# STRATEGIC GAINS

## Important Railroad Junction Is Threatened.

### FRENCH IMPETUS ENORMOUS

Strongest Fortified Position on German Second Line Is Captured.

MANY VILLAGES ARE TAKEN

Number of German Prisoners in French Hands Estimated at More Than 8000.

### WHAT THE ALLIES' OFFEN-SIVE HAS ACCOMPLISHED TO DATE.

The Anglo-French offensive in Northern France, now in its third day, has achieved the following results:

Captured 12,300 Germans. Reoccupied 50 square miles of territory.

The allies also have captured the following towns, whose approximate distance from the former battle line are shown: Hebuterne, one mile; Serre, two miles; Fricourt, one-half mile; Montauban, four miles; Hardecourt, five miles; Maricourt, five miles; Curlu, five miles; Frise, five miles; Herbecourt, seven miles; Assevilliers, two miles; Pay, one mile; Estress, half a mile.

PARIS, July 3 .- The third day of the battle of the Somme shows that the Franco-British lines have been further advanced, the French right wing sweeping to the eastward, south wards of 8000.

The advanced French lines are now ened by the capture by the French on tinued. of the Somme and between Feualleres more than an hour. and Frise. This was the strongest fortified position of the German sec- H. W. STONE GETS CALL ond line of defense on the entire front which took Frise continued to advance with such impetus that the Germans were unable to resist, even under the protection of this formidable work.

Quarry Position Fiercely Contested. One of the fiercest struggles was stem the tide by a desperate counter arrangements for the campaign. such energy that the Germans broke have been received. before the bayonet.

The French success at Frise was association in the West. also brilliant, as it straightened their line south of the elbow of the Somme, BING thus avoiding exposure to cross-fire. the capture of the village of Herbecourt and the outskirts of Estree and Assevillers carries the advance about six miles beyond the point of departure Saturday.

### Vast Offensive Only Begun.

of first-line German trenches from the dispose of them to the canneries." Somme to the village of Fay, and including five villages; secondly, a dou- lows: Royal Annes, 50 per cent; Lamble line of German trenches extending berts, 25 per cent, and Black Republifrom Haracourt Woods to Assevillers. cans, 10 per cent. The struggle continues with intensity. Observers declare that the first three INFANT EPIDEMIC GAINING days' successes, while great, are only initial episodes in the increasing pres- Eighty-Seven Cases Develop in and sure of a vast offensive.

The desperation of the struggle along the entire front is shown in the progress made through what the of- of infantile paralysis, which has claimed ficial bulletins describe as the "line."

### Three Lines to Be Pierced.

This designation does not refer to s single line, but to the important first position defenses from a half have been reported since January mile to a mile deep, comprising an intricate system of trenches called a (Concluded on Page 2, Column 4.)

# RUSSIANS BATTER

KAISER POURS REINFORCE. MENTS INTO EAST POLAND.

Teutons Attack on Wide Front, but Succeed Only in Bending Foe's Flank at Fearful Cost.

PETROGRAD, via London, July 3.-The Russians are battering persist-ently at the solid wall of the German west and north of Lutsk beyond the Spara River. The Germans have taken the offensive at various points, and fierce battles are reported daily, but with little change in the

lignment. The Germans are pouring reinforcements to this front from Kovel, Vladi-mir-Volynski and Sokal, apparently making a desperate effort to push the Russians back on Lutsk. Their only success has been to bend the Russian flank position, at the cost of a fearful toll in dead, into an arc centering on the village of Torchin, 15 miles northwest of Lutsk.

Along the whole line northward to Riga the Germans are attacking on widely separated and narrow fronts, out apparently without co-ordination The only success admitted by military critics is in the region northwest o Nowogrodek, where the Germans threw a force across the Niemen. Little importance is attached to this, due to the swampy nature of the terrain, which, it is believed, makes the development of an offensive impossible. General Brusstloff's advance in the Kolomea region has distinctly slowed

### up, but continues to record successes. OLD SOLDIERS WANT TO GO

Veterans in Roseburg Home Form Company for Service.

ROSEBURG, Or., July 3 .- (Special.)-Ready always to answer to their country's call, members of the local Post, Grand Army of the Republic, a majority of whom are of the Old Soldiers' Home located in Roseburg, today began the organization of a company of volunteers preparatory to offering their nition services to the Government.

