



MURDERS FARMER, STEALS \$1,000 CASH; ALLIES FROWN ON RUSSIAN ARMISTICE

BRITISH THREATEN 'SERIOUS RESULTS' IF RUSSIANS MAKE SEPARATE PEACE WITH KAISER

Allies Will Issue "Reasoned Statement for Guidance and Warning;" Meanwhile Germans Welcome Bolshevik Overtures and Have Set Sunday for Conference Regarding Armistice.

Berlin, via London, Nov. 29.—Count George F. von Hertling, the imperial German chancellor, told the Reichstag today that he was ready to enter into peace negotiations as soon as the Russian government sends representatives having power, to Berlin.

"I hope and wish," he said, "that these efforts will soon take definite shape and bring us peace."

Respecting Poland, Lithuania and Courland, Count von Hertling said: "We respect the right of self determination of their peoples. We expect they will give themselves a constitutional form of government corresponding to their conditions."

GERMANS RECEIVE BOLESHEVIKI. London, Nov. 29.—Efforts of the Russian Bolsheviki government to arrange an armistice have met with the approval of the German authorities on the eastern front.

Speaking for Great Britain, Lord Cecil declared that the allies are considering the issuance of a "reasoned statement for the guidance and warning of the Russians as to the serious results that are likely to follow if a separate peace is concluded."

The Germans have set next Sunday as the date for a conference to negotiate an armistice. The allied diplomatic representatives in Petrograd, it is reported, while not recognizing the Bolsheviki government, will acknowledge receipts of the proposals from the Bolsheviki leaders as though they came from individuals.

BATTLE RAGES AT CAMBRAI. On the Bourlon-Fontaine Notre Dame line the British and Germans continue their desperate struggle, the British trying to advance eastward toward Cambrai and the Germans attempting to hold them up with strong counter attacks. Positions along this line have changed hands repeatedly in the furious fighting, and German efforts to gain the dominating elevation of Bourlon wood have failed.

Elsewhere on the western front there has been strong artillery activity. The crisis in Italy has passed, according to Major General Maurice, of the British war office. The Germans in that region have not attempted any new attacks in strength, their latest efforts apparently lacking the vigor of those earlier in the week.

RIOTING RESUMED. The second edition of the London Daily Mail today contains an apparently mutilated telegram from Petrograd, dated 4 o'clock Wednesday, indicating there has been a renewal of trouble there. It says there has been firing and that several persons have been wounded.

Maximalist troops have occupied the Petrograd State bank, according to the Petrograd correspondent of the Daily Mail. He adds that the "people are going about their business in the most ordinary manner. Nobody is hurrying, and one would never imagine that another rebellion is in progress."

"Scenes of political turmoil have now become epidemic here."

(By Associated Press.) London, Nov. 28.—"It is under consideration to issue, in conjunction with our allies, a reasoned statement for the guidance and warning of the Russians as to the serious results that are likely to follow if a separate peace is concluded," said Lord Robert Cecil, the minister of the blockade, in the House of Commons today.

Sunday next, has been set by the Germans as the date for a conference with the Bolsheviki leaders for the purpose of negotiating an armistice. The arrangement for the discussion, followed a visit of representatives of the Bolsheviki to the German military authorities on the Teutonic side of the east front in Russia. The Germans apparently gave quick acquiescence to the proposal of the Russians for an armistice looking to an ultimate peace, for only a few hours intervened between the visit of the Russians to the German line and acceptance by the Germans of the proposition that was made to them.

The Weather

Table with weather data: Temperatures at Omaha Yesterday, Normal temperature, Highest yesterday, Lowest yesterday, Mean temperature, Precipitation, Comparative Local Record, Temperature and precipitation departures from the normal.

KING WINTER YET MAY SAVE ITALY FROM AUSTRIANS

Force of Early Attack Seems Broken and Alpine Snows Interfere With Communications.

(By Associated Press.) Italian Headquarters in Northern Italy, Wednesday, Nov. 28.—Bridgadier General Scriven, of the United States army, accompanied by an aide and the American military attaché at Rome, has arrived at headquarters to study the Italian situation and make a series of reports to the American government.

Major G. M. P. Murphy, head of the American Red Cross in Europe, also is here to co-ordinate the work of his organization. General Scriven was received by King Emmanuel, who invited him to dinner, where the situation was discussed at length.

