SEE THE PICNIC FACES OF BEE "NEWSIES" AND OTHER OMAHA BOY STREET MERCHANTS



Allies Start Big New Offensive On The West Front

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of being a major one, however, and it is clear that it was successful in its initial stages, the war office ac-count declaring that the first objec-tives were attained on the entire front attacked and that "satisfactory prog-ress" was continuing at all points. Many prisoners already have been taken.

Germans Are Surprised. The launching of the drive was seemingly a surprise to the Germans, who only yesterday were boasting that the intensity of their reply to the British bombardment had caused the British gunners to lessen the violence of their fire.

It comes, moreover, after the fail-ure of the tremendous efforts the Ger-man crown prince has been putting forth to break the French front in the Aisne district.

The French force evidently is great enough not only to withstand such a powerful hammering successfully, but to allow of co-operation with the Brit-ish in a stroke at another portion of the line.

In addition General Pétain last night made a successful attack on his own account on the Aisne front, car-rying German positions 1,500 yards wide on the Chemin-Des-Dames at La Royere and west of Epine de Chev-regny, breaking a German counter attack and capturing more than 160 prisoners. prisoners.

British Official Report.

London, July 31.—British troops in conjunction with the French forces on their left attacked the German po-sitions along a wide front north of the river Lys at 3:50 o'clock this

The German front line trenches were completely smashed to pieces and the wire entanglements before them were torn away. The British and French went into battle under cover of what was perhaps the great-

est barrage fire seen during the war. The great guns of the allies opened up at the appointed time and for hours

Face Fresh Troops.

The entente allies are facing a are concentration of German artillery and fresh groups of men which were rushed up as soon as it became apparent some time ago that an offensive was contemplated in this re-

gion. In the last few days Crown Prince Rupprecht of Bavaria has re-placed many of his old divisions with fresh troops and others are being held in reserve. The entente allies, however, have a

great preponderance in artillery which is the vital factor. Another thing most important to the British and French is that they recently have

established complete superiority in aerial service, upon which the artillery work is dependent. The British naturally have made great concentrations of guns and men for this offensive and the French tream are co-operating with them troops are co-operating with them with their usual valor. It is known that the morale of the German troops along this front is not up to the old standard, but they still are strong and a desperate battle is raging.

Rain Covers East Nebraska,

worked havoc in the German lines and undoubtedly caused a heavy loss Rain Fails to Spoil Fun at of life. Annual Picnic of Omaha Newsies

Newsboys claim credit for being | Dahlman talked to the boys of their better rainmakers than the grocers and butchers. J. Pluvius, however, failed to spoil their picnic at Lake-

these trying stages of the battle. Two hundred happy news vendors ticed. The hundred happy news vendors ticed. The hundred happy news vendors ticed. The morning and marched to the hundred happy news vendors ticed.

in Nebraska, while the danger stage s not so very far away, corn has not the demurrer. been injured by heat or dry weather. The plant still retains all its fresh-The plant still retains all its fresh-ness, has good color and is making rapid growth. With a reasonable quantity of moisture the farmers of the north half of the state will raise the best corn crop in Nebraska's his-tory. A few fields of very late corn h-ve been damaged by the heat, but these fields are far apart and, as a rule, they are not large. rule, they are not large. Potatoes Killed. my rights.

Saving the Crops "I am fearful concerning the po-tato crop. Indications are that it has already been badly injured by the

have passed over that section. As a

result, while the fields are not ex-

future possibilities and City Commis-sioners Butler and Parks fraternized with the little news merchants.

The commissary included 100 water-melons, fried chicken, pies, fruits, peacan be paid. Few have yet been aphurled an avalanche of shells into the enemy territory with drumfire in-tensity. view park yesterday. The youngsters yelled joyously when the clouds poured forth a strange element known o fother edibles which vanished as proved by Labor Commissioner Noroffice. if some legerdemain were being prac-

Section 27 of the law provides that "the commissioner of labor of the assembled at the Auditorium in the morning and marched to the newspa-per offices, led by a band furnished by the Omaha Musicians' union. In charge of the affair were Mike Barta, care to the four winds and gave a cuting all the provisions of Article Tony Constanzo and Sam Ziegman, wonderful demonstration of the art of vili, chapter 55, revised statutes of superintendents of the street sales of local newspapers. Gus Miller and J. E. Carver helped the boys enjoy the day to the fullest extent. Manager Munchhoff of Lakeview park threw open all of the amusements to the rormality in making their twenty-sixth annual picnic something to be remembered for a long time. The rain came at a time set for the program of races and sports, but Munchhoff of Lakeview park threw to reach a newsboy's heart is through chief deputy compensation commis-open all of the amusements to the his little "tummy." two years from the date of appointment and until his successor is appointed and qualifies and shall receive such remuneration for his services and

the program of races and sports, but rain could dampen a newsboy's picnic the commodious shelters of the park did not get his information from a were used to good advantage. Mayor reliable source. vested in the compensation commisparts of unions to justify overruling

few words to say.

Governor Neville Inactive.

