

LONDON STABBED BY WAR CELEBRATION

Asquith Says Staffs of Allies Are Agreed That Victory Will Be Won.

COMMON POLICY DESCRIBED

Haig and Jellicoe Send Messages of Confidence—Signs of Weakening and Exhaustion of the Enemy Declared Visible.

LONDON, Aug. 4.—"We look forward with confidence to success and triumphant peace," was the conclusion of an inspiring telegram from General Sir Douglas Haig, commander of the British armies in France, read at a packed meeting in Queen's Hall tonight to celebrate the second anniversary of the war.

The Earl of Derby, Under-Secretary for War, presided at the meeting, which was most enthusiastic and representative of all classes of society. General Derby read a telegram from Admiral Sir John Jellicoe, commander-in-chief of the grand fleet, which was similar in tenor to that of General Haig.

Position Viewed Optimistically. In a brief speech Earl Derby said: "Notwithstanding our losses and the misery and anxiety caused by the war, the empire is just as determined as ever to see German militarism crushed. Although the end of the war may not be in sight, never have we stood in so favorable a position."

Referring to Germany's costly mistake and delusion in supposing that Great Britain would never join France and Russia in arms, the Premier said that never in the tangled and bungled web of German diplomacy had there been an error so crude in conception and so disastrously fatal to its authors. Proceeding to a review of the two years, Premier Asquith said the war had breathed a new spirit into the British nation, while there was nothing more remarkable during the past year than the success with which the entire allies have developed a common policy and a united plan which had resulted in the present successful and vigorous offensive on three fronts of the theater of war.

Command of Seas Demonstrated. "Our navy," the Premier continued, "with its ever-tightening grip, is throttling the life of Germany, and in history has there been such a demonstrative proof of the supreme importance of the command of the seas. The enemy is everywhere on the defensive. There are signs of his material weakening and exhaustion."

"The recrudescence of deliberate and calculated barbarity on the part of Germany indicates her sense of desperation. The record of her latest atrocities will blacken any page that has ever smirched the annals of the German army. Nor can we forget the great infamy directed against ourselves in the judicial murder of Captain Fryatt, which has stirred the indignation and outraged the conscience of the whole world."

Reference to "Atrocities" Applauded. The Premier was greeted with an outburst of applause when he repeated the statement he made in the House of Commons that the conference was considering how to deal with the "German atrocities."

He concluded by saying that all the allies' army agreed that prospects for an allied victory have never been so bright and that the final result of their victory would be a "great partnership of nations in the joint pursuit of a freer and fuller life for the countless millions who, by the efforts and sacrifice of generations after generation, have maintained progress and enriched the inheritance of humanity."

ASTORIA ROAD IMPROVED

Autoists Report Columbia Highway to Coast in Good Condition.

ASTORIA, Or., Aug. 4.—(Special.)—The weather of the past few days worked wonders in improving the condition of the Columbia Highway between here and Portland. Autoists who came over the road yesterday and today report that the muddy spots have disappeared and machines can come through without trouble.

TARGET RANGE APPROVED

Army Bill Conference Accept Amendment Appropriating \$100,000.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU

WASHINGTON, Aug. 4.—The conference committee on the Army appropriation bill today accepted Senator Jones' amendment appropriating \$100,000 to buy land and equip a target range near Vancouver Barracks.

FRENCH RETAKE POSITIONS

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man counter attacks have been frequent and furious, and a regiment of French guns and rifles. In the territory captured, too, the effects of the French shells have been seen in piles of dead and dying, while the baragees have made escape for the defenders of many of the posts impossible. The French have captured 2175 un wounded prisoners.

That the German guns have been less effective is shown in the French feat of bringing 800 prisoners back with them when they retreated the first time from Thiaumont.

France Is Rejoicing. The success of the drive has caused the greatest rejoicing throughout France—even more than did the victories along the Somme. In London, too, the French success is hailed with delight. The capture of Fleury is the first fruit of the new French offensive. It has been accepted that France has done her share in holding the line until the British could prepare, and Britain has accepted as hers the task of turning the Germans out. The fact that France is still able to bring strength to the task is accepted as evidence that it may not be so long nor so costly as had been expected.

The initiative, experts now think, has passed definitely to the allies.

Belgian Banker Deported. LONDON, Aug. 4.—The director of the Belgian National Bank at Antwerp has been deported by the German authorities, says a dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company from The Hague today, "because of his refusal to pay them 400,000 francs in exchange for a paper receipt."

