

HUN LINE SMASHED BY FRENCH ARMY

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MANY VILLAGES CAPTURED

Advance Is Made Over Difficult Terrain and Despite Furious Resistance. Foe Is Harried From Plateau Near Tartieres.

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ly on the heights north of the Aisne, around Fontenoy, is sweeping the Germans off the high ground south of the Oise, obliging them to retreat across the river or retire eastward. In either event the success of the movement will expose the region about Noyon to artillery attacks from the south, the southeast and the southwest.

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LONDON, Aug. 20.—Reuter's correspondent telegraphing today from French Army Headquarters, says: "General Mangin's operations of the past two days prepared the way for a fresh advance today. The attack began at 7 o'clock this morning on a front of 20 miles from Pimpre, on the right bank of the Oise, to Fontenoy.

Bombardment Warns Enemy.
"Yesterday's heavy bombardment apparently warned the enemy that an attack was coming. During the night fresh enemy divisions were brought up from a long distance in the rear in motor lorries, and Jaeger divisions, the capture of which was the object of the attack from the Soissons region to help meet the shock of General Mangin's men.

Whole Front Line Passed.
"The whole German front line was passed one hour after the attack began. Soon after 9 o'clock the French infantry was sighted on the far side of the Audignicourt ravine, on the road leading across the plateau.

WITH THE FRENCH ARMY IN FRANCE. Aug. 20.—(By the Associated Press.)—The attack today of General Mangin's forces from Fontenoy on the Aisne to Pimpre on the Oise was progressing favorably when this dispatch was filed.

Prisoners Poured In.
Prisoners continued to arrive at the rear to add to the several thousand captured before noon, and the gain in territory at 1 o'clock had been from one to 1 1/2 miles. The enemy was retreating with the greatest haste at vital points. Where the fighting is thickest the ground is covered with German dead.

Gas Falls to Halt.
The Germans on retreating filled the ravine with mustard gas. This, however, proved only a temporary trouble, the entire ravine being turned in a short time and the French troops progressing toward Bierlicourt, eight miles southeast of Noyon.

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Huns Fight Desperately.
The Germans made a desperate defense in the hilly and wooded region south of the Oise around Carlepoint, Casines and Lombray, where they held strong positions which were profusely dotted with quick firers. The Four-A-Verre and Croisette farms were taken.

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by the French after a violent struggle, which proved very costly to the enemy. General Mangin's offensive forestalled a German attack, which, officers taken prisoner say, had been prepared for 7:30 o'clock this morning. The extremely heavy artillery preparation during the past 24 hours by the French served as a warning to the Germans that the French had an attack in anticipation, and two fresh divisions, one of Jaegers and the other of men from Baden, were brought up during the night in lorries to attempt to defend the German line.

NORRIS LEADS IN NEBRASKA
Republican Seems Likely to Win for Senate in Primary.

LINCOLN, Neb., Aug. 20.—Primary first returns on the Nebraska state-wide primary election showed G. W. Norris, Republican, well in the lead for the nomination for United States Senator. John H. Morehead, Democrat, for the same office, is leading his four other party rivals.

WARDAMAN SEEMS LOSER
Harrison Leads for Senator in Mississippi Primary.

JACKSON, Miss., Aug. 20.—Early returns from today's Democratic primary in Mississippi showed Congressman Pat Harrison leading in the three-cornered contest for United States Senator over James K. Vardaman, the incumbent, and ex-Governor E. F. Noel. Recently President Wilson, in answer to a recent inquiry as to Senator Vardaman's record, said he would regard the re-election of Vardaman as a condemnation of my Administration by the people of Mississippi.

HOLLAND TO GET CEREALS
Ten Thousand Tons Will Be Shipped on Steamer Nieuw Amsterdam.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20.—At the request of the government of the Netherlands, the war trade board has granted permission for the steamer Nieuw Amsterdam to take a cargo of 10,000 tons of cereals to Holland.

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NEW YORK, Aug. 20.—Enrico Caruso, the grand opera singer, today obtained a license to wed Miss Dorothy Bark Benjamin, daughter of a New York patent attorney, and a few hours later was married in the Marble Collegiate Church in Fifth avenue. Mrs. John S. Keith, of this city, was matron of honor, and the best man was Bruno Girata, the tenor's secretary.

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LONDON, Aug. 20.—News has been received here to the effect that one of the American naval air stations in Italy was recently attacked by a large force of enemy airplanes, which dropped more than a dozen heavy bombs, none of which did any damage.

Auto Damaged by Streetcar.
An automobile driven by G. W. Moriarity, of Oregon City, was badly damaged last night when a Depot and Morrison streetcar was in collision with the machine at Twelfth and Morrison streets. No one was injured, although the car was shoved against a telephone pole and the occupants thrown to the sidewalk. Moriarity reported that he was going east on Morrison street when the streetcar crashed into the rear of his machine.

U-BOAT IS RAMMED

Captain of American Vessel Declares Hun Craft Sunk.

TANKER'S FIGHT RELATED

Officer of British Ship Declares Relief Twenty-Six Shot Fired Hit and Destroyed Submarine Off Atlantic Coast.

AN ATLANTIC PORT, Aug. 21.—A German submarine late yesterday seized the big fishing trawler Triumph. The crew, which has reached shore safely, said they believed that the Germans intend to use the trawler as a raider. The fishermen reported that the U-boat is "playing havoc" with the fleet of fishing vessels on the Grand Banks.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20.—The badly damaged bow of his steamship is offered by the captain of an American vessel as confirmation of his statement that he rammed a U-boat August 7 off the Virginia coast. The captain believes he sank the submarine.

