

NOISE OF BATTLE GUNS NEARS CITY OF PARIS

AMIENS SURRENDERS TO GERMAN INVADERS.

AUSTRIAN DEFEAT DECISIVE

Departure of Emperor William Marks Beginning of European War—Austrians Overwhelmingly Defeated.

Western Newspaper Union News Service. No data on which to base a judgment of the general situation over the wide flung battle line in France is available. The retirement of the

AUSTRIAN DEFEAT DECISIVE

Loss of a Hundred Thousand in Battle With Russians.

Rome.—The Russian embassy has been notified that the Austrians were overwhelmingly defeated near Lemberg, losing more than 100,000 men and fifty-seven cannon. The occupation of the city of Lemberg was said to be imminent. The Russian embassy here has received an official report from Petrograd, setting forth that Russian troops are triumphantly marching on Lemberg, repulsing the Austrians all along the line. The fighting has been on a gigantic scale.

GERMANS LEAVE MOULAND IN RUINS



Last of the Germans marching out of Moulund, one of the Belgian towns they sacked and burned.

allies without a defeat and fighting every foot of the way is an expression that has become stereotyped. It is, however, about the only official news that has reached London since Field Marshal Kitchener's story was given out.

The rush of recruits for the British army is phenomenal. No fewer than 60,000 men have joined Lord Kitchener's second army in the last ten days.

No official statements are being issued from Berlin, London or Paris, a strict censorship rendering such news as can be gotten of minor importance and even then but fragmentary and unsubstantiated.

Marks Beginning of the War.

Berlin.—The departure of Emperor William "in the direction of Mayence" (that is as much as the press was permitted to know or report about it) may be said to mark the beginning of this great European war so far as Germany is concerned.

As in 1870, the more important of the emperor's advisors went to the front with him. The party included Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg, Secretary of State von Jagow, War Minister von Falkenhayn and other high governmental and army officials. The plan of campaign was thought out many years ago, and never since departed from—to bend all energies at the very outset to the smashing of German's western neighbor. Russia is to be left to Austria until France shall have been disposed of.

Declines Request of United States.

Washington.—Turkey has declined to grant the request of the United States for permission to send the cruiser North Carolina through the Dardanelles to Constantinople to deliver \$150,000 in gold deposited here for the relief of Americans in the Ottoman empire. The grand vizier has informed the American government that the waters of the Dardanelles have been mined, and that it would be unsafe for a vessel as large as the North Carolina to go through the straits. He declared also that it might establish a precedent for the passage of other foreign warships.

City of Amiens Surrenders to German Invaders.

London.—A dispatch from Amiens, France, declares that the Germans have taken possession of that place after three days' fighting.

Amiens is the capital of the department of Somme. It is seventy miles directly north of Paris. It is a manufacturing city and has a population of 90,000. It is on the line of the railroad to Boulogne and about fifty miles to the west of LaFere and other points in the department of Aisne, where there has been fighting during the last few days between the allied armies and the Germans.

The dispatch to the Daily Mail from Amiens adds that the success of the Germans at Moreuil made the capture of Amiens certain. The entry was not contested. The mayor, after receiving a German envoy, announced the surrender of the city and urged the citizens to make no disturbance.

Paris.—An immense and complicated system of entrenchments is being constructed outside the city. It is reported that the engineers in charge of the work are keeping several hundred thousand men busy.

LANDING TROOPS IN CHINA

Complaint Made That Japan is Violating Neutrality.

Peking.—The German legation has protested to the foreign office against an infringement of China's neutrality by Japan. The protest followed the landing of a Japanese division at the newly-opened Chinese port of Lung-Kow, 100 miles north of Tsing-Tau. News of the Japanese landing caused no surprise here, as the Japanese legation office to remove the limit of the fifty kilometers (about thirty miles) radius prescribed by the Chinese as the fighting area around Tsing-Tau.

SIX MILLION MEN ENGAGED IN COMBAT

Washington.—German victories in what was termed the "greatest battle"

GENERAL RENNENKAMPF



Major General Rennenkampf, commander of the Russian army in eastern Prussia which seems to be advancing steadily toward Berlin.

so far in the European war are reported to the German embassy from Berlin. The dispatch was sent from the Berlin foreign office by wireless via Sayville, Long Island, as follows:

"Official reports of victory at Allenstein even greater than those before. Three Russian army corps annihilated. Seventy thousand prisoners, including two commanding generals, 300 officers and complete artillery of Russian army."

In the west, General Von Kluck repulsed French flanking attempts. General Von Buelow completely defeated superior French force near St. Quentin after having captured an English infantry battalion. General Von Hausen forced French back upon river at Rethel.