OFFICIAL WAR REPORTS

French. PARIS, Aug. 4.—The statement given out today by the French War Department, in which it is admitted that the Germans have succeeded in recapturing a portion of the village of Fleury, is as follows: "On the right bank of the Meuse the battle continued along the Thiaumont-Fleury front, where the Germans attacked last night with great ferocity. Several counter attacks in large numbers upon our positions near the Thiaumont work were repulsed with heavy losses on our side. In the course of this fighting our troops even occupied the Thiaumont work, but they were compelled to evacuate it by the powerful German bombardment they brought back with them 50 prisoners.

"There has been fighting no less violent in the region of Fleury. The Germans multiplied the number of counter attacks upon this village. Each was preceded by an intense preparatory artillery fire. After several fruitless endeavors, the Germans secured a foothold in the southern part of Fleury, where spirited fighting still is going on. All efforts made to dislodge us from the position to the southeast of the village were checked by the resistance of our troops.

"The enemy attacked in like manner during the night our new positions to the east of Vacherauville. They succeeded only in suffering heavy losses. In the vicinity of Vaux le Chapitre and the artillery fighting has been spirited.

"In the Vosges yesterday the enemy delivered upon the salient at La Chapelle an attack, which, however, dispersed before our adversaries could reach our lines."

"On the right bank of the Meuse fighting continued all day in the region of the Mamezow and Kovel, in the northwest and southwest of the Thiaumont works. All attempts to dislodge us from our positions failed. We not only broke the enemy's attacks, inflicting heavy losses upon him, but in a second offensive move our troops succeeded in capturing the village of Eloi in 12 hours, the Thiaumont work, which remains in our possession, notwithstanding several enemy counter attacks.

"Fierce fighting is going on at Fleury. After having evacuated the village of Fleury this morning as a consequence of several German attacks, our infantry this afternoon carried with the bayonet the greater part of the village. The enemy is still retreating energetically. The number of un wounded prisoners taken by us today is more than 400."

Germans on Western Front. BERLIN, via London, Aug. 4.—The text of today's official statement on the progress of the war on the western front is as follows: "Last night the French succeeded in taking possession of our positions in the village of Fleury and south of the Thiaumont work. Our counter attack, delivered early this morning, put us in complete possession again of the village of Fleury and the trench north and west of this village.

"Enemy attacks northwest of the Thiaumont work and against our positions in Chapitre and the mountain forests were repulsed last night with heavy losses to the enemy. The situation is now again exactly the same as before the fighting which was carried out with very strong forces."

Russian. PETROGRAD, via London, Aug. 4.—Today's Russian official statement is: "Western front—In the region of Lubiezow (northwest of Kovel) our detachments crossed to the left bank of the River Stokhod and took a series of heights on which they fortified themselves.

"On the River Stavok, a left tributary of the Stokhod, our detachments took their way to the river where an obstinate engagement took place for the village of Rudka-Mirynskaia. Bayonet fighting took place in the streets, and although the enemy changed hands several times, it finally remained in our possession. All enemy attempts to dislodge us ended in failure.

"The enemy was forced back behind the River Stavok and we took 600 German prisoners and captured 12 machine guns.

"In the region of Korytnik an enemy attack was repelled by our fire. On the rest of the front the usual artillery duel is proceeding."

"An official report issued tonight says: 'On the outskirts of Rudka-Mirynskaia there was desperate fighting the entire night, the enemy having approached the village from three sides down one of the Capronis. The pilot was killed and the two observers taken prisoners. Lieutenant Bafield and his hydroplane returned unharmed.'

MANY MERCHANTMEN SUNK One Submarine Destroys Eight Off England; Others Go Down. BERLIN, Aug. 4.—(By wireless to Sayville, N. Y.)—The German Admiralty today announced that eight English motor and vesel and one English steam trawler were sunk by a German submarine off the English east coast July 28.

LONDON, Aug. 4.—Sinking of the Japanese steamer Kohina Maru, 1162 tons; the Italian steamer Benfield, 1170 tons; the British steamer G. C. Gradwell and two British schooners, was announced today. Except for the two schooners, no information as to the location of the attacks is given.

BELGIANS GAIN IN AFRICA Forces Occupy Important German Post on Lake Tanganyika. HAVRE, Aug. 4.—Further progress for the Belgian forces invading German East Africa is announced in an official statement issued by the Belgian War Office. The text of the statement follows: "The right wing of the Belgian troops, pursuing its march toward the occupied Kigoma, in the district of Ujiji, the most important German post on Lake Tanganyika, Kigoma is the terminus of the railroad from Dar-es-Salaam, the capital of the colony to the lake."

