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ALLIES HURL BACK HUNS AT 2 POINTS

British Gain in Flanders
and French in Picardy.

8-MILE FRONT IS SMASHED

Entente Troops Make Advance
of More Than Mile and
Take Three Villages.

PRISONERS EXCEED 1400

Poilus Drive Ahead Near Soissons,
While English Hit
Foe Near Bailleuil.

PARIS, June 28.—Southwest of Soissons French troops in an attack over a front of four and a half miles from the south of Ambly to the east of Montgobert today captured German positions and at some points advanced their line to a depth of a mile and a quarter, says the French official communication this evening.

Prisoners to the number of 1060 thus far have been counted.

The Fosses above Laversine and the heights northwest of Cutry were taken and the line was advanced near the west of St. Pierre Aigle and also on the hill south of the village.

Fighting occurs in woods.

French troops last night also carried out an operation on the front southeast of Amiens by means of which their lines were advanced in Seneca Wood and the Ave Wood, the War Office announced today. In this action and in other fighting between the Marne and the Ourcq, south of Dammarie, prisoners to the number of 122 were taken.

(By the Associated Press.)

WITH THE BRITISH ARMY IN FRANCE, June 28.—Field Marshal von Hindenburg's troops east of the forest of Nieppe got a nasty and unexpected knock today, when the British drove forward in a surprise attack along a front of more than three miles and hurled the startled gray-coated soldiers back to an average depth of 1500 yards. More than 300 prisoners and 22 machine guns were taken.

The successful advance of nearly a mile was made by the British troops between Bailleuil and La Bassée.

Captured Ground Important.

The captured ground lies at the most debatable point on the British front just west of the Bois d'Aval, which forms the foremost east angle of the Nieppe Forest.

The offensive was at a point where the enemy thrust was hardest in the Flanders battle in an effort to capture the forest, which would have opened his way to Hazebrouck, the capture of which would have entailed the British retirement from Ypres.

The attack was launched at 6 o'clock this morning on a front of 6000 yards from Vieux Bequin to Pont Tournai, its objective being the line of the small stream called the Plate Beque, 1500 yards away. The objectives were completely attained and give the British valuable ground for future attacks.

Operation Is Big Success.

The operation was an unequalled success from its inception and the attacking infantry reached all their objectives in remarkably short time. By this thrust the British not only have greatly improved their position in this important and much-contested sector, which lies just north of Merville, but they inflicted heavy punishment on two hostile divisions that were holding the line here—the thirty-second division of Saxons and the forty-fourth reserve division of Prussians.

Many Huns Killed.

Large numbers of the enemy were killed in the hurricane onslaught, and some 250 of the more fortunate had been collected in prisoner cages before noon.

The front of the attack was 6000 yards in length and lay approximately between Vieux Bequin on the north and Pont Tournai, which is 2000 yards northwest of Merville, on the south.

West of Merville the British and German lines here had been jammed up almost against the edge of the

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U. S. WILL POLICE PANAMA AND COLON

ARMY ORDERED TO PUT END TO
VICE CONDITIONS.

War Department Acts to Prevent
Trouble Because of Postponement
of National Elections.

WASHINGTON, June 28.—Secretary Baker today instructed Major-General Blachford, commanding the Department of Panama, to take over the policing of the cities of Panama and Colon for the purpose of maintaining public order.

The action resulted from information received at the State Department from the government of Panama that grave disorders were expected because of the postponement of the national elections set for June 30.

Decision to postpone the elections for six months was taken by the Government of Panama because of vice conditions in the two terminal cities of the Panama Canal, which had led to a boycott against them by the American Army authorities.

The Panama Government has undertaken to clean up the two cities and explained that while the campaign was in progress it did not think it advisable to hold the elections. Opponents of the president of the Republic recently protested to the State Department against this decision.

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WILLIAM J. MCCOLM DEAD

Portland Boy Reported Killed in
France June 6.

William J. McCollm, of the United States Marine Corps, formerly of Portland, was killed in action on the French front on June 6, according to a message from Major-General George Barnett received at the Portland office of the Western Union Telegraph Company yesterday. The message is being held at the telegraph office because Mrs. Ella D. McCollm, the lad's mother, could not be located yesterday.

The message in full follows: "Deeply regret to inform you cablegram from abroad states that Sergeant William J. McCollm, Marine Corps, was killed in action June 6. Remains will be interred abroad until end of war. Accept my heartfelt sympathy in your great loss. Your son nobly gave his life in service of his country."

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NON-PARTISAN TICKET WINS

Victory Complete in North Dakota
Republican Primaries.

FARGO, N. D., June 27.—The entire non-partisan ticket, State and Congressional, was nominated in the Republican primaries of Wednesday.

