the track most noticeable at this time is ten miles this side of Hickory.

## ANNOUNCE DATES FOR MANY FAIRS

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## STATE FAIR OCTOBER 23-27

### Columbia Will Celebrate Harvest Jubilee Again—Premium Lists to Soon Be Ready.

Columbia.—Dates are being worked out for the agricultural fairs in the various counties of the State this fall. The state fair is to be held a few days earlier this year, the dates for this having been fixed for October 23-27, inclusive, and plans are gradually being formulated for an unusually big week of events. The Harvest Jubilee, which was introduced as a novel feature last year and brought many additional thousands of visitors to Columbia, is to be enlarged and developed this fall. \$5,000 having been recently appropriated for the development of this feature. Premium lists have also been completed and are now being printed. These will be distributed generally within the next few days.

Dates for county fairs which have been fixed include:

- Spartanburg county fair, Spartanburg, October 31-November 3, inclusive; Paul V. Moore, Spartanburg, secretary.
- Williamsburg county fair, Kingsburg, November 8-11; George A. McElveen, Kingsburg, secretary.
- Marion county fair, Marion, November 8-10; general superintendent, O. L. Schofield.
- Marlboro county fair, Bennettsville, October 31-November 3; secretary, J. P. Gibson, Bennettsville.
- Chesterfield county fair, Chesterfield, November 6-11; C. L. Hunley, Chesterfield, secretary.
- York county fair, Rock Hill, October 7-9, inclusive; secretary, William H. Timmons, Rock Hill.
- Orangeburg county fair, Orangeburg, November 16-17, inclusive; secretary, J. H. Hughes, Orangeburg.
- Lexington county fair, Lexington, October 17-19; secretary, M. D. Harman, Lexington.
- Clarendon county fair, Manning, November 15-17; John G. Dinkins, secretary.

## Terrible Blows in Pee Dee.

Florence.—Florence, the county and the entire Pee Dee section have been hard hit by the tropical storm that for 36 hours swept over eastern South Carolina. Never in the history of this section has there fallen such a quantity of rain.

The United States weather bureau at this place gives the official figures for the 36 hours as being 14.35 inches of rain. For the first 12 hours 1.28 inches fell. The next 12 hours 11.03 inches and the last 12 hours 0.66, making a total of 14.35 inches, an unprecedented record.

The result is that every bridge on Jeffrey creek on High Hill creek, on Willow creek, on Black creek, Polk swamp and Beaver Dam, have been carried away. Two of the bridges on Jeffreys Creek at Coles and Sycamore were newly constructed reinforced concrete bridges and cost the county upwards of \$10,000. At Jeffreys creek, one mile south of Florence, the water was five feet above the causeway and not only carried away the new concrete bridge but is sweeping away, bent by the Atlantic Coast Line railway trestle and bridge. The water at that point rose five feet deep in the Coast Line's pumping station used to supply the shops and locomotives at this place. It and the shops are put out of business.

## Great Meeting Despite Storm.

Beaufort.—The meeting of the South Carolina Association was held here in spite of stormy weather conditions that prevailed throughout the day. Owing to the storm warnings that had been sent out, however, very few out of town visitors came for the meeting.

## State Farm Under Water.

Sumter.—The reports from the county indicate that the loss of crops was not as great as was at first feared, although the loss will be a heavy one, especially to farmers in the eastern section of the county, who lost practically all of their tobacco, none of which was grown. Cotton and corn both suffered heavy damages, however. The dam on the Wateree near Hopewell broke under the pressure from the high water and the whole of the state farm was inundated, causing a big loss.

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## MANNING URGES TROOP MOVEMENT

### SENDS PRESIDENT LETTER REPORTING REGIMENTS READY FOR SERVICE.

## NEWS FROM CAMP MOORE

### Interesting Happenings About Palmetto Soldiers Who Are in Camp at Styx, The Mobilization Point for the South Carolina National Guard.

