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## 180,000 HUNS LOST IN BATTLE

### Two-Mile Advance By Allies Along Line South of Soissons

With the Army on the Aisne and Marne Front, July 24.—Extremely hard fighting has been going on along the line south of Soissons, where the Germans are concentrating in full strength in order to prevent the further imperiling of their lines, over which supplies must reach them. But the allies have made gains.

The main railroad is now useless so far as the Germans are concerned, while the heavy guns of the allies are reaching many of the wagon roads which the enemy has fought so hard to retain.

The Germans can obtain limited supplies, but it is believed that these will not be sufficient to warrant keeping the big army in the salient.

Paris, July 24.—Highly satisfactory gains by the French and American forces on the Aisne-Marne front are reported in the official statement of the war office tonight. In the center of the line an advance of nearly two miles was made. Desperate engagements were fought in the direction of Epieds and Trugny-Epieds, which villages the Americans again recaptured from the Germans. To the north of Epieds the Franco-American line is now beyond Courpail.

Violent German counter attacks and rear guard actions in great strength still fail to serve as barriers to the advance on the Soissons-Rheims salient.

They have aided in slowing down the fast pace, but on the three sides of the new U-shaped battle front, important gains have been made.

Driving slowly, but surely, south of Soissons, the American and the French troops have rushed their fronts further eastward toward that part of the Soissons-Chateau Thierry railway line that is still in the hands of the enemy, and further south, along both sides of the Ourcq river, and the road leading to Fere-en-Tardenois, Germany's great storehouse for the supply of her troops in the south. Important penetrations into enemy-held territory have been made until the maximum point where the allies are fighting, near Colney, is about 10 1/2 miles from their point of departure last Thursday.

In the Marne region north of Chateau Thierry the Americans and French have met with the fiercest kind of resistance for the Germans are striving hard to extricate large

numbers of the German forces and save part of the great number of guns and quantities of war materials.

The advantage of the fighting has rested with the allied troops, who have pushed on northward past the village of Epieds and ousted the Huns from the greater part of the Chatelet forest. In this region the allies now hold the villages of Epieds and Trugny-Epieds, which were captured by the Germans and were recaptured Wednesday in a counter attack by the Americans. Pressing on northward, the allies have driven their front beyond Courpail, which lies about six miles and a half north-east of Chateau Thierry.

Along the Marne at several points, notably in the region of Charveaux and Joulgonne, and further east at Treloup, the allies have put the northern bank of the Marne further behind them in advances and captured a large number of cannon and machine guns and considerable war materials.

In the region between the Marne and Rheims where the German crown prince has brought forward large numbers of picked reinforcements, his warriors are meeting with hard usage. Following up the advances of the French and Italians of Tuesday, the British immediately to the southwest of Rheims apparently have begun a movement which possibly portends good results.

Here the British have overcome a strong counter attack, and following it, a violent bombardment and struck the German line at Virgny for a goodly gain. This movement, if it is pressed to further advantage, will seriously menace the Rheims-Fismes railway, a scant three miles to the north and also will tend materially to lessen the width of the mouth of the pocket through which the Germans are endeavoring to retreat from the Soissons-Rheims salient.

Gauged by the war maps, the new broads of the allied troops into the German-held territory necessarily added further to the extreme gravity of the situations of the Germans inside the huge pocket and with the long range guns on both sides of the heavily shelling them far behind the actual fighting front, with air men bombing them assiduously, and with the infantry attacking them on all sides with rifle and light gunfire, their situation seemingly is a hazardous one.

### Klamath Falls Boy Obtains Souvenirs

According to the Klamath Falls Herald, Mrs. Nate Otterhelm is the proud possessor of a unique souvenir in the shape of a pair of vases made from shells of the famous French "75" guns now being used with such deadly execution against the Boche forces in France.

Some time ago a letter from her son, Louis Hoaglund, with the aviation forces now in France, notified her that the souvenirs were on the way, and further said that the shells were used in the greatest battle of the war up to that time. He also informed her that he had received his service stripe for six months foreign service, and expressed the hope that before he was entitled to another one the argument would be settled and he would be on the way back home.

Louis Hoaglund is a grandson of Mrs. A. L. Harvey of this city.

