

# TEUTON FORCES ENVELOPED IN GREAT TIME OF DISASTER

## ODDS AND ENDS OF DAY'S DOINGS

### Dean of Four-Minute Men.

San Mateo, Cal., Sept. 23.—The distinction of being the oldest four-minute speaker in the United States is claimed for Judge E. E. Cunningham of this city. Judge Cunningham is close to 80 years of age. Born in Missouri, educated in Iowa, in 1862 he was enlisted in the Nebraska cavalry and later in the Missouri volunteer infantry. In 1868 he was elected to the Nebraska state senate, serving two terms, was elected president during the second term and presided at the impeachment trial of Governor David Butler.

### Reichstag to Sit Week.

Amsterdam, Sept. 23.—It is likely that the main committee of the German Reichstag, which meets tomorrow, will sit for a week. It is uncertain, says the Tageblatt of Berlin, whether Chancellor von Hertling will make a speech, but it is certain that Foreign Minister Hintze will do so.

### Washington Hotel Fire.

Washington, Sept. 24.—Fire early this morning damaged the New Willard hotel and sent the thousand or more guests hurrying to the street in scanty attire. In the hotel were Vice President Marshall, several senators and other government officials who have suites there. The blaze started in the kitchen from an undetermined cause. It quickly spread to the palm room but was confined there by the firemen. The greatest loss will result from water and smoke.

### Advised to Hold Wheat.

Washington, Sept. 23.—Farmers, who have been selling their wheat below the government, guaranteed price because of railway embargoes placed on wheat shipments in certain localities, were advised today by the food administration that the embargo soon will be lifted and that if they hold their wheat the government will buy it at the guaranteed price. The embargoes were made necessary, it was explained, because the movement of wheat to seaboard has not kept pace with the internal movement to elevators.

### Two Chicago Explosions.

Chicago, Sept. 23.—Two bomb explosions in the entrances of an apartment house destroyed a score of families into the streets tonight. The explosions caused a loss estimated at \$500. They are believed by the police to have resulted from the hiring of non-union janitors.

## SCORES EXECUTED; REIGN OF TERROR SWEEPING RUSSIA

### Wholesale Slaughter of Representative People and Officers Reported; Death Warrants Proliferating.

**BULLETIN.**  
Amsterdam, Sept. 23.—Renewed attempts have been made to assassinate members of the soviet government in Russia, and as a result there will be fresh measures in reprisal, says a Moscow dispatch received here.

Washington, Sept. 23.—Stories of wholesale slaughter of representative people and former officers because they are "dangerous to the soviet" are told in further accounts reaching the State department today of the reign of terror in Russian cities against which the American government has called upon all civilized nations to protest.

All persons coming out of Russia are said to bring reports of the existence of appalling conditions. One detail is that the former officers are shot at night in the cellars, the guns being muffled with silencers.

One Peters, head of the bolshevik extraordinary commission against counter-revolutions, is said to sign death warrants without reading the papers. The latest reports indicate that the British and French consuls in Moscow are under arrest in their homes. American Consul General Poole is at liberty and permitted to visit his colleagues. Mr. Poole, today's report says, is being generally praised for his courageous and vigorous action.

### Seek End of Terror.

The State department has had no answer to the message sent last Saturday to the allied and neutral nations in an effort to bring about a universal standing against the terrorism of the bolsheviks in Russia. Secretary Lansing said today the action may result from the sending of the note without any direct response inasmuch as some of the neutral nations, at least, have representatives in Moscow and Petrograd and through them may bring pressure to bear upon the bolshevik leaders to put an end to the reign of terror.

It became known today that the State department for eight months prior to their publication had full knowledge of the documentary evidence of German control of the bolsheviks recently made public.

# THE OMAHA DAILY BEE

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**THE WEATHER:**  
Showers and cooler Tuesday, much cooler west portion; Wednesday fair with rising temperature in west portion.

