

## FRANCO-YANKS GO FORWARD 2 MILES

### Boches Forced Back Farther by Allied Blows.

## SALIENT GROWS NARROWER

### More Villages Captured and Troops Push On Beyond Nanteuil Stream.

## BRITISH REGISTER GAINS

### With French, British Drive Forward 2 Miles—Salient Only 21 Miles Wide.

WITH THE FRENCH ARMY IN FRANCE, July 25.—(By the Associated Press.)—Up to the present 70 German divisions have been identified in the present fighting zone, and the battle, therefore, may be regarded as the biggest since the beginning of the war.

The prisoners taken number over 25,000 and more than 500 cannon and thousands of machine guns have been captured.

PARIS, July 25.—Franco-American troops today made an advance of nearly two miles at certain points on the Aisne-Marne front, notably in the Dormans regions, says the War Office announcement tonight. Additional gains are recorded, showing that the progress of the allies in this salient is steadily going on.

The text of the statement says: "On the Ourcq front the fighting today met with the same success as on preceding days.

"North of the river we occupied Oulchy la Ville. South of the river Franco-American troops made an advance of three kilometers at certain points, notably in the region of Dormans despite stern resistance.

"Southeast of Armentieres we occupy hill 141 and have crossed the Nanteuil stream. Further south we captured the village of Coigny and the greater part of Tourneille wood. We extended our progress in the forest of Fere as far as the general line of Beauvais-le-Charmel.

Gains Are Continuing.

"Our advance continued under favorable conditions in the Ris forest and north of Dormans.

"Southwest of Rheims the enemy continued his violent attacks against our positions between Virgny and St. Euphrase and succeeded in gaining a foothold on Hill 240. Our troops soon reconquered this height, taking about 100 prisoners."

Salient Is Narrower.

The gain is of vital importance, since it greatly narrows the salient created by the Germans in their drive in May.

By this latest advance on the eastern edge of the salient, it is no longer proper to speak of the pocket as running from Soissons to Rheims, for the newest gain of the allied troops has swung the eastern edge of the pocket eight miles to the west. Mery Premezy now marks the eastern rim of the salient.

The mouth of the pocket is now only 21 miles wide and the whole district between the two sides is under the range of entente allied guns.

French Continue Attacks.

The town of Gueux lies to the south of the River Vesle and is about five miles directly west of Rheims. Mery Premezy is a short distance north of the Fismes-Pargny Railroad and is about 10 1/2 miles southeast of Fismes, which is in the center of the line running between Soissons and Rheims.

The French are continuing their attacks between the River Ourcq and the River Marne. They have advanced for a distance of a mile, capturing the southern part of Fere forest and they now occupy a farm on the main road from Fere-en-Tardenois to Jaulgonne. The town of Fere-en-Tardenois is now within three miles

## FUND CAMPAIGNS MAY BE POOLED

### OVERHEAD EXPENSE REDUCTION OBJECT IN VIEW.

### Elimination of Competition Among Y. M. C. A. and Other Organizations Also Sought.

WASHINGTON, July 25.—Plans under which all organizations seeking by popular subscription funds for providing recreation and amusement for soldiers would unite to carry on a combined campaign are under consideration by the War Department.

The object is to reduce overhead expenses and elimination of competition among the six separate organizations carrying on work among the soldiers. The plan provides that Government-recognized organizations, pooling their campaigns, would receive the same proportions that their budgets bear to the whole amount to be raised.

These budget requirements for the next year were announced as follows: Y. M. C. A., \$10,000,000; Y. W. C. A., \$15,000,000; Knights of Columbus, \$5,000,000; Jewish Welfare Board, \$3,000,000; American Library Association, \$3,500,000; War Camp Community Service, \$15,000,000. Total, \$187,000,000.

## PLAGUES SWEEP GERMANY

### Influenza, Typhus and Malaria Reported Epidemic.

WASHINGTON, July 25.—Other epidemics are sweeping Germany in addition to influenza, according to a dispatch from Switzerland.

Typhus is said to have appeared in epidemic form at Berlin and malaria is reported in the grand duchy of Baden.

