

ALLIES FOLLOW UP THEIR ADVANTAGE

British Take Fricourt, After Desperate Battle.

FRENCH INCREASE PRISONERS

Destruction of German First-Line Trenches by Artillery Is Complete.

STUBBORN DEFENSE MADE

Action at One Point Like Verdun. With Teutons Striving to Hold Ground.

LONDON, July 2.—Fricourt, three miles east of Albert, the scene of desperate fighting between the British and Germans since the entente allied offensive was begun yesterday morning, has been captured by the British, according to an official statement issued tonight.

Tonight's official statement by the French War Office at Paris says that south of the Somme the French have forced their way into the second line of the German entrenchments at several places and have captured the village of Fries and the Mereaucourt wood. The number of un wounded prisoners taken in the two days' battle now is said to be more than 6000.

FRENCH CAPTURE CURU VILLAGE.

Last night's statement by the French War Office said that in the fighting south of Arras yesterday the French took a total of 5000 prisoners. In the course of the night French troops captured the village of Curu, about seven miles southwest of Albert. A heavy German counter-attack on the village of Hardecourt, north of Curu, was repulsed, the statement adds. After repeated assaults the Germans were obliged to retreat in disorder.

BRITISH HEADQUARTERS IN FRANCE, SATURDAY, JULY 1, VIA LONDON, JULY 2.—

The close of the first day's offensive over the longest front the entente allies have attempted, and the most extensive action of the war for the British, finds the British and French concentrating their gains.

DESTRUCTION OF TRENCHES COMPLETE.

South of Ancre River, where the infantry swept forward, Curu was captured by the French and Montauban and Mametz were taken by the British with almost unbroken success, though heavy curtains of fire and delays due to stubborn resistance were met at some points and particularly for the British from a German trench called "Dancing Alley."

Word came back that destruction by artillery of the first-line trench was so complete that one British battalion occupied it with the loss of a single man.

The Germans in their defensive tactics in many instances left the first-line trench lightly held and then shelled it when occupied by the British, but the British carried on the fight to the second line.

CONDITIONS OF VERDUN REVERSED.

The Germans in large force fought fiercely north of the Ancre. At Gommecourt and Beaumont Hamel there was a terrible, complicated intensity of action, with every type of destruction—like Verdun, with the Germans defenders.

When the attack was made in the morning the mist in the valley made it difficult for the infantry units to keep in touch with each other or the gunners to follow their advice, but a brilliant sunshine continued throughout the day, with clear air and summer heat.

This afternoon at 4 o'clock the village of Thiepval was still being desperately held by the Germans. The place was visible to the observer before the British opened another artillery attack which seemed to be churning it to dust, making it impossible for any human being to survive, even in the strongest redoubt. The British mortars also were busy, the projectiles glinting under the sun as hundreds of them followed one another, like a juggler tossing shining globes into the vortex of fire.

So swift is the ambulance transport

\$350,000 DEAL IS BEING NEGOTIATED

VANCOUVER AND PORTLAND PROPERTY INVOLVED.

Gustav Freiwald Closing Trade for 7300-Acre Tract Near Wash-tucna, Washington.

VANCOUVER, Wash., July 2.—(Special.)—A real estate deal, involving \$350,000 worth of property in Vancouver and Portland, is now pending, and deeds will be signed and delivered not later than July 15, it is now expected. The deal is said to be practically closed, but the usual routine of looking up the abstracts to the various parcels of land must be gone through.

Gustav Freiwald, a capitalist, of 501 Schuyler street, of Portland, is exchanging the St. Elmo Hotel at Fifth and Washington streets, the Ferry Hotel, at the landing of the Columbia River Interstate Bridge, Paul & Bryant's cafe at Seventh and Main streets, and a block, Seventh and Reserve streets, known as the Kline block, all in Vancouver, and Portland business for 7300 acres of land, at Wash-tucna, Wash., and some cash, with the Washington Development Company, of Spokane, which is acting for a banking concern of Holland, it is reported.

