

**FINDS WAR REGULATIONS**

**IN EAST STRICTLY DRAWN**  
Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wilson and son Joe returned last Friday evening from an extended auto trip that took them thru the Yellowstone, across Montana, North Dakota, Minnesota, Iowa, Illinois, Kentucky and into Tennessee.

It would take a volume to describe the good times they enjoyed fishing in the Yellowstone and in Minnesota lakes. One would hardly believe there were enough people in the world to eat all the wheat they saw growing in the Northwest, said Mr. Wilson.

Among other things they found that war regulations are more strictly enforced thru the Middle West than out here. For example, autoists can not get into a garage after 6 o'clock or on Sunday. No gasoline or oil could be purchased after 6 or on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson spent the week here preparing to move to Nyssa, where they will live at least until after the war.

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**BRITISH CONTINUE STEADY ADVANCE**

**Germans Fight Desperately, But Appear Confused as English Smash On.**

With the British Army in France—Field Marshal Haig's fighting armies have achieved further victories. They delivered blow after blow to the staggering enemy, who, in some places, such as the Thiepval salient, was reported to be in a state of great confusion.

Thiepval itself, a mighty position atop a high hill, from which the surrounding country for miles is under observation, has been occupied, and the British line has been straightened between Grandcourt and La Boisselle.

Moving swiftly in some places and crushing stubborn opposition in others the British are advancing along the whole extent of their new Somme line—from the region of Arras to southward of the river from which it takes its name.

**GENERAL MANGIN**



General Mangin of the French army, commander of the allied forces operating between Soissons and Rheims.

**AMERICAN TROOPS CAPTURE RAILWAY**

With the American Armies in France—The American troops advanced their line a third of a mile on a front of a mile and a quarter immediately east of Fismes, driving the Germans from the railroad and capturing what has been an advantageous position.

The boche had dug in along the railroad skirting the south bank of the Vesle and had established numerous machine gun nests. The Americans were in a dip south of the main Soissons-Rheims highway. They had to advance across open country toward the railway.

A stiff barrage was put down on the railway at 5 a. m. the infantry starting their advance simultaneously. Quickly they topped the highway and charged across the open space in the face of a terrific machine gun fire.

The attack was so impetuous it sent the boche running. A heavy enemy barrage was put down on the railway, but the Americans held on.

**BRIEF NEWS OF THE WAR**

Notwithstanding strong German reinforcements on both wings of the battlefield, the British and French forces everywhere have beaten off the enemy and continued the victorious progress.

The enemy has lost wide stretches of ground, numerous towns, and thousands of men made prisoner and large quantities of materials and guns.

The Germans are launching strong counter attacks against the French between the Oise and Allotte rivers in an endeavor to hold back General Mangin's army which is threatening the entire German front in this region.

With all this fierce fighting and notwithstanding the fact that the British at many places have fought over open ground against an enemy protected in "pot holes" and strong points of other kinds, the British losses everywhere seem to have been extraordinarily light. This probably is due to the confusion the Germans find reigning behind their lines, as they are fighting a losing battle, which for them hourly grows most disastrous.

In the Vosges regions the Americans are keeping up their patrol activity against the enemy. The Americans have bombed German points behind the line. Thirty-eight bombs were dropped from airplanes on Conflans Saturday and ten direct hits were scored. Considerable fighting in the air also is taking place.

Austro-Hungarian reinforcements have arrived on the southeastern end of the western front, a number of soldiers from Austrian units having been captured by French patrols in the Woevre region.

**Germany Protests to Spain.**  
Amsterdam.—Germany has energetically protested against the intention of Spain to replace sunken Spanish tonnage by interned German ships, according to an official statement issued in Berlin.

**American Casualty List is 23,574.**  
Washington.—American casualties in the great war announced by the war department to date total 23,574, of which 20,673 were in the army and 2,901 in the marine. There were 2,463 casualties reported the past week.

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Here is a detachment of the American troops that did such brilliant fighting on the west front, converting the Hun offensive into a Hun disaster and retreat. They are resting by the roadside, smoking, joking and light-hearted, and ready to jump into the fight again.

Cramped with a virtual cessation of raids on London the increasing number of bombing raids into Germany, of which there were 21 during the past week, must be demoralizing, showing Germany that she is unable adequately to protect her air frontier.

**Lusitania Owners Held Not Liable.**  
New York.—The Cunard Steamship company cannot be held liable for loss of life and property in the torpedoing of the Lusitania by a German submarine, according to a decision handed down in the admiralty branch of the United States district court.

**Russia Faces Starvation, Says Hoover.**  
Washington.—Acute starvation will rage in several areas of Russia during the winter, due to a failure of the Ukrainian wheat crop, according to Food Administrator Hoover, who has returned to Washington from Europe.

**Germans Fortifying 90 Miles Back.**  
Amsterdam.—The Germans are fortifying a line between Dinant, Belgium, and Divuet, just across the border in France, according to a report received here. Givet is 90 miles directly east of Sapaume.