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AMERICAN DESTROYER BLOWN UP BY GERMAN U-BOAT; SUSPECT CONSPIRACY TO BURN OMAHA STOCK YARDS; WETS TAKE IOWA, BEAT PROHIBITION BY 2,500 VOTES

MAJORITY AGAINST THE DRYS IN HAWKEYE STATE MOUNTS WITH ERRORS IN THE COUNT

Latest Figures, With Twelve Precincts Missing, Show Wets Have Lead of 2,509 Votes; Big Cities Increase Majority for Wets as Corrected **Returns Come In.**

(From a Staff Correspondent.) Des Moines, Ia., Oct. 17.-(Special Telegram.)-It is probable an official count will be necessary to determine the result of the vote cast in Iowa Monday on the prohibitiory constitutional amendment. Latest figures available, with twelve precincts missing, show the wets have a lead of 2,509.

1 last.

WETS' LEAD MORE. Countics heard from today and cor-ections in the vote added to the wet nections in the vote added to the wet ad. A discrepancy of more than 1,000 vote, in returns from Clinton county has been discovered in favor of the wets.

A discrepancy in the Buena Vista county vote added 500 votes to the wet majority in that county. SURPRISES FOR DRYS.

Woodbury county, which was one of the later counties to be heard from. reported majority of 1,000 for the wets.

Johnson county, of which Iowa City is the county seat, also one of the late ones to come in, gave a wet lead of 1,100, which was somewhat of a surprise to the dry forces.

East Nebraska Covered by Rain; Big Help to Crops

Boston Boston, Mas man waiters and servants employed at the Boston City club, numbering about twenty, have been discharged because of complaints made by members of alleged "breaches of discipline." **FIRES AMONG**

All German Waiters in

PENS FOUND BY WATCHERS

Blaze Starts in Cattle Section Shortly After Departments Are Called to Other Side of City.

Kansas City, Mo., Oct. 17 .- Two arrests were made today by detectives and government agents following intimations that the \$750,000 fire, which partially destroyed the Kansas City stock yards yesterday morning was of incendiary origin. A former emple of the yards was

HOPE TO WETS taken into custody by detectives in this city and a second man was arrested by government agents in Oklahoma City. Some Hearts Thump Merrily The suspect arrested here is said to have revealed the names of two other

Over Prospect of Thirst Empersons who are believed by the police to have been implicated in the fire. The arrested man is said to have been discharged by his employers at the stock yards.

Two deserters have been caught in Think Fire Incendiary. the federal drag net in the Omaha Captain John Coyle of the South Side fire department and Fire War-den Edward Morris believe that a who failed to report. who failed to report. fire discovered at 11:40 o'clock Tues-

Tuesday gloom so thick it could be cut with a knife penetrated the at-ing at 4630 South Twenty-fourth

AGAIN SWEEPS GERMANLINES IN ADVANCE OF NEW ATTACK

Rupprecht's Forces Wither Before Hurricane of Shells Northeast of Ypres: Favorable Weather Gives Airmen a Chance to Find Range; Bulgarians "Cede" Saloniki Villages.

(By Associated Press.)

All the important infantry fighting last night in the western war theater was confined to the French front, where attacks by the Germans in the Aisne and Champagne sectors, as well as in the Verdun region, were repulsed by General Petain's troops.

PROMISE SPEEDY RENEWAL. There is promise of a speedy renewal of the activity in Flanders, however. Field Marshal Haig, for instance, sends from British headquarters today one of those laconic reports that so frequently have preceded the periodic attacks on that front.

"Nothing of special interest to re-port" has meant in several of these cases that the British guns had opened their terrific drum fire preparatory to an attack.

Germans Anticipate Attack.

The German high command appar-PEACE LEAGUE IS ently is anticipating a renewal of the British drive, as the latest Berlin statement in reporting the intense artillery activity in Flanders said no infantry attacks had taken place "up to the present."

