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THE WEATHER-Generally fair, continued cool; Wednesday fair, warmer.

GERMANS BRACE LINES TOSTOPALLIEDONRUSH

AMERICANS FACE HEAVY GUN FIRE TO TAKE GROUND Lieut. C. A. Ralston of Long

Infantry Advance on Curved Line Extending From Glennes to Vieil Arcy; Mountainous Region Scene of Desperate Encounters; Indications That Germans Intend to Cling to Aisne Foothold.

By Associated Press.

With the American Army on the Aisne Front, Sept. 9 .- In the face of the stiffest machine gun fire since the Americans crossed the Vesle in force, American infantrymen today advanced at certain points on a curved line extending from Glennes to Vieil Arcy. The advance was preceded by a heavy artillery bombardment which continued all Sunday night.

From the plateau the Americans took up positions in the ravines, but the advance was necessarily cautious, owing to the commanding position of La Petite Montagne, which is the highest point in that region.

CONTINUOUS FIRING.

The French and American artillery bombarded this mountain, where the Germans had built strong emplacements for heavy machine guns and also kept up a continuous fire upon all points where the German artillery had been endeavoring to hold back the advancing infantry.

During the day the Germans threw

shells into Fismes, Bazoches, Blanzy and other places in an effort to check the allied troop movement. There was a strong direct and indirect fire from La Petite Montagne. The machine gunners blazed away, but the American detachments made headway at intervals by keeping under any possible cover and not attempting to go ahead in large numbers. American officers say indications are the Germans intend to cling to every foot of ground south of the Aisne as long as possible, using maguns until the gunners are

blasted from the positions. the Americans had to contend came classification on occupational grounds from the region of La Petite Montagne, northeast of Revillon, where observers reported there were from 30 to 40 machine gun nets entrenched on the summit of the hill. On the other hills to the south of the Aisne the German machine gunners had taken positions, and with snipers at 7arious points, caused some annoy-

Burgess Mentioned In Connection With

Washington Bureau of Omaha Bee. Washington, Sept. 9. - (Special Telegram.)-Under the new plan for reorganization of the national war its conclusions whether any particusavings machinery, from which Frank lar industry, occupation or employ-A. Vanderlip will retire shortly to ment, including agriculture, is a necdevote his entire time to duties as essary industry, occupation or empresident of the National City bank, ployment within the meaning of the the name of Ward M. Burgess of law and regulations, nor shall such Omaha is heard as a successor to lists prevent the district board from

For several months Mr. Vanderlip has been developing plans for more direct connection between the treasury and the war savings organizations, and elimination of his own supervising committee. The central organization, which he has built up, will continue to function much as

meet this week with governors of federal reserve banks to work out practical plans by which the governors hereafter will direct war savings work in their respective districts. Eventually it is planned that the war to the enterprise, and when "the savings organization in each locality available supply of persons competent shall devote themselves also to in the capacity is such that the regis-assisting in Liberty loan campaign- trant cannot be replaced without dicontinue active work between Liberty loan campaigns to promote of the enterprise." more equal distribution of the bonds.

Plan to Extend Bridgeport Machinist Strike in East

Bridgeport, Conn., Sept. 9 .- In the face of statements from the War department that drastic steps may be taken to enforce the national war labor board award and end the strike at Bridgeport munitions plants, the strike committee of the local machinists and tool makers held a conference tonight with business agents of The celebration took on an added address on behalf of the French govsignificance from the recent series of ernment. Other ceremonies were machinists' unions from six other cities, and made plans to extend the victories over the same fighting held in many cities throughout ground as four years ago and the par- France. strike to plants in Hartford, New Haven, Philadelphia, Newark and ticipation of American troops in the Plainfield, N. J.