M. L. Webb, adjutant of the G. A. R. Post of this city, said he thought not less than 75 veterans would join the is recruited the veterans will notify Secretary of War Baker that they ar ready to go to the front.

Some of those who already have enlisted in the new company are more than 80 years of age.

# LIGHTNING ENTERS CHURCH

Just Over Congregation. BAKER, Or., July 3 .- (Special of the Somme. A group of strategic While Rev. C. E. Helman was in the villages, a large number of German midst of a sermon on "Our Country," prisoners and heavy guns have been in the Methodist Church yesterday, the artillery of the heavens let loose and taken. The total of unwounded pris- his congregation was startled by a they tried to send reinforcements foroners is officially estimated at up- flash of lightning that passed just over ward to intermediary points, but our

their heads. zigzagged across the auditorium and caught under our fire and slaughtered only three miles from the important out the opposite window without doing or compelled to fall back. Every Ger railway junction of Peronne, the de- any damage. The congregation was man left between the first and second fense of which has been greatly weak- soon composed and the sermon con- lines was killed or captured.

Sunday of Mereaucourt Woods, south son, .46 of an inch falling in little against the German second line in some

of the attack, but the French division Y. M. C. A. Secretary Is Wanted for Campaign at Butte.

H. W. Stone, general secretary of the Portland Young Men's Christian Association, has been called on to conduct a three weeks' campaign for a \$200,000 association building for Butte, Mont. for the stone quarry, also strongly John A. Goodell. Northwest Industrial fortified, three quarters of a mile east Y. M. C. A. secretary, will leave toof Curlu. Here the Germans tried to night for Butte to make preliminary

The new building would be used as attack, but the French Colonials, one a city association and also for the of the most celebrated corps of the | 15,000 employes of the Anaconda, North French army, rushed the position with Butte and Butte & Superior Mining companies. Pledges of \$35,000 already The building would be the largest for an industrial

### CHERRIES RUINED

The French announcement today of Royal Annes Are Damaged 50 Per Cent, Says Grower.

HOOD RIVER, Or., July 3 .- (Special.)-The rains of the past 10 days have practically ruined the crop of Bing cherries, according to J. R. Nunamaker, who owns the largest cherry Summing up the French advance acreage in the community. "My Bings south of the Somme, two main fea- shipment East, where this season senwill be ruined for fancy packing and tures are disclosed. First, the occu- sational prices would have been realpation for a length of eight kilometers ized," he says. "It may be that I can

Mr. Nunamaker says that his other varieties have been damaged as fol-

Near New York in Two Days.

NEW YORK, July 3.-The epidemic 82 lives in and near New York City within the last eight days, continued to gain today. From Saturday noon until noon today, \$7 cases developed and 23 persons died of the disease A total of 456 cases and 94 deaths It was announced today that the Rockefeller Institute is planning naugurate a field campaign against the

# GERMAN DEFENSES GERMAN TRENCHES PULVERIZED BY FIRE

Artillery Efforts of the Allies Prodigious

REINFORCEMEN SUPPOSITION COURT MASS

Until Hard Pressed.

### SOLDIERS DESCRIBE SCENE

Weeks May Pass Before Great Offensive Reaches Its Culmination. Curtain Has Risen, but Main Show Is Yet to Come.

BY FRED B. PITNEY. PARIS, July 3 .- (Special.) -I talked wounded in the first day's fighting on

the Somme. preliminary bombardment," said, "and for five days the spectacle was prodigious, but the effects were terrifying. It was impossible for the most solid defensive works to resist an avalanche of steel and fire as we poured on the Germans. Neither works nor men could live.

"But the return fire of the German was no child's play, you understand. We shalk meet the stubbornest kind of The enemy seem short of men at present. But they are not short of ammu-

Germans Spare Ammunition. "Nevertheless, at the beginning of the bombardment the Germans fired on an average of only one shell to 19 they wanted to conceal gun positions I don't know. But as we continued the German fire increased in intensity when they saw we meant business There is no doubt they are going to put

up a hard fight."

An infantry Captain in the next cot "After five days' steady bombardment the artillery suddenly ceased at 7:30 Saturday morning and the in fantry, under orders to attack, launched themselves at the German trenches. found them a chaotic mass of pulverized earth in which were mixed doad bodies and broken and twisted machine guns and trench artillery.