Rode Sumajia, 5309 South Thirtieth roller is pushing its way through the German lines. Thus the British avia-W. R. Boyd, Campaign Manstreet, was arrested in Kansas City. tors apparently have been able to colmosphere of the removed and seclud-inter in the cattle pene of the stock tria. He will be brought to Omaha their artillery to pursue its work with ed localities. Hopeful hearts turned yards at Thirty-third and L streets, and turned over to the military its usual precision and telling effect, authorities, as the civil courts have no while the mud fields presumably have jurisdiction over men after they have dried out somewhat with the cessabeen certified for the national army. tion of the rain. Jan Jackim, 4211 South Thirty-ninth An admission

IAIG'S DEADLY TYPHOON FIRE U.S. JACKIE KILLED WHEN ENEMY LETS FLY BIG TORPEDO

On Trains, at Hotels, News Stands, Etc., So.

Vessel, Although Severely Damaged, Manages to Make Port; Five Men Wounded; No Fight Apparent; Submarine Makes Escape After Launching Deadly Messenger; Place Not Revealed.

American Officer Injured While On British Firing Line

Washington, Oct. 17 .- First Lieutenant A. Graham, medical officers' reserve corps, attached to the British forces has been severely wounded in the thigh by gunshot. General Pershing so advised the War department today without giving details. Lieutenant Graham's next of kin is Mrs. William J. Graham, Paterson, N. J. If Lieutenant Graham was shot while serving at the front as is as-

sumed here, he was the first American of the expeditionary forces to be wounded o nthe firing line.

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, D. C., Oct. 17 .- An American destroyer on patrol duty in the war zone was torpedoed by an enemy submarine yesterday and one man was killed and five wounded. It managed to make port in spite of severe damage.

NO FIGHT STAGED.

Vice Admiral Sims cabled a brief report of the incident to the Navy department late today. He gave few details, but it is assumed that there was no fight and that the U-boat made good its escape after launching its torpedo, without showing itself.

KELLY INGRAM KILLED. Gunner's Mate Osmond Kelly Ingram was the man killed. He was blown overboard and his body was not recovered, Ingram's mother, Mrs. Betty Ingram, lives at Pratt City, Ala. In accordance with the policy of

secrecy concerning American naval operations, the department did not divulge the name of the destroyer or

Injuries Only Slight.

the exact place of the encounter.

TWO DESERTERS

Rode Sumajia and Jan Jackin, Both Natives of Austria, Charged With Failure to Answer Draft Summons.

June 5. Then he applied for exemp-

years. He was turned over to the

Victor Anderson, charged with fail-

ure to register for the selective draft,

had a hearing before United States

Commissioner Neely, who ordered him to be registered. Anderson was

a native of Finland and has been in

know anything about the draft law.

Military Funeral

Services will be held Thursday.

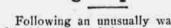
mony, both at the church and at the

cemetery, will be marked by the dig-

The funeral cortege will pass up

military authorities at Fort Crook.

ARE CAUGHT BY **OMAHA OFFICERS**



night, banks of clouds rolled in from and tursting souls became black. night, banks of clouds rolled in from the west and soon thereafter, there was a regular downpour. In this vi-cinity the rain continued only a short might, banks of clouds rolled in from a victory for the dries in the Iowa prohibition campaign. But Wednesday time, but long enough to lay the

dust and cool off the atmosphere. Reports from out in the state indi-came. Expectant hearts thumped mercate that practically all the east half rily, foreseeing eyes gleamed exultantof Nebraska was given a drenching, ly and happy souls shone triumphthe rain beginning to fall late in the antly. Life was worth living once afternoon and continuing pretty well more.

into the night. Nearly all day a storm of wind, carrying immense clouds of dust swept over the state. Temperatures the wets had championed a forlorn run high and conditions seemed more like July than like the middle of and detested reformer had been baf-October.

Over the winter wheat belt of Nebraska, while the plant was not suffering on account of a lack of moisture, rain at this time is of great

Around Beatrice, the rain was acof course, Omaha should be dry and companied by a considerable fall of its inhabitants dry. Why rejoice over of the blaze. The fact that the down-Iowa's good fortune?