Secretary of War Baker

here was a great pilgrimage to the Marbeau placed it among the graves Arrives Safely in Paris battlefields and many ceremonies on the battlefield. Two other wreaths were placed in the catheing from the devastation wrought dral at the foot of the statue of Joan Paris, Sept. 9,-Newton D. Baker, when the Germans made their first D'Arc. One wreath was inscribed the American secretary of war has arrived in Paris. The secretary was function was at Meaux, which bears the other was from the Knights of conducted to the city home of Genthe sears of the battle four years ago. Columbus. eral Pershing. Memorial services were held at the

King Comes Back. Amsterdam, Sept. 9.-King Ferdinand of Bulgaria returned to Sofia on Sunday, according to a dispatch rehere from the Bulgarian

Not Bound by Priorities Classification List in Granting Deferred Places on Occupational Grounds.

Washington, Sept. 9 .- The new priorities classification of industry announced yesterday by the war industries board will not bind district The principal resistance with which draft boards in determining deferred of men between the ages of 18 and 45, who are to register Thursday. The boards may determine that other industries are necessary, but in granting deferred classifications they must satisfy themselves that the industry is necessary, and that the individual registrant is essential to the industry. The new draft regulations provide for an advisory committee of three to each district board, one to be named by the Department of Labor, one by the Department of Agriculture, and the third by the board itself, which W. S. S. Chairmanship may introduce at nearings on deter-red classification, the war industries ment of prisoners of war by the Ger-board priorities list, but adds: may introduce at hearings on defer-

Lists Not Binding.

"Such lists shall not be regarded as binding upon the district board in holding as necessary any industry, occupation or employment, including agriculture, not contained therein. Such preference lists and other facts and information in the possession of such advisers will supplement the information in possession of the district boards and will also be used to assist the district boards in dealing with specific cases."

Detailing the method boards are State directors have been asked to to follow the regulations say a registrant shall be considered entitled to exemption only when "completely engaged" in an occupation the boards class as essential, when his removal would result in substantial damage In any case the committees rect, substantial, material loss and detriment to the effective operation

Although the day was overcast

branches of public life.

Nebraska Aviator in Royal Air Squadron Downs German Airplane During First Flight Over Battle Lines in Northern France RETREAT DESPIT

Pine Tells of Thrilling Sky **Battle Won Against** Great Odds.

Crashing a Hun airplane and perhaps disabling another is the record made by a Nebraska man Lt. C. A. Ralston, 85th squadron, Royal Air force, on his first flight over the battle lines in France.

Lieutenant Ralston in a letter to his brother, Dr. R. R. Ralston, Long Pine, Neb., gives the details of the thrilling sky battle in which he first participated and which brought him his first accredited aerial victory:

Holes Shot In His Plane. "Yesterday, July 24, at about 10:45 a. m. our squadron was out in two bunches. I was with the top formation and our lower formation was at tacked by Huns in six Fokker bi-planes. They had not seen us and fore they got to our lower fellows. Say, it was some great stuff to come so close to them, they were beautifully colored, green, black, white and

"I fired at one that went down a spin. He later was shot by one of our lower fellows. Then I saw another close by and went after him firvertical dive and I followed until I explosive shells," DRAFT STANDING

> put up a barrage of "Archie," black lots of ground and prisoners, but the one Hun down to the ground, but he shrapnel and burning tracer bullets. Huns seem to have plenty of men was such a wonderful flyer we could It was awful and I don't know how and the air is full of Hun flyers. I have not kill him and he managed to land we got through alive but all returned had several scraps and yesterday we over his own lines."

WAR PRISONERS

TELL OF BRUTAL

Repatriated Britishers From

Germany in Starving Con-

dition: Workers Get

Little Food.