Germans Push Hard. Reports from the front show that the enemy is still persistent, but that little is left of his former vigor of attack and he is resorting to the old device of cunning. The Germans have posted placards in Italian, reading: "Italians, we have crossed the defenses of the Piave. Your defense is useless. Let us pass without further bloodshed. We shall be in Vicenza in three days."

In reply to this, Italian soldiers posted a placard in German reading: "You will never pass."

An eminent American military authority summarized the situation in this way: "Teuton Cannot Pass. While the danger is not yet over, nevertheless, it seems to me from a military viewpoint that the enemy cannot pass, being confronted by the combined, Italian, British and French forces."

His chief military reason for this view is that the enemy no longer has his lines of communication freely open to the rear, as the winter is breaking his communication in the north and interrupting, if not destroying them to the east. Therefore, he believes, the enemy has reached the maximum and must decline from now on, while the Italians and their allies have all their communications from the west and south and can augment their forces from now on. Consequently it appears to this American as though the enemy had failed in his main project of breaking through into the heart of Italy.

Artillery Duel Continues. Rome, Nov. 29.—Heavy artillery fighting is in progress all along the front, but no further infantry actions (Continued on Page Two, Column Two.)

Stevens Gives Balloon Dinner, But Not Way Up in Big Balloon

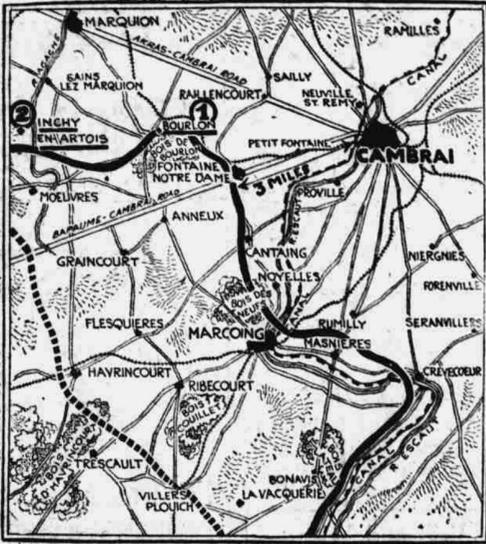
Leo Stevens, chief balloon instructor at Fort Omaha, entertained 30 of his associate balloonists at his home, Twenty-eighth and Ogden streets, today.

Everything in connection with the affair had a touch of the aerial profession. The menu cards for the big turkey dinner were especial triumphs

of originality. They were embossed with the flags of the United States, France and Great Britain and the menu was as follows: Kite salad, Aerial bird anchor, killed roast on voyage, Dirigible potatoes, Aerodromed gribet (ballast style), Cloud served potatoes, Macaroni au Dumont (altitude style), Roof raised radishes, Parachute celery, Pie a la cloud, Vaporized ice cream, Rudder cheese, Liquid air pilot crackers, Constellation chocolate, Sky lark punch, Dream sticles a la Fall Mail. Mr. Stevens described the dinner as "a feed to the balloonatics of the aerodrome."

The motto of the aerodrome crew is given as "Upward and Onward."

Bourlon Wood Lost and Won by British In Struggle for Cambrai



Bourlon and Bourlon wood (1) have changed hands repeatedly in General Byng's tremendous drive for the railroad center of Cambrai. At last reports the British held firmly the high ground in the wood and the principal part of the village. Berlin reports the repulse of four successive waves of British infantry which advanced on the village of Inchy (2).

POLICE CAPTURE TWO BIG LOADS OF HOLIDAY CHEER

Catch Two Autos at Dawn Filled With Booze; One at Plattsmouth.

Two automobile loads of Thanksgiving bottled cheer were commandeered Thursday morning in the name of the law of the great state of Nebraska. One of the argosies of liquid optimism contained 1,200 quart bottles; the other contained 2,500 pint bottles.

This product of the distiller's art was intended to spread Thanksgiving cheer, but that intent has been given a cruel blow by the authorities.

These bottles of liquor now repose as evidence in the police station of Omaha and the county jail at Plattsmouth.

Caught at the Bridge. Sergeant Madison and an entourage of "booze hounds" stopped an automobile at the Douglas street bridge. They arrested a man who gave his name as James Berry of 4102 North Sixteenth street. In the car were 1,200 quarts of cheer. The automobile was taken to the police station to be held as evidence.

