

AMERICANS SMASH 3 RAIDS IN VOSGES

Germans Attempting to Enter
United States Lines Meet
Severe Losses.

ENEMY PLANES ARE ACTIVE

General Pershing Reports to War
Department Air Fighting in Which
One Hun Plane Was Downed.
Artillery Activity Is Normal.

WASHINGTON, July 4.—Repulse of three enemy raiding parties which attempted to reach the American lines in the Vosges, according to a general Pershing's communique for yesterday. Intense artillery activity on both sides northwest of Chateau Thierry was noted.

Further description of the fighting along the American lines near Chateau Thierry on the Marne and in Picardy is given in the second section of the communique.

Raiders Are Repulsed.

The dispatch follows:

"Section A—Northwest of Chateau Thierry there has been intense artillery activity on both sides. In the Vosges three raiding parties which attempted to reach our lines were repulsed and suffered severely from our fire.

"Section B—Northwest of Chateau Thierry the day of June 30 to July 1 was occupied by our troops mainly in preparation for the attack made during the evening of July 1 on Vaux. The preparation consisted in continuous and heavy harassing fire from our batteries, commencing at 5 o'clock in the morning. The German artillery, on the other hand, was somewhat less than on the preceding day. Its operations took the form of harassing and registration fire, which fell mainly on the Marlette wood, Thiolette, La Croixette, Bourdeau, the Farnet road, Triangle Farm, La Cense Farm, the Belleu Wood, Bourdeau and La Voie Du Chateau.

Enemy Fire Heavy.

Shortly after 5 o'clock in the afternoon the enemy's fire on Menneux, Hill 204, our lines in Belleu wood and our positions in the vicinity of Bourdeau became heavy. The German infantry increased its machine gun, rifle and grenade fire especially from the region of Hill 204 and Vaux. There was no unusual activity until after the commencement of our attack, when the circulation of troops and vehicles in the German rear areas greatly increased.

"Of the numerous prisoners taken in and around Vaux July 1 to July 2, one gave especially interesting information regarding the German counter attack. The main points of his story were as follows:

"At 4:30 o'clock on the afternoon of July 1 his battalion while drilling in a rear area suddenly received the order to fall in with marching equipment. At 7 o'clock they left camp and proceeded by the Chateau Thierry-Paris road and other minor roads through Vincelles to a point about 700 yards from Vaux. There they lay in readiness for the counter attack which was scheduled to take place at 3:15 o'clock. So heavy was the artillery fire on both sides, however, that it was impossible for them to advance.

Counter Attack Fails.

"The counter attack was performed by groups of eight men deployed in skirmish line and immediately followed by other groups of which each carried two light machine guns.

"After several attempts to go forward they were stopped by our machine gun fire. The platoon leader asked for reinforcements before attempting to go forward, but reinforcements were refused and a continuation of the attack was ordered. He next sent word that his platoon was receiving flanking fire from two machine guns and could make no progress. Once again he was ordered to attack under all circumstances, but his men now refused to obey. Another platoon came up, deploying on the left of the first, but they too were decimated by our fire. Finally the men received orders to save themselves as best they could. They then took refuge in a cellar where 50 or 60 of them surrendered shortly before 6 o'clock.

Gas Shells Used.

"On the day of June 29 to 30 the German artillery along the Marne did not maintain the activity shown on the day previous. The fire which was mainly from guns of small caliber, was distributed almost impartially along the sector. A few gas shells were noted, this being the first occasion that gas has appeared in this sector for some time. German airplanes again showed moderate activity. Behind the German lines isolated and individual groups were seen here and there, a few of the men riding bicycles. During the night there was a plentiful display of red and white rockets of from one to four stars each in connection with the usual hanging ropes.

"In Picardy between noon, June 29, and noon of the 30th there were no notable occurrences, except the activity of the enemy's airplanes. His combat planes were more aggressive than usual and several fights ensued. In course of which one German plane was brought down. A few bombs again were dropped by German machines during the night, falling on this occasion on our front lines. The total number of German planes was, however, distinctly below the average. The hostile artillery fire was light, consisting of slight harassing fire in our rear areas with short concentration at Griveves, the Villers Wood and other points. Very little gas was used.

Propaganda Balloon Found.

"In the German rear areas nothing of particular note was observed, except that a party of 40 to 50 Germans came under our rifle fire while moving in the vicinity of Fontaine wood. They were scattered and put to flight. During the morning a propaganda balloon came down inside our lines.

In a continuation of Tuesday's communique, General Pershing today reported in graphic detail on the successful American operations near Chateau Thierry Monday and described activities along the various fronts held by Americans during several preceding days.