Governor Lynn J. Frazier, non-partisan, who took the lead over John Steen, independent, as returns came from the rural precincts Thursday, steadily increased that lead today until it neared the 15,000 mark.

In the Congressional race in the First district, it is estimated, Congressman J. M. Baer's final majority will be nearly 800 over Henry Vick; in the Third district, J. H. Sinclair's approximately 700 over P. D. Norton. In the Second district, George Young was successful over John Hanchett by a vote of approximately 3 to 1.

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MANY MILLIONS PLEDGED

National Thrift Day Widely Observed in United States.

WASHINGTON, June 28.—National Thrift Day was observed throughout the country today by the gathering of millions of pledges for systematic purchase during the remainder of the year of war savings and thrift stamps, aided in many localities by suspension of business and public demonstrations. Definite reports of the war savings campaign of several weeks ending tonight were not available at headquarters tonight, but indications were that hundreds of millions of dollars had been pledged by the Government in exchange for savings stamps.

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LUDWIG LOYAL TO KAISER

Jail and Fine Preferred by Spokane
Man to Buying Stamps.

SPOKANE, Wash., June 28.—(Special.)—Given the alternative of buying \$50 of war savings stamps or serving 30 days in jail and paying a fine of \$50 and costs, Ludwig O. Koersmo chose the latter when convicted in police court this afternoon of disorderly conduct.

Koersmo was charged with turning a hose on Mrs. E. J. Mullins when she solicited him to buy war savings stamps at his home. Koersmo also is alleged to have made a number of unpatriotic remarks in regard to the war when talking to Mrs. Mullins.

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WOMAN WORKS FOR CITY

Garage Men Go to War, but Mr.
Kellahe Solves Dilemma.

A tradition that has existed since the establishment of the municipal garage that none other than a man or boy could wash, oil and care for the automobiles used by city employees was shattered yesterday, when City Commissioner Dan Kellahe employed a woman to serve in this capacity.

"Our garage men have gone into the service and the men who have replaced them have not given entire satisfaction," said Mr. Kellahe. "The work performed by the woman who has been employed is exceedingly satisfactory."

DRAFT AGE LIMITS STAND UNCHANGED

Senate Defeats Move
to Make Extension.

PROLONGED FIGHT IS ENDED

Way Cleared for Passage of
12 Billion Army Bill.

McCUMBER LEADS DEBATE

North Dakotan Criticizes Congress
for "Abdicating Its Duties" to
Executive Departments
of Administration.

WASHINGTON, June 28.—Immediate extension of the present Army draft age limits, 21 to 31 years, was overwhelmingly defeated today in the Senate.

The amendment proposed by Senator Fall, of New Mexico, to the Army appropriation bill to make the limits 20 and 40 years, together with all compromises suggested for different minimums and maximums, were voted down.

Settlement of the controversy which has held Senate attention for several days cleared the way for passage of the \$12,000,000,000 appropriation.

Besides disposing of the draft-age question, the Senate adopted several amendments to the bill.

Aircraft Amendment Adopted.

One authorized organization of the \$100,000,000 aircraft production corporation proposed by the Aircraft Production Board as a vehicle for co-ordinating aircraft production as shipbuilding is co-ordinated by the Shipping Board through the Emergency Fleet Corporation.

Others authorized the plan of basing draft quotas on the number of men in class 1, instead of upon state populations and affecting rights of neutrals under the draft law. The Senate had previously adopted the draft quota legislation, but it has been held up in the House.

Certain Neutrals Affected.

The amendment affecting neutrals provides that citizens of neutral countries now subject to draft who have declared their intention of becoming American citizens shall not be eligible for citizenship if they claim exemption from the draft. This provision, offered by Senator Hitchcock of Nebraska, was adopted as a substitute for an amendment approved by the State Department, providing for exemption from the draft of all citizens of neutral countries.

The question of extending the draft age limits occupied almost all of the Senate session. A proposal by Senator Hardwick, of Georgia, that the present minimum age limit of 21 years be substituted for the 20-year minimum of the Fall amendment was rejected, 41 to 35, as was one by Senator Weeks of Massachusetts.

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HIGH HONOR GIVEN COAST SHIPYARDS

FAR WESTERN PLANTS EXCEL
IN VESSEL CONSTRUCTION.

Grant Smith-Porter Company Gets
First-Honor Blue Flag for
Wooden Craft Building.

WASHINGTON, June 28.—Shipyards on the Pacific Coast made a clean sweep of the honors awarded for the first time by the Emergency Fleet Corporation to plants excelling in construction of vessels.

