

CITY COUNCIL ORDERS PROBE OF POLICE DEPARTMENT MUDDLE

HAIG STRIKING EXPECTED BLOW ON WIDE FRONT

British Forces Begin Drive at German Lines in Belgium Between Ypres and Lille.

General Haig has launched his expected blow at the German lines in Belgium, striking early this morning along a nine-mile front on the Messines-Wytschaete ridge, between Ypres and Lille.

Success marks the opening of the offensive, the British winning all their initial objectives and pushing on. Their further progress is reported to be satisfactory along the whole front.

While a considerable stretch separates the field of this new offensive from that of Arras, the operation may be considered as in conjunction with the continuing battle on the Arras front.

A sweeping salient in front of the city of Lille has been created by the Arras attack, and in a broad sense this salient is now under threat from both north and south.

Believing the recent German boast that the British offensive from Arras had come to a halt, General Haig earlier this week proved that he had not lost his initiative, by making a successful drive to the south of Lens, carrying a mile of the German front north of the Scarpe.

The reversions from today's blow had hardly died away before today's attack was launched on the other side of the Lille salient.

A sharp, well defined curve in the German line, about three miles deep and the same distance across, is the immediate object of this new attack. In common with other sections of the line in Belgium along a front of some thirty miles, its defenses had been subjected to a tremendous pounding by the British artillery for days.

The French front is comparatively quiet, the only development of note last night being a German attack northwest of St. Quentin. This was quickly checked by the French fire.

British Official Report. London, June 7.—The British have opened an attack on a nine-mile front between Messines and Wytschaete and have taken all their first objectives.

The official statement says that the British progress is being continued and that a number of prisoners have been taken.

The official statement follows: "We attacked at 3:10 o'clock this morning German positions on the Messines-Wytschaete ridge on a front of over nine miles. We have everywhere captured our first objectives and further progress is reported to be satisfactory along the whole front of attack. Numbers of prisoners are reported already to be reaching the collecting stations."

French Official Report. Paris, June 7.—A strong force of Germans made an attack northwest of St. Quentin at midnight. Today's official announcement says the attackers were caught under a violent French fire and retired after sustaining heavy losses.

The statement follows: "In the region northwest of St. Quentin a strong force of Germans attempted at midnight an attack on..."

Russian Bark Is Sunk Off the Coast of Ireland. An Atlantic Port, June 7.—American members of the crew of the Russian bark Margareta, 1,873 tons, which sailed from Beaumont, Tex., for Liverpool on March 27, reported the sinking of that vessel by a German submarine on May 17, 105 miles off the Irish coast, upon their arrival today aboard an American steamship.

The Weather. For Nebraska—Fair, warmer.

FAIR. 6 a. m. 53, 7 a. m. 55, 8 a. m. 57, 9 a. m. 59, 10 a. m. 61, 11 a. m. 63, 12 noon 65, 1 p. m. 67, 2 p. m. 69, 3 p. m. 71, 4 p. m. 73, 5 p. m. 75, 6 p. m. 77, 7 p. m. 79, 8 p. m. 81, 9 p. m. 83, 10 p. m. 85, 11 p. m. 87, midnight 89.

Comparative Local Record. 1917, 1916, 1915, 1914. Highest yesterday 76, 69, 66, 66. Lowest yesterday 52, 50, 48, 48. Mean temperature 64, 62, 62, 64. Precipitation .00, .07, .08, .09.

Reports From Stations at 7 P. M. Station and State Temp. High. Rain. of Weather. 7 p. m. det. 50.1. Cheyenne, cloudy 70 74 .00. Denver, clear 68 70 .00. Des Moines, clear 70 74 .00. Omaha, clear 70 74 .00. Omaha City, clear 70 74 .00. North Platte, p. m. 74 80 .00. Pueblo, p. m. 76 80 .00. South Platte, p. m. 74 80 .00. Union City, p. m. 74 80 .00. Wray, p. m. 72 78 .00. Yankton, p. m. 74 80 .00.

Ruth Law in Nebraska; Starts for Omaha Today

Lincoln, Neb., June 7.—Miss Ruth Law, arrived in Lincoln this evening from Toledo, and tomorrow morning will start on her flight to southwestern cities in the interest of the Liberty loan, dropping "Liberty bombs" over many cities. Her machine arrived here this afternoon and was at once prepared for the flight tomorrow.

Miss Law will start from the Country club grounds just before noon tomorrow, weather permitting, circle over Lincoln, dropping "bombs" and then start on her flight to Omaha. I had not been decided tonight whether Miss Law would follow the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy tracks into Omaha, or go north to Fremont, Neb., and thence to Omaha. Miss Law expects to spend tomorrow night at St. Joseph, Mo., and the following day resume her flight.