Tangible Evidence Offered.
In making the announcement the department did not name the ship. Because of the American ship's circumstantial report and the tangible evidence furnished by the damaged bow, the story is given credence not accorded most of the accounts of submarine destruction reaching the Navy.

AN ATLANTIC PORT, Aug. 20.—John Crosby, chief mate of the British tanker which is said to have sunk a U-boat recently off this coast, in describing the incident today said: "Our 26th shot struck the submarine. She did not blow up with a bang. What she did was to swing around

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slowly and drift broadside on. We did not slow down, but made for port as swiftly as we could travel. I am sure our shot destroyed the enemy craft."

PARIS, Aug. 20.—(Havas Agency.)—Newspapers of Oporto, Portugal, report that an unidentified steamer outbound from Bordeaux sank a submarine near the Spanish coast.

BOSTON, Aug. 20.—Captain H. Thorbjornsen, of the Norwegian steamer San Jose, sunk by a German submarine off the North Atlantic coast Saturday, told today how he had protested against the destruction of his ship on the ground that it was under charter to the Norwegian government.

HUNS RETIRE 3 TO 4 MILES
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Improved in the last few days, and last night the positions of the enemy west of Bray were successfully raided.

It is possible the enemy may think that if he could arrange to leave a broad space, say of two or three miles between the British lines and his own, holding the latter with fairly strong forces, but keeping the greater part of his armies well to the rear, he would have a better chance to defend himself against the combined operations of the infantry and tanks, the effect of which he apparently has learned to respect.

British Follow Closely.
If this is part of his plan, he seems not to have reckoned that the British would follow on his heels so closely. The Merville withdrawal, however, is the most significant development in a long time, for the enemy has been holding onto this salient as a sort of jumping off place for the continuation of his Flanders operations and in holding it has suffered greatly, especially from the allied artillery. The initiative having passed from the Germans, the position ceased to be of value to them.

Merville, of course, has been entered and the allied patrols by this time have occupied some distance beyond it. Every day now some new documentary evidence comes to light showing either a weakening of the morale in the German army or the anxiety of its leaders.

PLANS OF FOCH BIG

Smashing Blow May Continue Right On Until Winter.

FALL OF NOYON POSSIBLE

Breakdown of Enemy's Defensive Line Over Front of Scores of Miles In Prospect—Royer Pocket to Be "Picked."

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20.—Interpreted at first as a local operation intended primarily to enable the allies to retain complete possession of the initiative on the Picardy front, the rapidly developed success of the French east of the Oise tonight was accepted by military officers here as a definite and fully prepared effort having a specific part in the larger strategic plans of General Foch.

Latest advices tonight describing the advance of the French front army for two and a half miles on a front of more than 15 miles were taken as conclusive evidence that the major plan of the Generalissimo is far more comprehensive than has been supposed.

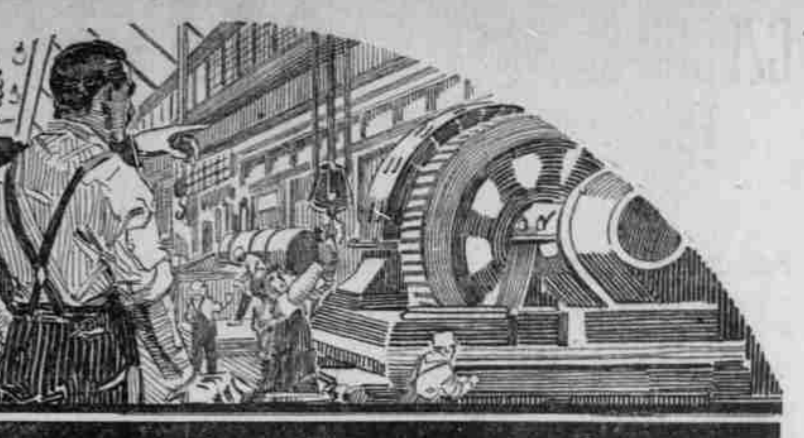
It is believed to include a series of actions which will occupy every moment until the arrival of winter rains makes the plateaus of Picardy and the plains of Flanders impassable.

Most observers agreed that the immediate objective of General Mangin's forces appeared to be the "picking" of the Royer pocket, with the subsequent control of the important supply lines between that city and Noyon.

For the larger objective toward which efforts of the allies are being bent was seen the capture of Noyon and a resultant breakdown of the German defensive line over a front of scores of miles.

Activities of the British army east of Arras, around the Merville sector, are thought to be linked up with this larger plan. Some strategists foresee in the near future a more important thrust by these forces, completing the cycle of offensives from Rheims to the sea.

Living Cost Data Sought.
WASHINGTON, Aug. 20.—Country-wide investigation of the cost of living was started today by the bureau of labor statistics to obtain data for use in making wage adjustments. Six agents began the inquiry in Baltimore, calling on representative families in different parts of the city. Information will be gathered from families regarding their annual expenses for food, clothing, housing, fuel, furniture and miscellaneous expenses.



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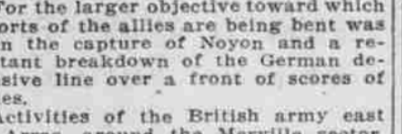
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