London, Sept. 9 .- The brutal treat-

prisoners repatriated from Germany,

stoned the emissaries and made

things unpleasant for the command-

ant who introduced the envoys, with

the result that the whole camp was

Will Not Make Trip

Marbeau reciting a special prayer in

President Wilson

French Pay Honor to Many

Heroes of Marne Conflict

Paris, Sept. 9.-All France paid the miracle which brought about the

ribute today to the heroes of the relief to Orleans. On the battle

Marne in celebration of the fourth field Jacques Dumesnil, under sec-

anniversary of the historic conflict, retary for war of aviation, made an

Meaux cathedral and were attended who died in the American hospital

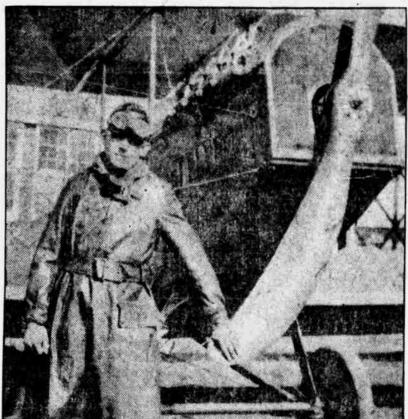
by representatives of the allied gov- at Meaux after the fighting at Chateau

ernments, the army, navy and all Thierry were not forgotten, Bishop

likened the battle of the Marne to Pershing at the ceremonies.

ticularly evil condition,

HUN TREATMENT



LIEUT. C. A. RALSTON.

other close by and went after him fir-ing about 100 shots. He went into a it from pieces of shrapnel and high-have met "Richtofern's Circus," as thought we were going so fast my lin another letter written August 15, had the advantage because they were wings would drop off. He went Lieutenant Ralston tells of ground highest and about two to one. All of

straight into the ground. Altogether gained by the allies, prisoners taken, our formation got away, but three we got four. I was counted with my and of more clashes with German were shot up about the machine.

"League of Nations" Is

Hungarian minister of foreign af-

fairs. In an article in the Vienna

Neu Freie Presse, he favors the

The count says an overwhelming

majority of the German people,

with the emperor at its head, hon-

estly desires a lasting peace. He

holds that the authoritative factors

in the Berlin cabinet today openly

favor the proposal of a league of

nations and that Baron Burian, the

Austro-Hungarian foreign minister,

cludes "there is nothing to prevent

"Therefore" Count Czernin con-

is not antagonistic to this idea.

idea of a league of nations.

we got in a dog fight with them. They "I had two Fokkers on my trail,

"Early this morning I was out with our formation over Hunland some distance and on our way back they have done wonderfully and gained back and our captain and I chased

CURTAIN FALLS Latest Idea From Hun Peace Propagandists ON LAST SHOW AT Amsterdam, Sept. 9. - Another shot from the Teutonic peace propaganda artillery has been fired by Count Czernin, the former Austro-

Packed House Bids Farewell to Popular Entertainment; Parades and Carnival Next on Program.

ing show at the Ak-Sar-Ben den Monday night, Out-of-town merchants and soldiers from the Omaha forts were the guests of honor and heartily oppreciated the festival

Although the ranks of the actors have been sadly depleted by the war, competent understudies were found and the closing performance ended with unusual "pep." From the opening overtures to the closing tableau the audience was constantly entertained by the comedy of the show and pranks played on the guests and magnificence of the scenic pro-

Preparations are being made for the pig parades and pageants which will close the year's festivities. The den shop preparing for the week's entertainment for the subjects residing in the realm of Quivera.

Hold Annual "Stunt."

The working crew staged its regureached out again last night and stuffed animals. They worked like tion is to remain in camera. aliens. Although smaller in its scope looked, but on the whole a memento the alien property custodian, A. Mitough. Within an incredibly short time practically every Chinaman in Division No. 3 had been caught in the In the downtown streets a number a fair imitation of the racket made at Camp Meigs this week for a two by retreating Huns when they bump weeks' drill, after which he hopes to up against barbwire entanglements. get orders to report overseas.

AK-SAR-BEN DEN

A packed house witnessed the clos-

will be converted into a busy work- the fine, Italian work of Hitchcock

Germany is Not Starying,

Warns Sweden Minister

Dahlman Has Pick. lar annual "stunt" last night. After three to choose from, according to a big parade, in which a jazz, band and Senaor Hitchcock's office force, and an airplane mounted on sulky wheels it is up to him to make a selection. were the fetures, the crew decorated Until he decides the very important Uncle Sam's long, strong arm the business portion of town with question the nature of his posi-

RETREAT DESPITE HUN RESISTANCE

Further Encroachments on Enemy's Territory Reported by British and French; Latter Nearing St. Quentin; Americans, in Face of Deadly Machine Gun Fire, Make Advance.

