

GERMANS TAKE
2 MORE FORTS
NEAR ANTWERP

Berlin Expects Belgian Capital to Fall in Few Days Under Heavy Fire of Cannon.

ALLIES OUTFLANKED

General Von Boehn's Fresh Army Forces Franco-British to Send Reinforcements to Threatened Wing.

BY FREDERICK WERNER, Staff Correspondent for International News Service.

BERLIN, Oct. 7.—(By wireless via Sayville.)—It is announced here that two more forts have been taken by the Germans at Antwerp. They are forts Kessel and Broeckhem forming part of the same line of defenses on which forts Waelhem, Wavre-St Catherine and Koensghoycht are located. The announcement of their capture says that they were unable to resist the destructive powerful German siege guns.

"The capitulation of Antwerp can be only a matter of a couple of days," the announcement adds.

An official statement issued at midnight admits that the French troops have gained some ground on the river Meuse, but it declares that on the German right wing, the army of General von Boehn has successfully flanked the Franco-British allies and forced them to rush reinforcements to the front to avert a retreat.

"For strategic reasons," says the statement, "we have fallen back at points on the Meuse and these have been occupied by the French, but the situation there is regards the final outcome is good."

"On the western end of the battle line general von Boehn's army is successful in a counter flanking movement that has forced the French and British to rush reinforcements to the front. Severe fighting is going on there and our attacking in strength is threatening to force the enemy into a retreat."

No Change in East.

"The situation in the eastern arena is practically unchanged. We occupy strong positions from which the Russians have tried in vain to drive us. The mention of General von Boehn in this statement is the first that has been made in reference to him since the official announcement that he had been sent with a new army to reinforce the German right wing in France. It is believed that his troops have been held inactive in southern Belgium and that they are fresh for a terrific attack on the allies."

BANK ELECTS GAAR
HEAD TO SUCCEED
LATE J. B. DOUGAN

Samuel W. Gaar, who has been vice president of the Second National Bank since January 1, was last night elected president of the largest banking institution in eastern Indiana, succeeding John B. Dougan, whose death occurred several months ago.

Mr. Gaar has been connected with the bank thirty years and has held every position. For several years he was cashier. It was on Mr. Dougan's request that Mr. Gaar was made vice president and Will Seeker cashier.

Mr. Seeker, the cashier, was elected to the board of directors to fill the place left vacant by the death of Mr. Dougan. Mr. Seeker has been connected with the bank twenty-one years and like Mr. Gaar, has worked his way through all the positions of the institution.

SCHEDULE TALKS
FOR INSTITUTES

EATON, O., Oct. 7.—Announcement of dates and lecturers for farmers' institutes to be held during the coming winter months in Preble county, have been made by the state department of agriculture, Columbus. The dates follow: West Alexandria, December 30 and 31, lecturers Martindale, Swan and Mrs. Rodgers; West Elkton, January 18 and 19, lecturers Dobbins, Car-Michael and Mrs. Rodgers; Morning Sun, February 12 and 13, lecturers Markley, Green and Mrs. Anderson. Although the dates are not yet fixed, other institutes will be held at Eaton, New Paris, Camden, Eldorado, West Manchester and Lewisburg.

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GENERAL CONDITIONS—Snow continues over Montana. A storm that has developed over the west and is moving eastward and is expected to produce showers in this district before thirty-six hours have passed.

GERMAN TORPEDO
BOAT SINKS OFF
DUTCH MAINLAND

English Press Bureau Refuses to Confirm Sinking of Craft by British Submarines.

VERSIONS CONTRADICT

News Agency Dispatch Attributes Loss of Vessel to Mine, But London Refuses to Talk.

LONDON, Oct. 7.—A German torpedo boat has been sunk in the North Sea off the mouth of the river Ems, according to a Central News Agency dispatch received today from Amsterdam. Two unidentified submarines were seen in the vicinity, but whether the German ship was sunk by the British submarines or whether it struck a mine was not definitely stated.

The dispatch says: "On Tuesday the Amsterdam newspaper Van Den Dag received a message from the Dutch island Schiermonnikoog that a German torpedo boat which had been patrolling the coast off the mouth of the river Ems suddenly exploded this morning and sank. Two unidentified submarines were seen in the vicinity. The explosion may have been due to mines. The crew of the torpedo boat were rescued by a German cruiser. The German ship disappeared from view within three minutes."

The official press bureau of the British government refused to deny or affirm the report that the German torpedo boat had been sunk by a British submarine.

