

### ALLIES DEFEAT 140 DIVISIONS IN BIG BATTLE

Advances Against Teutons Put Enemy in Desperate Plight as They Seek to Retreat to Border.

Paris, Nov. 6.—As the result of the latest battle, which is still in progress, the allies have soundly beaten 140 German divisions, hundreds of villages have been freed and thousands of prisoners have been captured. The enemy's position, which was bad before, now may be said to be desperate.

The problem confronting the German general staff may be summed up briefly as follows: The enemy has nine armies strung out in a semi-circular line from Ghent to Moulon, on the Meuse, a distance of 160 miles. All that immense fighting force must flow back to Germany through Belgium, the gap between Liege and Moulon, measuring only 70 miles.

The southern half and center of this gap is the most difficult country. It is wooded, hilly and poorly supplied with roads. The Namur-Liege region is occupied by the allies before the Germans south of the Sambre are able to get away and cross the Meuse, they will be virtually surrounded.

Ghent and LeQuesnoy are nearer Namur and Liege than Marle and Chateau Porcien. The British armies are less than 50 miles from Namur. The Germans on the Serre are 70 and those on the Aisne are 75. The country north of the Sambre is ideal for maneuvering.

Germany's Fuel Oil and Gasoline Supplies Cut Off Washington, Nov. 6.—One effect of the elimination of Austria from the war, the fuel administration announced tonight, will be the cutting off of Germany's supplies of fuel oil and gasoline.

Germany has been obtaining fuel oil and gasoline from Galicia and Roumania, and was planning to import extensively from the Caucasus, the announcement says, but under the terms of the Austrian armistice all traffic between Germany and her former ally must stop.

Within the German borders there are no supplies of fuel oil, and information possessed by the fuel administration is that Germany has been using benzol, a derivative of coal tar, for lubricating oil. This latter source, it was said, will not supply German needs.

Siberian Republic Latest Nation to Adopt a Flag Amsterdam.—The latest addition to the flags of nations is the standard of the new Siberian republic. It is plain white and green, symbolizing the country's snowfields and virgin forests.

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### HUNS DESTROY TREES TO DELAY YANK ADVANCE

Germans Devastating Territory in Front of American Advance; Teuton Reserves Dwindle.

With the American Forces on the Sedan Front, Nov. 6.—(By Associated Press.)—In their retreat west of the Meuse, according to reports reaching American headquarters, the Germans are destroying property and cutting down trees along the roadways. American aviators reported today that the highway from Stenay northward to Olizy-Surchiers is blocked every few yards by trees across the road. The destruction begins just beyond Stenay and extends northeast and north from one to three miles.

As an indication of the plight of the retreating Germans it is known that on the entire western front the enemy has in reserve only one division which has been out of the battle one month, and four divisions which have been resting from two to four weeks. Two of the divisions are east of the Meuse.

The Germans, it is believed, have used all their reserves on the front opposite the Americans, the last enemy division of reserves on this sector having been thrown in the desperate effort to stem the American advance.

Birth Certificates Asked from Would-Be Airmen London.—Popularity of the Royal air force is emphasized at the recruiting office here. The military age minimum is 17 years and 10 months. So many youths under that age have attempted to join that it has become necessary to require birth certificates with each application.

### Solid South Remains Quite Solid in Latest Returns from Election

Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 6.—The nine southern states east of the Mississippi river, normally democratic with the exception of two republican districts in Tennessee and one in Virginia, returned their usual democratic majorities in yesterday's election, according to latest reports today. All democratic senators were elected and in the house 76 democrats and three republicans were returned.

Louisiana refused to grant suffrage to women, the constitutional amendment being defeated by a large majority. Florida entered the column of "bone dry" states, based on today's figures.

American Doctor Forcibly Held in Belgium for Year Saloniki, Nov. 6.—Dr. Angelo Romeo, an American citizen who was kept by the force in Gabrovo, Bulgaria, by the Bulgarian authorities for more than a year, has arrived in Saloniki.

Dr. Romeo, who formerly was to the staff of the American consul general at Smyrna, offered his services to the Serbian government at the outbreak of the war. He was at Uskub when the Bulgarians captured the city and during the fighting there cared for wounded Serbians and Bulgarians at the risk of his life.

Felton Back from France; Still Holds Director Post S. M. Felton, president of the Great Western, who last spring was selected by the government to take charge of railroad reconstruction and building in France, has returned to the States. He is still at the head of the United States system of railroads "over there," but is directing the work from this side. He has again taken over the duties of president of the Great Western.

### NEW FLU CASES INCREASE AND LID MAY RETURN

Eleven Deaths Also Reported and Manning Warns People to Continue Precautions.

Eleven deaths in Omaha from influenza or pneumonia were reported to the city health commissioner in the 24 hours ending Wednesday morning. There were also 30 new cases.

This is a higher rate of both deaths and new cases than City Health Commissioner Manning had expected. He said if new cases increase it may be necessary to apply the closing order again.

"People must not imagine that all danger from the Spanish influenza is past just because we have relaxed the restrictions," said Dr. Manning. "It is the people's duty to continue their precautions against the contagion. People should never cough or sneeze without covering mouth and nose with a handkerchief. A careless sneeze by a person who has the flu may easily put the germs of the disease in half a dozen other persons."

"I don't think it will become necessary to close up things the way the situation looks now, but if the number of new cases increases materially I will have no hesitation in putting on the closing order again. We are now comparatively free of the epidemic, but out in the state some communities are suffering severely from it. Be careful!" Dr. Manning believes most of the

new cases now being reported are tonsillitis and severe colds. Miss Charlotte Townsend, secretary of the state Red Cross, went to Scottsbluff, Neb., Tuesday night with several nurses in response to an appeal received from there for help in combating the Spanish influenza, which is very severe there.

South Side Lad Injured When Struck by Motorcycle Eugene Cherry, a negro aged 13, was injured Tuesday night when he ran in front of a motorcycle driven by Officer Vance of the Central police station who was going south on Twenty-fourth street.

The lad was playing in the street at South Twenty-fourth and P streets and started to run across the street when he was struck, sustaining a lacerated knee and abrasion of forehead.

He was taken to the police surgeon where his wounds were dressed and he returned to his home, 2517 Q street.

Nurse at Wise Hospital Succumbs to Influenza Miss Francis Galligan, a graduate nurse on duty at the Wise Memorial hospital, succumbed Monday evening to an attack of the influenza. Miss Galligan contracted the disease while caring for patients and was ill but a short time. The body was sent to Lindsay, Neb., the former home of the deceased, where the funeral will take place.

Colder Weather Expected; Snowfall in Black Hills While railroad men are not officially predicting, the are guessing that colder weather is on the way. Tuesday night snow was general over a greater portion of Colorado and Wyoming, with one to two inches in western Nebraska.

Yesterday, according to reports to the railroads, temperatures in central and western Ne-

braska were 4 to 48 degrees above zero. There was a snowfall of two to four inches in the Black Hills country.

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