Mr. Freiwald will begin fencing this immense tract at once, and will this year put in 2000 acres of alfalfa. About 1000 acres are now under cultivation. Mr. Freiwald will retain his beautiful home in Irvington, Portland.

RURAL CREDITS DISCUSSED

Ex-Governor West and Professor MacPherson Are Speakers.

In his address before Evening Star Grange Saturday, Ex-Governor Oswald West advocated that the state establish a bank, pay 4 per cent interest on deposits and loan the money to farmers at 6 per cent for making permanent improvements on their farms.

Professor MacPherson, of the Oregon Agricultural College, explained the provisions of the pending measure, for which petitions are now being circulated, and on which there will be a vote in the fall. He favored the measure and urged that it will give farmers relief from the heavy interest they are now paying.

BERLIN SCENE OF RIOTING

Outbreak Caused by Punishment of Socialist Editor.

THE HAGUE, via London, July 2.—Street fights in Berlin after the sentencing of Karl Liebknecht, the Socialist leader, to penal servitude and dismissal from the army for attempted high treason and resistance to the authorities are described in Dutch newspapers of Saturday.

The Berlin populace fought with sticks against the police and military. The soldiers fired into the crowd with the result that ten persons and one soldier were severely wounded. Fifty Socialists were arrested after a wild scuffle.

RAIN AIDS IRONSIDE CROPS

Outlook for July 4 Celebration Is Slightly Dampened.

IRONSIDE, Or., July 2.—(Special.)—A gentle rain has been falling here which will greatly benefit crops and gardens, but makes the outlook somewhat unfavorable for the extensive three days' celebration planned for the Fourth.

Several hundred visitors are expected from nearby towns.

There will be ball games, with \$100 purse for the best team; horse races, foot races, and all the usual stunts, with suitable cash prizes.

Tomorrow an elaborate picnic luncheon will be served to all.

ACCIDENT ENDS CUP RACE

Vanderbilt Yacht Loses Topsail in Squall, After Taking Lead.

MARBLEHEAD, Mass., July 2.—An accident to Harold S. Vanderbilt's schooner-yacht Vagrant put an end to the second annual ocean race of the Eastern Yacht Club, from Newport to this harbor for the Vanderbilt gold cup.

The Vagrant lost her topsail in a heavy gust soon after she had taken the lead of Seaconnet yesterday over the Virginia, owned by L. F. Crofoot, of Omaha, the only other entry.

CASEMENT PLEAS PILE UP

Wilson Urged to Request Britain to Be Lenient With Irish Knight.

WASHINGTON, July 2.—Petitions requesting that President Wilson urge the British government to grant clemency to Sir Roger Casement, the Irish revolutionist, poured into the White House today from many parts of the country.

It is generally understood the United States can bring such petitions to the attention of Great Britain only informally.

BATHER KILLED BY SHARK

Victim Attacked in Surf Dies Before He Can Be Rescued.

BEACH HAVEN, N. J., July 2.—Charles E. Vansant, 23 years old, son of a Philadelphia physician, was attacked by a shark while bathing in the surf off here late today, according to eye witnesses.

He died before he could be rescued.

GERMANS' LINE TO SOISSONS IN PERIL

Pressure of Allies Continues Strong

BRITISH SUPREMACY ATTEMPTING

French Offensive Launched at Points Widely Apart.

CROWN PRINCE IS HARRIED

Assault on Fort Thiaumont Gives No Opportunity for Success of Other Forces—Paris Waits in Pleased Content.

BY FRED B. PITNEY.

PARIS, July 2.—(Special.)—When day broke this morning French troops on the Somme were nearly five kilometers—which is to say approximately three miles—inside the German lines. The English to the north were slightly in the rear of the French, but rapidly coming up. Thus Paris awoke to the fact that the great offensive was under way and the Teutons were being attacked from three sides at once—western front, Italy and Russia.