Baptists Assembled at Hastings Elect Officers

Hastings, Neb., Oct. 17.-(Special Telegram.)-The Baptist state confertleman in the timber. ence, holding its golden jubilee convention here, today elected the following for the new year: President, A. B. Newell, Glenville; first vice president, Rev. F. W. Benjamin, Norfolk; second vice president, Rev. J. L. Barton, Stromsburg; third vice president, Dr. and the strip was a part of Iowa. One day the river decided to change its H. R. Chapman, Lincoln; recording day the river decided to change its secretary, Rev. C. J. Pope, Grand Isl-channel and moved eastward to its and; treasurer, W. E. Rhodes, Omaha; present bed. historian, Rev. R. R. Coon, Grand Island. One trustee was elected for an unexpired term, R. M. Proudfit of Friend.

The Weather

Nebraska-Rain turning to snow. Temperatures at Omaha Yesterday.

5 a. m

6 a. m

8 a. m

9 a. m..... 10 a. m..... 11 a. m....

12 a. m

3 p. m

4 p. m

5 p. m...... 6 p. m.....

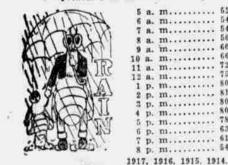
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fall

1 p. m..... 2 p. m.....

m.....



Highest yesterday

Temperature and precipitation departures from the normal at Omaha since March 1st, and compared with the past two years: Normal temperature

Deficiency since March 1st..... 5.46 inches Deficiency for cor. period, 1916..11.90 inches Deficiency for cor. period, 1915.. 1.08 inches Reports from Stations at 7 P. M.

6 r pdi Rain-

	ee77today T\$;.st, 1917 in ng	Wh
	Station and State Temp.	High-
	of Weather 7 p.m.	
	Cheyenne, clear 26 Davenport, rain 66	42
	Davenport, rain	68
	Denver cloudy 40	60
5	Des Moines, cloudy 70	72 84
	Dodge City, clear 64	84
	Lander, cloudy 30	.35
	North Platte, rain 46	66
	Omaha, cloudy 61	81
	Pueblo, cloudy 42	73
	Kansas City, part cloudy 72	76
	Salt Lake, part cloudy 42	44
	Santa Fe, part cloudy 58	64
	Sheridan, snow 28	36
	Sloux City, clear 48	70
	St. Louis cloudy 78	- 82
	Indicator iracs of precisi	notion.

ates trace of precipitation. L. A. WELSH, Meteorologist.

Following an unusually warm day heavy, longing eyes became blank were both of incendiary origin. The stock yards fire was reported

For defeat had been turned to vic-

a parting kick in the shins to boot.

Omaha is within the borders of Ne-

This Is the Reason.

Between the Missouri river and the

Belt line tracks on the east side of

the city, near Locust street, is a nar-

row strip of land. Years ago the Big

Muddy tumbled its waters along to

the east of this narrow strip of land

But Iowa refused to part with that

strip of land, even though it is sur-

rounded by Goldenrod soil and its in-

habitants are Cornhuskers rather than

Hawkeyes. It still belongs to Iowa.

Yet it is practically a part of Omaha. Jurisdiction over it belongs to Iowa

authorities. although it is more acces-

This Larrow strip of land has never

Chattanooga, Tenn., Oct. 17 .- The

Ohio state monument erected on

Lookout mountain near the Cravens

house, in commemoration of the part

Ohio troops in Hooker's division took

in the battle of Lookout mountain,

Vicksburg, Miss., Oct. 16.-Dedi-cation of Missouri and New York

monuments in the National Military

(By Associated Press.)

department today news of the arrival

of Willot Charles Smith of Norwalk,

Conn., who escaped from a German

internmnet camp at Kiel and brought

word that American prisoners in Ger-

many would starve, but for food sent them Ly the Red Cross and Young

ish steame: Esmeralda, captured by

carried into Germany just before the sisting of water and turnips."

