

FROM MANY POINTS

EVENTS OF THE DAY HELD TO A FEW LINES.

LATE EVENTS BOILED DOWN

Personal, Political, Foreign and Other Intelligence Interesting to the General Reader.

WAR NEWS.

The Dutch government has prohibited the export of cattle. All preserves containing meat also will come under the prohibition.

Sixty persons were killed and a large number wounded in Bucharest, Rumania, by bombs dropped from a squadron of aeroplanes of the Teutons.

A recapitulation of the prisoners and booty taken by the Russians shows a total since the offensive began of 420,000 officers and men taken prisoners and the capture of 2,500 machine guns and mine throwers and 600 cannon.

It is announced officially in Paris that the number of prisoners taken by the Anglo-French forces on the Somme from July 1 to September 18, amounted to more than 55,800. Of these, 34,050 fell into the hands of the French.

Germany will yield to the demands of the Greek government for the return of the 6,000 Greek soldiers removed from Kavala, if the allies agree not to impede the progress of the return and not to punish the Greek officers.

Paris newspapers declare that another winter campaign is unavoidable, and that France is making all necessary arrangements for supplying the troops with garments, blankets and other essentials for winter warfare.

The salaries of all German officers have been reduced. The salary of the minister of war and the chief army commanders is cut 1,000 marks a month and lieutenants 600 marks. Married officers and those who have special dependents upon them are allowed special indemnities.

The Amsterdam correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph says travelers who have arrived from Bremen report that a third German commercial submarine will be ready to sail within a month for American waters, to be known as the Kaiser, is said to be larger than the Deutschland.

The Australian senate passed by a vote of 17 to 9 the bill calling for a referendum on the question of conscription, which had already passed the house. Women will vote at the election, registering their decision on the question of sending their men to war, for probably the first time in history.

Combes, the pivotal point in the German line guarding the approach to Bapaume on the north and Peronne on the south of the Somme front, has fallen before attacks of French and British. At the end of the fighting the town was filled with the bodies of Germans, the French official statement says.

Two Zeppelin airships were brought down by British gunners in the recent raid on London. The entire crew of one perished in the fire which destroyed the dirigible, while those aboard the other landed safely and were made prisoners. Forty Britons were killed during the raid. Twelve Zeppelins accompanied by many aeroplanes, took part in the attack.

GENERAL.

Increases in the price of flour to the highest point since the civil war caused Chicago bread-makers concerns to increase the price of bread from 5 to 6 cents a loaf with a corresponding increase in the price of other baked goods.

Senator Warren G. Harding of Ohio will begin a speaking trip through the west in behalf of Hughes and Fairbanks early this month. He will visit Montana, Idaho, Utah, Wyoming, Nebraska, Missouri, Indiana and Kentucky.

The widely exploited sympathetic "walkout" of trades unionists in Greater New York in aid of the striking carmen, which was supposed to have started last Wednesday, has failed to materialize, according to the police.

More people have been killed and injured by automobiles on the streets of American cities during this year than in all the Zeppelin raids on England. Chicago and New York lead in the number of deaths with more than 200 each between January 1 and September 1.

Exports from the port of New York for August, 1916, totalled \$271,357,862, as compared with \$141,971,554 for the same month in 1915, according to a compilation issued by the custom house.

Edward Beck, managing editor of the Winnipeg Telegram, and Knox Madee, editor of the Winnipeg Post, were committed to jail for one month and fined \$500 each for criticism of the agricultural college royal commission.

Billy Sunday had a total of 697 converts to his credit in Detroit after two nights of trail-baiting. Nearly 200,000 persons heard the evangelist in the first week and a half of meetings. Collections totalled \$14,873.12.

Minneapolis millers declare that flour may retail at \$10 a barrel in the near future if wheat prices continue to rise.

The private bank of Campbell, Dubla & Co., the tenth to fail in Chicago within the last month, closed its doors on September the 22nd.

Forty members of the Industrial Workers of the World were locked in refrigerator cars at North Yakima, Wash., by 150 citizens, and railroaded out of town.

A large hotel for working girls and women is to be constructed in Chicago and conducted under Catholic auspices, Archbishop George W. Mundelein announced.

The Sioux City Journal (evening) and Sioux City Tribune (evening) have advanced the price from 1 to 2 cents. The raise, it is announced, is due to the increased cost of paper.

Standard Oil stocks advanced to the highest levels in history on the curb market on Sept. 28. The aggregate quotation of Standard Oil subsidiaries was \$2,000, the highest in its history. Before the dissolution Standard Oil was quoted at \$600.