By Associated Press.

London, Sept. 9 .- The battle on the western front is entering a new phase. The enemy at last is making a serious stand just short of the Hindenburg line.

· The Germans are doubling their rear guards and seeking by counter attacks to slow up, if they cannot stop outright, the encroaching tide of the allies. Their efforts have been in vain nothwithstanding the new measures adopted in checking the advance of the French and the British, for both pushed forward yesterday in the direction of St. Quentin. The French made such progress across the Crozat canal that the enemy no longer can hope to defend it.

MULLEN ORDERS NASBYS' NAMES

Democratic National Committeeman Holds Up Nebraska Appointments at Same Time Lands Job.

nstance of the sub-boss of the democratic party in Nebraska, National Committeeman Arthur Mullen has pigeonholed for the time being, the patch of postoffice nominations sent

o the senate by President Wilson. Two or three names on the list do not appeal to the junior member of the firm of Hitchcock and Mullen and as he wants only democrats on guard over the Nebraska postoffices. For the next few years the acid test is to be applied to those who just now are seriously in doubt.

In fact the charge is made that one or two of the nominees belong to the Nebraska bolsheviki and an I. W. W. has also crept into the list. In order to fortify himself with

documentary evidence as to two of these suspects, Arthur Mullen left for Nebraska today.

Mullen Lands Job. Apropos of Sir Arthur Mullen, he goes home with a comfortable job this last named sector the French are tucked under his arm, having been daily enlarging their turning moveappointed attorney to the new War ment against the St. Gobian loans to cattle growers and whose move the greater barrier to an adheadquarters will be at Kansas City. vance on Laon in an outflanking It is understood Mullen's job is worth \$3,000 a year and will not take

James F. O'Donnell, the banker of O'Neill, has been made a member of this same board, Nebraska, through et al., landing two jobs on this important adjunct of the Treasury de-

Ex-Mayor James C. Dahlman is in Washington to select a job. He has

General Humbert's center is at the gates of La Fere and General Mangin's left is beginning to creep around the St. Gobain forest by the west, while his right heat off the enemy attacks by which the Germans sought to cling to the Aisne front. More of such attacks are probable, but General Mangin will know how to deal with them. They are local affairs and a more serious effort is not likely to be

Foe Seeks Respite. General Ludendorff is working for

the respite which he must have if he is to sort out his disorganized divisions and try to whip up some sort of a strategic reserve. Marshal Foch is likely to be aware, however, whether the enemy is sufficiently weakened and demoralized to be Washington Bureau of Omaha Bec. smashed in at some part of the present Washington, Sept. 9.—(Special Tel-battle front or whether a stroke else-egram.)—Senator Hitchcock, at the where would be advisable, thus giving a rest to the armies that have fought so indefatigably for two months.

By Associated Press.

The Germans have markedly stiffened their resistance against the allied armies from the region of Arras to Rheims, but their efforts to ward off further encroachments into the territory they are holding have failed. All along the front German artillery is in action. Nevertheless the British have dug more deeply in the sector southwest of Cambrai, capturing im-portant positions on the four-mile front between the Havrencourt wood and Pieziere, regaining their old

At Gates of St. Quentin. To the south the French are only a short distance west of St. Quentin and are at the gates of La Fere. On inance board, which will pass on The capture of the forest would re-

trench positions dominating Gouzeau-

court and capturing Gouzecourt wood.

movement against both the Aisne and Chemin Des Dames positions. The Germans here and northeast of Soissons also are offering most determined resistance.

Along the Aisne the Germans are still endeavoring to retard the advance of the French in further crossings of the stream, probably in order to give their main army a chance to make its way northward in case of a quick rush by the French toward Laon. Large numbers of reinforcements have been rushed up by the Germans here and also along the Aisne front where the Americans are fighting alongside the French.