Special Prosecutor McGuire detailed two state agents to the Plattsmouth bridge where an automobile driven by "Herman Thiburnus" was taken into custody with 2,500 pints of whisky. County Attorney Cole and Sheriff Pittman assisted in the Plattsmouth raid. It is alleged that in each instance the liquor was bought in St. Joseph and intended to be used by bootleggers in Omaha on Thanksgiving day.

Thanksgiving Dinner Given to Prisoners by Mrs. De Saules. Mineola, N. Y., Nov. 29.—Thanksgiving dinner for the prisoners in Nassau county jail was provided today by Mrs. Blanca DeSaules, whose trial on a charge of murder for shooting her husband, John L. DeSaules, was suspended over the holiday. Two men accused of killing their wives were beneficiaries of this bounty, which, it is estimated, cost the donor more than \$100.

While her fellow prisoners were dining together, Mrs. DeSaules was permitted to eat in the sheriff's quarters with her small son, Jack DeSaules, as her lone guest. The boy spent the afternoon with his mother.

The jury dined under guard at a hotel in Garden City.

Price of Candy is Given Boost by Omaha Stores. Candy is going up as well as down. The latest flurry in the world of sweets was an announcement that 5-cent package goods have been advanced to 6 cents, an advance of 20 per cent, according to signs which appeared Thursday.

A feature in this connection is the effort of dealers to keep supplied with pennies for change.

Appreciation from Ft. Crook Commander. Headquarters Forty-First Infantry, Fort Crook, Neb., Nov. 29, 1917. To The Omaha Bee, Omaha, Neb.—Gentlemen: I desire to express my sincerest gratitude at this time to The Omaha Bee for the initiative taken and the work expended in behalf of our soldiers here at Fort Crook in connection with the Thanksgiving dinner invitation, and at the same time I also desire to express my heartiest and sincerest thanks to the good people of Omaha and vicinity for their great kindness in thus remembering the men of my command on this occasion. With assurances of our appreciation and again thanking you most heartily, I beg to remain Yours very sincerely,

DOUGLAS SETTLE, Colonel Forty-first Infantry, Commanding, Fort Crook, Neb.

The letter was addressed to The Bee through Lieutenant E. T. McNally, chaplain of the Forty-first infantry.

OMAHA HOMES ARE OPENED FOR MEN AT LOCAL FORTS

Every Soldier Is Welcomed in Private Domiciles of Citizens; Unique Entertainments Given.

Omaha yesterday joined with all the large cities which neighbor army posts in opening its hospitable homes to the soldiers in our midst.

More invitations were supplied by The Bee to both Fort Omaha and Fort Crook than the officers could possibly fill, even allowing the largest quota to leave the forts that army regulations would permit.

The Young Men's Christian associations in both posts also reported an excess of dinner invitations, so fully did the spirit of the day move big-hearted men and women of Omaha.

Khaki-clad men by the hundreds, entertained at Thanksgiving dinner in Omaha homes, thanked The Bee, through whose agency the festive invitations were extended to them.

Colonel Douglas Settle, commanding Fort Crook; Lieutenant E. T. McNally, chaplain of the 41st infantry, and others expressed their thanks to The Bee and the good Omaha public for the generous hospitality evinced.

Soldiers Leave for Front. The departure of the Second squadron Tuesday put a crimp in the Thanksgiving plans in scores of Omaha homes. Many had invited members of the departed squadron, among whom were the men who had been in Omaha the longest and made the most friends, and many of the invitations gathered through The Bee were assigned to men of the Second squadron. These left on such hurried notice they were unable to inform their hosts and hostesses even of their going.

Dundee Women Hostesses. Twenty-five soldiers from Fort Crook were guests of honor at the most unique Thanksgiving dinner party in the city. The party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Burke, 5110 Davenport street, with 10 more families acting as hosts. The school board was petitioned for permission to use the lunch-room of the Dundee school in order to accommodate the large party and the schoolyard was used for all the outdoor games. Mr. Burke is engineer for the Dundee school. Every possible forethought was exercised in planning so enjoyable a day it would linger long in the minds of the otherwise lonesome Sammies. Six automobiles went out to Fort Crook at 10 o'clock to convey the men to the Burke home. Dinner was served in the large school dining room alight with patriotic decorations. Outdoor sports, foot ball and base ball and plenty of indoor games and music were provided for the afternoon and after supper the whole party attended the Dundee movies in a body.

Pretty Girls, Too. A number of pretty girls were asked in to help entertain the boys. Among them were Irene Nelson, Helmer and Margaret Schmitroth, and Helen Schneckberger and a half-dozen of their girl friends.