WHO SHALL HEAD

STATE BUREAU OF

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Judge Sears then announced he had The discrepancy in interpretation omes into play in this chapter.

> Some hold that since "the commisioner of labor is made compensation commissioner," that necessarily makes Norman the man.

Others hold that in strict construcof labor, but merely the deputy com-"I wish to say whatever I have done I have done legally and within

nor who is to appoint a deputy com- act and is therefore illegal. pensation commissioner, which he has not done. It is held by those in touch ground that the contract did not spec-

British Newspapers Like Address Made By Robert Lansing **COMPENSATION?**

London, July 31 .- The address of Secretary Lansing at Madison barracks, New York, Sunday, is commented upon appreciatively. Some morning newspapers are showing the clear vision wherewith the American

man and more are piling up in his government regards the main issue and conveying unanimously words of doom to the enemy. The Times, regetting the "full truth is yet very imperfectly grasped by the masses of Americans, their imagination yet unfired," despite the words of reason in President Wilson and Secretary Lansing's expositions, refers to the popular confidence of the presi-dent, and indirectly appeals to him to go on the stump for the purpose of awakening the people.

"It is not his written word, but by spoken word of the president, that the significance of this tremendous conflict to them and their children must be brought home to American hearts. And he alone commands the confidence of all. To his explanations in such manner as provided by legisand his summons they will respond as to none others."

Court Ruling May Stop

Future Trades in Cotton Fort Smith, Ark., July 31.-A deci-sion which it is said will prohibit trading in cotton if sustained, was ever, was retained. delivered by Federal Judge F. A. You- The new provis

mans today. In a broker's suit to collect on a In a broker's suit to collect on a inserted subject to reconsideration, cotton future transaction, the court was left unchanged. on Norman is not the commissioner decided that the present standard form of contract used on the New missioner of labor. The governor is the real commissioner of labor. There-fore, under this law, it is the gover-of the United States cotton futures

wrath by a plague of summer resort-

ers who have unduly added to mouths round that the contract did not spec- to be fed on scanty rations and also

IN FOOD CONFERENCE Committee Takes Recess, With Joint Advisory Board Section of Bill Still in

SECOND DEADLOCK

Dispute. Washington, July 31 .- The conferees on the administration food bill failed at their first session today to break their deadlock on the congres-

sional war expenditures committee, opposed by President Wilson, and recessed until later today with a motion to strike out the provision still pend-

Some of the conferees said it appeared virtually certain that the senate members would yield on the provision and reach a complete agreement on the bill for a report to the house tomorrow.

The recess was taken to enable the conferees to confer with senate and house leaders and learn if the senate would reject the conference re-port should the provision be eliminated.

The conferees today struck out a provision authorizing the government to commandeer gas pipe line for military or public defense purposes. The clase empowering the president to commandeer oil pipe lines, how-

The new provision for a wheat price-fixing board of three members,

Denmark Sends Summer

Resorters to Their Homes Copenhagen, July 31 .- Stirred to

The text of the British statement announcing the offensive in Flanders

says: "In conjunction with the French troops operating on our left we at-tacked at 3:50 o"clock this morning on a wide front north of the River

"The allied troops have captured their first objectives on the whole front attacked and are reported to be making satisfactory progress at all points.

"Considerable numbers of prison-ers already have been captured."

Strong Attacks Begun, Says Berlin. Berlin, July 31.—Strong attacks by the entente allies have commenced along a wide front from the Yser to the Lya in Flanders says the official statement issued today by the German general staff. The infantry battle in Flanders, the statement adds, has thus opened

opened

French Advance on Aisne.

Paris, July 31.—French forces last night made a successful attack against the German position along a 1,500 yard front at La Royere and west of Epine de Chevregny on the Aiane front, says the French official state-ment issued this afternoon. A German counter attack was crushed. "Of course, we must have more rain to mature the corn crop, but with a shower occasionally or a heavy rain within the next week I am of the opinion that the yield will be quite up to the average. With the high prices certain to maintain, farm-

The French took 167 prisonets, in-cluding two officers and fifteen non-commissioned officers belonging to three regiments. The artillery and in-fantry, the statement adds, were ac-tive in the Cerny-Hurtebise sector. crop. Walters is Optimistic.

Attack at Dawn.

visited:

Attack at Dawn. British Front in France and Bel-gium, July 31.—A vast British force, augmented by French troops, at dawn today launched against the army of Grown Prince Rupprecht of Bavaria, between Dismude on the north and Gapaard, near Warneton, on the south, a terrific offensive, which ac-cording to the early reports had car-ried the on-rushing allies well be-yond the shell-shattered front line trenches of the Germans throughout this, approximately twenty-mile front and in many places had reached the second line defenses. Both the French and British had

Both the French and British had achieved all the first objectives and the artillery was moving forward with schedule precision and the whole situation was satisfactory in every particular.

In numerous places the entente allies encountered strong resistance and counter attacks from the desperate Teutons

Take First Trenches.