First honor blue flags, awarded on the basis of output in May, will go to the Bethlehem Shipbuilding Corporation, (Union Iron Works Plant), San Francisco, for yards building steel ships, and to the Grant-Smith-Porter Company, of St. Johns, Or., for the yards building wooden vessels.

Second and third honors among yards in the building of steel ships were awarded to the Skinner & Eddy Corporation, Seattle, Wash., and Moore Shipbuilding Company, of Oakland, Cal., and among yards building wooden ships to the Aberdeen, Wash., yard of the Grant-Smith-Porter Company and the Allen Shipbuilding Company of Seattle.

Rear-Admiral Frank F. Fletcher heads the board which made the awards. Officials hope that the flags will reach the yards in time to be raised July 4. They will be retained by the winning yards for one month.

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BAPTISTS PLEDGE SUPPORT

Rev. W. A. Waldo Elected Vice-
President for Oregon.

BERKELEY, Cal., June 28.—A telegram pledging the support of the Baptists of the Pacific Coast to the wartime programme of the Government and urging National prohibition as a means of aiding the success of the war was sent to President Wilson at the closing session of the Pacific Coast Baptist Conference in this city.

Resolutions also embodying patriotic sentiments and favoring a "dry nation" were passed by the conference.

Dr. Clairborne M. Hill, president of the Berkeley Baptist Divinity School, was elected president of the conference, which comprises six Western states and British Columbia, succeeding Mattison B. Jones. Other officers named included:

Secretary, Rev. A. P. Browne, Alameda; treasurer, A. E. Caldwell, Oakland; vice-president for Oregon, W. A. Waldo; vice-presidents for Washington, Rev. John Smith, Rev. J. Nottisinger; vice-president for Southern California, L. A. Roadway; vice-president for Arizona, L. W. Coggins.

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BIGGER GOLD OUTPUT AIM

Plans Afoot to Encourage Mining in
Western States.

WASHINGTON, June 28.—A conference of Western Congressmen and mining men today resulted in the creation of a committee to formulate a plan to lay before the treasury and the railroad administration to encourage gold mining and to maintain the international standard of value.

Suggestions included the giving of a bonus for gold production, elimination of the war tax on that metal and the opening up of the gold-bearing lands in forest reserves to unrestricted prospecting and mining developments.

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BOLSHEVIK REGIME REPORTED FALLEN

Lenine, Trotzky Said
to Be Fugitives.

MOSCOW CAPTURE RUMORED

Copenhagen Advices Say
Grand Duke Made Emperor.

WASHINGTON WAITS PROOF

Possibility Exists Flood of Interest-
ing Stories About Russia Have
Source in German Propaganda Headquarters.

WASHINGTON, June 28.—The flood tide of sensational rumors that have been coming out of Russia recently was reached today with the report that the Bolshevik regime had been overthrown. This story was traceable only as far as Copenhagen.

The rumor was current in London that Lenine and Trotzky were in flight.

The statement that Nicholas Romanoff, ex-Czar, had been assassinated was repeated with some semblance of confirmation.

Officials Slow to Believe.

All reports of sensational developments in Russia are treated by officials here with the utmost reserve and with a disposition to believe nothing until the information comes through direct and official channels.

Officials recall many stories set afloat by the Germans with the hope of trapping the United States and allies into compromising their position by a stand for or against one of the Russian factions.

Recent rumors have indicated a gradual weakening for several weeks of the Bolshevik government. This situation has been connected intimately with the food crisis.

Downfall Report Received.

The State Department today received word from Helsinki that Swedish press reports from the Petrograd telegraph bureau under date of yesterday contained the rumor of the downfall of the Bolshevik government and the capture of Moscow by Korniloff.

Korniloff, as being directly precipitated by the reported assassination of former Czar Nicholas. Dispatches for some time have indicated a swinging of the pendulum of public sentiment toward a monarchical form of government.

Russia Looted by Germans.

The need for early action in Russia also has been emphasized in recent official dispatches, telling of the activities of Germans in Siberia. After

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49 BOCHE FLYERS FELLED IN ONE DAY

AIR FIGHTING INTENSE OVER
WESTERN BATTLE FRONT.

English Lose 14 Machines, but in
Bombing Operations Allies Drop
79 Tons of Explosives.

LONDON, June 28.—Forty-nine German airplanes were brought down by British and French airplane squadrons Thursday, according to the official announcements of the respective war offices today.

In the air-fighting over the British sector of the line British planes destroyed 20 German machines and forced down nine more enemy aircraft out of control. The British lost 14 machines. The British vigorously bombed behind the Teuton lines, dropping 21 tons of explosives on railway junctions and other targets.

At the same time the French air fighters brought down or put out of action 29 German airplanes and set on fire four captive balloons.