Congressional investigation of the livestock industry, including production, marketing, slaughter and distribution, and sale of all cattle, was asked in a resolution presented to the American Bankers' association at their convention in Kansas City.

MEXICAN TROUBLE.

The Mexican finance department has issued a circular giving the National Bank and the Bank of London and Mexico permission to reopen.

Dispatches reaching Juarez from Casas Grandes stated that Villa's bandit army is approaching the outskirts of the Pershing expedition near El Valle.

The return of the national guard regiments to their state camps from El Paso has been temporarily held up because of recent developments in Mexico.

Bandits are robbing passenger trains in the interior of Mexico and are taking even the shoes from the feet of the passengers, a Mexican refugee, who reached Juarez reported.

Wholesale executions are taking place in Chihuahua City following the Villa attack. Five hundred Villa adherents have been executed since the fight, and many other prisoners have been taken.

Two British subjects and thirty-six Carranza soldiers were killed when Villistas raided an oil camp near Tuxpam, September 16, according to officers of the tank steamer Topila, which arrived at Galveston a few days ago.

Telegraphic communication west of Chihuahua City on the Mexico Northwestern has been interrupted and more bridges are reported to have been burned near Santa Ysabel. This is believed to be the work of Villa soldiers.

Over 100 Villa followers were killed, the bandit leader, Baudelio Uribe, was taken prisoner and heavy casualties suffered by Carranza forces in a terrific fight at Cusuhuirachic, an important mining center about fifty miles southwest of Chihuahua City.

Agents have been sent into every de facto garrison in Chihuahua state by Pancho Villa in an attempt to undermine the garrisons and stir up revolts against First Chief Carranza. By Carranza officials it is feared this is the first step by the bandit chief toward a threatened attack upon border towns.

WASHINGTON.

Japan's purpose to renew at the end of the European war her contention for the right of her people to emigrate to and own land in the United States, was admitted at the Japanese embassy.

Secretary Lansing announced officially that James W. Gerrard, American ambassador to Germany, was en route home for a belated vacation, probably to stay about two months. Secretary Grew of the embassy will be in charge at Berlin.

American exports passed the half billion dollar a month mark during the month of August. Figures show that goods sent abroad during the month were valued at \$510,000,000, a record not only for this country but for the world. The total is \$35,000,000 above the previous high record established in May.

Six thousand National guardsmen from thirteen states were ordered to the Mexican border by the War Department and Major-General Funston was directed to select 10,000 troops now on the border for return to their home states, to be mustered out of the federal service.

Word has reached the State department that Great Britain has withdrawn regulations for the importation of cigar tobacco which American growers have declared would ruin their business.

Deposits in postal savings banks during August increased nearly \$5,000,000, the largest monthly gain since the system was established. On September 1, a total of 621,000 depositors had accounts aggregating more than \$4,000,000 to their credit.

The Department of Agriculture has issued a warning to dealers against interstate shipment of oysters which are polluted or soaked to increase their bulk. Prosecutions will be pressed against violators of the law forbidding adulteration of oysters.

CONDENSED NEWS

OF INTEREST TO ALL.

DATES FOR COMING EVENTS.

October 11-12—State Meeting Grand Lodge Degree of Honor at Lincoln.
October 11-22—Coursing Meet at Grand Island.

October 17-20—I. O. O. F. State Convention at Lincoln.
October 20—Annual Meeting Luther Synod of Nebraska at Omaha.

Oct. 31—Northwestern Nebraska Medical Society meeting, Long Pine.
Nov. 2-5—Nebraska Christian Endeavor Union state convention at Omaha.

Nov. 8-9-10—Nebraska State Teachers' association meeting at Omaha.

T. O. C. Harrison, former chief justice of the Nebraska supreme court, was fined \$10 and costs at Grand Island in the county court for the alleged shooting of two Chinese pheasants. The offense was really committed by Mr. Harrison's two grandsons, who were with him at the time.

Assessed valuations of Lincoln property have been increased \$748,097 over last year's figures according to a summary compiled by Tax Commissioner C. R. Mawe. The summary includes real estate, personal property, insurance companies, street car lines, public utilities, banks, investment concerns and railroads. The total for 1916 is \$11,355,320 as against \$10,637,223 for last year.