Gov. Manning took up the matter of moving the National Guard of South Carolina to the Mexican border with the Washington government. Letters urging that an early movement be ordered were addressed by Gov. Manning to the secretary of war and the president.

No word has been received at Camp Styx as to when the guard will be moved. The officers are straining every nerve to put the First Regiment in condition as required by the new order of the war department.

Gov. Manning sent the following letter to Newton D. Baker secretary of war:

"We have now in camp here two regiments of infantry and one troop of cavalry, which have been reported as ready to go to the border by the United States army officers.

"These commands are well officered and have a fine personnel. Both officers and men are extremely anxious to see service, and I write to urge you to do all in your power to have these troops go forward at once. There is no question in my mind that they will do creditable service both for the United States and the State of South Carolina.

"This State responded promptly to the president's call. The troops are in excellent condition, and are ready and anxious to go forward. Their prompt movement to the border will serve as a stimulus to the National Guard of South Carolina, and I am particularly anxious to encourage this spirit. Please advise me when they will move."

Word reached Camp Styx from Columbia that Gov. Manning had sent a letter to President Wilson and the war department urging that the two regiments be sent to the border at an early day and with pleasure by the men and officers of the National Guard.

Plans went forward for the establishment of recruiting stations in South Carolina for the militia. Tentative plans call for the establishment of stations at Columbia, Florence, Spartanburg and Greenville. Constantly officers have been summoned to camp and will be detailed as recruiting officers.

The men of the First Regiment have been working hard to get into condition for moving to the border, and if there are a few more rough edges to be ground off it will not matter, because the guardsmen are willing. The matter of equipment will of course be left to the federal officers, and it is believed that everything possible will be done to expedite the movement of the troops.

The men of the Second Regiment are working hard to get in condition for the much desired and much talked about trip.

While no announcement has been made, it is believed that effort is being made to have the troops moved at the earliest possible moment. The matter may be handled directly with the secretary of war.

J. S. Caldwell Resigns. Declaring that he had been accused of disloyalty, J. Shapter Caldwell, assistant adjutant general, has mailed his resignation to W. W. Moore, adjutant general.

"I have not received the resignation and will give it consideration when I do," said the adjutant general, just before leaving for Barwell, where he attended the campaign meeting.

When the National Guard was ordered mobilized at Styx, Maj. Caldwell was appointed as camp adjutant. His resignation does not affect his position as camp adjutant.

Maj. Caldwell mailed the following letter to the adjutant general: "I respectfully request that I be granted a two months leave, to which I am entitled by law, and that at the expiration of this leave I be relieved from duty as assistant to the adjutant general."

The law requires that the resignation be transmitted to the governor through the adjutant general. Gov. Manning had no comment to make concerning the resignation of Maj. Caldwell.

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## WORK FOR THE TAX BOARD

### Jones Explains Purpose of Creating Tax Commission—Busy Gathering Information.

Columbia.—The state tax commission is gathering information on which to base an equitable assessment of the property of individuals and corporations in South Carolina.

A. W. Jones, chairman, said: "The tax commission was created for the purpose of equalizing the assessments on the property of individuals and corporations in order that all classes of property might bear an equal share of the expenses of state and county government. In order for the tax commission to accomplish this result it is necessary to secure all the data and information possible in reference to values and assessments, and which, when collected and compiled, is to be used in equalizing the assessments and placing all property on an equality. It is our intention to collect and compile this data as rapidly as possible for use in taking action on assessments to be made. It is necessary that we secure this information before our work can be satisfactorily accomplished. We shall continue our work with only one end in view, namely, the equal distribution of the burden of taxation among all the people alike. No man should pay more of his share of the taxes. No man should be allowed to do less."

## South Carolina Fares Well.

Washington.—South Carolina fares well in the omnibus public building bill made public and reported to the house by the chairman of the public buildings and grounds committee, Representative Frank Clark of Florida.