I had the good fortune to meet this morning a friend who is a Canadian officer in the sector of the attack, and who was in Paris on a brief mission from the front.

GROUND IS LOW AND FLAT.

In the half-hour he had to spare before the train carried him back to the fighting line we sat on a safe terrace and he described to me the ground over which the offensive was taking place. The center of operations is the valley of the Somme, from which the ground slopes upward on both the north and the south. To the south the slope leads to the plateau of the Isle de France and to positions along the Aisne from Soissons to Rheims. The northern slopes lead to the Aisne plain, and north of that are the plains of Picardy, mounting slowly to the rough Artois hills, which begin immediately after Arras, the last city in the plain, passed.

In general the ground is low-lying and flat, and in some places, notably around Arras, it is marshy. It rolls like our Western prairies, and is cut by numerous minor streams, of which one of the most important is the Ancre, flowing into the Somme. The country is strictly agricultural and the villages are small. Those mentioned in today's communique average about 500 inhabitants each.

VAST STORES OF SHELLS GATHERED.

At the beginning of the great German offensive against Verdun, French troops were withdrawn from all but this sector. Shells were gathered in incredible quantities. This, he it remembered, was while shells rained into the millions a week were being used at Verdun.

All the while troops continued to pour into the sector, among them the best in all the French army. A week ago the armies of the north had been

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CHILD OF MILITIA OFFICER IS KILLED

FALL DOWN ELEVATOR SHAFT AT SEATTLE IS FATAL.

Daughter of Lieutenant Gaches, Regent of University of Washington, Is Victim.

SEATTLE, Wash., July 2.—(Special.)—Josephine Gaches, 5-year-old daughter of C. E. Gaches, of Mount Vernon, member of the Board of Regents of the State University, and recently appointed a Second Lieutenant of the regimental staff of the National Guard of Washington, fell four stories down the elevator shaft at the Butler Hotel tonight, and died half an hour later at a hospital.

The operator did not close the door of the elevator when he left the car, Josephine ran to the elevator. There was an opening of about a foot between the floor of the elevator and the grating. The child plunged through this space and down the shaft to the basement.

Mrs. Gaches and her two children were on the third floor. The elevator stopped at the third floor and Mrs. Gaches summoned the operator, who left the elevator and came to unlock her door.

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OLD MINER KILLS SELF

Sale of Mines at Too Low a Figure Believed to Have Caused Act.

LIVINGSTON, Mont., July 2.—(Special.)—With \$500 on the table in front of him and a signed contract for the sale of his mining properties for \$17,000 clutched in his hand, the body of George Fisher, an old prospector of the Cooke City district, was found by neighbors. He had shot himself in the temple. It is believed that the old man thought he had parted with his mines at too low a price and had brooded over the matter.

Mr. Fisher always believed that his properties had a great future, and that he would some day be enormously wealthy. He willed all his assets to a friend. He was unmarried, and so far as known, had no relatives.

HARVESTERS ARE WANTED

Requirements of Crops in Kansas Fields Placed at 35,000 Men.

KANSAS CITY, July 2.—Thirty-five thousand harvesters are needed to handle Kansas grain properly, according to the report of the Government labor bureau here tonight.

The greatest need was announced to be in the Central part of the state near Great Bend. Wages ranging from \$3 to \$5 a day with board are being offered, with no takers.

TROOP TRAIN IS WRECKED

Retreating Austrians Meet Disaster, 200 Being Killed.

LONDON, July 2.—The death of 200 Austrian soldiers in the wreck of a military train is reported in a Reuter dispatch from Petrograd.

The train was carrying a part of the retreating Austrian force from Guera-humora. The dispatch says Russian cavalry had crossed the railroad and removed the rails.

HUGHES PLANS TRIP TO PACIFIC COAST

Portland on Itinerary of Opening Tour.

7000 MILE JOURNEY OUTLINED

Break of Fortnight Allows for Mountain Climbing.