Tom Pickrell, chief of police of Kearney, died from the effects of drinking carbolic acid. He had done his coat and hat preparatory to leaving his office but before doing so unlocked a cupboard and took a drink from a flask. It is supposed he picked up the wrong bottle and drank the acid by mistake. Death was almost instantaneous.

The Elk Valley school house in Dakota county was entirely destroyed by fire when small boys, attempting to capture a swarm of bees in the bellry set fire to the roof. The building was insured for \$1,000 and the contents, which were entirely destroyed, were insured for \$250. Emory Austin of Ponca is the teacher.

E. J. Kessler, who resides near Beatrice, believes that apples can be made to pay well if properly cared for. He has a ten-acre orchard at his place and sprays his fruit four times a year. Last season he sold \$3,150 worth of fruit, and the crop this year promises to be about as large as on the preceding year.

The Rotary club of Omaha has engaged the service of an experienced boy scout organizer to conduct a months campaign in the city. It is the ambition of the Rotarians to see a boy scout troop in every neighborhood in Omaha. The expense of the movement is to be paid for by the club.

Yeggmen entered the postoffice at Millard last Thursday morning, blew the safe and made away with \$139 in stamps, \$110 in currency and a large amount of postal savings bank credits. Entrance to the building was gained by breaking a glass in the rear door. Nitroglycerine was used to blow the safe.

The postal carrier census of Lincoln shows that a population of 60,000 is served from the Lincoln office. The figures were obtained for administrative purposes by the U. S. postoffice department to determine how many carriers are needed at the Lincoln office.

Without a dissenting vote, the Omaha city commission passed the 6-cent electric light ordinance, giving Omaha consumers electric current at the rate of 6 cents per kilowatt hour, instead of 8 cents, on a basis of 150 hours instead of 125 hours, effective January 1.

The Gage County Crop improvement association has unanimously decided to continue another year and the county board will be petitioned to levy a tax to support a farm demonstrator. Gage county, after four years of trial, pronounces it a very profitable enterprise.

Beatrice city commissioners instructed the city engineer to submit an estimate of the cost of paving East Grant street district. It is proposed to get the paving to the city limits and then ask the state to pave to the feeble minded institute.

Many farmers of this state and others interested in the location of the Federal Land banks gathered in Omaha last week to urge Nebraska's and Omaha's claims for a land bank. Omaha's claims for a land bank will be of great force in the developing of Nebraska was presented.

The Beatrice incinerator, the first plant to be installed in the state, has been completed and is in operation. The city has also purchased a sanitary garbage wagon to gather it up for burning.

Gus Sauler, a farmer, living five miles north of Tilden, died while trying to take honey from bee hives. He sought to stupify the bees with sulphur fumes by burning sulphur on a rag. He inhaled the sulphur fumes and died almost instantly.

Bonds for the purpose of constructing a city sewer system at Oxford carried at a special election by a vote of 122 to 12.

The safe of the Avoca postoffice was blown by yeggmen a few days ago and \$15 in cash and \$35 in stamps were taken.

Vice-President Marshall will visit Nebraska in the interest of the democratic party, speaking at Columbus, Fremont and Omaha on October 9; Plattsmouth, Nebraska City, Auburn and Falls City October 10.

Charles Williams, who said his home was in Kansas, was scalded so badly in an exhaust box in a car in the Burlington yards at Lincoln that he died. The skin over his entire body and even his tongue, peeled off.

By a vote of 235 to 205, Norfolk carried a \$15,000 public park bond issue at a special election.

Twelve thousand cans of pork and beans and 5,000 cans of tomato pulp were ordered confiscated in federal court at Norfolk as unfit for consumption under the pure food act. The canned goods were the product of a Norfolk canning company. The tomato pulp, it seems, had been made from over-ripe tomatoes, while the pork and beans was reported by government inspectors as being adulterated. Twenty-three sacks of beans belonging to a store at Norfolk were also ordered confiscated as being wormy.

A post-season series between the Omaha baseball club, champions of the Western league, and the Louisville club, winners of the American association pennant, has been closed. Seven games will be played between the two teams, the dates being October 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8. On October 7 and 8, Saturday and Sunday, doubleheaders will be played, thus making the series seven games. All the games will be played in Omaha.

Not only did the Nebraska State Fair break all records for attendance—193,174—but it took in more money than ever before. The net profit will not be known until all the bills are in, but it will be in the neighborhood of \$25,000. The receipts at the gates were \$58,000; from concessions, \$17,000; grand stand and bleachers, \$15,600; miscellaneous, \$3,220; speed entries, \$1,800; state appropriation, \$2,000. Total, \$101,679.58.