BRITISH CASUALTIES HEAVY Officers Killed in First Two Weeks of July 580. LONDON, July 24.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)—Officers' casualty lists for two weeks from July 1 to 15 show the severity of the fighting since the great offensive began on the western front, the British army in a fortnight losing 580 officers killed, 1764 wounded and 239 missing, a total of 2624. This makes a total loss of British officers since the beginning of the war 5577 killed, 29,270 wounded and 2251 missing, a total of 37,098.

MRS. HUGHES BEGINS WEST TOIGHT

First Speech Will Be Made in Detroit, and Chicago Is Next on List.

MRS. HUGHES COMING, TOO

Four of Addresses Already Prepared and 29 Others Will Be Completed on Tour—Democrats on Watch.

NEW YORK, Aug. 4.—(Special.)—Assured of a warm and hearty welcome all along the line of his itinerary, Charles Evans Hughes will embark tomorrow night for his friendly invasion of the West, armed with facts and prepared to show the public generally that he is a real human being with the best interests of his country much at heart, and not the aloof person painted by his political enemies.

His first stop will be in Detroit, which is recognized by all political managers as an important battlefield. President Wilson went there and made a speech, but Theodore Roosevelt had been ahead of him and discounted in advance his efforts. There are many extreme reactionists and around Detroit. A large percentage of them find profitable employment in Henry Ford's factories or are dependent upon him for orders for supplies of various kinds. There are also several hunky Moose still roaming the Michigan hills and if Mr. Hughes can get them into his corral he will have made a big start.

Enthusiasm High in Chicago. From Detroit he will jump to Chicago, where he is assured a most enthusiastic greeting from all factions. Illinois, in recent years, has broken not badly with factional rashes, but the dismemberment of the state by the Progressive leaders are strong for Mr. Hughes and the women's organizations are all for him. Republicans are already lined up under the Hughes banner, and the candidate will have a send-off in Chicago that will hearten him for his western tour.

The next stop will be in the Twin Cities of Minnesota. This state is admitted a Republican year, and the Democrats have practically decided to waste much ammunition. Minnesota, like Illinois, presents a solidification of the party, and the enemy in this campaign know only one present Washington Administration. So it is certain that Mr. Hughes, following his reception in Chicago, will gain considerable steam and impetus in the Twin Cities.

North Dakota to Get Acquainted. North Dakota, the next stop, is assured to be a certain that Oregon and Hughes' appearance there is complimentary in character and for the purpose of the campaign, or what is more important, giving the North Dakotans a chance to become acquainted with him at close range. He will speak in the morning and afternoon, also make three speeches in Montana. North Dakota, which was carried in the Wilson landslide by the Democrats, will make a different report this morning. The regular Republican ticket has been powdered from top to toe by the non-partisan farmers' league, which is powerful in the state, and this means certain success for the Republican ticket.

Heading into Montana, Mr. Hughes will find that the friends of Colonel Roosevelt are lined up solidly with the regular Republican forces.

Regarded as Promising. It is regarded as certain that Oregon and California will be strong for a Republican Administration, as the tariff blow to the industries of both states. With the South firmly in the saddle, the Democratic Administration probably will forget the tariff grievance, inasmuch as they had been permitted to drop the tariff, and the result was glory. Southern statesmen do not think any too highly of the Far West, at best.

After his visit to the coast, Mr. Hughes will start the return trip, speaking in Nevada, Utah, Wyoming, Kansas and Kentucky, sort, to which he will refer in his addresses. He has prepared the first four to be delivered in Detroit, Chicago, Minneapolis and St. Paul, and will complete the others in the 29 while on his trip.

CHICAGO PLANS RECEPTION City and Down-State Leaders Named on Committee of 75. CHICAGO, Aug. 4.—(Special.)—Prominent Chicago business men and politicians are being organized into a down-state business men and party officials as members of the reception committee which will entertain Charles Evans Hughes from the moment he arrives here Tuesday.

The Republican candidate for President is to make his keynote speech of the Western tour that day at the Coliseum, and for 14 hours will be in the hands of the committee, which will be made up of eight Chicagoans and 67 out-of-town Republicans.

Women of Illinois, embracing Republicans and Progressives, were assigned today to the party they will take in the reception. With harmony as the keynote among the prominent Chicago Republican and Progressive women leaders, a general invitation was issued to the Illinois Suffrage Association, the Congressional Union, the Illinois Republican Woman's League, the Progressive Women and the Political Equality League, to assist in making the visit of the Republican candidate a big success.

Mr. Hughes will arrive in Chicago from Detroit over the Michigan Central Railway. There will be 28 in his party, including newspaper men, National Chairman Wilcox and others of the National executive committee force, will reach Chicago a day ahead of the candidate.

