

HUNS AGAIN IN FULL RETREAT

ALLIES ARE ON VERGE OF BIG VICTORY

GERMANS WATER UNDER COMBINED BLOW IN REIMS-SOISSONS SALIENT

AMERICANS HOTLY PURSUE HUNS NOW IN FLIGHT

Bloody Battles at Soissons and At Clerges Were Too Much For Enemy—Franco-British Forces Are Also Worrying Retreating Germans.

WITH THE AMERICANS IN THE FIELD, August 2.—(By United Press.)—The German withdrawal to the north has again been resumed today, following bloody battles at Soissons and Clerges, in which the steadily growing strength of Franco-American pressure has given the Germans no alternative but of retreat.

The American advance since they captured Clerges has reached a depth of two and one half miles from that point.

The steady pressure exerted is forcing the Huns gradually backward, and in their retreat they are giving the Franco-Americans control of the big plateau beyond Fore-en-Tardenois, which commands a considerable area of country to the north.

The next German defensive line will probably be along the Vesle river, towards which the Americans are hotly pursuing the retreating Germans.

Heavy rain fell throughout the night and, continuing today, has turned the military roads into morasses, and has completely checked all aerial operations.

More than a dozen German airplanes were brought down on Thursday.

MANY VILLAGES TAKEN.

South Of Our German Resistance Is Weakening.

WITH THE FRENCH AFIELD, August 2.—(By United Press.)—The great battle within the Marne pocket that waxed hotly throughout yesterday and this morning, was still proceeding with unabated intensity at three this afternoon.

The loss of the Grand Rozoy has forced the enemy to fall back rapidly and the Franco-British armies here are crowding the German army which is now in retreat.

After fierce combats this morning the allies occupied Harnes-et-Taux, seven miles south of Soissons and Contremains, Saponay and other villages and woods.

South of the river Ourcq, the resistance of the enemy is becoming markedly weaker.

YANKS ADVANCE FROM SOUTH

Positions North Of Goussancourt Are Lost By Enemy.

PARIS, August 2.—(By United Press.)—The Americans have captured important woods to the north of the Goussancourt road, on the eastern section of the battlefield, south of Reims, and have arrived at the outskirts of Villers-Agron Aulnay, capturing Forzy and also the woods one mile east of Romigny, together with the hill and another small wood northeast of Romigny.

VOTE OF CONFIDENCE

French Deputies Back Government In Move To Call 1920 Class.

PARIS, Aug. 2.—Premier Clemenceau's government today was given a vote of confidence in the Chamber of Deputies, the ballot standing 312 to 164.

The vote of confidence was asked on the question of rejecting an amendment providing for the calling up of the 1920 class of recruits.

BAGGED SAGE HENS.

Chase Bohnenkamp, at an early hour yesterday morning, went out in search of sage hens and bagged four—one less than the limit. Harry Newberg accompanied him and obtained about the same number.

MISS MARGERY KAY



Miss Margery Kay, a Detroit society girl who served in an American hospital in France, has returned to the United States.

SUNDAY TO BE DAY OF PRAYER

Y. M. C. A. WAR WORKERS TO PARTICIPATE.

Home Churches Called On To Make This A Day Of Intercession For The Cause.

Word has been received from France by the National War Work Council of the Y. M. C. A. that the men of the Allied Armies in the war zone will observe August 4 as a day of prayer and intercession for the cause in which they are fighting.

The churches and people in America are asked to join with the men of the army and navy in a like observance of the day. Every minister and church leader is requested to set aside at least a part of every service on this day for the purpose of praying for the welfare of the men under arms and for a speedy victory to be granted to the cause for which they are standing.

In every camp and cantonment and marine and naval station in this country Red Triangle workers of the Y. M. C. A. will be leading large groups of men of the colors in such services. Followers of every faith are asked to join in making this next Sunday one of great impelling force through prayer.