It is reported the influenza epidemic has made serious ravages. The head physicians of the Bavarian army are said to have reported that the health of the troops has been undermined by the epidemic.

## FURTHER HEARING LIKELY

### Striking Paper Mill Men Must First Return to Work.

WASHINGTON, July 25.—The controversy between the International Paper Company and 4000 employees in paper mills in New York, New Hampshire and Maine was referred today by the War Labor Board to a section composed of C. A. Crocker and T. M. Guerin. It was recommended that the section interpret the recent award of the board, disagreement over the application of which led to the strike.

Authority also was given the section to reopen the case and hold further hearings, if that is deemed necessary, but no rehearing will be granted until the men now on strike return to work.

## BOTTLED LIQUOR BARRED

### Order Effective August 1 in Chicago and Cook County.

CHICAGO, July 25.—Every dealer in intoxicating liquor in Chicago and Cook County will stop the sale of bottled goods over the bar on August 1, it was announced today.

Liquor may either be sold in glasses over the bar or it must be delivered to the residences of customers by messengers of the sellers. Saloons of every class as well as drug stores are affected.

This action was taken as the result of an appeal by Government officials to stop the sale of liquor to soldiers and sailors.

## SLAYDEN OUT OF RACE

### President Kills Off Democrat Who Has Been 22 Years in Congress.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., July 25.—James L. Slayden, for the last 22 years Representative in Congress for the Fourteenth District, and candidate for re-nomination in the primary Saturday next, has withdrawn from the race following publication yesterday afternoon of a telegram from President Wilson which said:

"The Administration as between candidates equally loyal never takes part but in the light of Mr. Slayden's record no one can claim he has given support to the Administration."

## MORE ARMY CORPS IS PLAN

### Training in Every College in U. S. May Be Made Reality.

WASHINGTON, July 25.—Plans for establishing student Army training corps in every college in the United States having major enrollment of 100 or more were discussed today at a conference between officials of the War Department and a group of college presidents.

President McLaurin, of the Massachusetts School of Technology, has been appointed by Secretary Baker to organize the training scheme and to appoint regional advisers.

## PAPER MUST BE SAVED

### War Industries Board Will Start Campaign of Education.

WASHINGTON, July 25.—A general publicity campaign will be launched shortly by the War Industries Board to educate the public to the importance of conservation of paper of all kinds.

## ALLIED SUCCESSSES ELECTRIFY CAPITAL

### Washington Thinks Big Events Pending.

## DECISIVE VICTORY RUMORED

### Enemy Yields Ground Along a Sixty-Mile Front.

## GERMAN RESERVES LARGE

### Army Officers Still See Possibility of Escape of Crown Prince's Armies From Death Trap Set by Generalissimo Foch.

WASHINGTON, July 25.—With American, French and British forces pressing the enemy hard on all sides of the Aisne-Marne battle front, the air of Washington was electrified tonight with a feeling of expectancy, as of great events impending.

Rumors of decisive victory ran through official circles like wildfire. Untraceable reports were current that the army of the German Crown Prince had been trapped and even that the Crown Prince himself had been captured.

Official reports gave no foundation on which the feeling of suppressed excitement could be based.

Baker Confirms Advances.

"The latest dispatches," said Secretary Baker, "show continued advances in several places by French, British and American troops. They are not extensive, but are continuing with great vigor."

Earlier in the day a press dispatch told of rumors in London that the British west of Rheims had scored a decided success and advanced toward Fismes, the German rail base midway between Soissons and Rheims.

Later reports confirmed this to the extent of a stride forward by British and French forces on a three-mile front just west of Rheims, throwing the enemy back a mile and a half. Probably it was this that started reports of a sweeping victory.

German Positions Weakening.

Still later came news of decided gains by Franco-American troops around Fere-en-Tardenois and north of Dormans on the Marne. It was evident that the southern and southwestern angle of the German positions were yielding to the pressure against them.

News also came of important advances along the Ourcq front.