Men's Christian association.

(Continued on Page Two, Column One.)

sible to Omaha.

Dedicate Monument

was dedicated today.

erate and union veterans.

RETURNS BRING

poriums Flourishing in

Close Proximity.

Gloom turned to joy in certain re-

mote sections of Omaha yesterday-

sections especially remote since May

But Wednesday-ah, Wednesday, action and luck was the combination all was changed; a transformation which prevented a serious fire at the yards. STRENGTHEN GUARD.

An investigation is in progress, but there is little for the authorities to work on. The guard at the yards has been strengthened.

tory, loss had been turned to gain, liabilities had been changed to assets, The fire at 4630 South Twenty fourth street broke out on an outside hope and conquered. The despised stairway landing leading to the second floor. The downstairs of the fled, routed and vanquished and given house is vacant and the upstairs is arrested at Fremont. He says he is occupied by John W. Wilson and family, colored people. Captain Coyle was unable to trace any orbraska, it is the metropolis of the Goldenrod state, its citizens are corndinary cause for this fire, as there huskers and Nebraska is dry. Then, was no wires, nor stove or other usual source in proximity to the scene

stairs of the house was vacant and the people upstairs asleep, lends color, the authorities state, to the theory of Ah, there's a reason. For all of incendiarism. Omaha is not in Nebraska. Officially

Find No Cause for Fire. all of Omaha is in Nebraska, but unofficially-that's the dark-skinned gen-

The fire at the cattle pens was in a place where no evident cause other than incendiarism could be ascribed. The lumber was dry, but the fire had gained only a slight headway when checked. "Taking all of the circumstances of

both fires into careful consideration, there is little doubt in my mind that these fires were of incendiary origin. Every detail fits into the theory. While the department was at the first fire the second was reported, but prompt action prevented what might have been something serious. One of the stock yards watchmen passed the scene of the cattle pen fire a short

Farnam street Thursday morning on the way to Holy Sepulcher cemetery time before the fire was discovered, from St. Philomena church at Tenth stated Fire Warden Morris. and William streets, where the serv-Captain Coyle holds the same opinices will be held at 9 o'clock. ion as that of the fire warden. The officials are somewhat reticent re-garding hte line of investigation they are pursuing, but they hint that de-velopments may be expected.

First Blizzard of To Hooker's Division

ments. Season Hits Montana

neral.

Butte, Mont., Oct. 17 .- Butte was experiencing today its first blizzard of the season. There was a slight fall of snow and at 9 o'clock this morning the temperature was 26

arrested for participation in the Korniloff uprising on their departure above zero. from Berditchev, province of Kiev, Helena, Mont., Oct. 17.-Four inches of snow which fell during the on October 10, were compelled to night in many parts of the state gave park here today were features of the Montana today its first touch of real national memorial reunion of confed- winter weather. Clear and colder is the prediction for tonight.

walk three miles to the railroad station, while they were jeered, pelted with missiles and threatened by a mob of several thousand persons. The officers barely escaped alive through the strategy of a member of the cadet

Barely Escape Mob

Korniloff's Generals

guard, who started the train out of the station as it was being fired upon what will be known as districts.

ye by a missile, while General Vaouf-United States broke diplomatic rela-

Indian Buys \$412,000

cape were given by the minister. Worth of Liberty Bonds Okmulgee, Okl., Oct. 17.-Jack-son Barnett, an incompetent Creek Indian, today was the possessor \$412,000 worth of Liberty bonds. He subscribed for \$162,000 of the first issue and yesterday his guardian, Carl J. Hornett, secured a court ish steame: Esmeralda, captured by ner and supper about a pint and a the German raider Moewe, and was half of warm soup, apparently conorder permitting his charge to buy a quarter of a million dollars worth of the latest issue.

