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THE WEATHER—	
Monday probably fair and cooler.	
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ALLIES GAIN MORE GROUND

ARMY FLYERS GIVE OMAHANS A TASTE OF HIGH LIFE IN AIR

"Zoom" at Violent Angles, Make "Falling Leaps," "Barrel Rolls," "Immelmann Turns," "Spiral Nose Dives," "Spinning Nose Dives," and Other Stunts While Thousands Gaze in Wonder.

By A. R. GROH
Flying isn't such a very thrilling thing after all. That was the opinion expressed by many of the tens of thousands who saw the flying exhibition of the American-British aviation mission over the city yesterday afternoon.

TEACH TRUE LESSON.
And this is exactly the lesson the mission is trying to inculcate in the minds of the people. "The flying machine is no longer a tricky animal, but our trusty beast of burden," Gen. C. F. Lee, head of the British aviation mission, said.

Nine of the 11 machines went up into the sky. They went through all sorts of battle maneuvers. They "zoomed" up at violent angles, they made "falling leaps," "barrel rolls," "Immelmann turns," "spiral nose dives," and other "stunts" of the air. They made them not with the seeming effort of an acrobat straining to perform some feat, but they made them as easily and naturally as a bird, they made them repeatedly as though delighting to make them.

Starting Field Busy.
The starting field, a large meadow west of Fairacres on the Lincoln highway, was a busy place for several hours before the starting time. Soldiers from Fort Omaha guarded the big machines and no one except the mechanics and flyers was allowed inside the fence without a permit. The road outside the field was jammed with automobiles on both sides and for half a mile beyond the field in each direction. Thousands had come by other means than the automobile. Many had brought their lunches and ate them in their machines in order to have a good location.

Mechanics were the first to arrive. They jumped from their automobiles and into their uniforms and went to grooming their respective airplanes for their coming voyages in the sky. Soon the officers arrived from the Chamber of Commerce, where they had been the guests at luncheon. Then things began to happen. It seemed there was no one in particular in command, each pilot knowing what was expected of him and proceeding to do it without orders.

Lee Ready in Jiffy.
General Lee had his machine ready in a jiffy and took Mayor Smith up for a 10-minute ride. The mayor had the honor of being the first civilian taken up by anyone on this tour since it left Indianapolis, where the governor of Indiana had a ride with General Lee.

A mechanic climbed into the seat where the mayor had been and General Lee immediately "zoomed" up into the empyrean blue sky, where he dashed around among the fleecy clouds for a while, cutting up several capers and then sailed away out of sight of the field club, where a vast concourse was waiting with aching necks to see the sky spectacle. Again the roar of a propeller of one of the ships sounds above the hum of the great crowd outside the fence. Lt. S. M. Connell is in the seat of his Thomas Morse scout plane, and a moment later he runs off across the field and sails into the air, followed closely by his chum, Lieutenant Welsh, in the same kind of plane. These two are an inseparable pair.

Stage Battle Maneuvers.
Up into the air they went and began a battle maneuver. Lieutenant Welsh "got on the tail" of Lieutenant Connell. In real battle he would have (Continued on Page Four, Column Three.)

Wilson Criticised For Attempt to Influence Vote on Water Power

Washington, Aug. 31.—Action of President Wilson in writing a letter opposing the net investment clause of the water-power bill was criticised today by Representative Gillette of Massachusetts, acting minority leader, and other house republicans.

Referring to the president's letter, Mr. Gillette said that Chairman Sims of the interstate commerce committee "seems to think there should be no legislation without first obtaining the views of the president." Representative Anderson of Minnesota said some one "torpedoed the water-power committee."

Chairman Sims told the house that he had introduced the bill on the supposition that it met with executive approval. An amendment introduced by Representative Doremus of Michigan, requiring the federal water-power commission which the bill establishes to give municipalities prior rights to the acquisitions of development licenses, was approved by the house.

Oh, How Fly! No, Not an Esquimau but Mayor E. P. Smith Going Up in an Airplane



Photo of Omaha's mayor ready to start over city with Gen. Lee of the military "Flying Circus."