### Sudden Death Of Well Known Woman

Mrs. Alva R. Wilkins of Dunsmuir died at the home of her brother, A. H. Pracht, on Vista street last Sunday morning, at the age of 49 years. She had been in poor health for a long time and had come to Ashland several weeks ago to be with her mother and brother, and though her condition was serious, her death came unexpectedly at the end.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon from the home of her mother, Mrs. Max Pracht, Mrs. Pernie Johnson officiating. Mrs. Henry Enders presided at the piano and Mrs. D. D. Norris sang two solos. Interment was made in Mountain View cemetery. Mrs. Wilkins is survived by her husband, two daughters, her mother, Mrs. Max Pracht, two brothers, William B. Pracht, in the U. S. naval service at Bremerton, and A. H. Pracht of Ashland.

### Interest Still Maintained In Present Session of Chautauqua

Interest has continued unabated in the chautauqua as it progresses this week, and each day brings new attractions which meet with the hearty applause of the attendants. Monday afternoon after a pleasing prelude by the Zedeler Symphonie Quintet, Charles Crawford Gorst, America's well known naturalist, gave an illustrated lecture on birds and their songs. Mr. Gorst knows and loves birds, and his study has brought him in intimate relations with their lives and habits. More than this he so perfectly imitates their songs that those who love the little feathered denizens of the wild-wood could readily picture the tiny songsters by the whistles he produced. More old-time favorites from far off sections of the country were brought before the minds of the audience Monday afternoon by the reproduction of their song by Mr. Gorst.

At the evening program the Zedeler Symphonie Quintet presented a classical program of brilliant interpretation. The speaker of the evening was James A. Burns, president of Onedia Institute of Kentucky, whose lecture was on the "Remaking of the Mountaineer." Mr. Burns was born in the Cumberland mountains from where his father left to escape the terrors of the feuds in that region. To this section the boy returned at an early age, and took up the family quarrels with his relatives against others of the neighborhood. The instinct inherited from his father, however, led him to desire better things of life, so he later went to school where he received a few months' training, when he returned to his mountain home and endeavored to lead the inhabitants to a better way of living. The story of his early struggles to institute a school in the wilderness under almost insurmountable difficulties was graphically related, and the success that has resulted from this herculean task is one of the monuments of the unflinching labors of this man for the people he loves.

That Ashland and the entire Rogue River valley are great lovers of music was thoroughly demonstrated by the excellent audiences that greeted the appearance of Thavie's Exposition band both afternoon and evening Tuesday. This band gave two splendid concerts, one in the afternoon and one in the evening, and that it was of the finest musical aggregation ever presented in Ashland is putting it mildly. At the evening concert a trio of grand opera singers of unusual brilliance appeared as vocalists and added greatly to the charm of the entertainment.

Wednesday evening Edna Lowe, the noted health lecturer, gave an address on "Danger Signals on the Road to Health." Miss Lowe has appeared before Ashland audiences previously to this, and is one of the finest in place upon the Chautauqua platform. Her lecture was listened to with interest by many who derived much valuable information from her talk.

One of the best musical companies Chautauqua has produced this season was presented yesterday in the Treble Clef club, under the leadership of Jessie Rae Taylor. This was a quartet of young ladies whose beautiful singing, charming dances and costume readings have won a unique place in platform entertainment. The impersonations of Miss Taylor were particularly enjoyable and called forth the heartiest applause at both programs.

The Red Cross department or any other body of women has nothing on Ned Woodman when it comes to an active tongue accompanying busy fingers. This entertainer while drawing attractive and amusing sketches kept up a rapid-fire of humors and poetic line of talk that amused and thrilled his audience, and kept them spell-bound with his flashes of oratory and wit.

Lincoln Wirt's lecture was one of the big features of the Chautauqua at the session last night, and was one that all patriotic Americans may consider themselves fortunate to have heard. Mr. Wirt has been at the battle line three times, and has viewed the war close up. He prefaced his address by saying that he was ashamed of his last appearance in Ashland when a year ago last fall he was here preaching peace "to beat the band." But he has a very different viewpoint of conditions now, and pacifists have no place in his sympathies.