The outstanding fact tonight appeared to be that the enemy's front was being forced back all along the 60-mile battle line. Of the gains recorded, the Franco-British drive probably has the greatest possibilities, for it means that the eastern jaw of General Foch's gigantic trap is closing in.

Other reports show that the German high command had massed reserves (Continued on Page 4, Column 1.)

## NATIONS OF PACIFIC IN TRADE COMBINE

### FIRST STEPS TO BE TAKEN AT SEATTLE TONIGHT.

### Cementing of Friendly Relations Will Be Main Purpose of New Organization.

SEATTLE, Wash., July 25.—First steps in a movement for the formation of a Pacific International Chamber of Commerce will be taken here Friday evening at a meeting of the Foreign Trade Club of Seattle.

W. B. Henderson, representative of the Department of Commerce in the Superior Court against the main purpose of the cementing of friendly relations between all nations on the Pacific.

Plans for the project include representation in the proposed chamber by commercial organizations of all Pacific Coast states, Japan, China, Straits Settlements, Siberia, the west coast of Latin America and Australia.

## TIMES PUBLISHER IS SUED

### Los Angeles Paper Defendant in \$100,000 Damage Suit.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 25.—Suit for \$100,000 damages was filed here today in the Superior Court against the Times-Mirror Company, publisher of the Los Angeles Times, by Theodore Roche, one of the advisers of Mayor James Rolph, of San Francisco, in his campaign for the gubernatorial nomination.

The suit alleges that certain statements appearing in the Times of July 23 and relating to Roche were untrue and damaging.

## SCHWAB IS ENTHUSIASTIC

### Output of 10,000,000 Ship Tons a Year Predicted.

PHILADELPHIA, July 25.—Charles M. Schwab, Director-General of Shipbuilding, home here today from his inspection tour of Western shipyards, predicted an output of 10,000,000 ship tons a year.

In order to foster shipbuilding in this country, Mr. Schwab said, he will immediately take measures to cut off shipments of steel to foreign countries.

## KING DECORATES AMERICAN

### Lieutenant-Commander Carpenter Wins Distinguished Service Order.

LONDON, July 25.—Lieutenant-Commander A. C. Carpenter, of the American destroyer Fanning, received the Distinguished Service Order from King George at a private investiture at Buckingham Palace today.

The Fanning, in the Lieutenant-Commander's charge, has been prominent in anti-submarine operations.

## EMPEY LOSES COMMISSION

### Newly Made Captain Is Honorably Discharged From Army.

WASHINGTON, July 25.—Arthur Guy Empey, author and soldier recently commissioned a Captain in the National Army, was honorably discharged by today's orders. No reason was stated. (Continued on Page 5, Column 2.)

## HUNS HARD PRESSED BY ALLIED FORCES

### Fresh Gains Are Made North of Marne.

## FRENCH ADVANCE POSITIONS

### Enemy Losses in Great Push Total 200,000.

## AMERICANS "GET" 50,000

### Crown Prince's Generals Are Driving Men Mercilessly to Save Entrapped Armies—Yank-Kees Keen-Spirited.

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY ON THE AISNE-MARNE FRONT, July 25.—(By the Associated Press.)—With the aid of the Soissons-Rheims sack coming steadily closer together, the German Crown Prince's Generals are driving their men mercilessly in an effort to hold them off long enough to extricate the armies threatened at the bottom, north of the Marne.

The American and French troops are never far behind the retreating forces, and the vicious rearguard actions are not sufficiently resolute to enable the Germans to proceed in the orderly manner planned.

At Dormans and east of Chateau Thierry, the German counter-attacks, taking the position, but were promptly driven out. They occupied Treloup, west of Dormans, and have held it.

French Advance Positions.

Minor advances have been made by the allies in the woods in that part of the sector, while further to the east, south of Rheims, there were additional allied successes.

The Americans have occupied Courpoul, on the road to Fere-en-Tardenois, and the French positions have been advanced until Oulchy le Chateau is dominated by the guns.

Nearer Soissons the Germans failed to hold all their positions, notwithstanding reinforcements and their desperate need.