Classes are now being held in North Platte's new parochial school building, just completed, the first enrollment consisting of 120 pupils. The structure is one of the largest and best equipped institutions in western Nebraska. Nine Ursuline sisters from the Ursuline seminary of Louisville, Ky., are in charge of the school.

During a severe electrical storm at Randolph lightning struck the Methodist church, causing its complete destruction by fire. The church was built at a cost of \$17,000 and was insured for \$12,500. The library of the pastor, valued at \$2,000, was a total loss. Other property damaged during the storm entailed a loss of \$3,000.

Prices on laundry work in Omaha have increased ten per cent in the last ten days. Increased cost of material is the reason given for the raise. Similar action has been taken by many other cities over the country. The plan is to add 10 per cent to the total of each bill under the present rate of charge.

Gothenburg will hold its third Colt Show and Harvest Festival on October 12 and 13. Fifteen hundred dollars has been donated by business men for prizes and a big barbecue is to be held on the 13th. The festival last year was attended by 10,000 people and a larger crowd is looked for this year.

Brigadier General John J. Pershing, well known to Nebraskans because of his services at the state university long before he attained prominence in Mexican border affairs, has been promoted to be a major general, filling the vacancy in that grade caused by the death of Major General A. L. Mills.

Nebraska stands third in the states of the union in crop production this year, according to statistics prepared by the department of agriculture and printed in the department's monthly crop report which is just out.

The hitching post problem was the principal discussion at a "get-together" meeting of Platte county farmers and business men at Columbus. All hitching posts in Columbus have been removed on account of paving. A committee was named to recommend a substitute.

One hundred converts resulted from the evangelistic meetings at Nickerson. Evangelist Charles Gray of Winona Lake, Ind., had charge of the meetings.

A fifty thousand dollar sewer bond issue passed upon by the citizens of Kearney at a special election was defeated by a vote of two to one against the proposition.

Over one hundred candidates will be initiated at Beatrice on October 12 at a county class adoption to be conducted by the local M. W. A. lodge. The head officers of the organization will be present and each camp in the county is expected to bring candidates.

Matches having been placed in grain before threshing caused the destruction by fire of a large amount of straw on the farm of M. J. Murphy near Friend. Four distinct fires were started by these matches during the threshing.

Nebraska troops on the Mexican border expect orders for their return home about October 10, according to word reaching Hastings. Because they did not put up precautionary nets, several Nebraska soldiers are in the hospital from disease following mosquito bites.

The Rev. J. S. Budlong, of Oshkosh, Wis., who has been rising rapidly in fame in middle western church circles the last few years, has become dean of the Episcopal cathedral at Hastings.

An association composed of some of Lincoln's heaviest taxpayers is preparing to launch a movement to vote \$1,000,000 paving bonds for the Lancaster county roads at the coming election.

Fremont barbers have raised the price of hair cuts from 25 to 35 cents. Barbers in a great many towns over the state are contemplating the same action.

One Hastings bank, the First National, shows deposits of \$2,000,000, being the largest of any bank in Nebraska outside of Omaha and Lincoln.

The Nebraska Conference of Congregational churches will be held at the Plymouth Congregational church in Lincoln October 16 to 20. An attendance of 250 to 275 ministers is anticipated.

The religious organization of Friends at Spring Band, a village near Allen, is constructing a new church building to cost in the neighborhood of \$6,000.

John Ricei was killed and Wilber Moore severely injured in a motorcycle head-on collision between Axtell and Minden.

PURE MILK CAMPAIGN

STATE FOOD COMMISSION PROSECUTES ILLEGAL DEALERS.

HAVE SETTLED DIFFERENCES

Items of General Interest Gathered From Reliable Sources Around the State House.

Western Newspaper Union News Service. What is declared to be the biggest campaign ever made by the Nebraska food commission along the line of testing milk and cream sold in the cities, for the purpose of determining the percentage of butter fat contents, has been in progress during the past week of two. State Chemist Frisbie and a number of inspectors have been doing this work quietly and have covered a great deal of ground.

Hastings, Grand Island, Kearney, Columbus, Norfolk, Fremont and Fairbury dealers and at Norfolk three were prosecuted for selling milk and cream having less than the required amount of butter fat, which is 8 and 18 per cent, respectively.



MARY JEAN RUSSELL Who made a score of 99.5 at the State Fair Better Babies show. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Russell of Lincoln.

At the other places the milk and cream were found to be up to the legal standard.