Mr. Wirt went to the front under the auspices of the American Red Cross, and his tale of their accomplishments is sufficient to thrill and inspire everyone. They are relieving the poor and needy, bringing help and comfort to the sorrowful, healing to the injured and health and strength to the diseased. The (Continued on Page Eight.)

### Huns See 10,000,000 Yanks

WITH the American Army on the Aisne-Marne Front, Sunday, July 21.—A German captured by the Americans today formerly was a baker in New York. He was asked what the German soldiers thought about the Americans. "Since Thursday," he said, "the Germans had concluded that the announcement that a million Americans were in France was false and rumors among the Germans on this front are that there are ten million Americans in France."

### Mrs. Kleinhammer Died At Phoenix

Mrs. Frances Ann Kleinhammer, a former well known resident of Ashland, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Catherine Van Dyke, a mile northeast of Phoenix, Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, of dropsy. Death came at the age of 76 years. She was a widow of Clause Kleinhammer, who died in 1909. She had been a resident of Jackson county since she became fifteen years of age, and all her children were born in this county, all of whom are alive. They are: Fred Kleinhammer of Medford, Mrs. Catherine Van Dyke of Phoenix, Arthur Kleinhammer of Jacksonville, William Kleinhammer of Oakland, Cal., Mrs. F. L. Hammer of Modesto, Cal., and Miss Frances Kleinhammer of Marshfield, Ore. Mrs. Kleinhammer was a member of the Pioneer society and the Presbyterian church.

Funeral services will be held at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Van Dyke near Phoenix, Friday morning at 10 o'clock, conducted by Rev. J. K. Baillie, pastor of the Presbyterian church of Phoenix, and interment will be made in the Ashland cemetery.

### Water Of Link River Rolled Back By Wind

Probably not since the days when the waters of the river Jordan rolled back at the command of Moses for the children of Israel to cross dry shod has a more wonderful phenomenon of this kind occurred than the drying of the rapids in Link river at the west end of Klamath Falls, by the winds sweeping up the canyon from the south.

These rapids, which have a fall of 62 feet in two miles and which furnish enough power under ordinary conditions to turn every wheel in the county, were blown back one day this week in a few hours, leaving the bed of the river so dry that it could be crossed on foot at almost any point.

Large numbers gathered to witness what appeared to be a miracle, and to catch the trout left in the little pools and holes in the rocks.

The power plant on the river was, of course, put entirely out of commission, and the other plants on the Klamath river below may be affected as the current has already been cut off for several hours. The river is lower than at any time in recent years.—Klamath Falls Herald.

### Kansas Society Met In Annual Reunion

Kansas was the popular state in Ashland Tuesday when the annual reunion and picnic of all the former residents of that state now living in the Rogue River valley was held in the park. This was a highly enjoyable affair and many former Jayhawkers were present extending greetings to old-time friends and acquaintances and forming new ties with those recently admitted to the charmed circle.

During the morning V. O. N. Smith, cashier of the Citizens bank and president of the Kansas society, received the following telegram from Governor Arthur Capper of Kansas:

"V. O. N. Smith, president, Ashland, Ore.: Speaking for the people of 'the old home state,' I send warmest greetings and most cordial good wishes to the Kansas society of southern Oregon. We are glad that on this day your thoughts turn back to your former state. May success and happiness continue to be yours. "ARTHUR CAPPER, Governor."

Mr. Smith presided at the meeting held in the Chautauqua auditorium in the morning and made an address of welcome. He also spoke of the part Kansas people have taken in national affairs and especially in the civil war and said her noble sons are marching side by side today in this country and on foreign soil beside other states to forever wipe out autocracy and militarism and to establish freedom for all.

Mrs. George Andrews of Medford pleased her sunflower friends with (Continued on page 8)

### Rich Vein Struck At Gold Hill Mine

J. G. Davis and associates, of Sacramento, Cal., lessees of the Sylvanite group of gold quartz mines north of Gold Hill, have made a second strike of rich ore on the property. The new find is a sulphide ore, similar to the rich Galena base ore of Colorado. The vein is in a drift on a 600-foot level, over 20 feet wide, and runs from \$18 to \$30 per ton in gold values.

