BOMBARDMENT ON MARNE IS FIERCEST SEEN IN THE WAR

Hundreds of Thousands of Shells of All Caliber Are Poured on Congested Ranks of Germans.

AIRPLANES ADD TO HAVOC

Allied Troops in Champagne Press Forward on Three Mile-Front South of Mont Sandsnom.

By Webb Miller

Paris, July 27.—(U. P.)—Bombardment of German positions in the Soissons-Rheims salient, which already has attained a violence surpassing anything in the war, is steadily increasing as more allied artillery is brought forward.

Hundreds of thousands of shells of all calibers are being hurled into all parts of the narrowing pocket, where nearly half a million men of the crown prince's armies are in an increasingly dangerous situation.

Outposts, support positions, concentration centers and lines of communication are the targets of tons of steel and high explosives. Bombing squadrons of allied airplanes add to the havoc.

Fere-en-Tardenois, the great German concentration and transportation center and chief decisive point in the southern part of the salient, is rapidly being blasted away. The allied artillery also is paying particular attention to the rear areas east of Soissons, in an effort to wreck the bridges across the Aisne. The main highway running from Fismes southward to the Marne is being bombed by airmen, who have caused the greatest confusion in enemy traffic. They report heavy movements of German men and material, both north and south along this road.

The rains have interfered to some extent with infantry operations, but French and American troops are gradually squeezing the Boches out of their last foothold on the north bank of the Marne—a sector of less than five miles between Verneuil and Chatillon-sur-Marne.

Allied troops also have advanced in the Champagne, pressing forward nearly a mile on a three mile front, south of Mont Sansnom.

Unofficial reports have also been received that the encirclement of Fere-en-Tardenois is slowly but steadily proceeding. It is believed the Germans will retire from that town, or be forcibly ejected, within a few hours.

OREGON MEN OF 91ST ARE NEAR THE FRONT

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division, which will have a regular army designation, but which will be composed for the most part of national army troops. Who will command it has not yet been announced.

Washington, July 27.—American fighting troops now are in Italy. They have arrived in force from France and are in addition to hospital and sanitary units, whose arrival was made known some time ago. The war department as yet has no information as to their number or the points where they will be used.

This announcement was made today by General Peyton C. March, chief of staff. He also made public the organization of two new army corps, the fourth and fifth, in France.

The greatest news since the departure of our troops for Italy is the fact that they can be spared from France.

This is considered proof that the west front situation is absolutely satisfactory. This dispatch of our fighting men to the Italian front also means a wonderful effect on the morale of the Italian people.

Million and Quarter in France

There are now 1,253,000 American fighters overseas, General March told the senate military affairs committee. Last week 53,000 were transported, which is below the 90,000 weekly average maintained recently. This, however, was due to unusually large shipments of supplies abroad during the same period.

Desperate fighting still is in progress along the western front, General March said. Franco-American and British forces are driving the Germans to the center of the salient they now occupy. The town of Epieds, which has been in the thick of the battle, has changed hands four times between the Americans and the enemy. The Americans now hold it.

"We are going forward steadily," General March said.

The allied line, which at the beginning of the offensive, was 74 miles long, now is 64 miles, and the Germans, who were only 38 miles from Paris, now are 47 miles away.

British reinforcements, by a dashing attack, have made a mile and a half dent on a four mile front in the enemy's left flank southwest of Rheims. The distance from Soissons to Rheims—the neck of the bottle—is unchanged since last Wednesday, the general said.

Thus far the area won by the allies more than equals the territory taken by the enemy in Flanders, in his recent offensive, the general added.

The allies also hold an added advantage in the fact that their lines are now within three and one-half miles of Fere-en-Tardenois.

They are continuously shelling the big German supply depot there, which is near the railroad. The number of divisions in the battle is the same as it was last week.