The inspectors and the state chemist were at Omaha several days, and results obtained there indicate that conditions have been considerably improved since the last time that city was visited a month or more ago. At this time, fifty-three prosecutions were filed, in all of which fines were collected.

Settled Their Differences.

The Gibbon Telephone Co. and the Kearney Power Co. settled their differences before the railway commission over the vexed question of the latter extending transmission lines over the wires of the telephone company.

The question has been before the railway commission several times lately, owing to the rapid long-distance transmission of power.

In the Gibbon-Kearney case, the power company agreed to stand several hundred dollars' expense necessary for a canvas of the patrons of the telephone company to secure consent to a change in the service. The Gibbon company had asked the commission to force the Kearney company to stand all of the expense connected with the change, but later withdrew it.

New State Banks.

The state banking board has granted charters to three new state banks, as follows: Farmers State bank of Baird, capital stock, \$25,000, president, J. A. Abbott; Farmers State bank of Lexington, capital stock, \$35,000, president, L. K. Grantham; Ranchers State bank of Cody, capital stock, \$75,000, president, Edgar C. Cole.

Says Railroads "Play Game of Grab."

The state railway commission expects soon to issue an order directing the railroads to turn over empty freight cars to the roads that own them as soon as service on the receiving road's line is ended. The commission had a hearing on the practice of the roads making use of the other companies' cars last week. One official recently declared the roads played a "game of grab" in the matter, getting and retaining as many cars as possible.

Military Dentists in Sight.

Two applications for the positions of dental surgeons in the Nebraska regiments now on the border have been received at the adjutant general's office. The applicants are C. S. Remy, of Curtis and Fred C. Malony of DeWitt. The colonels of two regiments recently sent an S. O. S. call for dentists, saying they are badly needed. It is probable that commissions as dental surgeons will be issued to the two applicants by Governor Morehead, and they will then leave to help the troops.

Confiscate Batch of Pork and Beans.

Twelve thousand cans of pork and beans and 5,000 cans of tomato pulp were ordered confiscated in federal court at Norfolk as unfit for consumption under the pure food act, according to District Attorney Allen. The canned goods were the product of a Norfolk canning company. The tomato pulp, it seems, had been made from over-ripe tomatoes, while the pork and beans was reported by government inspectors as being adulterated. The confiscation of the property was not contested.

WILL STRENGTHEN BUILDING

Regents Take Precautionary Measures in University Structure.

As a measure of precaution and prudence, the state board of university regents will take measures at once to prevent any possible collapse of the main building known as University Hall, the oldest structure on the campus. This building was erected in the days when brick were not of the best quality and when the science of mortar-mixing had not reached its present development. Years ago, when a new foundation was put under it, a crack appeared, and as the years have gone by deterioration has been noticeable in other parts of the structure.

While there is nothing menacing about its present condition and a careful examination conducted recently by the board, together with Architect Hodgdon, Dean Stout of the engineering department and Superintendent of Buildings, Chowins, disclosed nothing that indicated present danger, in order to safeguard against the possibility of any such happening as at the Capital hotel last month, it was ordered that braces be at once put in.

Trained Farmers a Great Need

Dr. P. L. Hall, university regent, in an address at Lincoln put forth in strong terms, the argument that the school of agriculture should serve a two-fold purpose; first, it should train young men and young women from the farms of the state to go back upon the farms and get better results than would be possible without such training; second, the school of agriculture should be a common school for boys and girls on the farms to prepare them for the college of agriculture. "What we need in Nebraska are trained men from the school of agriculture," said Dr. Hall, "and trained men who have equipped themselves by a course in the college of agriculture to go out into every county in the state of Nebraska and engage in farming and serve as county agents and farm demonstrators in every community." That is what is being done, according to Dr. Hall, in Minnesota, Nebraska, he claimed, has a better agricultural foundation than most any other state, and he said that he wanted to see from three to five thousand boys and girls from the Nebraska farms upon the university farm campus. He did not want to have the school of agriculture segregated from the university, and he did not think that a separation of the industrial and academic schools of the university would ever take place, although the work of the different departments could best be carried on upon a separate campus.