The French bombing squadrons in the same period during the day and night dropped 58 tons of projectiles on aviation grounds along the Somme and Aisne and on cantonnements and bivouacs at Rosieres-en-Santerre, Fismes and Guignicourt and the stations of Soissons, Fere-en-Tardenois and other places. Two munitions depots were exploded and several fires were started.

LONDON, June 28.—With 72 German airplanes brought down to his credit, the greatest number of enemy machines destroyed by any single airman so far, Major William A. Bishop has been transferred from the Canadian active force at the front to the office of the British Chief of the Air Staff.

On the morning he received the order to return to England he brought down five machines.

PARIS, June 28.—Lieutenant Mezergues, one of the noted French aces, who escaped from prison in Germany and resumed his flights, has been seriously wounded in a fight with an enemy airplane, the Havas agency reports. The bomb-thrower on his plane was killed.

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EX-CZAR REPORTED ALIVE

Kiev Dispatch Refutes Recently Re-
iterated Death Rumors.

AMSTERDAM, June 29.—A Berlin dispatch says that, according to a telegram received there from Kiev, a member of the soviet government announced that the reports that former Emperor Nicholas had been brought before a revolutionary tribunal and that he had been assassinated both are incorrect.

The government officials added that Nicholas and his family were in good health.

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HUN ACCEPTS INVITATION

Germany Will Send Party to Berne
to Discuss Prisoners' Deal.

WASHINGTON, June 28.—Germany has accepted the invitation of the Swiss government to send representatives to Berne, Switzerland, for a conference on August 5 with an American delegation on the general subject of exchange and treatment of prisoners of war.

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SHOW YOUR COLORS, TODAY'S COMMAND

Action Now Imperative
in Stamp Sale.

CITY'S PRESTIGE THREATENED

Campaign Today Goes Direct
to Fat Pocketbooks.

'LET NONE ESCAPE,' SLOGAN

"Get Out and Get 'Em," Says General Talbot to Workers; by Nightfall "Limit Club" Is Expected to Assure City's Success.

SUMMARY OF WAR SAVINGS

STAMP SITUATION IN PORTLAND.

If Portland is to achieve its war savings quota by tonight, the city must raise \$1,500,000 more than was in sight by estimates made yesterday.

General Frank McCrillis, city manager, estimates the sources of investment as follows: Residence campaign, \$1,500,000; industrial plants, \$1,000,000; limit club memberships, \$1,000,000; sold prior to the drive, \$1,000,000; total in sight, \$4,500,000; deficit, \$1,500,000.

The summary shows that Portland must raise, in addition, from the three sources—residence campaign, industrial plants and limit club—\$1,500,000 to complete the city's quota of \$6,000,000. It is for this purpose that the drive will be intensified today and will continue until the end is attained.

Other than estimate figures will be unavailable until tonight, when team captains begin the making of reports as they complete their district canvassing.

At the stroke of the eleventh hour it has occurred to Portland that the Hun would haw-haw if the city fails in the war savings stamp cause.

To every man of means in Portland, this very morning, goes forth the call to show his colors. By nightfall the "limit club" of 1000 memberships must assure the city's success in her quota of \$6,000,000. There is no time for argument, declare the leaders, for only action can save Portland's record from the inscription of failure. Today, as yesterday, the flying squadron of prominent business and professional men, all of whom served in the third liberty loan, will carry the campaign straight to the entrenched fat pocketbooks and husky bank accounts, refusing "no" as an answer. On their lists are 3000 such prospects, all able to invest in the "limit club" memberships.

"Let None Escape," Slogan.

With the fighting slogan of "Let no wealthy man escape his duty" the picked members of the flying squadron are in the field to redeem the town's renown.

Thirty-four former liberty loan officers assembled yesterday in the office of General Guy Talbot, received commissions as colonels in the war savings campaign, received also bundles of prospect cards for the "limit club," and were bidden to sweep the city clean in flying squadron formation.

"Go out and get 'em" were General Talbot's terse instructions. "They've got it!"

Squadron Well Commanded.

The flying squadron formation is commanded by General Talbot, Lieutenant-General Julius L. Meier, Lieutenant-General Charles F. Berg and the following colonels:

S. C. Bratton, R. A. McNelis, James P. Stapleton, Joseph M. Healy, Milton E. Kahn, L. A. McArthur, O. H. Schwerdtmann, Eugene E. Smith, S. Grute, Joseph Shenanski, A. Rosensteln, T. H. Edwards, Phil Grossmayer, J. L. Conley, F. A. Freeman, W. J. Hoffmann, C. J. Gray, Alma D. Katz, A. H. Devers, George W. Joseph, A. C. McMicken, L. R. Elder, F. W. Laherwood, R. A. Sullivan, James Gillison, C. R. Young, F