An admission of possible signifi-cance was contained in the German statement on the Macedonian front street, Omaha, was arrested by the federal authorities. Jackun registered situation, received late last night. Sevtion. His application was denied and cral villages in the Struma region on he was notified to report for service, the right flank of the allied lines northeast of Saloniki have been which he failed to do. He says he was born in Tornone, Galicia, Austria, "ceded" by the Bulgarians to the and has been in this country four British, Berlin announces.

There has been notable patrol activity by the entente armies in Macedonia recently and it seems possible that some aggressive use is finally to be made of the huge force the allies have had assembled there for

this country four years. He declared he could not read English and did not miralty today issued the following statement: "Naval aircraft dropped many tons of bombs on the Bruges docks Mon-For Omaha Boy Who

A military funeral will be given Private Harry G. Fern of the Omaha war office has completely lost touch ambulance company, who died Sun-day at Camp Taylor, Louisville, Ky. with the Russian forces on the island of Oesel, it was officially announced The body of the Omaha boy will be

Naval skirmishing is continuing in the waters around Oesel island, off borne to the cemetery on a gun caisson under the escort of a military the Gulf of Riga, Russian patrol ships guard, where a firing squad will deliver the last salute of three volleys having had encounters with German torpedo craft. over the soldier's grave. The cere-

A fleet of Zeppelins is reported over Moon sound, northeast of Oesel nity and simplicity of a military fu- island.

ran into the Russian mine field defor the coast and its ultimate fate is not known.

Colonel Hershey at Fort Omaha granted the request of Gould Deitz, Paris, Oct. 17.-Violent artillery fighting is in progress on the Verdun who recruited the ambulance com-pany to which Fern belonged, that the boy should be accorded regular front east of the Meuse, the war office reports. A German attack in this military honors. Major Paigelow will sector near Chaume wood, and other thrusts near Juvincourt, en the Aisne have charge of the military arrangefront, and in the vicinity of Mont Carnillet, in the Champagne, were re-

A successful attack was made on a German trench at the foot of the heights of the Meuse. Tetary Daniels, succeeding Lieutenant Commander Byron McCandless, as-signed to sea duty at his own request. Petrograd, Oct. 17 .- The generals heights of the Meuse.

The Union Pacific will break up its | ern district he will have the title of

the main lines will be thrown into of the superintendency of the road is asserted to be for the purpose of be-The Union Pacific main line from ing able to better handle the increased Omaha to Ogden will be known as the Northern district and will be under the jurisdiction of F. H. Ham-Ernest Stenger having formerly Ernest Stenger having formerly been manager of the St. Joseph &

Iowa lines of the Northwestern, with Grand Island road, one of the Union Pacific subsidiaries and familiar with have his headquarters in Omaha and all the traffic and operating conditions in Kansas, is said to be emiwill have the title of general superin-

the main and branch lines in Kansas made chief. and Colorado and will be under the direction of Ernest Stenger, with headquarters in Kansas City. Mr.

tionist among us. We do not believe peace should be declared until Old Glory floats over the palace at Pots-dam," declared W. R. Boyd, jr., of Chicago, campaign manager of the league, who is in Omaha to arrange

for the formation of a Nebraska branch, following William Howard Taft's lecture for the Fine Arts' so-ciety Friday at 4 o'clock at the Boyd theater. Mr. Taft is president of the eague.

ager, Tells of Work Being

Done By Mr. Taft and

Associates.

"The League to Enforce Peace is a

Last Hope of Civilization.

"The League to Enforce Peace believes with all its organized soul that the entrance of the United States into this war was the last hope of civilization and democracy. The league is dorsed by the government. Its pur-

Boyd. Out of Touch with Oesel. After the war the league will work Petrograd, Oct. 17.—The Russian to accomplish a league of nations to guarantee and enforce permanent

peace. Ex-Senator Norris Brown and Lysle Abbott are acting as temporary chairman and secretary of the League to Enforce Peace. Permanent offi-cers will be named at Friday's meeting. Following Mr. Taft's talk an open conference on issues of the war and a discussion of the aims of the

league will be held. An effort is being made to secure ex-President Taft to officiate at the laying of the cornerstone for the new ever, the ceremonies will be conducted as originally planned.