The Fourth corps consists of the following units: Eighty-third division national army, commanded by Major General E. F. Glenn; Eighty-ninth division national army, commanded by Brigadier General Winn; Thirty-seventh division national guard, commanded by Major General Farnsworth; Twenty-ninth division national guard, commanded by Major General Morton; Ninetieth division national army, commanded by Major General Henry P. Allen; Ninety-second division national army, a negro division, commanded by Major General Ballou.

American Lake Men in Army

The Eighty-third division is composed of troops trained at Camp Sherman, Chillicothe, Ohio. The Eighty-ninth troops from Camp Funston, Fort Riley, Kan.; Thirty-seventh, Camp Sheridan, Montgomery, Ala.; Twenty-ninth, Camp McClellan, Anniston, Ala., and the Ninetieth, Camp Travis, Fort San Houston, Texas.

The Fifth corps consists of these units: Sixth regular division, commanded by Major General Erwin; 38th division national guard, commanded by Major General W. R. Smith; 76th division national army, commanded by Major General H. B. Hodges; 78th division national army, commanded by Major General Joseph E. Kuhn; 85th division national army, commanded by Major General C. W. Kennedy, and the 91st division national army, commanded by Brigadier General Fred Foltz temporarily.

The 36th division is composed of troops trained at Camp Bowie, Fort Worth, Texas; the 76th, Camp Devens, Ayer, Mass.; the 79th, Camp Meade, Annapolis Junction, Md.; the 85th, Camp Custer, Battle Creek, Mich., and the 91st, Camp Lewis, American Lake, Wash.

Vancouver, Wash., To Have Convention

Seattle, Wash., July 27.—(U. P.)—Claude Ramsey, chairman of the King county board of commissioners, was elected president by unanimous vote Friday on the final day of the State Commissioners' and Engineers' association convention. Allan R. Scott, Spokane county engineer, was elected president of the state engineers.

R. E. Pratt, Benton county, and W. Scott Coe, Klickitat county, were chosen as vice president and secretary for the commissioners' organization.

Other officers chosen by the engineers were:

Fred C. Cramer, Cowlitz county, first vice president; George W. Borden, Klickitat county, second vice president; W. E. Costello, Skagit county, secretary-treasurer.

Vancouver, Wash., was selected for 1919 as the city where the joint convention of engineers and commissioners will be held.

Dr. Sommer Given Leave of Absence

Camp Lewis, Wash., July 27.—Captain E. A. Sommer was today granted a leave of absence of four days, to take effect about July 31.

Rules for Operation Of Stockyards Signed

President Issues Regulations Which Will Prevent Extortionate Charges and Insure Adequate Facilities.

Washington, July 27.—President Wilson has signed general regulations under which the stock yards will operate, it was announced today. They are:

Provision against extortionate or excessive charges for yardage and commission.

Maintenance of adequate facilities for handling livestock offered by stockmen, including labor, feed and water.

Prohibition of unfair dealing, combination or deceptive practices in buying and selling livestock.

Prohibition of the circulation of misleading market information tending to affect prices.

Stockyards, commission men, traders, order buyers and others handling stock or in connection with stockyards are required to secure licenses in accordance with the president proclamation of last month and to operate under the rules and regulations promulgated today which will be administered by the secretary of agriculture through the bureau of markets. Country stock buyers and shippers who are not engaged in the business of buying and selling at licensed stockyards are not subject to license.

The regulations were made, it is said, after consultation with the agricultural advisory committee stockmen and trade interests.

HUNS FALL BACK FROM SALIENT ON MARNE

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Chaumuzy. The right bank of the Marne has been practically clear.

"Northeast of Chateau-Thierry we advanced over 15 kilometers (nine and a quarter miles).

"South of Mont Sansnom (in the Champagne)) we took more than 300 prisoners."

With the French Armies in the Field, July 27.—(U. P.)—In the French review of the counter attacks between Soissons and Chateau-Thierry, high praise is bestowed on the American division, forming the pivot of General de Goutte's army.

"Composed chiefly of Yankees recruited in Boston and other parts of Massachusetts, they succeeded in this sector the division which participated in the operations in Belleau wood and Bouresches, and only asked an opportunity to prove the same gallantry," the review said.