Paris.—The French capital is rushing its plans to resist a siege by the German army. The city is being turned into an entrenched camp. Following the decree issued by the military governor ordering residents of the districts within action of the city's defending line of forts to evacuate and destroy their houses within four days, enormous stocks of food were placed in the state warehouse.

The Bois de Boulogne presents a picturesque aspect. It has been transformed into a vast pasture, filled with cows and sheep. The animals have been divided into groups, and are guarded by reserves. The number of sheep pastured in the parks exceed 10,000.

The decree calling for the evacuation of the military zone around the forts was a formal notice, although army engineers recently made a tour of the environs of the forts and explained that tenants might be called on to destroy their property, which was deemed an obstruction.

Many houses in the line of fire are occupied by poor people whose sons are now at the front. A large number of these families lack resources, and will be without refuge. Nevertheless, they took the situation without complaint, although some addressed a petition to the military governor, requesting that he use the power vested in him only as a last extremity.

Queen Would Shoulder a Gun.

London.—As an indication of the intensely bitter feeling against the Germans the Antwerp correspondent of the Express says the queen is anxious to take a hand in the defense of Belgium. Describing a conversation in which King Albert told the prime minister that they might have to shoulder rifles before long in defense of Antwerp, he says the queen broke in, saying: "So will I shoulder a gun, and all Belgian women will go with me."

Guarantee Payment of War Tax.

London.—The correspondent of the Express at The Hague wires that Ernest Solvay, Baron Estaim, Baron Lambert and M. Waroque, Belgian millionaires, have guaranteed the payment of the war tax of \$10,000,000 levied on Brussels by Germany. The correspondent adds that they made this guarantee at the urgent request of Burgomester Max, who was convinced that if the tax were not guaranteed Brussels would have been destroyed.

NEW POPE AT ROME

CARDINAL GIACOMO CHIESA IS ELECTED PONTIFF.

GOVERNMENT IS DEFRAUDED

Government Defrauded Out of Millions of Dollars Oleomargarine Taxes—Militia in Command at Butte.

Western Newspaper Union News Service. Rome.—Cardinal Giacomo Della Chiesa, archbishop of Bologna, and former assistant papal secretary of state, was Thursday elected pope, succeeding the late pontiff, Pius X. The election was on the ninth ballot. With all of the ceremony prescribed by the centuries old traditions of the Catholic church, the new occupant of the papal throne received the first adoration of the cardinals in the conclave who had balloted since Monday in the election.

The new pontiff chose to be known as Benedictus XV and will later designate the date of his coronation.

With the conclave called while all Europe was involved in a devastating war, which was largely responsible for the death of Pope Pius from a broken heart, the election of Benedictus XV will go down in church annals as taking place at one of the most critical times in history.

Cardinal Giacomo Della Chiesa, elected pope by the sacred college in succession of Pius X, who died August 20, was created a cardinal May 25, 1914. He is the archbishop of Bologna, Italy.

He was born at Pegli in the diocese of Genoa, November 21, 1854, and was ordained a priest December 21, 1878. He served as secretary of the nunciature in Spain from 1883 to 1887, in which year he was appointed secretary to the late Cardinal Rampolla.

Butte, Mont.—The military court established by the national guard of Montana since martial law was declared here Tuesday because of threatened riots was attacked in a petition filed in the United States district court here for the release on writ of habeas corpus of three of the mine men arrested by state troops. Federal Judge George M. Boquin issued an order citing the military officers to show cause why the writs should not be issued. Judge Advocate Jesse B. Root said that an answer, which would be filed at once, will show that the militia is in supreme command in Silver Bow county and has power to make arrests.

GOVERNMENT HOLDING SACK.

Defrauded Out of More than \$2,000,000 Oleo Taxes.

Columbus, O.—Charges that the government has been defrauded of more than \$2,000,000 in three years in taxes on oleomargarine were made here in federal indictments returned against several of the most prominent business men of this city. The principal defendant was Dennis Kelley, president of the Capital Dairy company, vice president of a Columbus bank and large real estate owner. Five other officers and employees of dairy companies were indicted.

It was charged that the dairy company had entered in the manufacture and sale of oleomargarine, and had represented it to tax collectors as uncolored, paying a tax of a quarter cent a pound instead of 10 cents. The indictments allege that coloring matter was purchased in New York and shipped secretly to Columbus.

Arrested as German Spy.

