

AMERICAN DASH DEPRESSES ENEMY

Tardieu Points Out Factor That Will Contribute Materially to German Defeat.

COURSE OF WAR REVIEWED

Indications Seen That foe Recognizes Its Situation as Serious and Is Merely Holding On to Avert Disaster.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 29.—High praise of American troops is awarded by Andre Tardieu, High Commissioner of Franco-American War Co-operation in reviewing the course of the war to date.

M. Tardieu relates how the events in the course of a cable statement to the Associated Press, says German prisoners declare that if the whole American Army shows the same dash as the Americans who have been in action so far, the German cause is lost.

M. Tardieu relates how the events in Russia by giving Germany a crushing superiority allowed the enemy to undertake the large offensive operations directly threatening Paris, putting Amiens, the pivot of the Franco-British troops, under fire, and cutting off railway communications with the east and north.

This was on July 18. On August 3 the enemy was brought back on the Vesle, the road to Nancy was freed and the access to Paris by the Marne was barred through operations in which the American troops played a prominent part.

British Blow Effective.

But the German army was still powerful and its losses were counter-balanced by the gains of the preceding offensive, M. Tardieu says.

Then the British army assumed the offensive. Amiens was liberated; Montdidier fell, the armies of Generals Debeney and Humbert started a war of position and on August 19 the French reached the city of Noyon, with Mangin's army. The events up to the 23d, when the main British attack began, are described, and M. Tardieu continues:

"Though it is too soon as yet to sum up as a whole, the military operations extending from August 5 to August 23, since the battle is still in progress, the following results have already been obtained:

"1.—Paris is no longer threatened. "2.—Our direct communication by rail between Paris and Calais has been re-established, as had been those between Paris and Nancy on July 29.

"3.—Our third aim to wrest the initiative from the Germans, has likewise been attained.

Germans on Defensive. "The instructions given by the German high command to the German troops are now of a decidedly defensive nature. They confess that the situation is serious for Germany.

"Judging from reliable documents it seems that only 24 fresh divisions, that is to say, 24 divisions having been withdrawn from the firing line for at least a month, are now all the actual German reserves.

"Twenty-three others are being reformed. "Forty-seven divisions whose morale was considerably shaken, constitute the Germans' last reserve in the present battle.

"The answers of prisoners, secret documents and letters addressed to German soldiers reveal a great discouragement among them. They no longer believe in victory, and with them it is only a question of holding on to save Germany from disaster.

Americans Big Menace.

"She realizes that the Americans reformed after the operations along the Vesle and strengthened by the inflow of new divisions, are in themselves a menace every day more imminent.

"The German officers taken prisoners reformed after July 18 asserted they did not believe in the possibility of the participation of the Americans in the battle.

"Those made prisoners in the last operations recognize that the fighting qualities of the Americans are exceedingly great and their tenacity extraordinary. If the whole American Army, they added, 'shows the same dash, the German cause is lost.'"

\$400,000,000 MORE IS GIVEN

America Lends Again to Allies, Total Being \$7,092,040,000.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 29.—An additional credit of \$400,000,000 for Great Britain was established today by the Treasury.

This brought the total of credits to Great Britain to \$3,725,000,000 and of credits to all the allies to \$7,092,040,000.

SUGAR CROP TO BE RUSHED

Shipping Board to Hurry Tonnage to Handle Hawaiian Product.