"But when acting as a pivot, it is necessary to regulate one's pace to the flanks. In an especially commendatory manner the Yankees followed orders.

"In six days they realized at certain points a gain of 17 kilometers (10½ miles), fighting without respite day and night and proving the most splendid military qualities. In all liason services they functioned perfectly. Their discipline caused the Germans surprise and unwilling admiration.

"They marched, with their officers ahead, like French units. Enemy prisoners cannot get over this, saying:

"'We do not see our officers; it is your good fortune, like the French, who always have their officers ahead.'"

Berlin, via London, July 27.—(U. P.)—Fighting between Soissons and Rheims decreased, while French attacks east of Rheims were repulsed, the German war office announced today.

Astride the Scarpe unsuccessful attacks were made by the British, the statement said.

"Between Soissons and Rheims, the fighting decreased. Astride Perthes les Hurlus (30 miles east of Rheims) French patrol attacks were repulsed.

"In the Vosges the enemy was unsuccessful in reconnoitering operations near Sundgau.

"The day was quiet on all fronts," the war office reported tonight.

London, July 27.—Nine German machines were shot down and eight were driven out of control by British planes yesterday. A hostile balloon also was destroyed. Seven British machines failed to return. One British plane reported missing July 25 has since been located.

British raiding machines successfully attacked German destroyers and trawlers in the German sea and near the Belgian coast. A direct hit was scored on a trawler which later was seen to be in a sinking condition.

More than 15 tons of bombs were dropped on various German targets, including Zeebrugge, the Brugge docks and Ostend.

London, July 27.—Violent fighting has been resumed in Albania. The Italian and Austrian official reports are conflicting, both claiming important successes. Rome says Austrian attempts to cross the Semini river west of Jagedina broke down with heavy losses. Vienna claims the river was crossed at Kalmi and seven Italian counter attacks in the same area were repulsed.

Similarly conflicting are the reports of fighting on the Italian front. Austrian attacks are reported by Rome to have been beaten off on Monte Carne, on the Asiago plateau, Monte Asolene and Stalylo, while Vienna asserts storming operations in the Concevallet valley sector inflicted sanguinary losses on the Italians.

With the Americans at the Marne, July 27.—(Morning.)—Throwing into the fight fresh divisions brought from the Champagne and Verdun fronts by motor trucks, General von Einem is now launching frequent attacks against the Franco-American wedge driven into the German lines south of the Aisne.

Twenty divisions have been identified between Oulchy-le-Chateau and the Aisne.

London, July 27.—(U. P.)—Hostile artillery fire on the northern portion of the British front was reported by Field Marshal Haig tonight.

"Hostile artillery has shown some activity during the day on the northern portion of the British front. There is nothing further to report."

HELP FOR RUSSIANS IS GOING FORWARD

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the Imperial Japanese army, and Chief of Staff March of the American army, relative to the American successes in France.

General K. Uyehara said: "Please accept my sincerest congratulations on the recent brilliant successes won by your gallant army on the French battle front. I am looking forward with absolute confidence to the continued favorable development of the situation and I feel fortified in my conviction of the final triumph of our cause."

General March Replies

General March replied:

"Your message of congratulations on the recent successes of the American army on the battle field of France has been personally conveyed to me by the military attache of the imperial Japanese embassy at Washington, Colonel Tanikawa.

"Your message is deeply appreciated by the United States army, and I am repeating it to General Pershing for publication to the American expeditionary forces in order that they may be made aware of your interest in their fight for our common cause, toward the final triumph of which our two countries are diligently contributing.

"On behalf of the American army I sincerely thank you for your message, which is prized very highly."

State department advices today showed that the food situation between Russia and Germany is serious, without enough to supply both nations. Germany is commandeering lumber and sending soldiers in to harvest grain. They allot a small portion to the Russians.

The department had confirmation of the refusal of allied American diplomats to move from Vologda to Moscow.