FOR FIRST TIME
CITY GETS BILL
ON WATER USED

Officials Gasp When Company Presents Statement Demanding \$664.47 for 6,585,298 Gallons Consumed.

NEW RATE EFFECTIVE

Today for the first time in his life Father Richmond got a "dun" from the water works company, on whose "dead head" list he has been since the organization of the company, and the size of it almost knocked him off his props.

For the month of September the city of Richmond consumed 6,585,298 gallons of water, for which it is debtor to the water works company to the extent of \$664.47. If the same monthly average was to be maintained for a year the company would derive a revenue from the city of about \$8,000, exclusive of fire hydrant rentals, or \$2,000 more than was appropriated for such purposes for 1915.

Under a recent ruling of the Indiana Public Service commission the city was required to pay the water works company for all the water it used, and \$55 a year for each fire hydrant, which number 341, including 29 intermediate hydrants. For hydrant rentals in 1915 the city has appropriated \$17,000.

The commission's order became effective Sept. 1 so the board of public works today received the city's water bill for last month.

Accompanying the bill for water used for general purposes is bill for hydrant rentals. In this bill charge is made for every hydrant, including intermediates. Before the new water regulations became effective the city paid \$49 a year for each hydrant except.

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STUDY OPPOSES
MOTHER'S PLEA
TO RUN ESTATE

Son of Thomas Study Files Remonstrance Alleging Mother Incapable of Administering Property.

ASKS FOR POSITION

Denies Existence of Will Left by Father Directing Disposal of Personal Goods Valued at \$75,000.

Richard Study today filed remonstrance in circuit court against the petition of his mother, Therese Study for letters of administration in the estate of Thomas J. Study, deceased.

Mr. Study alleges his mother suffers with chronic and incurable diseases of a nature which render her incapable of discharging the duties of administrator. He makes application.

In her petition, Mrs. Study says the personal property of the well known attorney amounted to \$75,000 and the real estate is valued at \$15,000. She submitted bond in the sum of \$100,000 by a bonding company.

The heirs are Mrs. Therese Study, aged 78, widow, of the city, Mrs. Therese S. Porter, 43, daughter, of Evanston, Ill., and Richard Study, 35, son, of this city.

Study Asks Place. Through his attorney Henry U. Johnson, Mr. Study sets forth that his mother lacks the capacity and qualifications of an administrator of such an estate and states further that he is fitted for the place.

Mrs. Therese S. Porter of Evanston, may file a remonstrance against her brother's petition on the grounds that Thomas J. Study left a will disposing of his property and that it was taken by Richard Study.

Mr. Study denied that his father left any will. He said his sister was mistaken. It was reported that Linus Merideth and F. I. Braffitt signed the instrument as witnesses.

"My father told Mr. Merideth that he would not make a will," Richard Study said. "I know of no will. Mr. Merideth says he never signed a will and that he believes my sister is mistaken in the opinion she has expressed."

Mrs. Study, who had little to do with her husband's business interests, has not made any expression on the matter.

ASSOCIATED CHARITY
CLOSES OLD OFFICE

Organization Moves Headquarters to Rooms of Central Bureau.

After many years as headquarters for the Associated Charities, the rooms on South Fifth street are to be closed. The organization's work will be conducted from the offices of the Central Charity bureau.

This action was taken in the following resolution by the directors at the quarterly meeting yesterday: "That it is the sense of this organization to unite its office with the office of the Central Bureau of Charity and Social Service."

Secretary Metcorder of the central bureau went over some of the cases with the directors. He expressed gratitude because of the sacrifice of the Associated Charities in giving up its office to work in accord with the larger movement. The change will be made as soon as the fiscal committee of the central bureau finds a store room to keep clothing and other articles until needed. Supplies are stored in the Associated Charities' room now.

Mrs. Candler made a report of several cases she has worked on in the last month.

WORLD'S SERIES
By Leased Wire of Palladium.

THE BOSTON BRAVES AND PHILADELPHIA ATHLETICS will play the first game of the series of seven in Philadelphia Friday. The first team winning four games of the series will be the world's champions of 1914.

BASEBALL NEWS

The Palladium will receive over its leased wire, direct from the ball park at Philadelphia, complete details of every game, full box scores and the accompanying gossip that makes the game appeal to the American reader.

Frank Menke, one of the national sport writers of renown, whose articles have appeared daily in the Palladium, will write the running story of the game.

There will be no amateur sport writers handling the big series for The Palladium. The International News Service will have a full staff of reporters at the games, and each play will be flashed to the Palladium over its leased wire, as soon as it is made.