The dispatch follows:

"Section B (continued)—The successful attack made by our troops in the Chateau Thierry region on the evening of July 1 was carried out by two battalions of United States infantry. The attack was preceded by a finely executed artillery preparation, which was executed by American batteries and lasted 12 hours. The infantry action commenced at 6 o'clock in the evening. All objectives were gained and our positions consolidated inside of one and a half hours.

Enemy's Loss Heavy.

"The enemy's losses were exceedingly heavy, one of his regiments being practically annihilated. The enemy's

positions were taken at the point of the bayonet. The amount of material captured was very large and included considerable quantities of ammunition.

"At 3:45 A. M. the Germans counter-attacked. Thanks to thorough consolidations of the position which had been made, the counter-attack was repulsed with heavy losses to the enemy in killed and wounded. It also resulted in the taking by us of additional prisoners. The number of prisoners so far captured is over 500 and includes six officers. Our casualties were light, considering the success obtained.

"In the Chateau Thierry region between noon June 29 and 30 there was considerable activity of various sorts, although no important developments took place. The German artillery was again aggressive, delivering much harassing fire during the morning hours. This was directed in part on our advance positions along the Belleu, Clermont and Marlette woods, and was especially heavy on the right of our positions. Numerous points in our rear were also shelled. The fire was continuous rather than heavy. High explosive shrapnel and a small amount of gas were all employed. Besides delivering harassing fire the German batteries obviously were attempting to register on some of the roads in our rear.

U. S. Guns Hit Hunns.

"Our own batteries vigorously returned the fire and at one point registered directly upon a detachment of the enemy. The activity of the German airplanes like that of the German artillery was notable in being continuous rather than concentrated at any one time or place. More than the usual number of hostile planes were brought down by anti-aircraft fire opposite the front of our sector and forced to land behind our own lines. Numerous groups of men passed frequently along the roads running between Glivy, Epauux, Belleu, Bonnes, Grizevilles, Etival, La Tarte and Palsance. Wagons and trucks moved along the same routes singly and in large groups. Infantry activity on both sides was normal.

"Along the Marne, on the 28th and 29th of June, the German artillery delivered a severe fire of the day preceding. On this date, however, the heaviest force was on the left rather than on the right of the sector. On the other hand, our left sector still continued to draw most of the shrapnel. The shelling was confined mostly to the afternoon and evening, and on objectives identical with those previously reported. German machine guns were particularly quiet, and there was little rifle fire.

Airplanes Are Observed.

"Hostile airplanes also were less frequently observed than has been usual during the past fortnight. Behind the German lines men were seen strolling about in the usual fashion.

"In the Colmar sector the day of June 29 passed quietly. The German infantry delivered some scattering machine gun and rifle fire and made use of a few hand and rifle grenades. During the night German patrols were observed on several occasions, two of them coming under our rifle and grenade fire. There were no encounters and no serious attempts to reach our lines. The German artillery delivered only light and scattered fire with guns mainly of medium caliber. His airplanes appeared only at rare intervals and were in nearly every case driven back by our anti-aircraft batteries. They were engaged mainly in reconnaissance work, but made some attempts to register the artillery fire. Behind the German lines the heavy fighting, in which women play an increasingly large part, continued, but neither in the matter of circulation nor in the construction of works did anything of note occur.

Air Combat Noted.

"In the Mulhouse sector there was no unusual occurrence on June 29, apart from the increased activity on the part of the German air forces. Late in the afternoon an air combat occurred and one of the German machines was seen to descend in a apparently crippled condition. Light artillery fire, the throwing of a few grenades on our wire, with normal rifle fire and the ordinary circulation into the German rear areas comprised the other activities of the day."

NEGRO SOLDIERS TO DIE

COURT-MARTIAL CONVICTS TRIO
WHO ATTACK GIRL.

Executions Will Take Place at Camp
Dodge, Ia., Today—Criminals
Selective Service Men.

CAMP DODGE, Ia., July 4.—Three negro soldiers, convicted by court-martial of attacking a 17-year-old white girl after slugging her escort on the cantonment grounds on the night of May 24, will be hanged here at 9 A. M. tomorrow, it was announced today.

The negroes are selective service men from Alabama.

The fourth negro arrested after the attack, also from Alabama, was acquitted. No civilians except newspaper men will be permitted to witness the executions, but any soldiers that wish may be present.