Italy Loses Two Submarines. ROME, via Paris, Aug. 4.—The loss of two Italian submarines is officially announced. The statement says that the undersea craft "left with others on a mission to the enemy coast long time ago. As they have failed to return to their base they are considered lost."

FRIDAY'S WAR MOVES

VERDUN, almost quiescent during the Anglo-French offensive in the Somme region, has again become the stormcenter on the western battle front. The French forces have been on the offensive on the right bank of the Meuse, and now hold the Thiaumont work and the greater part of the village of Fleury, in the region of Verdun.

Friday's War Moves

On the Somme front in Northern France there has been little infantry fighting, both the British and French official communications failing to report any moves on the part of their armies. London says the Germans bombarded the sector and shelled our positions and also the southern portion of the Mametz woods.

Desperate counter attacks by the Germans in the region of the Stokhod River, east of Kovel, have resulted in the retirement of the Russian forces toward their way to the river where an obstinate engagement took place for the village of Rudka-Mirynskaia. The fact that the village is only 19 miles from Kovel, the Russian objective, and the fact that the Volhynian front, probably accounts for the intensity of the fighting there.

The Russian General Sakharoff's troops continue to advance south of Brody and toward Lemberg. Petrograd reports the capture of 1300 Austro-German prisoners on the line of the Sereth and Graberki rivers.

A squadron of British naval aeroplanes has attacked with bombs German military establishments in the vicinity of Ghent, Belgium. London says considerable damage was done by dropping two tons of bombs. Unofficial reports received in Amsterdam apparently confirm this claim.

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MRS. HUGHES COMING ALONG. Mrs. Hughes will come from Bridgehampton, L. I., tomorrow morning to New York, where she will spend the day conferring with William A. Wilcox, Republican National chairman, before beginning his Western campaign trip tonight.

Mrs. Hughes will accompany him. Mr. Hughes is taking with him three trunks, one of them filled with documents and a widely varied sort, to which he will refer in his addresses. He has prepared the first four to be delivered in Detroit, Chicago, Minneapolis and St. Paul, and will complete the others of the 29 while on his trip.

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Great Western Travel Bureau, First Floor

Advertisement for Lipman Wolfe & Co. featuring Middy Blouses for Outing and Sports Wear. Price: 98c, \$1.25, \$1.75.



Advertisement for Men's Outing Suits. Price: \$13.50, For \$6.95.

Advertisement for Great Clean-Up of the Best Makes of SILK GLOVES. Price: 75c and \$1.25 Silk Gloves for 50c.

Advertisement for Pure Jersey Knit Bathing Suits. Price: \$2.95.

Advertisement for Clean-Up Prices Boys' Wash Suits. Price: \$2.50 Wash Suits \$1.98.

Advertisement for 85c Factory Seconds Silk Gloves. Price: 85c Factory Seconds Silk Gloves for 59c.

Advertisement for Just Arrived New Felt Sports Hats. Price: \$1.95 to \$5.00.

Advertisement for Newest Silk Mode's Automobile Caps. Price: Regular \$1.25 and \$1.65.

Advertisement for SATURDAY CANDIES. Price: 25c Peanut Brittle, 10c 25c Coconut Bon Bons, 10c 40c Kingston Toffee, 20c 40c Pinchoe, 20c 40c Quart Brick Ice Cream.

Advertisement for Summer Toilet Needs, Sale Prices. Price: \$1.25 Tourist Rollup, 75c Bath Caps, 50c Novelty Bath Caps, 35c Men's Silk Caps, 25c Smelling Salts, 50c Alcohol Curling Iron.

Advertisement for New Fall Mode's Blouses \$6.75. Price: \$6.75.

Advertisement for Beauty Parlors. Price: \$1.00 Double-Faced Impured English Records 50c.

Advertisement for Do You Know That \$15.00 Will Purchase A Genuine Victrola? Price: \$15.00.

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Advertisement for Ice Cream and Soda Fountain in Basement.

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Pythians at Clatsop Beach

Big Clambake Today Sunday—Grand Concert at Seaside. Try a week-end or season vacation at Clatsop Beach. Frolic in the surf, or a romp in the big, clean, modern Natoratia at Seaside and Gearhart and you'll come back to business and town with the pep that only ocean air and water gives.

TWO DAILY TRAINS TO CLATSOP BEACH RESORTS—THREE TRAINS ON SATURDAYS

MONDAY MORNING SPECIAL RETURNING TO PORTLAND Observation Parlor Cars

Advertisement for \$3 Week-End Round Trip \$4 Season. Includes Spokane, Portland, and Seattle.

Advertisement for Reif's Special. TO BUY A BETTER DRINK THAN Reif's SPECIAL. IT CAN'T BE DID, SON, IT CAN'T BE DID.