It is announced unofficially tonight that the enemy losses are more than 200,000, of which 50,000 were inflicted by the Americans. The prisoners alone number over 20,000 and the losses in dead and wounded are appalling.

More Armored Cars Used.

The French used more armored cars than usual and cavalry or mounted patrols were effectively employed in clearing the forests and maintaining contact.

Toward Soissons there has been increased artillery work and bitter and steady fighting. The French and American soldiers disregarded caution almost entirely yesterday, advancing their lines in open order and taking what came without hesitating to hunt down machine-gun nests. This brought

## FOCH HELD MASTER OF WAR SITUATION

### PRESSURE ON FRENCH IS RELIEVED BY BRITISH TROOPS.

### "Great Time Is in Store for Armies of England," Says Paris Journal's Correspondent.

PARIS, July 25.—The Journal's correspondent at the front telegraphs today as follows:

"Foch is master of the situation and if the British troops are not attacking, in order to relieve the pressure on the French, it is in accordance with the commander-in-chief's orders."

"The last has not yet been heard of the German reserves and the possibilities along the Flanders coast. The three years I have passed among our allies enable me to know how they are straining at the leash, awaiting the order to advance. Let us be patient. A great time is in store for the armies of the British Empire."

## VILLA BOUND FOR BORDER

### Mexican Bandit Would Trade Loot for American Ammunition.

EL PASO, July 25.—Francisco Villa is again moving in the direction of the American border at Ojinaga with a herd of 500 mules and 250 bars of silver which he expects to exchange for ammunition, according to confirmed reports from Chihuahua City received here late today.

Sunday Villa with 400 men raided Jimenez, robbed two passenger trains and killed a number of guards. Unusual activity is reported from Ojinaga and federal reinforcements and munitions are being rushed there from Juarez.

## WOMAN IN SEDITION NET

### Vendor of Russellite Book Convicted at Los Angeles.

LOS ANGELES, July 25.—Mrs. J. Emma Martin, accused by the Government of selling copies of "The Finished Mystery," was found guilty today by a jury in the United States District Court of violating provisions of the espionage act. The jury recommended leniency. Sentence will be imposed next Wednesday.

Mrs. Martin said, it was testified, 147 copies of "The Finished Mystery," which was published by followers of the late "Pastor" Russell and which the Government contended contained seditious and treasonable utterances.

## SIMBIRSK IS CAPTURED

### Czecho-Slovaks Take Important Town 600 Miles East of Moscow.

AMSTERDAM, July 25.—Czecho-Slovak troops have captured the important town of Simbirsk, about 600 miles east of Moscow, according to an official telegram from Moscow, received by way of Berlin.

The Russian Soviet troops put up a desperate resistance.

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## FOCH TRAP ABOUT TO CLOSE ON FOE

### 500,000 Boches Menaced by Pincer Movement.

## EXIT OF SALIENT SMALLER

### Germans Rush in Reinforcements in Effort to Block Entente Allied Strategy.

## COUNTER ATTACK STARTED

### Enemy Troops Ordered to End Advance at All Costs, but Efforts Fail So Far.

(By the Associated Press.)

General Foch has taken a leaf out of the book of German military strategy and ordained the use by the allied armies of the pincer system of offensive in the Soissons-Rheims salient.

Both jaws of the pincers are moving smoothly with the pivot along the Marne working in unison, and the process of attempting to capture many of the nearly half a million Germans in the big pocket is well on the way to what at present seems like possible success.

Enemy Fights Hard.

The Germans, however, evidently do not intend to permit themselves to be entrapped without fighting. Having thrown thousands of reinforcements into the already congested salient, they have started a counter-attack of great violence all along the semi-circular front from the Ourcq River to the region immediately southwest of Rheims, and their men are said to have orders to stem the allied tide of advance at all costs.

Nevertheless, at last accounts the Americans, French, British and Italian troops, themselves well reinforced to meet the new turn in affairs, were steadily pressing forward at nearly all points on the battle line to Rheims, while east of the cathedral city a Polish contingent—the first of the Poles to enter the combat, is declared to have carried out successfully an enterprise against the enemy in which more than 200 Germans were made prisoners.