The first strike, made several months ago, netted the lessees many thousands of dollars.

Machinery for a large standmill is being installed on the property, and will be in operation soon.

### Bakery Closed For Violating Food Law

Ben Zernstein, proprietor of the Ben Ton bakery, who was penalized for violating the United States food regulations, was summoned before Food Administrator W. B. Ayres in Portland last week and admitted his guilt. Zernstein was charged with failing to make his weekly reports, failing to weigh the substitutes used in his bakery, and in failing to use the required amount of substitutes in bread and pastry.

The license of the bakery was suspended by Mr. Ayres and the doors of the bakery closed for one week. The bakery is again in operation.

Phone job orders to the Tidings.

### Drafted Boys Stop In This This Week

The Civic club and the Depot hotel are again feeding large contingents of drafted men who are coming from the south to encamp at Camp Lewis. The first lot came in Tuesday for lunch, and more will be in every day at various meals, finishing Saturday. The men apparently enjoy the service extended to them by the Ashland people and are a pleasant lot of boys.

### Union Service In Chautauqua Building

Union church services will be held in the Chautauqua building next Sunday evening, as well as all successive Sunday evenings during the month of August. Services will begin at 8 o'clock and all churches of the city and their pastors are cordially invited to participate. Make these services happy and successful. REV. W. N. FERRIS, Secy., Ministerial Ass'n.

### G. A. R. Members Get Out Rate Only

(Copied from general orders for benefit of old soldiers.) "The one cent rate does not apply to old soldier who are not members of the Grand Army of the Republic. The old soldier who has not enough interest in his service to become a member of the Grand Army, is not entitled to this rate. If he wishes this concession he should join the Grand Army."

### Serbs Are Inoculated With White Plague

The recent report of the Siberian government that prisoners captured by the Austrians and Germans are being inoculated with the virus of tuberculosis and other diseases is being daily verified by escaped Serbian prisoners.

A good lot in the Boulevard Park addition for just a little more than a song. Billings Agency.

### Death Of Former County Resident

Word was received in Ashland this week of the death of M. G. Lawrence occurring May 3 at Sierra Madre, Cal., and was due to paralysis. Mr. Lawrence was the owner of Buckhorn Lodge, the beautiful estate in the Siskiyou near Ashland, and was well known in this community. He suffered a paralytic seizure about three years ago, when he went away from here in the hope of obtaining relief.

Mr. Lawrence had many friends in Ashland and vicinity and his beautiful country home was a popular resort to many who were fortunate enough to enjoy Mr. Lawrence's acquaintance.

### Industrial Club Started In Talent

The formal organization of the Talent Industrial club was effected at a meeting in that town Thursday night of last week. Miss Lucile Holdridge, who is an experienced club worker and prize winner, was elected president, Miss Erna Robison, vice-president, and Miss Veletta Burnett secretary.

Very definite information as to just how the several members are getting along with their work was obtained at this meeting, and excellent results are promised from the organization.

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### Had Narrow Escape From German Drive

Mrs. Donald Clark recently received a thrilling letter from Miss Dorothy Connor describing her experiences in the recent German drive which smashed through Braine, France, where Miss Connor had charge of a canteen. Braine is on the Vesle river between Soissons and Rheims, toward which the allied forces are now making rapid progress.

Miss Connor, daughter of Mrs. Charles Connor, formerly of Jackson-ville, was on the Lusitania when the boat was sunk, and had a narrow escape from death. Nothing daunted, she soon returned to take up relief work near the fighting line, and had been at Braine many months when the Germans broke through the Chemin des Dames and drove south.

Miss Connor describes the frightful bombardment and seeing the German planes coming over the northern horizon. A French soldier pointed to them and said, "They are only a few miles ahead of the German advance guards." After tending several wounded soldiers, Miss Connor hastily got together a few personal belongings and climbed into a Ford car bound for Paris—the last car to leave before the invading forces arrived. She lost several valuable articles, and the canteen, of course, with all its supplies and furnishings, fell into the hands of the Germans.

Miss Connor is now in Paris and wrote that as soon as the allies swept back the hated Huns she would return to Braine and continue her relief work.—Medford Sun.