CANUCKS PREPARE FOR BIG STRIKE

ORGANIZED LABOR IN BRITISH COLUMBIA PROTEST KILLING OF DRAFT EVADER

VANCOUVER, B.C., August 2.—(By United Press.)—Organized labor in British Columbia today inaugurated a general strike as a protest against the shooting of Albert Goodwin, Socialist and draft evader, by a police officer.

Labor leaders declare that the shooting was in no wise necessary.

WM. HOGOBOOM DEAD

Well-Known Northwest Horseman Passes In Walla Walla.

William Hogboom, a former well-known horseman of the Northwest died at his home in Walla Walla Wednesday. In the old racing days no fair ground arrangement was complete and no racing program was up to the standard if Wm. Hogboom was not present. His specialty was trotting horses and he owned some of the best. The deceased was 57 years of age and leaves a wife and son, Elmer.

WEATHER REPORT.

PORTLAND, August 2.—Fair.

ENDANGERS HUN CENTER AND FLANK

TODAY'S ADVANCE NETS ALLIES WHOLE OF CRISE RIVER WATERSHED.

SITUATION OF ENEMY IS DAILY MORE CRITICAL

Many Fires Are Observed Between Ardre And Vesle Rivers, Also At Fismes, And Impression Prevails That Germans Are Destroying Supplies And Munitions.

LONDON, August 2.—(By United Press.)—It was learned today that the allied armies have captured Goussancourt, and are advancing steadily beyond Clerges. As a result of the advance of the allies today on a five mile front they have captured the entire watershed commanding a considerable area of territory to the north of Crise River.

The possession of this territory and the opportunity it offers for the use of heavy artillery, now endangers any German retirement in the center of the salient, as well as on the entire western flank.

GERMANS BURN SUPPLIES.

Enemy Is Probably Preparing For Another Rapid Retreat.

PARIS, August 2.—(By United Press.)—Now progress by the allied armies between Fore-en-Tardenois, Ville-en-Tardenois, on a fifteen mile front is reported here, but the extent of the advance had not been determined at four o'clock this afternoon.

Many fires are now observed between the Ardre and Vesle rivers, and it is evident that the Germans are destroying their supplies and munitions to prevent them falling into the hands of the allies in the event of a further forced retreat. A big fire was burning at Fismes.

M'NEILL IS SENT EAST

Transferred From Fort McDowell to Long Island.

Prof. G. A. McNeill, formerly principal of the high school in La Grande, has just been ordered to the training camp at Astoria, Long Island, New York.

Recently Mr. McNeill has been stationed at Fort McDowell, California. In his new position he will be in the chemical service of the government, in the gas defense branch, for which position he formerly made application. It is in this branch of government service he thinks he can make good.

HO HONG BURIED TODAY.

Ho Hong, a 67 year old Chinese gardener, who died July 31, was buried today from the Bohnenkamp chapel.

CASUALTY LISTS ARE NOW ARRIVING

PERCENTAGE OF FATALITIES IS MUCH LIGHTER THAN GENERALLY EXPECTED

WASHINGTON, D.C., August 2.—(By United Press.)—General Pershing's list of casualties today contains 238 casualties, and is one of the largest single lists yet given out.

Out of the total of 238 casualties, 42 were killed in action and 48 died of wounds. There were only a few men from the Northwest whose names were included in the list.

This list is probably the first of those which cover the fighting in the allies counter offensive in the Reims-Soissons salient. While the percentage of deaths to total casualties is rather high, yet the total number of casualties is extremely low, when the number of men engaged and the nature of the fighting is considered.

CHINAMEN GO TO SERVE TIME

THREE MEN INVOLVED IN TONG WAR TAKEN TO SALEM.

All Legal Recourse Failed to Annul the Court Sentence From Six to Ten Years.