Reinforcements Caught by Fire, "When we passed their first line artillery had lifted to the German sec-The spark entered the west window, and line and the reinforcements were

"The battle went on furiously Sun The storm was the worst this sea- day. On our right wing we went up places and had to take parts of it in order to straighten out our own line. Our big guns tore the German trenches to pieces and we swarmed in them and (Concluded on Page 2. Column 5.)

# MAZAMAS REACH OLD HOOD'S SUMMIT

HUGE ALPINE TELESCOPE USED TO BRING NEWS.

Although Telephone Wires Are Down and All Communication Cut Off, No Accident Signs Seen.

65 .OOD RIVER, Or., July 3.—(Spe-cial.)—Although telephone lines to Cloud Cap Inn are down and no direct ommunication has been received from the 75 Mazamas since they disappeared in the National Forest, traveling over snowbound roads yesterday, Homer A. Rogers, who has been watching Mount Defenders Spare Ammunition Hond from Mount Hood Lodge today with a huge Alphine telescope, says the recreationists have made a sucessful ascent

"It was after five o'clock this aftersays Mr. Rogers, "before the last line of climbers started on the descent. It was 4:35 o'clock before they made the summit. Heavy clouds of the morning probably caused the start on the climb to be postponed well toward the middle of the day." Mr. Rogers says that atmosphereic conditions have been perfect all afternoon for long range vision. The recent precipitation has cleared the atmosphere of every atom of smoke and no party perhaps has ever had a finer view of the region surrounding Mount Hood than had the Mazamas today.

"I have had my telescope trained on the mountain all day," says Mr. today to an artilleryman who was Rogers, "and I have seen no movement on the part of lines, of climbers that would indicate any accident."

# HUGHES WILL BE CONCISE

Speeches on Western Trip May Be Limited to 1000 Words.

BRIDGEHAMPTON, N. Y., July 3 .-Charles E. Hughes today. Mr. Hughes expects to prepare in advance most of resistance before this affair is ended, the 10 or 12 speeches he will deliver on this trip, and to limit them to 1900 or 1200 words apiece

Preparedness and the Administraion's foreign policy with reference to Mexico will be the chief subjects discussed on the trip. The nominee made it plain to callers today that he does As soon as a full company from the French or English. Maybe not intend to make the campaign one of personalities.

## RITCHIE IN TRAINING CAMP ing the Western department, will trans

Ex-Champion Pugilist Enrolls for Military Preparation.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 2 .- "G. A. Steffen, San Francisco," was the way he wrote it on the enrollment list for and a point near Douglas and reaching first marriage. the military training camp at Mon-porthward to the Colorado state line terey at recruiting headquarters here will be known hereafter as the Depart-today, but he was soon recognized by ment of New Mexico. Under its juristhe clerks as Willie Ritchie, light-diction will fall the expedition into weight pugilist and ex-champion in his Mexico, based at Columbus, N. M., and Aviator Safely Descends 3000 Feet It is still under the ban.

when he began his pugilistic career, will report at the camp on opening day

### Rook Has Toes Removed.

LINCOLN, Neb., July 3 .- Ford Jackon, an 18-year-old signal corps memere amputated.
This was done today, and he will be

# FACES GUARDSMEN

Long Stay on Frontier Is Forecast.

### COMMANDS DIVIDED

Pershing May Be Put at Head of One Department.

### LINE IS

Effect on Carranza Is Studied in Washington-Western Troops to Be Assigned to Western End of Boundary.

WASHINGTON, July 3-While the diplomatic aspects of the Mexican difficulty showed no change tonight, War Department measures for a new disribution of the border patrol clearly ndicated that months of active service along the frontier swait the thousands of National Guardsmen gathering in the South from all parts of the country. Only the appointment of a general officer to supreme command is lacking now to complete adequate administralans for the forthcoming trip to the tive machinery, not only for border op-Pacific Coast engaged the attention of erations, but for a campaign of any desired proportions in Mexico, should

> general hostilities come. Under the new plan the 1800-mile frontier will be divided so that the Southern and Western military depart ments will take care of the eastern and western extremities of the line, respectively. Major-General Frederick relieved from responsibility for the entire border at his own recommendation, will continue in command of the Southern department, while Major-General J. Franklin Bell, commandfer his headquarters from San Francisco to Douglas, Ariz., to be in direct touch with his share of the border

### New Post Offered Pershing.

The mid-section of the border line, the post of Department Commander Ritchie, who doffed his father's name has been offered to John J. Pershing, now commanding the expeditionar

force. next Monday, and will receive four weeks, military training as high prithe duties of department chief, in addition to those which now fail to him shaft of his engine broke. as commander in the field. The expedition is believed to have about completed the movement begun 10 days or more ago when General Pershing, ber, was barred in the physical tests for strategic reasons, ordered the lines because he had two "riding toes."