CIRCLE TO BE TRAVELED

Nominee Probably Will Come by Northern Route and Return by Southern; Platform Speeches Not to Be Made.

BRIDGEHAMPTON, N. Y., July 2.—(Special.)—Unless he changes his plans, Charles E. Hughes, in all probability will inaugurate his campaign for the Presidency in the second week in August, starting on a tour which will take him to the Pacific Coast. The present purely tentative arrangements provide for addresses in about 10 leading cities, probably St. Paul, Portland, Or.; Seattle, Wash.; San Francisco, Los Angeles, Salt Lake City, Kansas City, St. Louis and Chicago among others.

Mr. Hughes intends this swing around the circle as merely preliminary to one or two whirlwind tours. He hopes to avoid rear-platform speaking on the first long trip. His plan is to speak only in cities where it will be convenient to spend the night and to hold only one meeting in a city, but always in the largest and most accessible auditorium, such as the Coliseum, in Chicago and St. Louis, and Convention Hall in Kansas City.

Leading Issues to Be Considered. The candidate intends that his addresses shall be dignified presentations of the issues of the campaign. Each of the great questions confronting the American people, such, for instance, as the Mexican situation and the Nation's attitude towards the European belligerents, is to be treated at length and it is probable that different questions will be considered in different cities.

One reason that Mr. Hughes believes that only the great centers of population should be visited on the initial tour is the greater opportunity for publicity which they offer. It is believed that the starting of the trip early in the campaign would have three objects. If the speeches prove as effective as is hoped for by the Republican managers, President Wilson and his Administration will be put on the defensive from the beginning; secondly, Mr. Hughes is determined to make his appeal to the people when thousands of voters have yet to decide whom they will support and have not yet tired of studying carefully prepared analytical presentations of the problems at issue. Lastly, he hopes to conserve his strength for the whirlwind tour to come shortly before election day, when long hours, much exertion and little sleep will put him to a severe physical test.

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FAREWELLS SAID AT WASHINGTON CAMP

THOUSANDS SLOSH THROUGH RAIN TO SEE TROOPS.

Many Affecting Scenes Are Enacted. Men Eager to Go Today—Soldierly Bearing Marked.

TACOMA, Wash., July 2.—(Special.)—Thousands sloshed through the rain to Camp Elmer M. Brown today to bid farewell to the 1836 men of the Washington contingent who will entrain tomorrow for the border.

Their ultimate destination has not been announced, but the soldiers think that it is at some point in Texas, for they have gained an inkling of news which says that they will stop at Den-ver on the way, to complete their equipment. Three trains will haul them south.

Many affecting scenes were enacted today at the camp. Relatives of the troops came from points as far distant as Spokane to say a last word to loved ones. The men themselves were in high spirits, and were anxious to be away, for the tedium of camp life has palled on the active fellows, who fairly hied to get into action.

There has been a big change in their appearance in seven days. A week ago when the infantry companies arrived at the mobilization camp they presented a nondescript appearance, many being in civilian clothing. A big contrast was presented today. Every man was in complete uniform and carried arms.

Nor was the change into uniform the only contrast. In the week the men have spent at Camp Brown, the various bands of straggling men, a large part of whom knew nothing of military work, to organizations presenting a soldierly aspect in every detail.

ITALIANS IN NEW ATTACK

More Austrian Trenches Carried and 195 Prisoners Taken.

ROME, via London, July 2.—Continuing their offensive in the Trentino, the Italians have begun an attack on the Austrian fortified positions between Zugna Totta and Foppiano, says the Italian official statement issued today.

The Austrians were driven from sections of the line, and some of the dispatch adds, and some more trenches were carried between Selz and Monfalcone. In the latter battle 195 Austrians were taken prisoner.

BRITISH GAIN IN AFRICA

Victory East of Livingstone Mountains Reported by London.

