



ENTENTE PAUSES IN DRIVE ON GERMANS

Lull Comes Over Battle on Aisne-Marne Front

BIG GUNS ONLY ARE ACTIVE

Violent Attacks by Teutons Prove Unavailing.

ALLIES HOLD POSITIONS

Slackening in Fighting Either Is Due to Weariness by Opposing Armies or to Increase in Forces of Crown Prince.

By the Associated Press. Whether, as a result of weariness after two weeks of incessant fighting or because of the greatly increased strength in man power and positions of the enemy forces, the allied armies on the Aisne-Marne front have noticeably decreased their efforts to clear the salient.

If the pause in the offensive is attributable to weariness, the armies of the German Crown Prince also must be worn out, for despite reinforcements, they have lacked the hardness to throw back their antagonists.

Activity Dies Down. The fourteenth day of the great allied offensive saw little activity on the part of either of the contending forces, except in the nature of reciprocal bombardments.

Tuesday night witnessed violent attempts by the Germans to expel the Americans and French from the valuable positions they hold north of the Oureq in the region of Fere-en-Tardenois, and along the western side of the salient near Ducloux-Chateau, where Scottish troops are holding with the French the wedge that has been driven eastward into the enemy lines. These efforts were entirely fruitless.

The latest Berlin communication asserts that more than 4000 prisoners have been taken by the Germans in the past few days and that since July 15 in excess of 34,000 allied troops have been captured.

Men Intentions Not Clear.

Whether the Germans have chosen the spot where they ultimately will face about and give battle to the allied forces is not apparent. Great fires behind the lines possibly might indicate the destruction of further villages which it is intended to evacuate and press on northward to a chosen battle line.

PARIS, July 31.—There was only artillery activity on the battle front Wednesday, according to the official communication issued this evening. An attempted enemy raid between the Oise and Montdidier was repulsed.

LONDON, July 31.—Although the allied gains during the last 24 hours may seem small, some of them have been exceedingly significant, telegraphs Reuters's correspondent at the American front in France. He adds:

The enemy may certainly plume himself on his retirement according to plan, but it can scarcely be according to plan that he left hundreds of tons of ammunition behind him.

Losses Yet Uncounted. There is as yet no conception of the enormous figures to which these losses in materials of war will run. The enemy has moved his guns wonderfully well, but his gunners have been warned to be sparing of ammunition and to fire only when necessary to support his infantry.

WASHINGTON, July 31.—Through attacks by American troops in the vicinity of Serpy, southeast of Fere-en-Tardenois, military observers here believe General Foch has made the preliminary step toward forcing another withdrawal of the German forces.

U. S. Thrust Part of Plan

The American thrust to the north of Serpy, which officials believe will rank high in American military history, when full details are known, was considered today as not alone the result of American dash and impetuosity, but as having a well defined place in the plans of General Foch. That the Germans realized the menace of the American thrust was shown by the determined resistance of the Prussian Guards and Bavarians, the picked troops of the German high command.

LONDON, July 31.—The war office communication issued this evening says: "The hostile artillery was active during the day southwest of Albert and has shown some activity also east of Rebecq."

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY ON THE AISNE-MARNE FRONT, July 31.—(By the Associated Press.)—General De Goutte, commanding the army on this front, told correspondents he was satisfied with the progress made and he hoped that the advance would continue until the Germans were forced beyond their new positions.

Yankees Win Praise. He praised the manner in which the Americans were carrying out their part. The American forces now occupy the hills beyond Serpy and Serpy. One of the fiercest encounters in the present offensive was brought about by the Americans, who occupied (Continued on Page 7, Column 3.)

LAW CALLS HALT TO "WAR CHARITY"

AMBULANCE SCHEME BY SOCIETY WOMEN IS CURBED.

Wealthy New York Girls in Trouble With District Attorney and Ordered to Cease Activities.