Mr. Taft will review the Omaha High school cadets Friday noon.

Commander Sparrow

Becomes Daniels' Aide tor is increasing in numbers very Washington, Oct. 17.—Commander rapidly in England. At present one

H. G. Sparrow, formerly executive of-ficer of the battleship Pennsylvania, today began his duties as aide to Sec-

First Half of October

Record of Display Advertising In The Bee

(Warfield Agency Measurements)

\$5,000.

Fifteen Days In October, 1917, 12,7811/2 Inches Same Days In October, 1916, 10,098 Inches GAIN 2,6831/2 INCHES Keep Your Eye On The Bee IMPROVING EVERY DAY

American Prisoners Starve

Except for Red Cross Work by the mob, according to reports which have just arrived here. General Arloff was struck in the

sky's spine was injured seriously.

Washington, Oct. 17. — Minister Morris at Stockholm cabled the State cape were given by the minister.

"Smith stated," said a State department statement announcing the escape, "that without the food packages sent by the Young Men's Christian assolation and the Red Cross, prisoners would not be able to live as the daily food ration consists of a chunk of black, sour bread and a drink of Smith was a horseman on the Brit- cold coffee for breakfast and for din-

many months. Success for British Airmen. London, Oct. 17.- The British ad-Ailitary Funeral For Omaha Boy Who Died at Camp Taylor Died at Camp Taylor

Out of Touch with Oesel.

today.

One German dreadnaught which fending Oesel island on October 12. Unitarian church at Harney street and struck a mine, the statement adds. the boulevard Friday afternoon at After the explosion the warship made 2:30 o'clock. If this plan fails, how-

Violent Fighting at Verdun.

pulsed.

Union Pacific Divides the Work Of Its Big Operating Officials

division system as it now exists and general superintendent.

mill, now assistant general of the headquarters in Boone, Ia. He will

The Southern district will include created and of which he has been tendent.

It is asserted that the official importance of the positions of Mr. Sten-ger and Mr. Hammill are concerned, Stenger is now general superinten- they will be on a par. Each will be dent of all the lines of the system, a independent of the other and the of-position that is regarded as too stren-ficial doings of each will be reported uous for any one man. On the South- to the general manager in Omaha.

None of the wounded was seriousfighting organization, despite its name. ly hurt. Ther are Herman H. Pan-There is not a pacifist or obstruckratz, gunnersmate, St. Louis; William E. Merritt, seaman, New York City; Frank W. Kruse, fireman, To-ledo; Patrick Rutledge, oiler, New York City, and William Seimer, fire-man, Dundas, Minn.

> American Killed By Shell Fired By Sub Upon an Open Boat

London, Oct. 17.—James Tringor of Roahoke, Va., according to a dispatch to the Daily Chronicle, was killed by shrapnel fired by a German submarine upon the open poats of a torpedoed co-operating in every possible way in British steamer on which the Amer-prosecuting the war. It is heartily enof the crew in Tringor's boat, a fireposes should not be confused with man, was wounded by a shell from the pacifist organizations," said Mr. submarine and died as he was being submarine and died as he was being placed upon a rescuing ship. There

were twelve Americans among the forty-nine survivors landed at a British port.

Crossing Blocked, Autoists Drive On Railroad Tracks

Guy Miller, Alden Walker and Kenneth Walker appeared in police court to answer a charge of reckless driving. The arresting officer testified the car had been driven some distance on the railfoad track: near east Davenport street to avoid waiting for a train which was blocking the crossing at this point, and said that Miller jumped from the car and fled when he approached to arrest them. Walker was fined \$5 and costs and the other two discharged.

Woman Doctor Increases In Numbers in England

London, Oct. 17 .- The woman doc-

of every three medical students in

The minimum course of study at

present required in England is five

years. The prospectus of a leading

London medical school estimates the

minimum cost for this period at

Keeping It Up

the country is a woman.