EVERY BABE BORN HERESATURDAY TO GET LIBERTY BOND

Miss Ruth Law Will Also Drop Bond from Her Airship as She Flies Over the City.

Wednesday individual subscriptions 447 \$ 264,650. Previously reported 1,346 1,147,750.

Total individual subscriptions 1,793 \$1,412,400. Exclusive of mass meeting subscriptions, and those of banks and loan companies.

Each and every baby born in Omaha June 9 will be presented with a \$50 Liberty loan.

The committee of 100 has definitely decided upon this. It is expected that individual business men in Omaha will give the bonds, but if not enough volunteers come forward to take care of the crop of babies with a bond apiece, the committee itself will buy the bonds for the infants.

Bond from the Sky. A \$50 Liberty bond will be dropped from the sky in Omaha Friday. The finder of this bond will be the owner of the bond. It will come tumbling from the zenith, done in a neat package and bound in the Ak-Sar-Ben colors of red, green and yellow. General George H. Harries will donate this bond.

Miss Ruth Law, aviatrix, who will fly over Omaha probably before noon Friday, will drop this bond along with a lot of other literature concerning the purchase of the bonds, terms, etc.

At 10 o'clock in the morning Ruth Law in her aeroplane is scheduled to leave Lincoln on her flight over Missouri river cities. Omaha is her first point after leaving Lincoln. She does not plan to alight in Omaha, but will circle over the city several times dropping her "bombs" of bond literature and the one bond, or bonafide order for a bond.

To Circle the City. The aviatrix will circle over the city until she catches sight of a gigantic white arrow, mounted at Fort Omaha and pointing her way to St. Joseph. The arrow was made and painted today. It is 100 feet long and ten feet wide. On the white arrow are painted the words, "St. Joseph."

Set by a Compass. The arrow will be mounted by the aid of the compass, pointing exactly in the direction of St. Joseph. This will be the young woman's only means of finding her way to the Missouri city.

Saturday will be children's day in the Liberty Bond campaign. Eight hundred Boy Scouts will parade the streets with bands and banners. The Boy Scouts are trying to solicit \$100,000 in subscriptions to the bonds. They already have \$84,000.

C. B. Hudson, one of the insurance men hustling for the bonds, went to the Midway saloon, where he sold a \$500 bond to the proprietor, Billy (Continued on Page Two, Column One.)

Naval Reserve Training Station at Los Angeles

San Francisco, June 7.—A naval reserve training station, accommodating 1,000 recruits, will be established immediately at Pier No. 1.

Roumania is Ready to Resume War With Reorganized Army

Paris, June 7.—Roumania has reorganized its army and is ready to resume the fight, according to a statement made by Premier Bratianu in an interview with the Petrograd correspondent of the Parisian.

"The Russian democracy," said the Roumanian premier, "has launched a new peace formula, neither annexation nor indemnities, and it wishes to impose that formula on its allies. Roumania finds the formula acceptable as far as it is concerned. It did not enter the war to make conquests. Its single object was and is the liberation of Roumanian territory enslaved by Hungary, which never had the right to dispose of themselves. My country is keeping its promise."

NEW ADDITIONS TO GREATER CITY ARE TAKEN OVER

Formal Annexation of Benson and Florence Marked by Promises for Efficient Public Service.

When Mayor Dahlman and the city commissioners went to Benson Thursday afternoon formally to take over that community into Greater Omaha, they assured a gathering of citizens in the town hall that the municipal gymnasium will be maintained.

This is said to be the only municipal gymnasium in Nebraska. It is in the basement of the new city hall, which cost \$25,000. The Greater Omaha officials assured Bensonites that the assembly room and women's rest room in the city hall also will be retained for their original purposes.

The formal taking over of Benson and Florence was accomplished within a few hours' time and was marked by good feeling all round.

Surrender Town Records. In the town hall of Florence Mayor F. S. Tucker and his official family met the visiting party and surrendered records and the official seal. Treasurer Endres took charge of \$3,838.71 in funds and Mayor Dahlman assured co-operation from the administration and asked co-operation of the annexed territory. The retiring officers at Florence, with the mayor, were: M. B. Thompson, clerk; Henry Behrman, Daniel Kelly, W. H. Thomas and James E. Johnson, councilmen; James O. Brennan, treasurer; John K. Lowry, police judge; R. H. Olmstead, attorney; John McGregor, marshal; Harrison Barnes, policeman.

The officials who return to private life at Benson are: J. A. Bailey, mayor; C. Hollestelle, clerk; Gus Wolf, treasurer; E. C. Hodder, attorney; L. Strong, W. Musk, H. F. Knudsen and Chris Lyck, councilmen; James J. Hughes, chief of police; Charles Hansen, water commissioner; Peter Christiansen, street commissioner; Bruno Viola, engineer.