Surgeons told him he could pass if these

Department has no definite informations. tion as to the exact whereabouts of the ready for service as soon as the foot various camps, but it is thought that (Concluded on Page 4, Column 1,)

## TROOP A PREPARES TO PATROL BORDER

REGON CAVALRY TO BE PUT THROUGH EXTRA DRILL.

Movement to Front Will Be Preceded by Military Lectures. Mounts Are Awaited.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., July 3 .- (Special.) -Troop A. Oregon Cavalry, settled down to extra hours of hard drilling today preparatory to an early movement to the border. As soon as the cavalry mounts are issued and drilled the troo will take up patrol work on a long sector of the southern line. News of Patriotic Exercises to Be Held the exact location of troops hereafter has been prohibited by orders from the department commander.

Until mounts are received the cavalry ommander has suggested the use o MADE SHORTER the organization as infantry on the border and it is probable that this dis-

position will be made. Long hours of drilling, schools for on-commissioned officers and military ectures on personal and camp hygiene are occupying the Oregon troopers With informaton at hand of the troop's mission in event of hostilities the officers are assured that the cavalry will have plenty to do.

The health and spirits of the mer are excellent.

QUICKSILVER OUTPUT GAINS to Increase.

WASHINGTON, July 3 .- High prices due to the war brought a record production of quicksilver in the United States in 1915. Figures compiled today by the Geological Survey show that the year's output was 21,033 flasks of 75 pounds, an increase of 2500 flasks over 1914.

Prices continue to increase. At pres ent they are almost double the high prices maintained during 1915, when the average was \$86.86 a flask.

### **ELDERLY COUPLE REMARRY** Second Marriage Is on 26th Anni-

versary of First. CHEHALIS, Wash., July 3 .- (Spe ial.)-In Vancouver, Wash, yesterday the remarriage of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew

Hylander, both of whom are well known

ago they were diverced after having above all, don't fail to see the day's eared a family of sons to maturity. Since then they adjusted their differnces and yesterday's remarriage oc embracing territory between El Paso curred on the 26th anniversary of their of the Fourth. So today with the old

# FLYER'S ENGINE BREAKS here except one-that old friend and foe of the small boy-the firecracker

at South Bend.

SOUTH BEND, Wash., July 3 .- (Spe- At 10 A. M. a big military and civic the air had to descend when the crank through the business section.

### He landed safely on the tide flats. INDEX OF TODAY'S NEWS

YESTERDAYS—Maximum temperature, 68 degrees; minimum, 55 degrees, TODAY'S—Fair and warmer; northwesterly

Serman tirst-line trenches literally pulver-ized by shell fire. Page 1. Allies make important strategic gains.

Mexico.

Troop A prepares to patrol border. Page 1. Foreign. National.

Domestic. World's richest woman noted as maker of epigrams. Page 3.
Allenist to testify Marion Lambert probably killed herself, and Orphet is incapable of murder. Page 3.

Hetty Green dead. Page 3. Republicans find good campaign material in Democratic revenue dilemma, Page 5, Portland team is due for its climb to top

Page 10.
Yankees take 11-linning game from Wash-ington. Page 10. Brooklyn easily wins from Giants. Page 16. Weish-Wolgast 15-round fight is today's top-liner. Page 10. Pacific Northwest. Maxamas reach old Mt. Hood's summit.

Addison Bennett finds Prineville in first rank of progress. Page 6. Thousands attend Salem Cherry Fair. Page 6.

With better crop prospects, demand for grain bags improves. Page 15.

Cattle and hogs are higher at North Portland yards. Page 15.

Wall-street stocks firmer on rumor of early withdrawal of troops from Mexico.

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Strike clash takes place near dock, Page 12. River reaches maximum of 23.8 feet. Page 12 Portland and Vicinity. Plans completed for today's celebration.

Coast lumbermen to oppose change in rule governing mixed lumber shipments. Page 7. debate at Chamber session is heated.