REDS BEATEN BY JAPANESE ARMY AT USSURI RIVER

Offensive Taken by the Allied Force August 24 and Enemy Driven North After Severe Fighting.

Tokio, Sunday, Aug. 25.—Entente allied forces on the Ussuri front in Siberia took the offensive against the bolshevik Red Guard at dawn on August 24, and drove the enemy to the north, according to an allied official statement issued today by the Japanese war office. The allies, following up their advantage, pushed forward to the high ground north of Shimakofka and launched another attack against the enemy positions. The text of the statement reads:

"On August 22 the enemy still remained on our front. His airplane was observed in the afternoon. Otherwise there was no change. The enemy's strength was about 8,000 infantry. The field guns actually observed numbered 14 and he also had some other heavy guns. "On August 23 our right wing, now guarded by the Japanese, was twice attacked by the enemy numbering 1,000, with field pieces and machine guns. The enemy was completely repulsed.

"In the evening the left wing also was attacked by 2,000 enemy infantry with six machine guns. The Czech-Slovaks stubbornly resisted, but were obliged to retreat. The Twelfth infantry division arriving there covered the retreat of the Czech-Slovaks and repulsed the enemy.

"The Twelfth division, gradually concentrating in the direction of Suivagina, assumed the offensive at dawn on August 24. After severe fighting the enemy was driven to the northward. We then advanced to the bluff north of Shimakofka and are now attacking.

"Our booty includes one field piece, three machine guns and two armed locomotives. The casualties on both sides are unknown."

Germans Seized With Peace Mania, Declares Frontier Correspondent

Amsterdam, Aug. 31.—The Germans have been seized with a sort of peace mania, according to the frontier correspondent of the Telegraf. The events in France have made such a profound impression that the Germans are indifferent to the prospect of the defeat of the central empires, and only wish to get peace as quickly as possible.

The correspondent says that two German regiments in Russia refused to go to the western front and that 130 of the soldiers were shot and that 700 of the bodyguards at Munich refused to go to the front, barricading themselves in their barracks until they were compelled to surrender.

MEN 18 TO 45 MUST REGISTER SEPTEMBER 12

Act Is Final Demonstration of Will to Win, Says President Wilson in His Proclamation.

Washington, Aug. 31.—All men from 18 to 45 years old in the continental United States, except those in the army or navy, or already registered, were summoned by President Wilson today to register for military service Thursday, September 12.

Machinery of the provost marshal general's office was set in motion to carry out the second great enrollment issued soon after the president had signed the new man-power act extending the draft ages. The bill, completed in congress yesterday, had been sent to the White House for the president's signature today soon after the house and senate convened.

It is estimated that at least 12,778,738 men will enroll, compared with nearly 10,000,000 at the first registration June 5, 1917. Of those it is estimated that 2,300,000 will be called for (Continued on Page Two, Column One.)

AMERICANS GIVE HUNS HEAVY DOSE OF MUSTARD GAS

Enemy Forced to Leave Lowlands at Fismette, Where Fumes Clung; Bazoches Line Advanced.

With the American army on the Vesle front, Aug. 31.—The Americans early Saturday gave the Germans in Fismette and its vicinity the heaviest dose of mustard gas sent over since the Americans and Germans took foothold along the Vesle and observers at daylight reported that Germans individually and in small groups were leaving the lowlands where the gas fumes clung.

The Germans answered with mustard gas, firing about a thousand shells before calming to the usual artillery firing. There was no infantry action.

The Americans made a slight advance in their line-straightening process east of Bazoches early today, the Germans not learning of the maneuver until it was nearly completed.

The enemy started a barrage and with machine guns endeavored to drive out the Americans, who dug in before daylight and held a position north of the Vesle along the railroad. Later the Germans turned their artillery on the Americans, but did not use their infantry at this place.

Republican Outlook Roseate, Says Beach on Visit to Omaha

Ed. D. Beach, chairman of the republican state central committee, stopped in Omaha Saturday afternoon for a few hours on his way to Chicago, where he will attend a meeting of the state chairman of the various states. This conference will be held on Monday in the Congress hotel, and will be addressed by National Chairman Hays. Arthur Geisler of Oklahoma is chairman of the national organization of state chairmen.