Demonstrate Street Cleaning. Commissioner Parks of the street cleaning and maintenance department stole a march on his colleagues by giving Benson and Florence a demonstration of how streets are cleaned and gutters are scraped with a battery of wagons and trucks.

Treasurer Endres receipted for \$7,671.23 at Benson and General Manager Howell of the Metropolitan water district assumed jurisdiction of the water system of that suburb. Mayor Bailey and Mayor Dahlman exchanged felicitations.

"It is a sacrifice to surrender the right of local self-government, but we are carrying out the mandate of the legislature, and we promise you the same service and thought that is being given to other parts of Greater Omaha," said Mayor Dahlman at Benson and Florence.

Commissioner Hummel promised to "doll" up the parks and playgrounds. Commissioners Kugel and Withnell will bring the Omaha standard of police and fire protection into action in the newly acquired territory. Clerks will be maintained at both communities in the same way. South Side residents were accommodated at time of annexation. Details incident to annexation will be worked out by the city departments.

California Socialists Threaten to Secede

Sau Bernardino, Cal., June 7.—California socialists will withdraw from the national party unless the anti-draft resolution adopted at the socialist convention April 7 is repudiated, according to a statement made here today by N. A. Richardson, member of the state executive committee of the socialist party of California, who was the socialist candidate for governor in 1914. Richardson said he had sent notice to that effect to the national secretary of the party.

Destroys Thirty Planes; Reported Killed in Action

Amsterdam (Via London), June 7.—A dispatch from Krefeld, Rhineish Prussia, to the Rhenische Westfalische Zeitung, says that Lieutenant Schaefer, the German aviator, who recently was credited with bringing down his thirtieth airplane, has been killed while leading his squadron in battle with British machines.

Mimeograph Company Ordered to Obey the Law

Washington, June 7.—The Federal Trade Commission today issued an order requiring the A. B. Dick company of Chicago to cease placing licensing restrictions on its mimeographs requiring purchasers to use only certain supplies manufactured by the Dick company or one of its subsidiaries. The case had been pending for some time before the commission.



WARSHIPS OF U.S. ANCHOR OFF THE COAST OF FRANCE

First Shipment of Wheat to Feed American Troops is Unloading; Camps Are Laid Out.

Paris, June 7.—The ministry of marine announced last night that American warships have anchored off the French coast.

The announcement adds: "The French navy greets with joy on their arrival these new brothers in arms who, under the flag of the great American republic, have come to participate until final victory in the struggle against the common enemy."

Food for United States Troops. A large transport, containing wheat for American troops which are to come later, has crossed the Atlantic under the protection of an American warship, the Matin announces. The transport is now being unloaded at a French port, the newspaper says.

Preparations are being made for the reception of American troops, the newspaper says further. A number of bases similar to those of the British army have been organized.

Camps Laid Out. Camps have been laid out for infantry and artillery and aviation parks have been established for American aviators. None of the American officers is bringing his family.

The Matin says the arrival of the transport means that the provisioning of the army is well under way before the arrival of the troops and that accordingly the American forces will make no call on the French stock of food.

Naval Collier Takes Wheat. Washington, June 7.—The naval collier Jupiter has arrived in France, Secretary Daniels announced today, laden with 10,500 tons of wheat and other supplies. The ship sailed from an American port without any intimation of its voyage having been given out in advance and is now at anchor in a French port.

The Jupiter is one of the navy's largest colliers. It was the first electrically propelled steamer ever built and its performance was so good that it led to the adoption of electric drive for all new battleships and battle cruisers, the American navy being the only one in the world to adopt this type of propulsion. The Jupiter was built at Mare island navy yard, San Francisco and it has high speed for an auxiliary vessel which would enable it to escape submarine attacks under any but unusual circumstances.

Secretary Daniels did not specify what supplies besides wheat the big ship carried.

Gen. Harrison New Head of Southern Veterans

Washington, June 7.—The United Confederate Veterans late today elected General George P. Harrison of Opelika, Ala., commander-in-chief, and a selected Tulsa, Okla., as the place for the next annual reunion.

More Than Million Pounds Powder Exploded Under German Positions

British Headquarters in France, June 7.—(Via London.)—The British rush this morning on the Messines-Wytschaete ridge of the Belgian front took them well over the ridge where they are now entrenching.

The village of Messines was reported to have been taken early in the fighting. It was also reported that Lenfer and Zareba had fallen and that Wytschaete had been surrounded by the British storming troops.

The British also captured important trenches all the way from Observation ridge, southeast of Ypres, to Ploegsteert wood, north of Armentieres.