Union striker shot by waterfront strike- of another contingent breaker. Page 6.
Enrollment for Judge Gantenbein's volunteer regiment grows steadily. Page 2.

A terrific and noisy Wenther report, data and forecast. Fage 15.

### Sunrise Salute Will Boom From Cruisers.

### PARADE MOVES AT 10 O'GLOCK

at Multnomah Field.

Most Spectacular Feature Will Be Fireworks on River at Night, During Which Torpedo-Boat Will Be Destroyed by Fire.

## DAT'S EVENTS AS SCHEDULED.

6 A. M .- Firing of salutes by cruisers Boston and Marblehead and blowing of whistles and ringing of bells throughout city. 10 A. M.-Military and civic

11:30 A. M.-Patriotic exercises at Multnomah Field. 1 P. M.-Firemen's tournament

2 P. M .- Sport tournament at Multnomah Field. 9:15 P. M .- Sham naval engagement in river between Broadway and Harriman bridges. 9:45 P. M .- Fireworks display

on South Parkway.

Harriman bridges.

It's here at last, that much-talked-of

on river between Broadway and

old-fashioned Fourth of July. Don't be alarmed at 6 A. M. by the blasting of cannon, the blowing of whistles and the ringing of bells. It will be merely the opening shot in the locally, was celebrated. Some months spirit of '76 brought up to date. And

show all the way through. Not for a decade or more has Portland relapsed into a noisy celebration epirit turned loose there should be me fun. All the old things will be

# Big Show Starts at 10 o'Clock.

The show begins at 10 A. M., except the aforementioned sunrise awakening. Captain Kenneth P. Williams, U. S.

A., will be grand marshal and will head the line, with Roy W. Kesl and A. W. Orton as aides. The first parade division will comprise the companies of the Coast Artillery, the Oregon Naval Militia, the junior militia and other military features.

The second division, with Dr. J. Hall, of the Grand Army, as marshal, will be made up of Grand Army veterans, Indian war veterans and veterans of the Spanish-American war. A feature of this division will be the old First Oregon Regiment, which has been recently reorganised.

### Novel Features Planned. New troop dispositions indicate long stay for Guardsmen at border. Page 1. Battery A is in camp at Calexico. Page 4. Recruiting at Camp Withycombe resumed as weather clears. Page 4. G. Sutherland as marshal. A Goddess of Liberty float has been built by the O.-W. R. & N. Company and Miss Al-vina Larson will be the Goddess. The float will be escorted by 50 uniformed

O.-W. R. & N. employes. Another novel parade feature will be a singing chorus of 50 young women Following them will be a division for nurses from the hospitals and the Women's National Honor Guard, cently organized by Miss Helen Ladd. In this division also will be old-fash loned fire-fighting machines. The parade will have 10 or 12 bands.

At 11:30 Multnomah Field will be the scene of an old-fashioned Fourth of July meeting with patriotic music, speeches and demonstrations. A section in the grandstand will be reserved

### Bishop Sumner to Speak.

Right Rev. Walter T. Sumner will be the orator of the day. The programme includes the reading of the Declaration of Independence by George W. Caldwell and the singing of patriotic songs under the leadership of Hartridge

At I o'clock an old-fashioned firemen's tournament is scheduled for South Parkway All kinds of exciting fire races of the old type as well as modern exhibitions will be staged and attractive prizes have been offered.

At 2 o'clock a lengthy programme will be started at Multnemah Field. Every class of race or sport that made such tournaments big events in the olden days will be run off, with good prizes for winners.

The climax of the celebration will Page 11.

Western Pythians seek to name new vicechanceller of order. Page 11.

Local branch of Honor Guard will be in
parade today. Page 14.

Rest day bill is withdrawn. Page 7.

Twenty-six face bar of justice for everindulgence in liquor. Page 9.

Specially constructed for poorts
charge of officers and men of the Nacome at 9:15 in the Willamette between specially constructed torpedo-soat, in charge of officers and men of the Na-City is patriotically decorated for Fourth. val Militia and the Lawyers' Auxiliary Absolute dry measure will be on November of the Naval Militia, will attack the ballot. Page 12.

Specticular Scene Promised. A terrifle and noisy 15 minutes' bat-European war will end by Fall, ways Swed-ish manufacturer, Page 16. (Concluded on Page 16, Column 1)