The girl has recovered. Both she and her soldier escort, who were from Des Moines, were sitting within the camp grounds near midnight, May 24, when the negroes attacked them. Knocked unconscious, the soldier refused to hear the girl's cries coming from a clump of bushes. His cries caused the assaults to flee, but following morning military police arrested the negro soldiers.

St. Helens Parade Is Long.

Milton A. Miller, Collector of Internal Revenue, made an address at St. Helens yesterday at the Fourth of July celebration there. On his return last night Mr. Miller said the parade, which was more than a mile in length, was an impressive affair, and that the Italian colony sent to Portland for Italian musicians to lead its section.

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THRONE TARGET OF AUSTRIAN GOSSIP

Premier Seydler Is Notified
Emperor, Empress Being
Talked About.

EMPIRE'S ENEMIES BLAMED

Amsterdam Advice Make Mysterious Reference to Current Rumors Officially Declared Base and Senseless.

AMSTERDAM, July 4.—A group of Austrian Deputies visited Dr. von Seydler, the Premier, this week, according to a dispatch from Vienna, and called attention to current rumors affecting the Emperor and Empress, "in a way deeply hurtful to the feelings of the patriotic population."

Premier von Seydler told the Deputies he was well aware of "these base and absolutely senseless rumors," which he attributed to the enemies of Austria. He was convinced that no sensible person would credit them.

AMSTERDAM, July 4.—A conspiracy at Warsaw against the Polish regency council in which many leaders of the Polish party are being discussed, according to the authorities there, according to a Vienna dispatch today.

The news of the reported conspiracy is published by the Zeit, which says it was directed against the central powers.

AMSTERDAM, July 4.—A Bucharest dispatch to a Dutch newspaper says that in the new constitutional law of Roumania the rights of the crown will be so changed as to affect the crown's power of concluding an alliance or in declaring war.

Three thousand members of the Ancient Order of Hibernians and their friends spent the greater portion of the Fourth of July at the annual convention of the organization was held in the afternoon. Men, women and children participated in the old-time games and sports, and patriotic songs were sung under Monte Austin's leadership.

In an address marked by its patriotic eloquence, Thomas G. Ryan reviewed the splendid achievements of America's sons of Erin in this war for world freedom. He called upon his hearers—the loyal Irish of Portland—to lend every aid at all times that their adopted country might triumph. By so doing, he told them, they would hasten the day when the land of their memories would hold its head on an equal plane with old free peoples of the earth. This freedom, he said, could not be secured unless they and all others identified with the allied nations joined hands and defeated for all time the iron rule of Prussian autocracy.

During the afternoon and evening dancing was enjoyed in a large open-air pavilion.

U. S. TROOPS PLEASE ITALY

First Contingent Encamps and Creates Favorable Impression.

ROME, July 4.—The first contingent of American troops to arrive in Italy has within 48 hours established itself in camp. The men are sleeping under their own tents and feeding from their own kitchens.

The rapidity of the mobilization to their new quarters has created a most favorable impression.

The Americans are in fine spirits and excellent health. The health corps will within a week establish a complete hospital near the camp.

WATCH FOR THE AD

—Our Annual July Sale of used pianos begins at 9 o'clock Monday morning, July 8th. We will make evening appointments to accommodate any of our customers.

The Musical Floor—The Seventh

Sipman Wolfe & Co.
Merchandise of Merit Only

Heal your skin with Resinol

If your doctor said to use Resinol for that skin-trouble you'd try it without a second thought! Well, many doctors throughout the country are prescribing it to heal sick skins, and have been doing so for years.

So why not take the combined advice of all these wise medical men and let Resinol Ointment make your skin well?

Sipman Wolfe & Co.

Merchandise of Merit Only

THIS STORE USES NO COMPARATIVE PRICES—THEY ARE MISLEADING AND OFTEN UNTRUE

Ready for the Big Splash GINGHAM DRESSES

All-Wool Bathing Suits
\$5.00

—If you swim, you'll certainly want one of your own. Worst one-piece style in all the wanted colors; gold, Kelly, cardinal, royal purple, rose, black and navy, with four rows of contrasting colors on skirt and trunks; with swimmers or wing sleeves; V-neck.

"Jack Tar" Middy Blouses
Special \$1.25

—Nothing so comfortable as a middy blouse. These are made of good quality jean, regulation style. In all white or white with navy trimming. Some laced in front and some side laced. All have short sleeves.

Others \$1.50 to \$3.50



Are Taking Their
Place in the Sun—

—These sunshiny days bring forth the most fetching little gingham frocks; doubly attractive because they're so very simple.