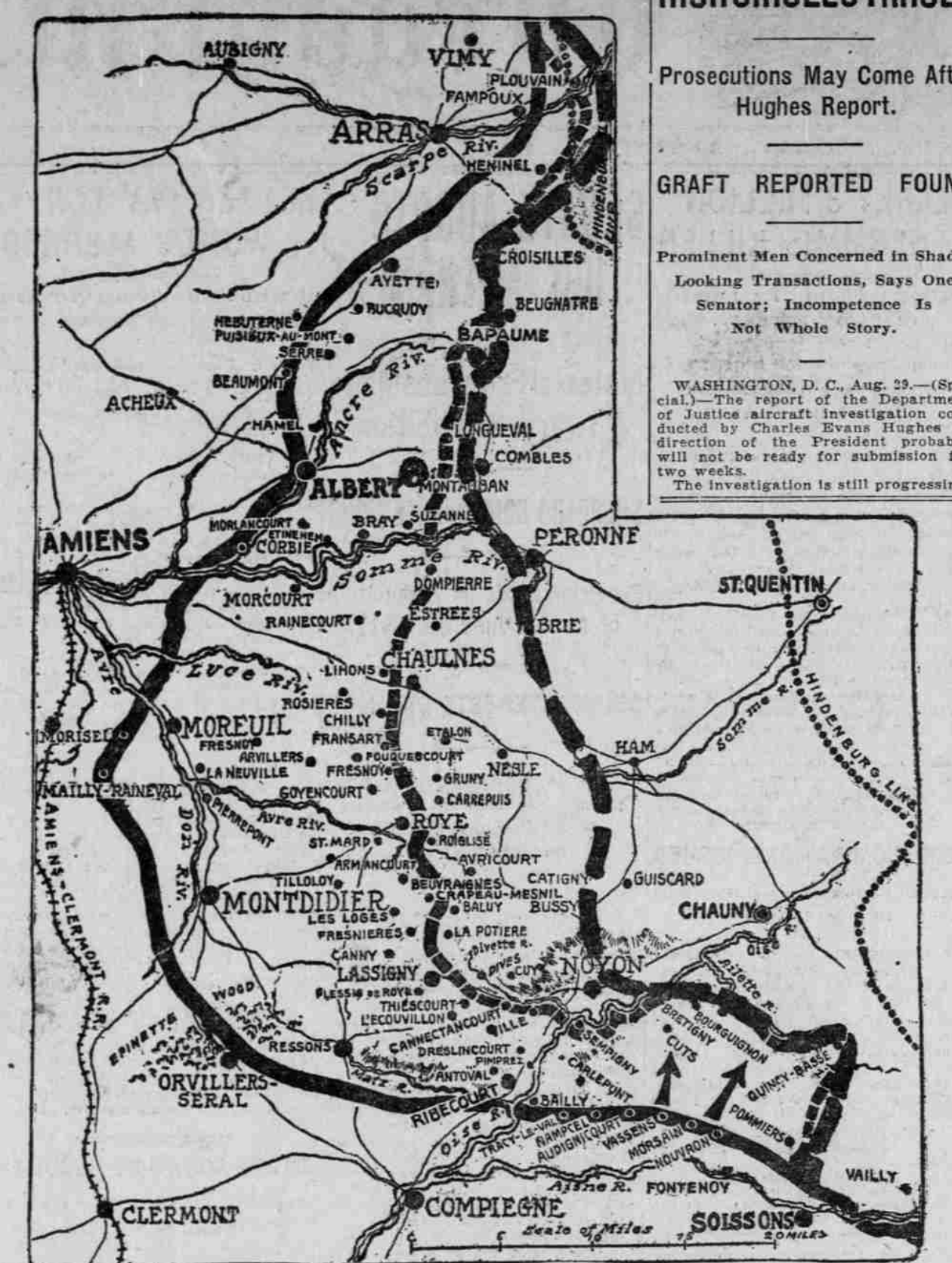
HONOLULU, T. H. Aug. 15.—(Special.)—The United States Shipping Board is to make a determined effort to rush Hawaii's sugar crop to the mainland and to that end 40 freight vessels aggregating a tonnage of 190,000 will call here shortly.

DANCING

GRAND FALL OPENING.

Dancing party at DeHoney's beautiful academy, Twenty-third and Washington, Saturday evening, August 31.

MAP SHOWING PRESENT AREA OF BATTLE OPERATIONS WITH GAINS OF ALLIES IN LAST 24 HOURS.



Heavy Black Line Shows Farthest German Advance in Offensive Began March 21. Broken Line in Center of Sallet Shows Allied Line Wednesday. Broken Line Extending From Solissons on South to Neighborhood of Vimy on North Shows Advance Scored Thursday. Small Dotted Line to Right of Drawing Indicates Hindenburg Line.

NOYON IS CAPTURED

French Drive Hard After Retreating Germans.

POILUS CLOSE IN ON HUN

Advance Is Made From South and West and Many Towns Are Recovered, Together With Large Quantity of War Material.

WITH THE FRENCH ARMY IN THE FIELD, Aug. 29.—(By the Associated Press.)—(10 A. M.)—Noyon was occupied this morning by the troops of General Humbert.

General Mangin's men crossed the Oise River and took Morlincourt. The French First army took Quesnoy wood just to the west of the Canal Du Nord. The wood was a strongly fortified position and from it the Germans endeavored to check the French pursuit.

The rapidly succeeding military events not only confirm that the Germans have lost all control of their operations in the regions of the Somme, Aves and Oise Rivers, but they indicate that the enemy's own retreat is getting out of hand.