NEW YORK, July 31.—Another "war charity" went into the discard here today when District Attorney Swann ordered Miss Ethel Langdon Drake to turn over to French Ambassador Jusserand \$14,000 which had been collected for the ostensible purpose of equipping 25 ambulance units for the sixth army of France, and to discontinue her war charity activities in America.

Simultaneously, Miss Virginia E. Chandler, captain in the "Drake Section Sanitaire," which was to operate the 25 ambulances, announced that a training camp of 19 young women at Bay Side, Long Island, under her command, had been disbanded and she had resigned her commission. All of the young women are said to be from families of wealth and social prominence. District Attorney Swann said his interest in the "section sanitaire" grew out of the fact that Miss Drake had ordered no ambulances, though she had advertised that she had given 25 to France and wanted to send one thousand drivers.

Miss Drake admitted, Mr. Swann said, that she had received from \$75 to \$175 each from the young women "rookies" in the training camp to defray expenses. She turned over to the District Attorney's office \$900 worth of diamonds which had been given her by Miss Gladys Rhoades, of Omaha, Neb., as a guarantee that her camp fees would be paid.

Miss Drake said that she had recently succeeded in getting Mrs. William J. Gavin, the golf champion, to arrange tournaments for the benefit of the "section sanitaire," and that \$2000 raised thus in San Francisco is on its way to New York.

Most of the information about Miss Drake was given the District Attorney by Mrs. S. J. Symonds, wife of a British army Major who said she had come to America with Miss Drake and had turned over to her a \$1500 monthly allowance and a quantity of jewelry, as well as the French war crosses given her for her relief work.

Miss Drake and Mrs. Symonds were living together at the Ritz-Carlton, which also was headquarters of the "section sanitaire." Mrs. Symonds, who was in tears when she left Mr. Swann's office, said she feared she was hopelessly estranged from her husband.

POSTAL OFFICIAL SOUGHT

J. J. Bensing, Cashier, Accused of Absconding With \$11,000.

PEORIA, Ill., July 31.—John J. Bensing, missing cashier of the Peoria postoffice and said to be a relative of Count von Bernstorff, is sought on a charge of absconding with a postoffice payroll of \$5000 and an additional \$6000 lost from the war-savings stamp fund.

He is believed to be trying to escape into Mexico and make his way to Germany. Federal agents are watching the border towns. A warrant for Bensing's arrest was sworn out today by Postmaster C. U. Stone.

JEWISH TROOPS AT FRONT

Contingents of Hebrew Legion Arrive Safely in Palestine.

NEW YORK, July 31.—Safe arrival in Palestine of the first two contingents of the American Jewish Legion was announced tonight by the Zionist Organization of America.

Recruited last Spring, the men have been trained in Canada and England and will join the Jewish regiment stationed in London and already on the firing line with the British forces near Jaffa.

CHILD INSTANTLY KILLED

Auto Is Overturned When Brakes Are Released.

HEPPNER, Or., July 31.—(Special.)—The five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Clint Sharp, of Newman Canyon, was instantly killed this morning when an auto in which he and two smaller brothers were playing ran away and overturned. The other children were seriously injured.

The car was standing on sloping ground and the children in their play released the brake.

GAME ABANDONED FOR WAR

Woman Baseball Expert Prepares to Do Her Bit.

CHICAGO, July 31.—Mrs. Fanny R. Davis, of Chicago, probably the best posted woman on baseball today, severed her connection with the game for the period of the war to "do her bit."

Mrs. Davis, for nine years secretary to the president of the American Association and previously identified with the Western League and the Chicago club of the American League, accepted a clerical position at Fort Sheridan. She has a son in military service.

WILSON KILLS ALLIANCE

German-American Organization's Charter Is Revoked.

WASHINGTON, July 31.—President Wilson today signed the Congressional resolution revoking the charter of the National German-American Alliance, which was charged with pro-German activities.

RUSSIAN FRONT MAY BE RESTORED

Big Events Possible Before Year's End.