Aiken gets \$75,000 for a United States postoffice and custom house; Dillon gets \$25,000; Lake City, \$35,000; United States postoffice and custom house; Dillon gets \$25,000; United States postoffice and custom house and other government buildings at Greenwood, \$125,000; the secretary of the treasury being authorized to sell the present federal building and site at public sale for cash to the highest bidder; Bamberg, \$5,000; Conway, \$3,000; Esley, \$5,000; Greer, \$5,000; Hartsville, \$3,000; Manning, \$5,000; Summerville, \$50,000; York, \$30,000.

## Men Walk Home.

Spartanburg.—H. L. Bomer of the Spartanburg bar, E. P. Avat a well known coal agent, and J. W. Bell, a wholesale merchant of this city, were rived here, having made their way through the country walking many miles from Marshall, N. C., where the Carolina Special from Knoxville, Tenn., was caught by the waters of the French Broad.

Monday morning, walked to Marshall, a distance of five miles, secured a car there that carried them some distance towards Asheville, walked from that point to Melrose, where they caught the first train out of that place for Spartanburg. Their accounts of the destruction in the wake of the floods bring new lights on the problems confronting the railroads and the stricken towns.

## Two Die When Tower Falls.

Greenville.—Larry Dean 14, aged 21, and R. Boyce Kay, aged 27, are dead as a result of the collapse of a wooden tower that was being used in the construction of concrete piers for the Southern Railway trestle over Salluda river, near Greenville. The first died almost instantly, while the latter died several hours later at a Greenville hospital. The tower fell while the men were mounting it to attach guy wires. The tower, 75 feet high, is believed to have given away because of a softening of the ground caused by recent rains.

## Tents for Engineers.

The engineer company has turned its back on the dog tents which gave way to the barn Friday night and tonight the engineers have regular tents, vacated by the cavalry troop, which has the new and improved type of shelter. Tea and food men notwithstanding the new company of the National Guard for under the most adverse circumstances the members of the engineer corps did not complain.

## The Border.

"When are you going to the border?" an officer was asked, and like the private, he replied: "I don't know."

The officers are pleased with the spirit of the men and the men are pleased with the courteous treatment of the officers and just one little word from the war department or rather from the department of the state would make about 2,400 young South Carolinians happy.

## Kingstree Feels Hurricane.

Kingstree.—The most destructive storm that has visited this community in many years was the hurricane which swept Kingstree and vicinity from 1 o'clock Friday morning until 2 in the afternoon, followed by tremendous downpour of rain.

Some idea of the flood that has swept Kingstree may be drawn from the fact that over 18 inches of rain is recorded as falling here within the same number of hours. Black River, on the west of town, was higher than ever known to be before.

Maudie Fulton, the clever actress, has a fund of anecdotes, and here's one of the best among them:

"She had stopped, panting, by the road to rest. It was the shell road. Pass Christian, and she was black. Beside her was a heavy market basket filled to overflowing. A passerby smiled and she responded with a full and free confidence. 'Yass'm, I is some tired. An' lame. All painful wid miscalos. Yass'm I coulda done sen' someone else to makhet fo' me. Mah' grandson he coulda gone. But I dain't trust him. He spend mah' money too briefly.'—Young's Magazine.

## RESENT INTRUSION OF MAN

### Wild Elephants Greatly Retard Work of Missionaries in Central African Region.

The strongest opponents to the advance of civilization in west Central Africa, says Bishop Lambuth, the Methodist missionary, are the wild elephants. They break down fences, trample gardens, pull up trees and even telegraph poles, for no other apparent reason than because they object to anything strange in their familiar haunts. One savage monster nearly wrecked a small steam launch belonging to the mission on the upper reaches of the Congo.

The boat, with three white men, including the bishop, and a crew of five negroes, had tied up on the edge of a deep forest in a quiet bend of the river. A stout plank was laid as gangway from the bow to the bank, and the crew worked until nightfall cutting and piling firewood for the boat's furnace, then they came on deck for their evening meal. The three white men were already at dinner, when a fearful yell from the natives brought them out of the cabin to see a large elephant viciously attacking the woodpile. The blacks shouted and threw missiles, and two of the more venturesome even went ashore with firebrands snatched out of the cook stove to drive the monster away. But he paid no attention to them until he had demolished the woodpile, when he whipped one man with his trunk heels over head into the river, and chased the other back into the boat.