BULLETINS

The tremendous interest displayed in the war bulletins issued daily by the Palladium to its stations will be rivaled by the baseball bulletins which it will send out. Arrangements have been made to give the public the results by innings at stations in all parts of the city.

This bulletin service of the leased wire of The Palladium will keep you fully informed as to the status of the game.

If you want to keep posted on the standing of the games, read the Palladium bulletins.

THE PALLADIUM.

SOUTH SIDERS
TO GIVE PRIZES
HARVEST DAY

Association Plans Display of Products and Social Meeting Sunday Afternoon at Beallview Park.

BAVIS REPORTS LINE

Members of the South Side Improvement association will hold a private harvest home day Sunday, to which have been invited the Mannerchor and the Militär Verein.

The harvest home will be held in Beallview park, with crop exhibits in the pavilion. The association donated four prizes which will be given for displays.

A few members wanted the picnic to be open to the public, but Will Dunning, Jr., grocer, declared this would necessitate the serving of pop instead of beer.

The same committees will act for harvest home day that served for the labor day picnic of the association. To Construct Station.

At the meeting of the association last night, President Bavis if the board of works, announced the declaration of the Terre Haute, Indianapolis and Eastern Traction company to construct a station on the south side extension to Beallview.

B. A. Kennepohl, Fred Hackman and Hans Koll were made a committee to act as the county commissioners for a twelve by twelve piece of ground on which to build a small waiting station at the end of the line.

The association came to an agreement with the Isermans regarding the Standard Veneer Door factory, which was dedicated about fifteen months ago and never occupied. The association gave Isermans an extension of time until April 1.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION DENIES
PURTELLE'S CLAIM OF SANCTION TO
DISPOSE STOCK ISSUED AT DISCOUNTTO SEE WORK
IN CLASSROOM
AT RECEPTION

Parents and Friends at Annual Reception to Watch Students of Night School Recite.

Concert by Orchestra and Lecture by Professor J. W. Thompson Other Parts of Program Announced.

Inspection of the night school classes will be one of the attractions of the annual reception of the faculty and students of the Richmond high school to their parents and friends in the auditorium tomorrow evening. The first of three periods will be a concert by the high school orchestra. In the second classes of the night school will be inspected. The last part of the program will include an illustrated lecture by Professor John F. Thompson, and a display of electrical features by Prof. B. W. Kelley. The guests will also inspect the exhibit of paintings of American artists.

The program for the evening is as follows: 7:30 p. m.—Concert by orchestra. Inspection of classes followed by: Room 41—Yellowstone park slides, Mr. Thompson. Room 46—Electrical features, Mr. Kelley.

Art Gallery—Annual are exhibit.

9,347 QUALIFY,
REPORTS OF 51
PRECINCTS SAY

Early Returns Indicate Drop From 9,802 Registration Figures for Same Districts in 1912.

FEW INDICATE GAINS

Bowman Expects Final Results to Show 90 Per Cent of Voters Prepared for Fall Election.

Returns from the registration of voters in fifty-one of the sixty four precincts of the county, received by County Auditor Bowman up to noon today indicates that over 90 per cent of the vote registered two years ago, qualified Monday, and that it possibly will equal 95 per cent of the 1912 registration.

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Shows 500 Loss. Returns from the fifty-one precincts which had reported this morning shows a total registration of 9,347 against 9,802 for the same precincts two years ago. It is probable that when the complete returns are in it will show between 400 and 500 less qualified voters than in 1912, and the loss will be mostly in the Richmond precincts.

Losses were shown in only a few of the precincts outside of Richmond. In several instances there were gains of over 1912. Among the twenty-five

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INSOLVENT GETS
FIXTURES TO HOLD

When bidders failed to appear to buy the stock and fixtures of Grover C. Smith, insolvent, of Centerville, yesterday, Smith appropriated the goods himself, which have been appraised at \$600 as his \$600 exemption under the present law. The property cannot now be attacked by creditors. Smith voluntarily declared himself insolvent a few days ago, announcing he would sell for the benefit of his creditors.

COUNTY PAYS MORE
TO FEED PRISONERS

Compromise was made today by the county commissioners with Aurelia Thomas, matron of the Home for Friendless Women, who filed claims Monday for the past three months, charging thirty-five cents instead of twenty-five cents a day for meals for children. Mrs. Thomas declared that the high cost of living has depleted the treasury of the Home. She was therefore allowed thirty cents a day. The total claim was \$723.80. The commissioners cut this \$26.60, allowing her \$697.20.

