

BELGIUM WILL NOT ACCEPT HUN OFFER OF PEACE

Separate Proposal from Berlin Will Have No Consideration at Hands of Wronged Nation.

Paris, Sept. 18.—(Havas.)—The Belgian government, after consultation with the allies, according to the Petit Parisien, has decided to refuse without elaboration the reported offer of a separate peace made by Germany.

An Amsterdam dispatch Tuesday said that dispatches received from Berlin declared that nothing was known in competent circles in Berlin regarding the reported separate peace proposal to Belgium.

Yanks Offer to Carry Teuton Word to Kaiser

Southampton, Sept. 18.—A party of 20 German officers, prisoners of war, found an unusual reception awaiting them in Southampton. An American regiment was resting by the avenue in its march from the ship to camp when the German officers were escorted past. Their progress through a half mile of Yanks was embarrassing.

Leper Escapes Prison.

Tryon, N. C., Sept. 18.—John Early, a leper, who escaped from his prison in Washington Monday, was located today at the home of his brother, James Early, a shoemaker of this town.

Survivors Land.

London, Sept. 18.—Members of the crew of the American steamship Dora, which was torpedoed and sunk September 4, were landed at an Irish port on Tuesday by an American store ship.

American Casualty List

The following Nebraskans and Iowans are mentioned in the casualty list of Thursday morning, Sept. 19:

Corp. Ernest E. Bickford, killed, next of kin Jessie Bickford, North English, Ia.

Fred S. Himebaugh, missing in action, next of kin Mrs. Hattie E. Himebaugh, Malvern, Ia.

Ernest G. Lutz, missing in action, next of kin J. J. Lutz, Papillon.

The following casualties are reported by the commanding general of the American expeditionary forces: Killed in action, 37; missing in action, 38; wounded severely, 39; died of wounds, 11; died from aeroplane accident, 1; wounded, degree undetermined, 5; died of disease, 8; prisoners, 3. Total, 142.

Killed in Action.

Lt. Leolite O. Crane, Columbia, Tenn.

Lt. Willard T. Lusk, Rowell, N. M.

Lt. Joseph A. Strat, New York, N. Y.

Sergt. Thomas E. Lamont, Yuma, Mich.

Sergt. Joseph Levey, New York, N. Y.

Corp. Ernest E. Bickford, North English, Ia.

Corp. Willard M. Campbell, Mortonton, Tenn.

Corp. John Ruff, Woodhaven, N. Y.

Corp. George M. Shanon, Boston, Mass.

Corp. James T. Valentine, Berwick, Pa.

Corp. Herbert W. Willman, Stillwater, Okla.

Ralph W. Wright, Gladwin, Mich.

Stanley H. Berry, Philadelphia, Pa.

Lewis E. Daniels, Pomeroy, O.

Adam Felter, Russia.

Fred Palmer, Avondale, Mont.

Pritz W. Gall, Cutlman, Ala.

James E. Howell, Tooele, Utah.

Joseph L. Hunsley, Rutherfordton, N. C.

Emil K. Johnson, New York, N. Y.

John K. Johnson, Montevideo, Minn.

Joseph J. Jurasinski, Buffalo, N. Y.

Joseph Kohlen, New York, N. Y.

Felix Kusbarak, Utica, N. Y.

Henry M. Rhee, Bayonne, N. J.

Enoch G. Margraf, New York, N. Y.

Art Middleton, Greenville, Ky.

Fransis I. Nelson, Leola, N. C.

John Nelson, New York, N. Y.

Martino Patino, New York, N. Y.

Fred Carl Schreiber, St. Paul, Minn.

Martin W. Silber, Bayonne, N. J.

William J. Siemmer, Philadelphia, Pa.

John Sullivan, Washington, D. C.

Joseph L. Hunsley, Rutherfordton, N. C.

Fred C. White, New York, N. Y.

Casimir Wisniewski, Buffalo, N. Y.

Died From Wounds.

Lt. Heath E. Tobie, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Corp. Jacob O. Boone, Sprax, N. C.

Corp. David C. Brenton, Indianapolis, Ind.

Corp. Edward Grant Cox, New York, N. Y.

Corp. James E. Shuster, Jeannette, Pa.

Wagoner George Henry Rumbaugh, Chicago, Ill.

Carl K. Allmond, Wynne, Ark.

Arthur Champagne, Canada, Wis.

Henry Davis, Newport, Ark.

Abraham D. Evans, Urbana, O.

Wesley Elwood Griffith, Delmar, N. M.