Thundering loudly, with red gullet open, tusks flashing and trunk flailing the air, he planned both tremendous forefoot on the gangplank. It bent until it cracked under his weight, but held stoutly, although the whole boat creaked, and seemed ready to capsize.

In another moment the elephant had crossed the plank, and was astride it with hindfeet on the shore and forefeet on the boat. There he stood, afraid to advance or retreat, a gigantic image of baffled rage. In his fury he began stamping with those great forefeet, and the boat rocked crazily back and forth.

What might have happened if the monster had come aboard with all his frenzied weight can only be imagined; for the captain by this time had fetched the only rifle on board and, risking all on one shot, had thrust the muzzle almost into the gaping mouth and pulled the trigger.

Fortunately, the bullet lodged in the base of the brain. The elephant tumbled to his knees and into the water near the bank, his legs thrashing the boat aside so suddenly that it snapped the bowlines and sent the men staggering to the gunwale.

At the next government trading post the captain had two splendid turkeys to show as the result of his cool daring; but to his astonishment, he was arrested for shooting the elephant without a license. It was with great difficulty that the government official was convinced that the animal had been shot in self-defense. Even then he confiscated the ivory.—Youth's Companion.

## Activities of Women.

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## OFFICER WASTED FEW WORDS

### Conveyed Injunction Briefly, but Left Hearers With a Small Matter to Ponder Over.

Though the ear packed him away to the Caucasus and put others in his place at the head of the Russian legation, Paris still cherishes its admiration of the tall, grim Grand Duke Nicholas, Nicholasievitch, "some time generalissimo of the armies of Muscovy. And it is in Paris that they tell this story: One evening, when his forces lay near the Polish frontier, the grand duke gave orders that all the persons engaged in purveying supplies to the soldiers should be assembled at nine o'clock alongside the track where the grand ducal train was stabled for the night. "I have a highly important communication to make to the individuals in question," Nicholas explained.

Promptly at the hour named the invited guests were on hand and stood in line respectfully waiting. They did not wait long. In not above a minute the grand duke stepped out of his car, facing the trades persons, and looked them over for several minutes in silence. Then he spoke:

"Gentlemen, what I have to say to you is very serious for you, and is comprised in exactly three words. Do not steal—or I'll hang every mother's son of you."

With that he turned on his heel and re-entered his car. The audience was at an end.

## ELEPHANT GIVES FIRE ALARM

### Baby Pachyderm's Grunts Save Large Menagerie From Flames Only Just in Time.

Credit should be forthcoming to Little Nemo. She, "the world's smallest elephant," at last has gained a legitimate status.

The J. H. Eschman World-United Shows visitors in a couple of vacant lots at Guinotte avenue and Salisbury street, Kansas City, in the East bottoms. There are ten cars. A spreading barn protects the animals.

The barnkeeper and assistants were playing rum in the private car of Mr. Eschman. They heard big grunts from Little Nemo. They rushed out. The interior of the barn was blazing. The elephant had kicked over a gasoline stove in the straw. "Cap" Watkins rushed in. Little Nemo was fast losing her senses in the smoke. It was dark and the "Cap" groped about, untied Nemo's halter and shouted, "Come, Nemo!" Nemo came.

In the meantime someone had called the fire department. Before it arrived the other American flames had removed the South American flames and the wagon of screaming monkeys from the barn.

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The woman shopper screamed and ran for the street. The clerks and other patrons followed. The police arrived on a hurry call, and found the snake still curled around the girl's arm. They took it to headquarters.

How the snake got in the store was solved tonight when members of a high-school fraternity tried to claim it. They explained they had two of the reptiles for initiation. Both escaped from the fraternity rooms above the store. The other snake has not been found.

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