

advance on the Belgians and British. It is known that the invaders have not been able, and will not be, to remove the people from a core or more of places where, according to the latest reports, the population were at least one-quarter of the usual number.

Roulers and Courtrai and those farther south in the St. Quentin region where the British are operating. Towns in the region have been appointed for all the places, and they are likely to be taken soon and they are now studying their prospective duties.

Willy Marie Louise, Duchess of Brankwick-Lüneburg, and bears the title of princess royal of Britain and Ireland.

OFFERS WAR CROSS; WINS IT AND MORE

D. C. Audience Cheers French Soldier's Willingness to Sacrifice Valor Prize.

Patriotism and sacrifice in their true form were displayed in a dramatic and inspiring manner at Holt's Theater last night when Louis Gendrop, a French soldier, arose during the loan rally and, stripping from his breast his cross de guerre, awarded him for exceptional bravery in battle, held it aloft and offered it to the first person in the audience entering a subscription for \$25.00 worth of Liberty bonds. Throughout the house there was silence for a few seconds. Could this small, erect soldier of France really mean it every one seemed to be thinking. Then the stillness was broken by a shout and Harold F. McCormick of Chicago announced that he would cover the patriotic challenge. His subscription was taken and the French soldier walked proudly to Mr. McCormick's seat and delivered the cherished decoration to him.

All Deeply Affected.

The audience had been worked up to a high pitch of enthusiasm. Every one seemed deeply affected by this rare display of gallant sacrifice. A loud protest immediately went up from various parts of the house. "Don't take his cross; don't take his cross; he risked his life for it!" some shouted.

"It is a shame" and "Don't take advantage of such fine patriotism!" said others in the house. The protests were silenced a few seconds later, however, when Mr. McCormick arose and said that he had no such idea as keeping the cross and declared that he would return the cross to its original owner provided the audience raised an additional \$25,000 to match his subscription.

Mr. McCormick's generous offer was applauded and subscriptions ranking all the way from \$50 to \$100 poured in until the necessary amount was raised. It took only a few minutes to get it and the decoration was returned to Louis Gendrop who, as he pinned it on his coat, was greeted with loud cheers and applause. "But the rally did not stop there, despite the large amount in subscriptions taken."

Miss St. McManamy, leading woman of "Business Before Pleasure," who plays the ramiest of vampire roles, stepped to the front of the stage and offered to kiss the first five-thousand-dollar subscriber. There were several of this kind in the audience suggested that Louis Gendrop, the patriot, was directly responsible for the raising of far more than the price of Miss McManamy's kiss and therefore, was entitled to the honor. He was game and Miss McManamy was agreeable and a moment or so later the audience witnessed as he heard a good hearty, old-fashioned smack, void of all stage camouflage. Then actress and soldier were cheered to the echo.

Lieut. Col. Arnold's New Duty.

Lieut. Col. Horace D. Arnold, Medical Corps, has been detailed to duty with the committee on education and special training in this city.

HIGH PRAISE FOR STAGGERED PLAN

Both Car Companies, Though Handicapped by Influenza, Get Fine Results.

"Marvelous" and "Splendid!" These adjectives express the opinions of officials of the Washington Railway and Electric Company and the Capital Traction Company in commenting on the plan of "staggered" opening hours for nine of the largest government departments and the late opening of stores.

In spite of the handicap due to the outbreak of Spanish influenza and the sudden notice, which necessitated changes of schedules and a change in the distribution of cars, reports received this morning showed that the movement is welcomed by both traction companies and has helped greatly to relieve congestion.

Car Men Have Influenza.

The Washington Railway and Electric Company reported that more than a hundred of its employees have influenza, and four physicians are kept busy. The Capital Traction Company has eighty-three men affected.

W. M. Casey, superintendent of transportation of the Washington Railway and Electric Company, stated this forenoon:

"The first day's operation of the 'staggered' system was marvelous. It was remarkable for we never anticipated such results. The overcrowded cars were a few that, one could easily count them."

"Today we have had men about the city selecting data which will help us in remedying whatever faults may develop."

More Praise for Plan.

"A splendid movement and just what we have wanted," said John S. Hanna, vice president of the Capital Traction Company, in commenting on the new "staggered" plan.

"Just as soon as we can obtain information as to the amount of traffic at the various morning hours, we can arrange for the proper number of cars so that conditions, though showing a marked improvement this morning, will be made much better in a short time. No one can say for me that it was a very wise move."

Merchants Obey Order.