TEN THOUSAND CLAIM EXEMPTION FROM U.S. DRAFT

Federal, State, County and City Officers United to Get Track of Every Slacker.

Out of the 20,489 men in Douglas county who registered Tuesday, 10,565 are listed by Election Commissioner Moorhead as having claimed exemption.

Dependents and occupational reasons are given for about 70 per cent of the approximately 50 per cent claiming exemption.

The rest claim exemption on grounds of physical defects, being aliens, etc.

Registrations from absentees and sick persons are still being received. Lots of these were mailed too late to arrive before registration day.

Sorting the Cards. A big force of men and women is at work sorting registration cards and getting them in alphabetical order for duplicate lists which will be made.

Several railway mail clerks, experts at sorting, volunteered their services for this work.

Federal, state, county and city officials have begun a drive on men between the ages of 21 and 31 who failed to register.

Election Commissioner Moorhead is receiving scores of reports on alleged slackers. Prompt investigation follows each report. The registration board and the department of justice are co-operating and wholesale arrests are threatened in the next few days.

Three men charged with circulating a petition calling upon men not to register were arrested by deputy United States marshals today. They gave names of Jerry Zalab, Frank Schaber and Roger Bowman.

It is alleged they said "if two-thirds of the men of conscription age sign the petition the people will be excused from draft."

DAHLMAN WANTS ENTIRE COMMISSION TO TAKE HOLD OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Stormy Session of City Council, in Which Kugel Alone Votes to Suspend Maloney—Full Open Hearing of the Entire Question Next Tuesday Morning.

Superintendent Kugel of the Omaha police department voted alone in support of his resolution to suspend Steve Maloney, chief of detectives.

All citizens are invited to attend a session of the city council chamber next Tuesday at 10 o'clock, when a sweeping investigation of the police department will be started.

Chief Dunn has filed new charges against Maloney, alleging that the discipline of the department is affected by the status of Maloney in the Chadron case.

Keep Kugel—Suspend Maloney. The United Improvement club presented resolutions asking the city council not to transfer Kugel from the police department and that Maloney be suspended. The resolutions were presented by R. J. Sutton, secretary, and brother of Detective Paul Sutton.

Commissioner Butler offered to vote to suspend Maloney if Kugel would include Detective Sutton in the resolution.

Mayor Dahlman said he believed the police department is disorganized. He recommended that the seven commissioners take full charge.

Mr. Kugel declared the department is better now than when he assumed control of it four years ago. W. T. Hamand of the West Leavenworth Improvement club said there is something rotten in the police department.

HOOVER SAYS U.S. MUST EAT LESS SO ALLIES MAY LIVE

Food Commissioner Declares Food Consumption Must Be Reduced in Order that Others May Be Supplied.

Washington, June 7.—Herbert C. Hoover's report to the government on what the United States must do to sustain its allies with food, made public today, shows that the allies and a few neutrals which must be considered, require during the next year 1,000,000,000 bushels of cereals alone and that their needs of meat, fats and sugar also will be enormous.

Production in the allied countries and imports from other countries can meet only a portion of these needs. America must supply the remainder. America's surplus on the present scale of consumption will not meet the deficiency, Mr. Hoover said, so he points out that the enormity of the task requires reduction of home consumption in many ways.

Call Interstate Cereal Conference at Kansas City. Washington, June 7.—An interstate cereal conference has been called to meet at Kansas City June 12 to 14, the Department of agriculture announced, to take up the subject of increased grain production.

Similar conferences were held at Beverly, Cal., in 1916, and at St. Paul in 1916.

Farmers' Union Endorses Administration Food Bill. Washington, June 7.—A delegation from the National Farmers' union, representing agricultural interests in thirty-two states, headed by C. S. Barrett of Union City, Ga., told President Wilson today that they endorsed the administration plan for food control.

Austrian Attack on Trentino Front Repulsed. Rome, June 7.—(Via London.)—Repulse of an Austrian attack in force on the Trentino front is announced in today's statement from the war office. In the sector above Trieste the Austrians, heavily reinforced, made violent attacks. After an all day's battle they were repulsed completely.

Airplanes Drop Bond Literature on New York. New York, June 7.—Despite a driving rainstorm, a fleet of airplanes soared over New York today dropping Liberty loan "bombs" consisting of literature designed to stimulate further buying of Liberty bonds.

Finals for May Advertising in The Bee

Shows Good Gain. MAY, 1917. IN INCHES. Local Display 17,175. Foreign Display 7,000. Automobile 4,131. Classified 8,809. Total 37,115.

MAY, 1916. IN INCHES. Local Display 15,398. Foreign Display 7,238. Automobile 3,874. Classified 10,800 1/2. Total 36,810 1/2. GAINS—30 1/4 INCHES. Keep Your Eye On The Bee.