Three Chinamen of La Grande, Li Hung, Ching Ben and Wong Wung, were taken last night to the penitentiary at Salem to serve sentences from six to ten years. They are the ones who were found guilty of complicity in the murder of Billy Eng, an American born Chinese, on the streets of La Grande nearly two and a half years ago. The murder was committed in front of the postoffice and in the melee a shot fired inflicted a wound in the foot of a lady on the street, Mrs. George. This circumstance barred the door for any leniency of feeling as to those who were mixed up in the murder, which was the outgrowth of a long feud.

The defendants were granted separate trials in the circuit court and each in turn was found guilty, as charged. Appeals to the higher court effected no change and the last limit of time having expired, the convicted Chinese are on their way. Up to the time of their departure they were under release on bonds.

One Was Old Resident.

Li Hung, who is locally known as "Jim," is an old time resident of La Grande, for years being employed as a cook. On account of the fact that his intercourse with his Caucasian associates has always been of the highest rectitude, sympathy is expressed for him in his unfortunate connection with the affair. It is predicted that he will be one of the trio who will make a good record as a prisoner and will most likely get the limit of credit for good behavior.

YANKS WIN VICTORY IN NIGHT FIGHT

ADVANCE ENTIRE RIGHT WING AFTER INTENSE FIGHTING TO BOMPLERY.

ADVANCE STILL CONTINUES ALONG TEN MILE FRONT

Americans Utilize Every Advantage And Beat Down Stubborn German Resistance.—At Some Points Germans Sought Safety In Wild Flight.

WITH THE AMERICANS IN THE FIELD, August 2.—(By United Press.)—The Americans advanced their entire right wing during last night as far as Bomplery.

They now hold the whole of Clerges and Meuniers wood. Most intense fighting is now proceeding beyond Clerges, where the Americans gained the heights dominating the surrounding country by a series of heavy attacks, suddenly delivered.

ADVANCE ON A 10-MILE FRONT

This Morning's Reports Show That Yanks Are Still Advancing.

WITH THE FRENCH AFIELD, August 2.—(By United Press.)—The American army was still advancing this morning when reports arrived from the front line. They were utilizing every advantage they had gained in yesterday's impetuous assaults along a ten-mile front.

Beating down a very stubborn German resistance, the allies had the satisfaction of seeing the enemy in wild flight at some points.

EXTENDS BOTH WAYS

From Nineteen to Thirty-Six Probable Draft Ages.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 2.—Plans of the war department for an enlarged military program including extension of the draft limits in both directions have been virtually completed, Secretary Baker announced today. He anticipated that the war department bill will be introduced in congress next week, enabling the military committees to begin consideration without delay.

Mr. Baker would not reveal the age limits to be recommended by the department. He said, however, that published reports that the limits were to be set at from 19 to 40 years were incorrect. The 19 to 40 years suggestion was among those considered and rejected, he said.

The age limits most generally discussed heretofore as being the most acceptable to the war department were 19 and 36, inclusive, but Mr. Baker would not give any intimation that these had been accepted.

COUNTESS OF PEMBROKE



The beautiful countess of Pembroke is shown in her costume as a Red Cross nurse. She, like many other prominent ladies of the British peerage, is wearing the garb of Red Cross nurse while working for the soldiers. Lady Pembroke is the wife of the fifteenth earl of Pembroke and has been serving as a nurse at home while her husband is at the front. Before her marriage she was Lady Beatrice Paget.

THE K-O-M'S TO HAVE REUNION

FIFTH ANNUAL GATHERING AT PARK, SEPT. 1.

Former Residents Of Missouri, Kansas And Oklahoma To Talk Over Old Times.

The Kansas-Oklahoma-Missouri reunion and picnic will be held this year at the usual place—Riverside Park—on Sunday, September 1. The program committee already has their part of the day's doings well in hand and as they are well distributed over the county there is promise of a representative attendance from all parts of the valley.

This will be the fifth annual reunion of these people, the organization being composed of former residents of any one of the three states above named. Each year the reunions have grown in attendance and interest.

All new-comers of the past year are asked to keep this date in mind and they are advised of the fact that they will all be welcomed at the festive board.