Washington.—With the return to Washington of American naval officers who were in France at the time of the outbreak of war, it became known that Mrs. George W. Goethals, wife of Governor Goethals, of the Panama canal zone, was arrested at Ville, France, as a German spy shortly after the war began. Mrs. Goethals is of German descent and speaks the language fluently. She had some difficulty proving her identity, but finally presented her marriage certificate. When the French officers learned she was the wife of the builder of the Panama canal they could not apologize sufficiently, and her release was ordered immediately.

Cut Out Wild West Features.

Washington.—Directing that "wild west" features and horse racing be eliminated from Indian expositions as much as possible, and urging the opening of a determined campaign for the industrial advancement of the red man, Commissioner Sells has sent instructions to agency superintendents for the conduct of autumn fairs throughout the reservations. "Indian fairs should be as nearly as practicable a counterpart of the white man's fair," stated the commissioner.

Capital Under New Name.

Petrograd (St. Petersburg).—The name St. Petersburg does not now appear in any Russian newspaper. Thus has been observed the imperial edict changing the name of the Russian capital from St. Petersburg to Petrograd, on account of the German form of the name under which the city has been known since its foundation. Other cities in Russia with German names, such as Schlusburg, etc., have asked that their appellations be Russified.

BRIEF NEWS OF NEBRASKA

The contract has been let for Nebraska's big auditorium. Populist state headquarters will be established in Lincoln soon. Havecock has decided to pave at least one of her business streets. Ohlawa's fire department has increased its fire fighting equipment. Postal authorities have changed the name of Glenville in Clay county to "Glenvil."

The five-year-old son of Charles Roland was drowned in a pond near Fairbury. More silos are being built in Adams county this fall than at any time for several years.

C. B. Calkins of Omaha paid \$150 for the first bag of cement made in the state at Superior.

Perhaps the deepest well in the state is located at Nebraska City, its depth being 3,200 feet.

The old settlers' annual picnic at Wahoo last week was the most largely attended for many years.

The Lakeview hotel, a three-story structure at Curtis, was burned to the ground one night last week.

Employees of the Burlington shops at Havecock, Thursday, went to work on an eight hours a day basis.

J. W. Vanallen is dead at Fremont from injuries received when he fell from a cultivator some weeks since.

Hastings is suffering from mendicants who become insulting when their importunities are not complied with.

Over 200 boys of Lincoln were members of Camp Strader, the Y. M. C. A. outing headquarters at Crete, the past summer.

Two horses belonging to Dr. Coulter of Tecumseh were so badly injured in a runaway that they had to be killed.

Keith county was visited by a storm last week, destroying crops, haystacks, several barns and windmills. No lives were lost.

Mrs. Napoleon Demers, near Tecumseh, fell from a tree while picking peaches, receiving wounds that may prove fatal.

Miss Evelyn Garvey of Albion was nearly scalped when she was thrown from an auto that skidded when turning a corner.

Crackmen secured over \$500 when they blew the safe of Harry Cannon at Fullerton. Checks and papers were not disturbed.

The 2-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Putnam, near Tecumseh, was attacked by an infuriated hog and severely injured.

Rev. Mr. Kelts of the First Congregational church at Cambridge has accepted a call to the Congregational church at Neligh.

Church Smiley of Shubert has been chosen as private secretary to Chancellor Oeschger of Cotner university this coming year.

Fire, thought to be of incendiary origin, destroyed the lumber yard of Young & Bolton at Hebron, causing a loss of about \$20,000.

Ladd Pechous of Lincoln was badly bruised when he was caught in the gearing of a freight elevator at the Beatrice Creamery plant.

George Corryell of Brock has sold 160 acres of land west of that city to C. L. Gauchat, the consideration being \$24,000, or \$150 per acre.

Wilson, the nine-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Pickens of Hastings, is dead from shock and injuries received from an explosion of gasoline.

The one-year-old son of Perry Killon, at Lincoln, came near losing his life as the result of drinking a quantity of turpentine from a bottle.

Emmet Higgins, government agent to enforce the federal game law in Nebraska, is authority for the statement that the open season for ducks and geese does not begin until October 1.

Friends and relatives to the number of 250 attended the annual reunion of the John Muts family, one of the oldest in Cass county, at the homestead at Eight Mile Grove, near Weeping Water.

One of the features of the state fair this fall will be the exhibit of farm machinery, which will include many unique and novel types.

C. M. Crunkle of Beatrice was thrown from a horse during the military maneuvers at Ashland and received injuries that caused his death.

Plans are afoot in Omaha for a \$50,000 armory for the seven companies of Nebraska National guard and for opening the new 900-acre rifle range near Ashland as a hunting and fishing resort for outsiders while not in use by militia. The legislature will be asked to appropriate \$25,000.