Merchants of the city affected by the order of the District Commissioners willingly obeyed and opened their stores at 10 o'clock this morning.

Charles J. Columbus, secretary of the Washington Merchants and Manufacturers' Association, said:

"The merchants of Washington responded with absolute alacrity to the order of the District Commissioners. The Commissioners were advised by the committee from the Merchants and Manufacturers' Association that they were not only now, but at any time, glad to co-operate with the District and Federal governments in putting over any proposition that would tend to local or national welfare."

"Directly after the publication of the order a large number of telephone calls were received asking for details, and in every case, the merchant inquiring said, on receiving information, that he would observe the order to the letter."

Surprise Caused Here

The reported selection of Prince Maximilian of Baden to be imperial chanceller of Germany in succession to von Hertling was received here with some surprise. It was known that about ten days ago Prince Maximilian was offered the post, but declined it after consultation with his father, the King of Baden, who thought the position beneath the dignity of a member of the royal house.

It is thought here, however, that the choice would be a logical one because of his recent activities in German affairs. His influence with the people of the various kingdoms that go to make up the German empire, and it is also believed that the Kaiser and von Hindenburg may expect that Prince Maximilian may be of assistance in saving the imperial prerogative endangered in the country is granted the reforms recently proposed by the Emperor.

Prince Arrives in Berlin.

Prince Maximilian, according to an official dispatch from Switzerland yesterday, has arrived in Berlin and is conferring with the leaders of parliament. The new government will probably make its appearance at the Reichstag on Tuesday of next week. It is reported that the Reichstag will assemble on Saturday.

WASHINGTON MADE SANITARY ZONE TO COMBAT INFLUENZA

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ment such as that conducted by a tailor must not open until that time.

Praise for Staggered Plan.

Walter C. Allen, secretary to the Public Utilities Commission, reported to Commissioner Brownlow the result of the observations of the working of the staggered hour plan of operating the street cars. The secretary said he thought the plan was a success, in spite of the fact that more than 100 trainmen on the two lines were unable to be on duty today, which meant inactivity on part of the companies to operate a full complement of cars.

Had the plan been adopted at the time it was recommended in March, Mr. Allen said, the problem of handling traffic on the street cars would have been solved. It is his opinion that the adoption of the staggered system will solve the problem to the satisfaction of all concerned.

Playgrounds Opened at 9.

Playgrounds, of which there are seventy-two in the District, were this morning opened at 9 o'clock, instead of 11:30 o'clock, to give the children an opportunity to play outdoors. Mrs. Susie Root Rhodes, supervisor of municipal playgrounds, arranged for the opening of schedule by opening this morning of schedule of all grounds are fitted out with apparatus, sand boxes and other necessary paraphernalia for such activities. Mrs. Rhodes likewise volunteered the services of the municipal directors for general supervision of the grounds.

Community Meetings Stopped.

Miss Cecil E. Norton, general secretary of the community center associations, has announced that all community center meetings of every kind had been canceled. This includes dances.

In response to the request of the District health department that there be a cessation of all public meetings of organizations pending control of the situation, the October meeting of the Temple Sisterhood of Washington Hebrew Congregation will be canceled.

Naval training stations have issued no reports on cases where the influenza has made its appearance. It is estimated that the October meeting among 4,000 apprentices of the shipping board's training base at Boston, Chairman Hurley of the shipping board reports that success in checking the spread of the disease and in reducing the mortality had been attained by an easily applied system.

Henry Howard, director of the recruiting service, reports that fresh air and sunshine are the principal elements in the treatment of the malady at the training base. Patients are isolated as soon as they show symptoms of the disease and are placed in specially built huts, each hut containing two beds with a sterilized sheet hung between to prevent passage of the germs. The roofs of the hut can be tilted back, opening the whole room to air and sunshine.

The state medical authorities of Massachusetts have indorsed this method of treatment. It was announced, and are making plans for a group of hospitals. The idea was suggested by Dr. William A. Brooks, medical director of the shipping board's training service, who formerly was surgeon general of the Massachusetts National Guard.

enemy is occupying the trench, organized positions, held by him since the commencement of trench warfare and which he had hitherto defended with the utmost resolution.

This movement, which was not unexpected, is being followed up closely by our troops, who are maintaining contact with the German rear guards, inflicting many casualties and taking prisoners.

On the front of the retirement we have already reached the general line of Cite St. Auguste, Douvrin east of Passes, east of Aversa and east of Bois Grenier. The advance is continuing.