Cornhuskers Getting Under Way

Fall track workouts at the university started last week with thirty-five men on the cinder paths, coached by Manager of Athletics George E. Reed. The mild weather has given the track men a fine opportunity to get under way, and Reed, who still holds the university records in the 100-yard dash, 220 and quarter mile, has been working the men two hours a night. The squad is headed by Captain Overman, distance runner, who made points for the varsity in the mile and two-mile events last year, Grau, a half-miler from Fremont, and Gribble, a middle distance man with lots of promise, started well. Two of the team's standbys, Corey and Shaw in the weight events, are working out on the football squad. Reed promises to stage an interclass meet in a few weeks with a nifty lot of medals for the point winners.

Renewed Clamor for Empty Cars

A fresh deluge of complaints of shortage of cars for the shipping of grain, and complaints of discrimination between stations in the distribution of cars, has come upon the Nebraska railway commission. The complaints are from both farmers' elevators and line elevator companies. In many places elevators are full of grain that cannot be shipped. In some communities farmers still have their grain on the ground without protection, awaiting a chance to sell. That farmers still grow wheat and have no place to store the crop after it is threshed is a surprise to many people who are not farmers, but it appears from letters that this method of farming is still pursued.

The state of Nebraska has received from the federal government \$1,637 as its one-fourth interest of the proceeds of the forest lands in this state. The money goes to the three counties where the forest reserves are located.

New Phase of Car Shortage.

A new phase of the car shortage has reached the state railway commission in the form of a complaint from Gordon that the Northwestern road refused to furnish cars for the shipping of potatoes unless the shipments were billed to points on the Northwestern road. The commission was informed by the railroad officials that such a force applying to grain had been in force for some time and no one had objected because this gave shippers a chance to ship to two good grain markets, Minneapolis or Omaha.

Typhoid Report from Winnebago.

The state health inspector's office has heard from Winnebago to the effect that fifteen cases of typhoid fever have developed there, of which thirteen are in the town and two at the Indian agency a mile and a half away. Water from the public well at Winnebago and also from the agency well will be tested for typhoid germs. Some of the Indians recently visited Tama, Ia., where an epidemic of the disease was experienced, and it is thought they may have brought it back with them.

The Nebraska university cadet band, declared by some to be the best college band in the United States, will probably make the trip to Portland, Ore., during the week of October 21, with the football team. The band would go with the special cars for the team and the Nebraska rotters, and play concerts en route at Denver, Salt Lake City and Portland. The expenses of the trip will be borne, partly by the university athletic board, partially by the band and partly by commercial organizations at Lincoln. Forty of the best musicians will be taken along.

NO DECISIVE CHANGE

ALLIES' GAINS ON SOMME DON'T AFFECT GERMAN FAITH.

ASSERTS PRINCE RUPRECHT

Declares Germany Prepared for Long Offensive.—Believes Foe Will Have to Fight Another Year.

Berlin.—The latest fighting on the Somme evidently has not shaken the confidence of German military leaders in their ability to prevent the breach of their line. The Berliner Tageblatt's special war correspondent interviewed Crown Prince Ruprecht of Bavaria, commander of the German forces on the Somme a few days ago.

The crown prince is quoted as having said that since the offensive began the entente allies had gained some ground, but there could be no thought of this decisively changing the situation.

"It is impossible to predict how things will go hereafter," said Prince Ruprecht, but one thing is certain, namely, that we have everything so thoroughly prepared that we are able to contemplate the situation with equanimity whatever comes. The offensive will certainly not reach an early end.

"We can reckon upon an offensive of great persistence and with heavy attacks, accompanied by an enormous expenditure of ammunition. But we have taken precautions.

"Our artillery has been reinforced and likewise our aeroplane corps and our fliers have had fine successes in the last few days, although they had hard fighting against increased numbers. Our artillery derives advantages from the successful work of the aeroplanes after having formerly been much exposed to observation by hostile aviators.

"Our troops have been striking with the utmost strength and the enemy has found the nut too hard to crack. It is my distinct opinion that the enemy is trying to force a decision at this spot, and during this year, and he has not yet succeeded. He will have to put up with a winter campaign and continue his fighting next year."

Mob Hangs Two Negroes.

Nowata, Okla.—Two negroes, accused of being implicated in the killing of Deputy Sheriff James Gibson, during a jail delivery here, were taken from the jail by a mob and lynched in front of the court house. A first attempt to lynch one of the negroes, immediately after their capture, was frustrated by the Rev. Perry Pierce, a Methodist minister, who pleaded with the mob until the suspended negro was cut down unconscious, but alive. The mob dispersed, but public feeling was not allayed and the mob reformed later with the announced intention of lynching the two men who had been returned to jail.

When the prisoners had been taken from the jail, short work was made of putting them to death. Events culminating in the double