Move North of Lys. Particular attention is being given by the Germans to the three hinges of their line-in Flanders, northeast of Soissons and around Rheims. A (Continued on Page Two, Column Two.)

Maine Republicans Continue in Control As Votes Are Counted

Portland, Me., Sept. 9 .- The democrats made deep inroads in the republican vote in the election in Maine today, but early returns indicated that they had failed to wrest control from the republicans. On the face of figures from more than half the state it appeared that United States Sena-Washington, Sept. 9.—Germany is verge of starvation is erroneous and tor Bert M. Fernald, republican, and probabl, all four republican congressmen had been returned to office.

The re-election of Gov. Carl E. is indicated by the early returns. Two years ago he had a plurality of more than 13,000 votes.

Early legislative returns indicated that the republicans would continue ir. control in both branches.

Forecasts Standardized Wages Chicago, Sept. 8.-The abolition of labor trouble in the United States under a regime of standardized wages "There can be no question," the erate prices. In the case of the army, was predicted by William B. Wilson, secretary of labor, in a speech before the Illinois Manufacturers' associa-

tion tonight,

who have arrived at The Hague. All the central powers working out the prisoners are badly treated and are on fundamental principles of this new world order and in bringing them virtually starvation rations. The before the world." prison camps at Soltau and Crossen, in Prussia, are reported to be in par-BRING CHINESE Belgian prisoners, who were the most numerous at Soltau, were ap-**BEFORE BOARD TO** proached several months ago by two civilians who claimed to be Flemings, with the object of inducing them to side with Germany. The Belgians

visited with punishment for a fort- Police and Federal Officers Conduct Wholesale Raid in Omaha to Get Draft Evaders.

CLEAR RECORDS

Across Continent Washington, Sept. 9.—Definite gathered in a number of alleged beavers to put an elephant on the courthouse flagstaff, but were unsuctourthouse flagstaff, but were unsuctourthouse flagstaff, but were unsuctourthouse flagstaffs were over-the Bureau of Investigation under plans for a trans-continental speaking tour for the fourth Liberty loan was announced today at the White House. hunt was more systematic and thor-

> Clean Up Division No. 3. The raid was inaugurated at the equest of Chairman Tom English of Division No. 3, Douglas County Exemption board, with headquarters in he city hall. Fifteen policemen and detectives under Chief Dempsey, as-sisted by O. B. Holden, United States immigration officer, spread out (Continued on Page Two, Column Five.)

No More a la Carte Lunches On Diners After October 1

General Pershing sent a magnificent wreath, on behalf of the American army, to Meaux, where Bishop Washington, Sept. 9 .- A la carte inches and dinners on dining cars will be abandoned after October 1 Director General McAdoo announced oday, and the table d'hote meals of not more than four courses substisweep toward Paris. The principal "From the American Soldier," and tuted, with the charge limited to \$1 \$1.25 will be charged. The graves of 30 American soldiers

Breakfast will be served a la carte with a restricted menu. The purpose, the announcement said, is to economize and put meals within reach of the most moderate

not on the verge of starvation, Ira misleading. Nelson Morris, American migister to

must be put into the war. Mr. Morris said his statement re- sufficient for existence, many published reports regarding is most felt.

United States. An impressive discourse was delivered by the Bishop of Arras, who

G. Harbord represented General ling cars, save labor and conserve ling cars, save labor and conserve ling cars, save labor and conserve ling to state that this horders on the life civilian population." but to state that this borders on the the civilian population"

"There is no doubt that in many parts of Germany there is a marked

Sweden, said today in reminding the scarcity of food and that the civilian Milliken by a plurality of about 3,800 American people that every energy population has been reduced to the minimum ration, but still receives garding the food situation was based are better in the rural districts, paron many reports from reliable ticularly as regards the farmers and except on a few through trains where sources which had reached hint at land owners, even in the northern Stockholm. It was prompted by part of Germany where the scarcity

since he recently returned to the improve still more and resorts and hotels there still serve meals at mod-