The business section of Crawford is to be heated by steam from the power plant.

Fire destroyed the general store of Frank Grover at Bennet, and badly damaged the stock of the Frank Eneart merchandise company next door.

The principal activities of the state university and the state experimental farm will be displayed in a handsome exhibit in the old horticultural building on the state fair grounds. This is a new departure and is calculated to arouse much interest in the various departments of the state university.

Mrs. Matthew Wagner and daughter of Lincoln, who were in Germany when war was declared, have joined the Red Cross society and are at work among the wounded.

A number of harness dealers from all sections of the state will congregate in Lincoln, September 8 and 9 to effect an organization of retail harness makers.

The dream of the Nebraska farmer of dollar wheat was realized by W. C. Moore, a farmer living near Martell who sold 1,400 bushels of No. 2 wheat to a grain dealer of that town, receiving \$1 a bushel for it.

TO TAX NON-VOTERS

NEBRASKA APPLE CROP A SHORT ONE

GOSSIP FROM STATE CAPITAL

Items of Interest Gathered from Reliable Sources and Presented in Condensed Form to Our Readers.

Western Newspaper Union News Service. Extension of the police power of the state to compel its citizens to go to the polls and vote is contemplated in a bill drafted by J. H. Grosvenor of Aurora, which will be presented for introduction at the next session of the legislature.

The measure is called a "non-voting poll tax law." By its provisions a tax of \$6 is levied against every qualified elector of the state. When the elector goes to the primaries and votes, half of the tax is remitted. If he performs his duty similarly at general election time the other \$3 is remitted. Electors who fail to put in an appearance at either election must pay the full amount.

Reasonable exemptions on account of sickness or absence from the state are provided in the measure. Collection of the tax is put up to the county authorities. A system of checking off names of electors is provided for as between boards and taxing authorities.

Nebraska Apple Crop Is Short.

Reports received at the office of the secretary of Nebraska State Horticultural society indicate that the apple crop in Nebraska for 1914 is far from being a bumper crop such as has been produced in the past. Illinois canker, the drought of last year and the general neglect of the orchards are the things responsible for the decreased production of last year and this. This condition will become worse instead of better until all the owners of the orchards give their trees, that still have a chance to be redeemed, the care they deserve and new orchards come into bearing.

For Information of Breeders.

Printed circulars for the information of Nebraska horse breeders will be distributed on the state fair grounds this year, at the headquarters of the live stock sanitary board, the state veterinarian and the stallion registration bureau. These departments will be located in the building formerly devoted to honey and bee exhibits. Everybody interested in horses will be invited to call there and get one of the bulletins, as well as to learn what is being done by the state in the direction of improving horse breeding. The circular which will be distributed has been prepared by Dr. A. Bostrom, chief inspector for the stallion registration board. It discusses the origin of pure bred stallions and gives facts about heredity. Government inspection of imported stallions and the prospects of the horse breeding industry in the United States are among the subjects treated. Should the European war continue for any length of time, the bulletin declares that the United States will have to supply horses for both work and breeding purposes, replacing those hitherto produced in Belgium, France and England.

Claims Grounds for Contest.

Although State Senator Peter Wink of Kearney has been renominated on the face of the returns as the democratic candidate in the Twenty-second senatorial district, a contest may be brought by Raymond E. Dale of Loup City, who opposed him in the primary. Mr. Dale has written to the attorney general's office charging that ballot irregularities were perpetrated in Wink's favor, and asking whether or not he has any legal way to obtain redress. To support his assertion that he did not receive a fair deal in the primary, Mr. Dale enclosed a sample ballot of the kind used in Sherman county. On this ballot, Senator Wink's name is printed in large type, while all other names appear in small type. The line containing Wink's name also projects beyond the other lines in a manner which would call attention to it, without any difference in the size of the type.

According to a recent count, the department of agricultural engineering of the Nebraska college of agriculture ranks second, or perhaps first, among state universities in the number of graduates in charge of agricultural engineering work in colleges and universities. The graduates are located in North Dakota, Kansas, Texas, Indiana, Colorado, and other western and middle western states. The call for graduates from this department has been so strong that it has been with difficulty that the demand for graduates has been filled.

Chancellor Avery of the state university has just received word of the appointment of First Lieutenant Samuel M. Parker of the United States army to the position of professor of military science and tactics of the university, to take effect September 1. This is the first announcement that the officials of the university have received of the appointment to the position to relieve Commandant Lieutenant E. N. Bowman, who has been in charge of the military department of the university for the past two years.