LONDON, July 2.—Another victory for the British against the Germans in German East Africa was announced tonight in an official statement as follows:

General Northey, who has been operating east of the Livingston Mountains against the Germans, has ejected them from the important Ubenia center and driven them northward. General Northey has taken booty and prisoners and inflicted losses.

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Ranch Home Is Washed Away Without Warning.

BODY CARRIED FIVE MILES

Mrs. M. C. McCabe and Child Are Victims and Much Property Is Badly Damaged; Others in House Barely Escape.

PENDLETON, Or., July 2.—(Special.)—Mrs. M. C. McCabe, a rancher's wife, and her infant boy were drowned last night about 5 o'clock when a cloudburst broke over upper Butter Creek canyon, 42 miles southwest of Pendleton, and a wall of water swept down upon their home. Mrs. McCabe's body was found five miles further down McDonald canyon this morning by a searching party. The baby's body was found later.

Mrs. McCabe, her three children and some men were in the McCabe house and knew nothing of the flood until it struck the house, tearing it asunder and carrying away Mrs. McCabe and the child. The other children were rescued by the men. One of the men was saved from drowning by catching hold of a fence as he was being washed down the canyon. He had one of the children in his arms.

Much property damage was done by the storm. A portion of the foundation of the Sam Nelson house near Vinson was washed out. Mrs. Nelson says a wall of water 15 feet high came roaring down Hog Hollow. All of the alfalfa in that section was totally destroyed. The flood crossed the Pat Deery place, where some damage was done.

Mrs. McCabe was 32 years of age and has lived in Unmatta County for 14 years, coming here from Ireland. Her husband, who is a cattleman, was in Heppner at the time of the disastrous flood there.

SPIRIT OF FOURTH RAMPANT

Ridgefield Prepared to Stage Biggest Celebration in Its History.

RIDGEFIELD, Wash., July 2.—Everything is in readiness for the biggest and best Fourth of July celebration that was ever planned here and the various committees are well satisfied that it will be a success in every way. Dr. C. C. Rarick, pastor of the Central Methodist Episcopal Church, Portland, will deliver "The Main attraction. A parade, including a big Calhounian section, will lead the way to the City Park, where the festivities will be held.

There will be plenty of music throughout the day by the local brass band, athletic sports of all kinds, two ball games and many other amusements. Many prizes will be awarded in the various contests. A dance will be held at night at the Hughes Auditorium.

BOMB CAUSE OF EXPLOSION

Timing on Fuse Evidently Intended to Wreck Train on Mole.

OAKLAND, Cal., July 2.—The explosion which occurred last night in the smoking car of a Southern Pacific train which was standing at the sixteenth-street station, and which injured 13 persons, was accomplished by a black-powder bomb, probably with the intention of exploding the fuse that the bomb would explode on the Oakland mole, and possibly cripple the Southern Pacific's Western terminal, according to the findings late today of the official board of inquiry which conducted an investigation today.

The failure of the supposed bomb to explode on the mole was ascribed by witnesses to the fact that the train was ahead of its schedule.

ABERDEEN IS THRONGED

Hundreds of Loggers Pour in For July 4 Celebration.

ABERDEEN, Wash., July 2.—(Special.)—The hundreds of loggers who are pouring into Grays Harbor towns from outlying camps to spend the holidays will have a much shorter Fourth vacation than usual. Nearly every camp owner is planning to resume operations before the close of next week.

Most of the camps closed Friday night, but several did not close until tonight, and one will run all day tomorrow. In nearly all cases the loggers have been advised to be back in the woods, ready for work by July 10.

Two Aberdeen mills will be closed down on July 4, and most of the others will be closed only for July 4 and 5.

MONTANA GUARDSMEN START SOUTH.

HELENA, Mont., July 2.—The Second Regiment, Montana National Guard, left for "somewhere on the Mexican border" tonight. Douglas, Ariz., is said to be the destination. The troops went in three sections, the first pulling out of Fort Harrison at 7:15 o'clock, the others at intervals of an hour. Beyond Billings their route is unknown.