Yesterday evening the enemy attacked our position north of Cambrai. He was repulsed, leaving prisoners in our hands.

This morning we renewed our attacks north of St. Quentin. The enemy attacked strongly northeast of St. Quentin with fresh troops from his reserves and succeeded in pressing back our troops from the village of Sequelart, when his progress stopped.

Local fighting has taken place today north of Grevecourt (south of Cambrai) and west of Cambrai, but without material change in the situation. As a result of their operations yesterday and last night in the neighborhood of Cambrai, Canadian troops now hold the suburb of Neuville St. Remy and the high ground west of Ramillies.

Early this morning the enemy commenced to withdraw on a wide front south and north of La Bassee canal. Our troops are following up the withdrawal closely and have taken prisoners.

FRENCH.

October 3.—North of the Vesle the French troops continued their advance and progressed beyond Lohrie. In the region of La Neuville (north of Rheims) violent German counter attacks obtained no results.

In Champagne the fighting began again after noon yesterday and continued into the night. The French troops captured Challerange.

The Germans made strong efforts to drive the French from the wood south of Ouseull, which they had penetrated. Three heavy German assaults were broken up by the French who maintained their gains and inflicted heavy losses on the enemy. A number of prisoners were captured by us in the course of this fighting.

The attack was resumed at day-break today.

October 2.—The enemy has been ejected from St. Quentin, which we completely occupy. We hold Faubourg d'Isle.

To the south we have advanced to Itancourt and are holding Moy.

North of the Vesle river we captured Houty, Guyencourt, Boungnureux, Villers-Francheux and Cagnoy and carried our lines to the border south of Cormicy and Lohrie.

Courcy (north of Rheims) is in our power.

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BARRED ZONE

Order Affecting Inter Protects

NEW YORK.—The State health department is establishing a barred zone in New Jersey eastward from New York City. The object of the barred zone is to prevent the spread of the influenza epidemic.

The barred zone extends for a distance of 25 miles eastward from New York City, and includes the following counties: Dutchess, Ulster, Westchester, Putnam, Orange, Rockland, and Sullivan.

The health department is also taking steps to prevent the spread of the disease by sea and air.

Travel by sea from New York City to other ports is being restricted, and all passengers are being required to wear masks and to avoid public places.

Travel by air is also being restricted, and all passengers are being required to wear masks and to avoid public places.

The health department is also taking steps to prevent the spread of the disease by land.

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RECORD FOR DE HAVILLAND.

Bombing Plane Flies From Dayton to Washington in 2:50.

NEW YORK.—October 3.—Caleb Bragg, civilian pilot attached to the engineering department of the bureau of aircraft production, guiding a number plane De Havilland bombing plane, arrived at Mineola last night, completing a trip from Dayton, Ohio, via Washington.

On the first leg of his journey, from Dayton to Washington, the aviator made what is said to be a new record for long distance flying for De Havilland machines. His flying time was two hours and fifty minutes, an average of 145 miles an hour for the 420 miles.

To Buy Mary

BALTIMORE.—Federal government 600 in purchase Maryland. Who finally agreed on the minimum of dozen cases.

Condition

MADRID, W.—Physicians attending suffering from latin tonight, at three during the night was 102.2

day passed... Day... In-Flia... Cambrai and... awarded over... quiet sectors... quiet sectors... west of the... parts of our... in the rear... North of Stad... enemy attac... 100 prisoners... in both sides... from Ypres to... obtained a foot... captured the... a counter at... Enemy parts... Bassees were... The fifth day... The again en... for the enemy... our troops be... enemy which h... Further sou... forward temp... court, Bantign... toward Cuvillie... three to the... court and Ban... brave Wurten... court from be... enemy... At Cambrai... assaults brok... mained in the... Heve the C... front since the... run east of St... court, on the B... In the course... tacks develop... Estrees. Joco... enemy penet... side of Sequ... tack threun... St. Quentin... nottering deta... yesterday, has... enemy... There have... ments in the... Allette and the... Northwest of... our troops fro... positions in the... lowed with ve... evening and... Ventelay and V... In the Cham... sumed their u... foremen these... against the fr... To Monthou... the day again... Somme-P... and broke down... cleared again... counter attac... The new posi... before last on... Aisne runs fr... Challerange t... the north of I... across the fore... mon... Advanced gu... pulsed enemy... lines. In loca... Americans bac... des Okona and... Yesterday w... airplanes and