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AMERICAN AIR MEN MAKE FINE BATTLE RECORD

Yankee Aviators Are Proving Themselves Superior to Foe in Combats Over Lines in France.

American Headquarters in France, Sept. 18.—(Reuter's.)—An American patrol of five machines had an exciting experience from which, much to its surprise, it emerged triumphantly. The airmen were flying at an altitude of about 6,000 feet when suddenly seven Fokker machines dropped out of a cloud above them. It was pure accident, but it unfortunately placed the German planes in the ideal position for a fight—just behind and some 200 feet above the Americans.

The engines of the machine driven by the patrol leader were firing badly and two of the Fokkers attacked him. He gave himself up for lost, being unable to get his machine to do anything. Just then the youngest member of the patrol, Lieutenant Frank Hayes, who was in his first fight, engaged one of the enemy planes with such fury that it was sent to the ground.

Pilot is Shot.

In the meantime, the leader, who had been desperately working to get rid of his pursuers, got his engine going and making a "virage" shot the pilot who was just behind him, the enemy machine taking fire. During the battle another German airplane was sent crashing in flames to the earth and the remaining four of the enemy made for their own lines.

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BRITISH CAPTURE 6,000 PRISONERS

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portant both from the defensive and offensive standpoint. The assault began at dawn. Unfortunately rain began to fall about 2 o'clock and when the British went over the top the ground was already slimy and hard to negotiate, especially when the ridges were reached and the men had to charge up them. Tanks accompanied the troops and rendered invaluable service in the early stages of the conflict, which waxed warm from the start.

The British preliminary bombardment was beyond and was followed by the customary barrage for the protection of the advancing infantry. The Germans immediately replied with a vicious fire from large numbers of guns concentrated behind the St. Quentin canal.

Shoot by Map.

Airplane observation was virtually impossible during the first hours of the fighting from either side, so that the gunners were shooting by map and were therefore greatly handicapped.

On the north, Peziere and a strongly fortified sugar factory to the northeast were taken after hard fighting. Epehy proved a tough nut to crack. Here the famous Alpine corps had been brought up and the German army boasts no better troops than these.

It was futile to attempt a frontal attack against this place, which was fairly bristling with machine guns. The British accordingly worked about it to the north and south and squeezed it out. Ironsby was carried by storm and a hundred prisoners were gleamed from the surviving garrison.

In the center the Australians had to fight for every inch of ground they took, but they pushed steadily forward until they reached the crest of the ridge. By 8:30 o'clock the Australians had already taken a total of 500 prisoners. Most of these were Bavarians and men of the first German reserve division and they appeared to be of a poor class as they came straggling back disconsolately through the drizzling rain.

One of the hottest engagements took place just south of Leverguier, where the Germans had fortified themselves in a mill. This stronghold was surrounded and 180 of the garrison were forced to surrender.

Miss Gwendolyn Wolfe and Rev. John E. Flockhart Wed

A surprise to Omaha friends is the marriage of Miss Gwendolyn Wolfe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Wolfe, to Rev. John E. Flockhart, which took place this morning in Chicago. No betrothal announcement had been made.

Rev. Flockhart is pastor of St. Andrew's church and a brother was formerly an assistant to Rev. T. J. Mackay at All Saints' church. Miss Wolfe is a graduate of the Omaha High school, and for the last four years has been a teacher in the Omaha public schools.

ST. QUENTIN SURE TO FALL SOON

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British bag. They now hold the southern outskirts of Contescourt, less than three miles from the suburbs of St. Quentin.

Hindenburg Line in Jeopardy.

This city, where the troops of von Goeben scored a great victory in 1871, is one of the buttresses of the Douai-Cambrai-St. Quentin-Laon line, beyond which it has been announced the Germans would not fall back. With the French in the outskirts of La Fere, with St. Quentin invested and with British battling doggedly for Cambrai, the great Hindenburg defense system is in danger of being breached at three of its strongest points. Once ousted from it the Teutons will have back of them no strong fortifications until they reach the Maubeuge defenses.

The taking of St. Quentin remains a difficult task, however, for the Germans are in strong defensive positions and a captured order from General von Morgen to the fourteenth reserve corps emphasized the importance of the terrain they hold. He orders them not to yield another foot of ground in "the imminent decisive battles."

Macedonian Success Growing.