TWO CAMPAIGNS SUGGESTED

Recent Developments Make Bad News for Kaiser.

MURMAN ADVANCE HALTS

Military Expert Discussing Intervention Points Out Possibilities and Declares Allies Have Arduous Task.

BY GENERAL J. M. G. MALLETERRE, Of the French Army.

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PARIS, July 31.—The bad news from Russia is reaching Germany. The allies seem to have come to some arrangement to intervene in a military way in Russia. An agreement has been reached with Japan and a Japanese landing has taken place at Vladivostok.

Battles have been reported between Harbin and Vladivostok and Bolshevik mobs and Austro-German prisoners are said to have been badly mauled.

It is confirmed that the Czechoslovak troops are masters of part of the trans-Siberian railroad. That is about all of the precise information we have.

Allies Silent as to Move. Information from the rest of Russia, particularly the situation in the Ukraine, is difficult to obtain. Even the allies have no interest in reporting what they are doing. Events alone will show their action and progress.

It must not be concealed that the task of the allies is a singularly arduous one. They can send an army into Russia only by the most distant gates, while the Germans, holding the whole of Western Russia, the richest and most populated region, can go to Moscow or to Petrograd as they want to Kiev and Sebastopol. It is a quest of effectiveness.

Helpful May Have New Policy. But it is quite possible that the new Ambassador Helfferich holds a different viewpoint from that of the late Mirbach and is being accompanied by a strong and imposing bodyguard.

Rumor has been current that Lenin and Trotsky have quit Moscow and not without having left behind them a good many of their political adversaries either shot or hanged. I am more inclined to believe that they will await Helfferich and will do all he wants them to do.

Will the allies on the Murman railroad who have already advanced over a considerable distance be capable of reaching Petrograd and gathering on (Continued on Page 7, Column 2.)

ONONDAGA INDIANS TO WAR ON BOCHES

IMPRISONMENT OF MEMBERS OF TRIBE CASUS BELLI.

Declaration of War on Germany to Summon Every Able-Bodied Man in Nation to Enlist.

STRACUSE, N. Y., July 31.—Edward H. Gohl, adopted Onondaga Indian and advisor of the tribe, announced tonight he had been delegated by the Onondagas to draft a declaration of war against Germany for the imprisonment of 17 members of the tribe at the outbreak of the war in 1914.

The Indians put in prison were a part of circus. The Indians, Mr. Gohl declared, were insulted and beaten by the Germans and Austrians and were finally imprisoned for their own protection, but later their release was obtained.

By the terms of a treaty which General George Washington and 23 chiefs of the Onondaga tribe made in 1735, the Onondagas were declared a separate nation in the United States and both sides have always respected the treaty.

In his declaration of war Mr. Gohl stated he also will call on every able-bodied man in the tribe to enlist on the side of their allies.

NEW LOAN CAMPAIGN NEAR

Sale of Fourth Liberty Bond Issue to Open Sept. 28.

WASHINGTON, July 31.—The campaign for the fourth Liberty Loan will open Saturday, September 28, and continue three weeks, ending October 19, it was announced tonight by Secretary McAdoo.

In fixing three weeks as the length of the campaign instead of four, Treasury officials plan for a more intensive campaign.

Although official announcement has not been made, the amount of the loan probably will be \$6,000,000,000 and the rate of interest which the bonds will bear 4 1/2 per cent.

Should the Treasury decide soon to place in market certificates of indebtedness redeemable next June, when taxes are paid, the amount of the loan may be reduced.

GUATEMALANS WILL HELP

Army of 85,000 to Be Trained by French Officers.

GUATEMALA CITY, July 31.—The French military mission sent to this country to assist in the training of the Guatemalan army has arrived.

Guatemala has an army of about 25,000 men and when that country joined the ranks of the entente allies in April the event was looked upon as one that would give important aid in the struggle against Germany.