Hourly Temperatures.	
5 a. m.	56
6 a. m.	55
7 a. m.	55
8 a. m.	55
9 a. m.	56
10 a. m.	58
11 a. m.	64
12 m.	75
1 p. m.	76
2 p. m.	76
3 p. m.	76
4 p. m.	76
5 p. m.	76
6 p. m.	76
7 p. m.	76
8 p. m.	76

## JAP ARMY BAGS 2,000 GERMANS

### Cavalry Makes Prisoners of Force of Russian Huns at Kokka; Foe in Quick Retreat.

**By Associated Press.**  
London, Sept. 23.—Blagoviestchensk, capital of the Siberian province of Amur and Alexievsk, have been occupied by Japanese cavalry, according to information received by the Japanese embassy. Two thousand Austro-Germans were taken prisoner.

### House Approves National Dry Law for July 1

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### All Allied Nations Will Be Represented at Farley Funeral

New York, Sept. 23.—The highest dignitaries of the Roman Catholic church in North America, prominent laymen and representatives of the military and naval forces of the United States and the allies will join here tomorrow morning in paying a final tribute to the late Cardinal John M. Farley, archbishop of New York, whose funeral will be held at St. Patrick's cathedral at 10 o'clock.

### General Chun Sent to United States as Military Attache

Peking, Friday, Sept. 20.—(By Associated Press)—General Hian Lin Chun has been appointed Chinese military attache at Washington.

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### Two Livingstone Brothers, Members of Wealthy Family, Fail in Their Efforts to Outwit Uncle Sam.

Los Angeles, Cal., Sept. 23.—Robert Livingstone, reported to have been arrested with his brother, Benjamin, while traveling with their mother in Venezuela, was sought by the federal authorities here as a draft evader. Benjamin forfeited a bond of \$10,000 given to insure his appearance in federal criminal cases arising out of Robert's alleged attempt to evade military service.

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Amsterdam, Sept. 23.—In an interview given to a Berlin newspaper, Baron Burian, Austro-Hungarian foreign minister, said he was not surprised at the reception of his peace note; naturally he did not suppose that the entente would straightaway declare readiness to enter into peace negotiations.

## MOTHERS OF MEN AT WAR IN NEW CLUB

**Say They Were Deceived About War Mothers of America, So They Secede.**  
Two hundred mothers of men in the service seceded from the local branch of the War Mothers of America last night at a meeting in the city hall and formed an Omaha branch of the National American War Mothers' society.

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## ALLIES SLOWLY CRUSHING HUNS ON ALL THE BATTLE FIELDS

### SOLDIERS "OVER THERE" HAVE BEST MEDICAL ATTENTION

Tours, France, Sept. 23.—Major General William C. Gorgas, surgeon-general of the United States army who is making a complete inspection of the medical corps of the American Expeditionary forces, said today:

"I am very much pleased with the care and health of the troops. Their sanitary condition is good; the sick rate is low, and the wounded receive splendid care. A large bulk of these men are getting very much better professional care here than they would have had."

General Gorgas cited as an example a man whose leg had been crushed in a logging camp, or a farmer's son shot accidentally and pointed out that they would have had country practitioners treating them at irregular intervals, often with more or less long delays, while the troops in France have the most skilled surgeons and the foremost physicians attending them with all appliances and conveniences as well as trained nurses.

## FOURTH LIBERTY LOAN TERMS ARE GIVEN TO PUBLIC

Initial Payments Must Be Ten Per Cent of Subscription; Interest Rate Is Unchanged.

## FRENCH FORCES NEAR ST. QUENTIN HOLD OISE BANK

Paris, Sept. 23.—French forces fighting along the line south of St. Quentin have reached the Oise river between Vendeuil and Travecy, according to the official statement issued at the war office tonight.

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## Turks In Palestine Vanquished; Similar Blow Faces Foe In Macedonia; British and French Piercing Vitals of German Defense.