All former residents of these states should make an effort to attend and get acquainted. Many pleasant, old-time associations have been renewed through this association.

PRISONERS MAY BE EXCHANGED

SWITZERLAND WILL PROVIDE PRESIDENT FOR U. S. GERMAN CONFERENCE.

WASHINGTON, D.C., August 2.—(By United Press.)—It was announced here today that Switzerland has accepted the presidency of a conference to be held between American and German envoys on an exchange of prisoners.

The government of Switzerland will name a Swiss official as the president of the conference, which will be called and opened by the government.

LABORERS IN DEMAND

Shortage of 500,000 Men War Industries Work Revealed.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—A shortage of 500,000 unskilled workers in war industries is shown in incomplete reports to the department of labor's federal employment service, which today took over the recruiting of this class of labor for war industries. Final reports are expected to show a shortage of 1,000,000 workers. Coal mining was classified as "wholly war work."

Railroads and farms must obtain their unskilled labor by means other than the federal employment service.

DOUGHBOY CAPTURES OWN FATHER

GIVES HIM AN ANTI-GERMAN LECTURE, EMBRACES HIM—THEN FEEDS HIM.

ARTIFICIAL SMOKE CLOUD HID ADVANCE OF YANKS

Germans Now Opposing Yanks Are Mostly Young But Are Good Machine Gun Fighters And Show Courage—Not Up To American Class With Bayonet.

WITH THE AMERICANS IN THE FIELD, August 2.—(By United Press.)—The American gains of the past two days have been made in the face of a gradually stiffening resistance.

On Thursday morning the American left wing attacked the Germans at a point north-east of Soissons, their infantry following closely a big smoke curtain, which partially hid them from the Germans who manned machine guns, planted thickly in the fields across which the advance was carried out.

The doughboys filtered through the smoke to the German positions in groups, gaining their first objectives without a pause.

The American right wing simultaneously advanced, moving eastward, and flanking Meuniers wood. The French co-operated with the Americans in this latter movement. Although the fighting was of a most intense nature, the work was entirely cleared of the enemy by evening.

The Germans now opposing the Americans are mostly young troops, and are good machine-gun fighters. They show increased courage in the hand-to-hand fighting, but none of them yet encountered are the equal of the Yankees with the bayonet.

Brings In Own Father. One of the doughboys, while bringing in a squad of German prisoners, was terribly startled when he noticed his own father among them. The father, who is a German, was forced to serve in the Kaiser's army and he was equally astounded to find that his own son was the guard detailed to conduct them behind the lines.

The son gave his father some really good advice, which was also of an anti-German nature. He then forgot discipline and threw his arms round his father, promising him the very best "cut" that money could buy as soon as he reached the base.

GENERALS DISMISSED

Austrian Disaster In Albania Puts Weissbaltin In Charge.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 2.—In consequence of the disaster in Albania, the Austrian supreme command has dismissed the responsible generals and appointed General Weissbaltin to command the armies opposing the advancing Franco-Italian forces, according to a cablegram received by the Italian embassy today from Rome.

The Austrians have brought up reinforcements from Bosnia, Montenegro and Macedonian Lakes district.

GREAT RECORD MADE

Huge Celebration Held at Dayton, O. In Dedication Latest Plane.

DAYTON, Ohio, Aug. 2.—Employees of the Dayton Wright Airplane company, the largest manufacturer of De Havilland battle planes for the United States army, today held a huge celebration on the completing and dedicating to the service of the 1000th plane built by the company.

The 5000 employees were given a holiday and the 1000th plane flew over the open-air gathering.

GERMANS ARE CANNED

American Government's Stand Has Effect In East India.

AMSTERDAM, Aug. 2.—The Telegraf says that, as the American government has prohibited trade with Dutch East Indian firms employing Germans, plantation enterprises there are gradually discharging the Germans in their service.



Soldiers who have been gassed by the Germans are shown arriving at a hospital in France for treatment.