While the British and French were forging ahead relentlessly in the west, the Serbs and the French in Macedonia were making more emphatic their defeat of the Bulgars, who have been reinforced by German troops. There is every indication that the offensive in the near east is of major proportions and that it will develop to the limit. It

Chicago to Issue "Script" in Payment of Wages

Chicago, Sept. 18.—The issue of "script" in payment of wages and supply bills for the remainder of the year was authorized by the city council in special session today. It was estimated that \$5,000,000 of the certificates of indebtedness may have to be issued to keep the city government running until January 1. This action was forced by the prospective closing of saloons under the president's recent order, stopping the making of beer after December 1, which is expected to bring a loss of revenue to the city amounting to \$7,000,000 a year or one-third of the total corporate income. An immediate increase in taxation was predicted.

Col. Parker to Dodge.

Des Moines, Sept. 18.—(Special Telegram.)—Col. H. W. Parker will be commander of the 88th regiment of the Nineteenth army division, now being formed at Camp Dodge, the War department has announced. Col. Parker has not yet reached Camp Dodge.

Poses as Henry Richmond.

Lincoln, Sept. 18.—(Special.)—George H. Bennett, who has been passing himself off for Henry C. Richmond, secretary of the state council of defense and traveling about the country writing checks as Henry C. Richmond, has been arrested in California and will be brought back and prosecuted.

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"Victory" Luncheon Sets Are New

Made of the best grade of soft, washable "Sanitas" that can be kept clean by merely rubbing with a damp cloth. Suitable for breakfast and dining room service. Thirteen pieces, \$1.75 a set. —Linen Section

Shirts, Neckwear The Men's Shop

Manhattan, Arrow, Earl and Wilson shirts in Fall materials, patterns and colors. Madras, Crepes, Fibres and Silks. All fast colors, \$1.50 to \$12. Neckwear for the man who exercises good taste. Silk knit and wide end four-in-hands. Cheney tubulars and reversibles, in fact, any style you may desire. —To the left as you enter.

The Fur Shop

We have a number of very good looking taupe fox scarfs, several of which are priced \$49.50. A very moderate cost for good fox. Others are \$55, \$59.50, \$65, \$69.50. An early selection will be advantageous.

Umbrellas that are Very Distinctive

"India" is a shape that is generally accepted as one of the best ever originated. It has numerous features not obtainable in any other style. Colored "Indias" in khaki, taupe, hunter and emerald green, navy, royal blue, brown, purple and black.

Women's Lisle Hose

New fashioned lisle hose in fashionable grays and browns. Garter tops and double soles, 59c. Fine ribbed hose in black or white, 50c.

In the Children's and Babies' Section

Crib and bed blankets of soft eiderdown in white and dainty colors, 85c to \$3. Eiderdown bath robes for infants and children; very attractive styles at sensible prices. Children's quilted silk bath robes in rose, cardinal and blue, sizes four to twelve years. Reasonable in price.

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Give a splendid foundation for the well fitting costume. We have them in a variety of styles for every occasion. Moderate prices beginning at 50c.

CASH VS. CREDIT

A Little Food for Thought

The majority of people will admit that, in most cases, it is taking care of the little things that has made the big bank accounts possible. Keeping the spare dollars working (as in the case of buying war stamps or liberty bonds).

3 1/2% or 4% may seem small, but when we stop to consider that even an investment at 4% interest compounded will double our capital in less than 18 years, it seems really worth while.

Every successful merchant or manufacturer must, in figuring the cost price of his goods, allow a certain percentage for overhead—viz, cost of clerk hire, advertising, delivery and (in the case of concerns that sell on credit) the cost of maintaining a credit department. Losses are through bad accounts, costs of collections, interest in deferred payments, etc., which, if you know, you will agree is no small expense.

To reduce the overhead to the minimum, without injury to business in general or good service in particular, is the ambition of every big business executive; the reason is obvious; it allows them just that percentage more latitude in marking goods, just that much greater opportunity to undersell the other fellow without the necessity of reducing legitimate profits, and while, to be able to undersell is at -11 times a pleasure, to sell at the lowest possible price consistent with honest merchandising becomes, under present conditions, really a patriotic duty.

Consider the elimination in the cost of merchandise of the saving of cash discounts, through buying for cash, the percentage of loss and expense incident to maintaining a credit department, which cash selling dispenses of, and we will confidently leave it to you to judge who stands in the best position to deliver the best merchandise value, viz: The house that buys and sells for cash or the house that buys on time and sells on time.

Quality being equal, a 5c saving on this purchase, a 25c or \$1 less price on that, may seem small on a single article, but figure the percentage: consider what it will amount to on your year's purchases.

We believe your decision will be as ours was years ago—as thousands who have really given the subject serious consideration, have decided, that Cash Buying Pays.

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