Advances Are Steady.

The western jaw of the pincer continues to move eastward on both sides of the Ourcq River, and the Franco-American troops are virtually knocking at the gates of Fere-en-Tardenois, the important railway junction and storehouse for Germany's war supplies. Further south to the Marne new advances, in keeping with those in the north, have been attained.

At the pivot of the pincer, north of the Marne, midway between Chateau Thierry and Rheims, the French have extended their line northward in the forest of Fere, in the Ris forest and north of Dormans, while the eastern jaw of the pincer, under the pressure of the British, has noticeably moved forward in a northwesterly direction for about a mile and a half over the three-mile front to Mery-Premezy and Gueux, the last-named village five miles west of Rheims and a scant mile and a half from the Rheims-Fismes road. At Mery-Premezy the allied line now stands about ten and a half miles southeast of Fismes, which is the central station on the railway running between Soissons and Rheims.

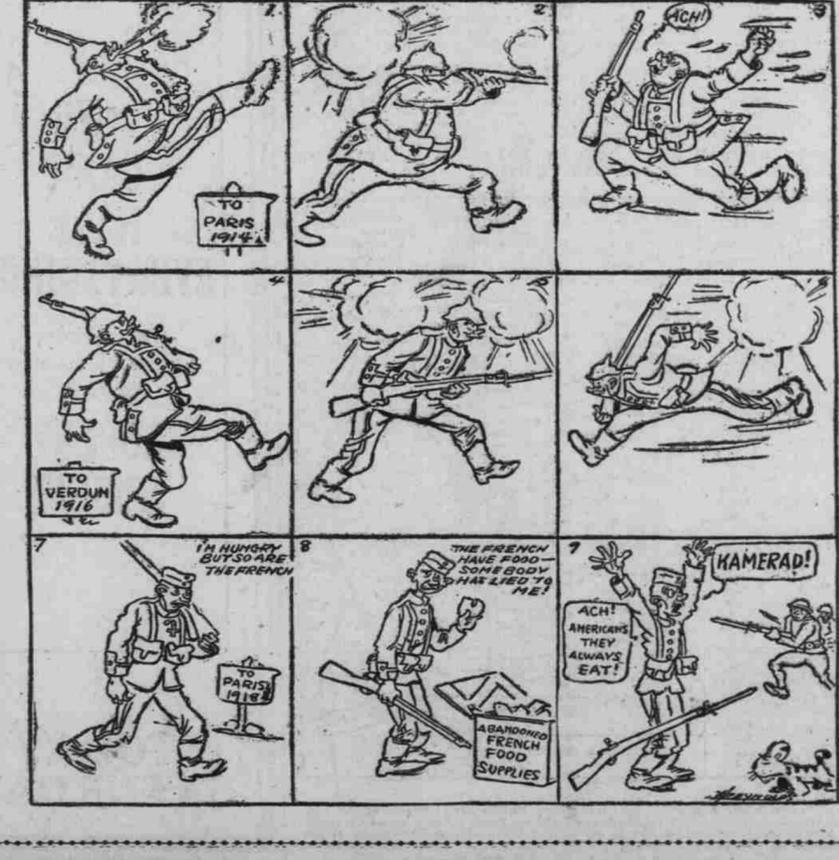
Shells Rained on Boche.

For a week and a day the allied troops have hammered against the Soissons-Rheims salient until its width across between the cities has been narrowed to about 21 miles from an original width of 37 miles, while the triangular salient has been welded into a semi-circular cul de sac. Over the entire pocket the allied artillery continues to rain shells from all sides and airmen are keeping up their intensive bombing of troop formations and military works.

As yet, notwithstanding the inroads of the allied troops, there has been no sign of an impending retreat on the part of the Germans and if he elects to stand and fight it out, and the allied gains continue with the same success as heretofore, it seems that, with the daily narrowing of the neck of the pocket the enemy necessarily will lose

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## THE DECLINING MORALE OF THE GERMAN STOMACH.



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