FRENCH VICTORIOUS IN HEAVY FIGHTING NORTH OF SOISSONS

Campagne Taken and Line Advanced to Leury; 1,500 Prisoners Taken by British in Capture of Positions North of Peronne; Germans Retiring Rapidly From Lys Salient.

Paris, Aug. 31.—Heavy fighting north of Soissons and along the Canal Du Nord is reported by the war office tonight. The French have succeeded in overcoming powerful resistance at various points and have taken Campagne on the east bank of the canal, now hold the village of Chevilly, and have advanced their line as far as Leury, northeast of Soissons.

The statement says: "In the course of the day the battle continued with extreme violence in the region of the Canal Du Nord and north of Soissons. Our troops advanced foot by foot, occupying successively centers of resistance which the enemy defended with stubbornness.

Chevilly Held Firmly.
"We occupied Campagne, on the east bank of the canal. The enemy's effort was particularly violent against the village of Chevilly, which remained finally in our possession after having been retaken twice by the Germans. We captured 200 prisoners and have enlarged our gains north of Haplincourt and Mortincourt. "We have conquered Juigny and Crouy in a bitter struggle and reached the western outskirts of Leury."

Closing In On Peronne.
London, Aug. 31.—In the capture of Mont St. Quentin, north of Peronne and Feuillicourt, more than 1,500 prisoners were taken by the British, according to Field Marshal Haig's report tonight.

"By a daring and brilliantly executed night operation, carried out with great dash and enterprise, the Australians seized the hill and village of Mont St. Quentin, north of Peronne, thereby gaining possession of an important tactical feature commanding Peronne and the angle of the Somme river.

"The same operation captured the village of Feuillicourt. Over 1,500 prisoners were taken. Our casualties were exceptionally light.

"This morning English troops attacked on the left of the Australians with complete success and captured Marrieres wood and the high ground east and north of this, with a considerable number of prisoners.

Counter Attacks Repulsed.
"During the day hostile counter attacks launched against the Australians and the English were successfully repulsed.

"Attacks this morning by strong hostile forces astride the Bapaume-Cambrai road were driven off with heavy losses. In this neighborhood the English compelled the capture of Reincourt-Les-Bapaume, taking a number of prisoners and a few guns. At certain points between Vaux-Vraucourt and Bullecourt, prisoners were taken and our positions improved slightly. Strong counter attacks in this sector again led to hard fighting. The situation has not changed materially.

"Further north Canadian troops carried out successfully a local operation immediately across and south of the Arras-Cambrai road, inflicting many casualties and capturing machine guns."

Germans Yield Lys Salient.
"Between the Senece and Scarpe rivers the English troops pushed their line forward 1,500 yards toward the Tringue river.

"The increasing demand upon the enemy reserves, due firstly to the enormous casualties in his massed attacks in the first part of the year and secondly to heavy casualties in killed, wounded and prisoners by a series of successful attacks by the allies since July 18, has compelled the enemy to withdraw from the Lys salient and yield without a blow positions of high tactical importance won at great cost.

"Our troops have regained possession of Kemmel hill. We have reached the general line of Voormezele and Lindenhoek, La Crech and Doulieu and are approaching Estaires."

Fred McConnell and Cliff Wolfe Located In Hun Prison Camp

Fred McConnell, 1014 Park avenue, and Clifford W. Wolfe, 809 Fourth avenue, Council Bluffs, who were reported missing in action some time ago, are prisoners of war at Langensalz, Germany.

News that these well known young men are prisoners at Langensalz was received last night in a War department announcement which contained the names of 130 enlisted men identified at that prison camp.

Both McConnell and Wolfe were reported missing in action several weeks ago. Wolfe was first reported missing nearly two months ago, McConnell less than a month ago. It was presumed at the time they were reported missing that they were known young men were prisoners, but it was not until last night that official announcement of this fact was received.

Member of Draft Board Accused of Taking Bribe

Cleveland, Aug. 31.—David L. Shaw, attorney and member of draft board No. 9, was arrested today on a charge of demanding and accepting a bribe of \$500 from Edward I. Robinson, to give Robinson deferred classification in the draft. Robinson also has been arrested.