The effort to stem the French pursuit by fighting rear-guard actions with machine gun sections, leaving a section at intervals of about 400 yards, was only locally successful. On ground especially favorable for that sort of resistance such as the terrain around Roye it gained some time for the enemy, enabling him to move a great many guns and a considerable part of his material behind the Canal Du Nord and north of Noyon.

Huns Quicken Retreat.

But once this system of fighting was mastered the strength of the German rear guard dwindled. The Germans, hustled violently by the French advance guard, were obliged to risk an engagement with important forces or to quicken their retreat.

The Germans adopted the latter plan and since yesterday have been making all possible haste on the road leading to Saint Quentin, Laferre and the Hindenburg line.

The strong position of Quesnoy wood just west of the Canal Du Nord, from which the Germans tried by means of the heavy fire of all calibers of artillery to check the French troops advancing on both sides of the Roye-Noyon road was captured this morning.

Pressure from General Humbert's

TOWN OF BAPAUME TAKEN

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regardless of cost, in an effort to save their Droocourt-Quantin line. As a matter of fact the line is still intact, but this is solely because the British have not actually carried out any assault against it.

Annex Deft Huns.

South of the Somme the Germans are retreating before the Australians. The French to the south having reached the banks of the Somme backwaters, the Australians are engaged in clearing the enemy from the small bit of ground remaining to him west and south of the river within the angle created by its course. South of Ebaux the battle continues. This afternoon the British were east of Maurepas and Comblès, while Clichy and Guillement have been stormed and captured.

Other British troops this afternoon beat down the opposition and are moving through Thillois, just south of Bapaume. The whole British line here seems to be on the move. The Germans are falling back, leaving large numbers of machine guns on the ground out of which they are being pushed.

In the north heavy fighting is in progress on both sides of Bullecourt and in front of that town. Villers-Carbonnel and Barleux have been taken.

Counter Attacks Launched.

Within the last 24 hours the Germans have launched several heavy counter attacks, fresh troops being employed. In every case except one the enemy was beaten back with terrible losses, gaining no ground whatsoever.

The one exception was a counter attack south of Gavelle, north of the Scarpe, where the Germans managed to penetrate the British lines. But they soon were driven out. The only result was to carpet the ground in front of the British with German dead.

There has been extraordinary heavy fighting for Greenland Hill. The position was reached once by the British, but was relinquished during a counter-attack yesterday. It is now entirely British once more. The British captured many prisoners.

Just north of the Somme the Germans are offering stiff resistance from Hem, on the north bank of the river west of Peronne. Except in the extreme north the fighting is through villages which have changed hands many times since the war began.

Old Ruins Churned. The ruins in some cases became overgrown with weeds, grass and poppies more than once, only to be churned up again. Villages reported from time to time to have been captured are not villages at all. They are simply mounds of debris.

This country is what the British have been taking away from the Germans, but not far away there is land which has not touched since 1914. The British are within less than four miles of this country at the nearest point.

Building trades returns from 35 Canadian cities for a recent month indicate that employment decreased more than 42 per cent as compared with the previous month, and over 46 per cent as compared with the same month in 1917.

HIGH CIRCLES TARGET

Prosecutions May Come After Hughes Report.

GRAFT REPORTED FOUND

Prominent Men Concerned in Shadow-Looking Transactions, Says One Senator; Incompetence Is Not Whole Story.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 29.—(Special.)—The report of the Department of Justice aircraft investigation conducted by Charles Evans Hughes by direction of the President probably will not be ready for submission for two weeks. The investigation is still progressing.

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FRUIT FACTORY BURNS

DAMAGE AT SUTHERLIN PLANT ESTIMATED AT \$30,000.

Whole District Menaced by Blazes; Company Lately Busy on Government Orders.

EUGENE, Or., Aug. 29.—(Special.)—The plant of the Everfresh Fruit Company at Sutherlin, Douglas County, engaged in work upon Government contracts, was destroyed by fire which started about 6:30 o'clock tonight. The loss is estimated at \$30,000, and is partially covered by insurance.

The origin of the fire is unknown, according to Frank J. Norton, manager of the plant.

Thirteen Captains to Be Promoted. WASHINGTON, Aug. 29.—Thirteen captains of the Navy were nominated today for the temporary grade of Rear-Admiral. They are: George R. Clarke, William A. Gill, Harold P. Norton, Gustav Kammerling, Alexander S. Ha-

BUCKLEY, WASH., SAILOR DROWNED.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 29.—The deaths of Roger Wells, Charles P. Plunkett, William H. G. Bullard, Joseph W. Oman, Philip Andrews, Josiah E. McKean, Benton C. Decker and Mark L. Bristol.

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