South Side Improvement Association
Refuses to Endorse Big Subsidy
Gift Asked by Chicago Promoter

STATE BOARD OPPOSES SCHEME

Positively Refuses to Endorse Sales of Stock to Wayne County Buyers at 25 Cents on Dollar Basis

State Commission Refuses
to Approve Purtelle Stock

"It is unlawful for a public utility corporation to issue stock without first obtaining the permission of the Public Service Commission so to do. And when such permission is granted, the commission must fix the amount of discount, if any, is allowed, at which the stock may be sold, otherwise it must be sold at par."

"Public Service Commission of Indiana,
"By Jas. L. Clark, Commissioner."

"You can say to the people of Wayne county that the commission will not under any circumstances authorize the sale of any of the Richmond and Hamilton stock at 25 cents on the dollar."—[Judge Clark to a representative of the Palladium on Monday.]

"Neither Eugene Purtelle nor any one representing the Richmond and Hamilton Traction company has appeared before the commission to get our approval on the stock selling in Richmond. The authorization of such a project would be considered for some time after being presented to the commission and the commission would investigate carefully everything before any approval is given. You may quote me to that effect."—[Judge Duncan, chairman of the Public Service Commission in a statement to the Palladium over the long distance telephone this morning.]

Eugene V. Purtelle stands unmasked before the voters of Wayne and Boston townships.

Last night he told members of the South Side Improvement Association that his stock selling activities were sanctioned by the Indiana state utilities commission and that he had appeared before the body last Monday.

Eugene V. Purtelle does not have the approval of the state commission for his operations in Wayne county, which the Palladium last week showed to be in violation of the public utility act.

Eugene V. Purtelle last night did not get the endorsement of the South Side Improvement association for the \$100,000 subsidy gift he is asking of Wayne township for a traction line that may never be built.

The South Side Improvement Association refused to endorse the subsidy measure. Purtelle has claimed persistently that the association was backing his appeal for a big subsidy gift.

Although the Chicago promoter, who is asking Wayne township for a \$100,000 subsidy for a traction line, last night told members of the South Side Improvement association, that the Indiana state public service commission approved his scheme and that he appeared before that body Monday, Chairman Duncan of the commission told the Palladium over long distance telephone today that Purtelle had not appeared before the body and that it did not approve of his stock selling operations in Richmond.

Chairman Duncan went on to say that Purtelle had not appeared before the commission to present his traction plan, that the commission had not given its endorsement of the project, and that matters today stood as they did last week when The Palladium exposed the methods by which the Chicago promoter was selling stock below par in direct violation of the public utilities act.

Records Against Purtelle. There is no record in the office of the public utilities commission at Indianapolis to show that Purtelle ever appeared before the board, that he ever explained to its members exactly why he wanted Wayne township to vote \$100,000 for his scheme, and that he is in earnest to build a line south out of Richmond to Hamilton.

Purtelle's statement last night to the South Side Improvement association in which he claimed his project was "lawful and had the sanction of the public service commission," is in direct and unequivocal contradiction to the statement of the chairman of the commission to the Palladium, and withal illustrates the methods used by Purtelle to bring into favorable light a scheme which has received the disapproval of the state commission and of the Commercial club, which made a painstaking investigation of the career and record of the Chicago promoter.

Purtelle told the South Side Improvement association that he appeared before the public utilities commission of the state Monday and found that the company was duly organized under the laws of the state of Indiana and that the traction company and subsidy is legal, lawful and legitimate before the commission.

Purtelle's Explanation. "We shall continue our work because we are right in the eyes of the law," Mr. Purtelle declared. "If we win the election, Mr. Clawson will have men excavating for the line on November 4. On November 3, we have elections for subsidies in Union county, Fayette county and in two townships of this county."

Cole is Present. J. Elson Cole of Chicago, treasurer of the company, who is said to represent the "outside capital" of the traction project, was present at the meeting. Engineer Clawson, who has the contract for surveying and building the road, his son, J. C. Clawson, and their local paid agent, John Fitzgibbons, also were present.

Through Purtelle, Mr. Clawson offered to sub-let the contract for the construction of the traction line from Richmond to the boundary of Wayne township over the present survey, to any Richmond man for \$100,000 and give an additional bonus of \$50,000.

Mr. Purtelle said that newspapers of Richmond had offered suggestions

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Antwerp Buildings Destroyed



The Avenue de Keyser in Antwerp which runs through that section of the city reported to have been set afire by the German bombardment.

The Weather

FOR INDIANA—Unsettled tonight and Thursday. Probably showers.

TEMPERATURE.
Noon Yesterday 83
Maximum 84
Minimum 58

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