### Disaster has overtaken the Teuton over all fields.

In Palestine the Turks are all but hopelessly crushed; in Macedonia the entente forces are hurrying their foes and threatening them with similar disaster; in France the British and French troops slowly, but surely, are eating their way into the vitals of the German defensive positions, the collapse of which would result in important changes all along the western battle front and in eastern Siberia the Japanese have made additional strides forward in the process of reclaiming that territory for the Russians.

In all the theaters of the war the entente allies have the initiative in their hands and are pressing their advantage rigorously. The Germans and their allies are able only to do more than stand on the defensive. And in Palestine and Macedonia their efforts in this respect have proved sorry ones.

## OTTOMAN FORCES DESTROYED.

From north of Jerusalem to the sea of Galilee in the territory lying between the River Jordan and the Mediterranean sea, the Ottoman forces have been caught by the swift drive of the British armies and virtually destroyed. Added to the heavy casualties suffered by the Turks, hordes of them were made prisoners and many more are wandering bewildered, without leaders, in the hills, eventually to be brought in to swell the great total. At last accounts more than 25,000 of the sultan's soldiers and 260 guns and large quantities of weapons were in British hands.

## HAVE TAKEN 10,000 PRISONERS.

Over a front of 80 miles in southern Serbia, from Monastir to Lake Doiran, the entente troops are vigorously assailing the Bulgarians and Germans. Already in the swift drive in the center a great spearhead has been pushed across the Istib-Prilep road, severing communications between the Bulgarian army northeast of Monastir and that in the Lake Doiran region. Unofficial reports are to the effect that the Serbs have taken between 9,000 and 10,000 prisoners and 120 guns.

## BRITAINS AND FRENCH PUSH ON.

Not so spectacular, but of vital importance, have been the operations of the French and the British south of St. Quentin to Cambrai. Both the French General Debeney and Field Marshal Haig have won highly essential ground in the maneuvers which have as their objectives the obliteration of the Hindenburg line, the capture of St. Quentin and the turning of the German line at Laon. South of St. Quentin the French have advanced their line to the west bank of the Oise canal over a front of three miles and now completely outflank St. Quentin on the south and La Fere on the north. Meanwhile Field Marshal Haig north of St. Quentin around the village of Epehy has taken strong positions from the enemy.

## Life of Archbishop Ireland Hanging by Thread, Late Report

St. Paul, Sept. 23.—At 8:15 o'clock tonight Archbishop Ireland's life was hanging on a thread, it was said at his home.

## Uncle Sam Turning Token Gold of Spies Into Coin of Realm

Buttons and bird cages, coats and camisoles, fish food and firearms and hundreds of other articles were sold at public auction at the north door of the postoffice Monday.

## Germans Grouping as Before Great Disaster, Says Neutral

Paris, Sept. 23.—(Havas).—A neutral diplomat who has just passed through Germany, declared to the Matin that the food situation in Berlin is so bad that foreign diplomats subsist exclusively on provisions sent to them.

## French Ambassador to Spain Dies at Madrid

Madrid, Sept. 23.—Joseph de la Torre, the French ambassador to Spain, died today.

## Capture of Vandieres Due To Slay Des Moines Officer

With the American Army on the Lorraine Front, Friday, Sept. 20.—Wounded in the arm during the battle for Vandieres, Lt.-Col. Emory J. Pike of Des Moines, divisional machine gun officer, insisted upon remaining in command on the field, and did so until mortally wounded by a shell several hours later. This was on September 15, and the officer died the next day and was buried in a French cemetery nearby.

Officers say Lieutenant Colonel Pike consolidated machine gun positions making possible the capture of Vandieres. Lieutenant Colonel Pike, who was a West Pointer, received his mortal wound on Hill 427 while assisting a wounded private to a place of safety. After his first wound he not only continued to command, but wrote messages for regimental headquarters relating to the progress of the battle.