—There are such pretty ones here for your choosing—ginghams, in simple little checks; large, old-fashioned plaids and the most effective colors you could imagine.

—Many have large white collar and cuffs, organdy vests add to the attractiveness of others, and most of them have peplums and tunics to prove they're right up to the minute in style.

Priced \$9.50 and \$12.00

Third Floor—Lipman, Wolfe & Co.



Economy Basement Store

"WHERE YOU SPEND THE LEAST—AND GET THE MOST FOR IT"

SILKS! BARGAINS! A Clean-up Sale of TRIMMED and UNTRIMMED HATS at 98c

—We'll say so! So will you, when you come in and look at these beautiful assortments of TUB SILKS, FOULARDS, PONGEES, TUSSAH SILKS, CHIFFON FAILE and JAP SATINS at 98c.

—Even in normal times this price would create a stir, but at the present time—well, you will have to come and see them for yourself.

35-inch Figured Foulards.

33 and 34-inch Natural Color Pongees.

35-inch Tussah Silk—good color assortment; beautiful tub silks in new stripes and colors.

36-inch Chiffon Faile—25 of the very best colors; light and medium dark shades.

36-inch Jap Satin—good colors.

FOR TODAY AND TOMORROW

Economy Basement—Lipman, Wolfe & Co.

BOYS' Wool-Mixed KNICKER SUITS at \$4.95

—The far-sighted mother who buys her son's knicker suits now will be able to effect a material saving compared to what she may have to pay this Fall. They can be put away and saved until school opens. Made to withstand the hardest wear; all new models; many have two pairs of full-lined knickers.

Economy Basement—Lipman, Wolfe & Co.

Children's WASH DRESSES 79c

—Gingham or chambray dresses, in high-waisted styles; full skirts, some with pockets, square or round collars; plain colors or stripes, trimmed or contrasting collars.

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GINGHAM DRESSES \$1.79

—Gingham dresses, in plaids, checks and stripes; in pinks, blues, greens and tans, made in high-waisted styles and full skirts; some with pockets, panel front, waists trimmed with plain or contrasting colors; fancy stitching and buttons; sizes 6 to 14.

Economy Basement—Lipman, Wolfe & Co.

WOMEN'S APRON DRESSES, \$1.29

—Pretty plain slip-over styles of percale, with V-neck, kimono sleeves; also envelope style, full belted, kimono sleeves; piping trimmed; plain colors, fancy stripes and figures; full cuts and lengths; well made.

Economy Basement—Lipman, Wolfe & Co.

BOYS' SPORT BLOUSES Extra Special 29c

—For Summer wear nothing neater or cooler. Has large sport collar; made of percales, madras in plain white and smart stripes; short or long sleeves; all sizes 6 to 14 years.

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Great Variety of Stonewall Wash Suits, 89c

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Undermuslins AT 98c

Gowns, Envelope Chemises and Petticoats

at this remarkably low price. All are in good styles, neatly made and prettily trimmed; with lace or embroidery; some garments are in white only, while others are in white or flesh color. Wonderfully inexpensive at 98c.

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HOSIERY WOMEN'S LISLE STOCKINGS—39c Pair

—Fine grade lisle stockings, in medium weight, with double heels and toes and garter tops, in tan, navy, slate and Palm Beach.

COTTON STOCKINGS, 35c

—Bursan fashioned stockings, in black and white, with reinforced garter tops and spliced heels and toes; sizes 8 1/2 to 10. Three pairs for \$1.00.

COTTON STOCKINGS, 25c

—Black and white stockings, in medium weight, with elastic garter tops and double soles; sizes 8 1/2 to 10.

CHILDREN'S STOCKINGS 45c Pair

—Good stout stockings for boys, in heavy ribbed quality, made very elastic, with extra spliced heels and toes; will give good wear; black; sizes 6 to 11.

Economy Basement—Lipman, Wolfe & Co.

MEN Specials for Shipbuilders and Other Workingmen

MEN'S WORK GLOVES—\$1.25 to \$2.50

—Made of horsehide and muleskin; best leathers for heavy work, as they wear like iron. Either plain or gauntlet style.

WASH TIES—Two for 25c

—Inexpensive ties for the warm Summer days; in plain white or neat fancy designs.

SUMMER KNIT UNION SUITS, \$1.29

—These union suits at this price are exceptionally good values and worth almost double today; in white and ecru, short sleeves and ankle length.

WHITE LINENE HANDKERCHIEFS—Three for 19c

KHAKI WORK SHIRTS, \$1.50

—Made of specially good quality material, with turn-down or military collar attached, and are guaranteed not to rip.

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