Between Dixmude and Boesinghe he attacking forces are reported to have secured the two first lines of the German trenches, after having fought over the most difficult terrain im-aginable due to marshes and in-undated areas with which the section

• The German front line about the Ypres salient, which had been held unquestioned by the enemy since the early days of the war, offered little resistance today to the British ad-vance, but beyond these trenches the Germans made a firm stand in an en-deavor to stem the onslaught deavor to stem the onslaught.

The British again captured La Basteville, on the Franco-Belgian frontier which a few days ago they had occupied and then relinquished. The Germans made a heavy counter attack here in an attempt to regain the position, but the British flung them off and began consolidating the

Prisoners Back of Lines.

Many prisoners already are finding their way back of the allied lines. These men report that the unprece-cented artillery preparations which

dry weather. In many of the fields the potato vines have been killed and, (Continued From Page One.)

potato crop has been considerably inured, and I doubt if in the aggregate the yield will exceed that of last year, notwithstanding that the acreage is

"The small grain harvest is over. "The small grain harvest is over. Wheat is turning out well and the quality is as good as during former years. In fact, in most localities it is better. The oat, barley and rye crop is enormous, has been gathered and is in perfect condition. In many lo-calities when farmers discovered that their fall wheat had been winter killed, they seeded the ground to oats, barley and rye. No Great Injury. "Referring back to corn, light and condition. "The northwestern portion of Ne-braska has fared pretty well in re-ceiving rain and numerous showers tensive, the corn is in good condition and promises better than an average

Deaths in Milwaukee. Milwaukee, July 31.—Six deaths from the prevailing intense heat were reported by the coroner today. Of-ficial thermometers registered 96 de-"Referring back to corn, light and requent rains have passed over the outhern part of the state. They have been frequent enough so that they grees this afternoon.

crop.

have kept the corn in good growing condition, and with the ground rea-sonably moist, except on the top, the hot winds and extreme warm weather Hot in Cleveland. Cleveland, July 31.—The govern-ment kiosk at noon today registered 102 degrees. Fourteen deaths and a

score of prostrations from the heat are the toll so far of the heat wave. Also in Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, July 31.—The weather bureau thermometer here registered 101 degrees at 2:15 p. m. today. This was the hottest day in seventeen years. Four deaths and numerous ers are going to make more money was the hottest day in than during former years, even if years. Four deaths and prostrations were reported.

COURT ORDERS Frank Walters, general manager of the Northwestern, has returned from a trip over all of the company's north-ern and central Nebraska lines and ANSON BIGELOW has this to say relative to crop con-ditions in the portions of the state **TO BE SEATED**

"Up the Elkhorn valley and as far west as O'Neill and up over the Win-ner branch I never saw better crops. (Continued From Page One.)

The small grain has been harvested, is in the shock and considerable of it is being threshed. The yield is above the average and the quality is and the three judges today overruled is in the shock and considerable of it is being threshed. The yield is above the average and the quality is the best ever known. "Throughout Northwestern territory

There's a Big day's work Waiting A light, easily digested, but sustaining breakfast is the thing for the man who uses his head. Grape Nuts Raine, Sal and Tanal. **Grape-Nuts** fills the bill. A FOOD "There's a Reason"

gize for. I was represented as having apologized, but I did not do so. as a rule, the potatoes are small, with only a few in each hill. "Generally the pasturage continues good, but in the sandhills the grass is

Takes Back Apology.

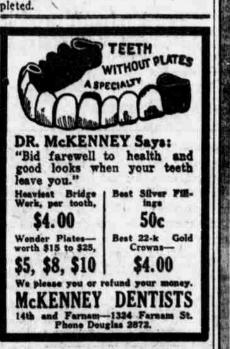
"I have done nothing which I apolo-

beginning to dry up, which means that the run of range cattle will start early and before they are in prime condition. "The northwestern portion of Ne-""""That will be enough, Mr. Bigelow, sit down," broke in Judge Sears. "I stand on my rights," continued led.

the attorney. "Sit down," ordered the judge. Judge Sears then called to the bailff, who hurried toward the attorney. Attorney Bigelow then sat down. Judge Redick said the court would overlook the attorney's conduct.

Hearing on the application for a temporary injunction will be held

Thursday or Friday. The injunction suit will then be heard on its merits. **EXAMS STARTED** IN OMAHA FOR **MEN OF DRAFT** (Continued From Page One.) continue for three days with a corps of five doctors working all days. It is Attorney Redwood's plan to have about twenty young men stripped down and undergoing examination at the same time, each doctor having a certain duty to perform. Notifications to drafted men in the third district have not been fully com-





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with the situation that this is what ifically reveal the name of the prinwas really intended when the law was | cipal as the law directs. drawn up and that in strict construc-

tion that is what the law says. Meantime the governor remains in-active, while employers, laborers and insurance companies alike grow im-higher courts, it is said, it will inpatient because claims are piling up validate every cotton futures con- to a third of that given the natives. in Norman's office and cannot be set- tract made since the enactment of the law.

This is the first decision rendered on this part of the cotton futures act

of the most prominent districts have decreed the expulsion of all strangers who have resided four weeks or more in a district. The cost of bread for guests has been doubled and the milk and butter rations have been cut

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bought stocks to smuggle home, two