MR. MCADOO DEMANDS CASH

Credit on Freight Charges After Today Abolished.

WASHINGTON, July 31.—After midnight tonight railroads will collect millions of dollars in freight charges on a cash basis by orders of Director-General McAdoo abolishing the old practice of extending credit to big shippers.

A day or two in which to mail the freight bill and transmit a check in return may be allowed.

TELEGRAPH, PHONE LINES TAKEN OVER

Control Assumed by U. S. at Midnight.

COMMITTEE TO SUPERVISE

Burleson Says Present Forces to Stay at Post.

CO-ORDINATION IS POLICY

President Vail, of American Bell Company, Exhorts Employees to Show "Loyalty, Fidelity to Public Service."

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—Control of telephone and telegraph lines was taken over at midnight by the Postoffice Department and their operation was placed under the general supervision of a special committee created for the purpose by Postmaster-General Burleson.

Mr. Burleson announced last night that until further notice the companies will continue operation in the ordinary course through the regular channels and that all officers and employees will continue in the performance of their present duties on the same terms of employment.

The plan is, however, to co-ordinate the facilities of the various companies to the best interests of the public and the stockholders.

Wire Investigation in Progress. Investigations into wire conditions being conducted by the special committee composed of First Assistant Postmaster-General Koons, David J. Lewis, former members of the tariff commission, and William H. Lamar, solicitor of the Postoffice Department, will be continued so that all possible information can be secured before any changes are undertaken.

Pursuant to the proclamation of the President of the United States, said Mr. Burleson's statement, "I have assumed possession, control and supervision of the telegraph and telephone systems of the United States."

Dividends to Continue. "Until further notice the telegraph and telephone companies will continue operation in the ordinary course of business through regular channels."

"Regular dividends heretofore declared and maturing interest on bonds, debentures and other obligations may be paid in due course and the companies may renew or extend their maturing obligations unless otherwise ordered by the Postmaster-General."

"All officers, operators and employees of the telegraph and telephone companies will continue in the performance of their duties, reporting to the same officers as heretofore and on the same terms of employment. Should any oficer, operator or employee desire to (Continued on Page 3, Column 2.)

3 MORE CONVICTS ESCAPE AT SALEM

THIRD BREAK IN AS MANY DAYS IS SUCCESSFUL.

Escape Is Discovered Quickly and Search Is Begun for Latest Trio of Fugitives.

SALEM, Or., July 31.—(Special.)—Three trustees escaped from the State Penitentiary here early tonight, bringing the total of escaped convicts for the last three days up to nine, four of whom have been captured.

Those who escaped today were James Kelly, from Multnomah County, serving from two to five years for attempted burglary of the Silverfield store, February 2, 1916; C. D. Jones, Hood River County, for forgery, and H. Armstrong, Lane County, for larceny.

The escape was discovered about 5 P. M. and Warden Murphy with a posse at once began search for the fugitives. The men walked away while employed outside the prison walls.

The series of escapes began Monday night when Bennett Thompson and Fred Thurber escaped by sawing bars which block the exit of a stream which flows through the prison yard and out under the walls.

Thompson was serving a life sentence from Washington County for the murder in 1916 of Mrs. Helen Jennings and Fred Thurber was serving a life sentence from Umatilla County for burglary.

Tuesday night, four others escaped by the same route as Thompson and Thurber, but were apprehended just after they had emerged outside the penitentiary walls.

These men were James Curtis, serving seven years for an unnatural offense from Morrow County; W. L. Carroll, serving a life sentence from Morrow County for murder; Jack Monahan, Multnomah County, for attempted robbery, and Al Smith, Multnomah County, larceny.

FRANCE HONORS AMERICAN

Otto H. Kahn, Banker, Chevalier of Legion of Honor.

NEW YORK, July 31.—The French government has conferred upon Otto H. Kahn, American banker, the decoration of Chevalier of the Legion of Honor in recognition of his services on behalf of the allied cause both before and since America entered the war, it was announced here today.