Fort Omaha soldiers were also invited to this big party, but were unable to come on account of the shake-up due to the departure of the Second squadron. Among the couples assisting Mr. and Mrs. Burke as hosts were Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Schmitroth who have a son, Vincent, in the Omaha ambulance corps at Fort Taylor, Ky.; Frank Tyrell, who belongs to the Seventh regiment, and Mr. Tyrell; Mr. and Mrs. George Baker, Mr. and Mrs. K. Kaiser, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Miller; Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Robb, Mr. and Mrs. William Schneckberger, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Sexton, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Smith and Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Van Horn.

Early in the morning a long line of automobiles began to wind its way to the posts to call for the men who were to be dinner guests. A great (Continued on Page Two, Column One.)

Canada Will Draft Married Men if Not Enough Bachelors. Montreal, Nov. 29.—While Canada expects to draw from its single men the 100,000 soldiers required under the military service act, C. J. Doherty, minister of justice, said in an address at Verdun last night, married men will be taken if the bachelors do not supply the quota.

"I have no desire to disguise that fact," the minister said, "I do not think the people of Canada would suggest we should drop our military effort because we do not get them from the unmarried men."

Mr. Doherty added, however, it was "incredible" to believe enough single men could not be found.

Marked Improvement in Condition of Chief Dunn. A marked improvement is noted in the condition of Henry W. Dunn, chief of police. He is at Clarkson hospital, where orders were given by the attending physician that visitors should not be allowed to disturb the patient.

Chief Dunn suffered a broken blood vein behind his left ear. Wednesday night his condition was reported as serious.

SLAYER TIES WIFE TO CHAIR, FLEES IN STOLEN AUTO

A. A. Bender, Wealthy Bachelor Farmer Living Near Osceola, Neb., Is Slain While He Sleeps; Posses Search for Louis Chobar, Hirec Man, Who Is Missing; Wife Denies Charges.

Osceola, Neb., Nov. 29.—(Special Telegram.)—A. A. Bender, wealthy farmer, living southwest of Osceola, was murdered at 11 o'clock last night by Louis Chobar hired hand, who had been husking corn on the Bender farm for the last two weeks. Robbery is alleged to have been the motive.

WHOLESALE DAY OF THANKS HOLDS FORTH IN OMAHA

Kindness and Charity Play Prominent Part in Observance; Soldiers Guests in Many Homes.

A good, old-fashioned, wholesome Thanksgiving yesterday in Omaha.

Kindness and charity had a large place in the observance of the day. Devotions in the churches and wholesome amusement in the theaters occupied the hours. Foot ball games and motoring took the people out of doors. Omahans celebrated sanely and as people who pause in the rush of the great things they are doing.

Stores, banks, public offices were closed all day and thousands of employees had a day of rest and recreation.

Church Services General. Church services were general in the morning. Some young people's societies held special sunrise prayer meetings. Mass and special sermons marked the day in Catholic churches. Protestant churches of the city held union services, those of the Farmington district, Kountze Park district, Hanscom park district and Walnut Hill district uniting in a selected church of their respective districts. The Lutheran churches of the city held union services in Grace Lutheran church, where Rev. S. De Freese preached the sermon.

And dinner! There was no scarcity of the royal bird at Omaha tables. Omahans obeyed the injunction to "eat heartily without wasting." If there was any poor family without a Thanksgiving dinner it was because the poor family had kept itself concealed successfully from the charitable organizations and many individuals who were distributing good things to eat.

Due to The Bee. The soldiers boys stationed at Omaha were royally taken care of. Several hundred of them were entertained in various homes of Omaha and vicinity as a result of the campaign of The Bee, to the mutual pleasure of both guests and hostesses. Hotel dining rooms were filled to capacity, all of them serving special dinners for the day.

The war tax had no effect in keeping people away from the theaters, for they were crowded to capacity, and at some of the "movies" big crowds waited in the lobbies for a chance to get inside.

Slain While He Slept. York, Neb. Nov. 29.—(Special Telegram.)—A. A. Bender, a bachelor about 40 years old whose home was four miles north east of Benedict, was murdered so late last night, supposedly by his farm hand, Louis Chobar. Bender had sold some hogs at Stromsburg and cashed the check, amounting to several hundred dollars, in a Stromsburg bank after supper Bender lay down on a couch. (Continued on Page Three, Column Two.)

Another Satisfied Want-Ad User

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