This is regarded as an unusual distinction for the reason that few civilian appointments to the Legion of Honor are being made in war time.

BRITISH PRISONERS 14,500

Number Captured in France Since March 21 Announced.

LONDON, July 31.—Since March 21 of this year, the British have taken 14,500 prisoners on the western front. James Ian MacPherson, parliamentary secretary of the War Office, informed the House of Commons today.

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SPRUCE MEN TO SEE FRANCE

Colonel Disque to Take Workers Over With Plane.

LIBERTY MOTOR PRAISED

Assurance Given That United States Is Beginning to Carry Through Aircraft Arms; Men Cheer New Director.

America's great programme for conquering the Hun in the air is fast fruiting into realization; the Northwest has the praise of the Nation for the part it is playing in aircraft production; Colonel Brice P. Disque and his men, who are achieving gratifying results in furnishing materials for the aircraft fleet, will have the chance to follow the finished machines across to France—these were the vital points in the message delivered in person yesterday by John D. Ryan, director of aircraft production, speaking before thousands of his workers at Vancouver Barracks.

50,000 Motors Ordered. Assurance that the United States is beginning to carry through its aircraft-making aims with entire success was given in no indefinite phrases by Mr. Ryan. He talked in terms of millions of feet of spruce and fir and, after giving the Liberty motor hearty praise, made known that the government has now placed orders for 50,000 of them to go into the planes in sight.

Heartiest cheers evoked from the thousands of sturdy spruceworkers before him were called forth by Director Ryan's explanation that Colonel Disque, just as soon as the spruce-production work has been advanced to meet requirements, is to take a regiment of his men for duty in France.

Work to Be Segregated. This was the first official tacit acknowledgment that the work of producing spruce is soon to be turned over to business hands and taken from the military organization, the Spruce Production Division, to which it was first entrusted. Rumors that this action impended have been current, especially since the Spruce Production Division was separated from the United States Signal Corps.

Neither Colonel Disque nor Mr. Ryan would comment last night on the question as to how long it may be before the release of the khaki-clad loggers, millmen and clerical workers from production duties here for fighting privileges "over there," may come. They did make it plain that only fit, select members of the provisional regiments to go into the many thousands of planes in sight.

Highway Trip Enjoyed. Director Ryan reached Portland early yesterday with a very small party, coming from Tacoma and Seattle, after attending conferences there and at Spokane with military members of the release of the khaki-clad loggers, millmen and clerical workers from production duties here for fighting privileges "over there," may come. They did make it plain that only fit, select members of the provisional regiments to go into the many thousands of planes in sight.

Trip Made to Vancouver. Mr. Ryan, with Colonel Disque, officers of the Spruce Production Division, and civilian members of the Pacific committee of the Aircraft Production Board, went by automobile to Vancouver at 3:30 o'clock and inspected the great Government cut-up plant. In the party were William Piggott, of the Shipping Board; W. M. Ladd, Amos Benson and Mark Reed, of the Production Board committee.

They were piloted through the big plant by Lieutenant-Colonel Charles W. Van Way. Then followed the review of the First Provisional Regiment on the barracks parade ground, and the address by Mr. Ryan at the baseball park, where 10,000 men heard his words of praise and encouragement, with his plea for hearty co-operation, now that they may the sooner have the chance to serve overseas that most of them covet.

President Keeps Close Watch. "I bring greetings from the President and the Secretary of War," Mr. Ryan told his great audience of uniformed men, with its sprinkling of civilian visitors.

"I was instructed to tell you," he continued, "that they know just as well what you're doing out here as they know what any division at the front is doing."

"Just before I left Washington I asked Secretary Baker what message he had to send out here to you and to the people of the Northwest. He said to me, 'Mr. Ryan, tell those soldiers in the Northwest that just as soon as Colonel Disque is assured that the (Continued on Page 6, Column 1.)