LUMBERMEN HEAR AIRCRAFT CHIEF

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and Colonel Brice P. Disque, explained further the government's urgent needs of increased aircraft production if it takes every stick of timber in the woods. Mr. Ryan spoke before a big public gathering tonight.

The principal business meeting of the West Coast Lumbermen's association was held this afternoon. Much of the time was given to a discussion of terms of sale. J. H. Bloedell and others urged a general use of trade acceptances in handling lumber business. Following a meeting of the trustees of the association, arrangements were made to open an office of the West Coast Lumbermen's association in Washington, D. C., in charge of Dwight P. Davis of Chicago, who was here and explained his plans for cooperating with the various departments of the government.

National Representatives Attend

The National Lumbermen's association was represented by its president, John H. Kirby, of Houston, Texas. Accompanying Mr. Kirby were Charles S. Keith of Kansas City, president of the Southern Pine association; H. C. Hornby of Cloquet, Minn., director; John Lind, secretary, and Judge L. C. Boyle, attorney, of the national association.

Among the Portland lumbermen in attendance at the convention were H. B. Van Duzer, chairman of the fir production board; E. B. Hasen of the Bristal Veil Lumber company, chairman of the coast investigation committee of the West Coast Lumbermen's association; E. T. Allen, secretary of the Western Forestry Conservation association; C. H. Edwards, secretary of the Oregon district of the spruce bureau of the West Coast association.

Mr. Kirby, Mr. Keith and other eastern and southern lumbermen, will come to Portland this week and will be the guests of local lumbermen in an inspection tour of the mills and camps of this district.

REPRIEVE WILL GIVE TIME TO REVIEW MOONEY CASE

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given to this case by the executive and the judicial branches of the government of California.

"The Mooney case has been in the courts of this state for more than two years. The records and briefs are voluminous.

"It will require all the time between now and the thirteenth day of December to give to this matter the careful consideration which justice both to Thomas J. Mooney and the people demands shall be given."

Witherspoon Is War Industries Chairman

Seattle, July 27.—Herbert Witherspoon, Spokane banker and manufacturer, appointed permanent chairman of the war industries board for the twentieth zone, comprising Washington, Idaho and Oregon, arrived at Seattle Friday and assumed his duties at the zone's headquarters office established, with all preliminary machinery, by Temporary Chairman Albert J. Rhodes and committeemen from the three states.

Mr. Witherspoon and his wife, who also is prominent in war work, will move to Seattle, to stay at least until the end of the war. He will serve without pay.

Woman Hit by Street Car

Miss Cleo Thomas, negress, living at 91 North Park street, was struck by a North Portland street car Saturday night at West Park and Glisan streets. She was taken to the Good Samaritan hospital by the Ambulance Service company, where it is reported that she is bruised about the body.

Boston Party Here On Long Auto Tour

Harry F. Phelps, an attorney of Boston, accompanied by Mrs. Phelps and their three children, arrived in Portland Saturday, having made the trip across the continent by auto in six weeks. They will spend a few days on the Columbia river highway and other scenic drives about Portland before leaving for Puget Sound.

Prominent Alaskan Dead

Seattle, July 27.—George Murphy, chairman of the Alaska delegation to the last Democratic convention in St. Louis, died here tonight. He was a well known lawyer.

Badly Crushed Chest Causes Man's Death

Astoria, Or., July 27.—Arthur Bennett was fatally injured at the Montague-O'Reilly camp this morning. Bennett was brought to the hospital about 10:30 o'clock suffering from a badly crushed chest. He died just as he was being placed upon the operating table. It is believed that his injuries were received by being run over by an auto truck. The only personal effects found upon his person which would serve to identify him was a check on the Montague-O'Reilly company drawn to A. Bennett.

Astoria Iron Works Plan to Use Women

Astoria, Or., July 27.—The Astoria Marine Iron Works has established an innovation. Women are to be employed there in the future as well as men. Fifty jobs are ready for the first that apply. The work will include taking care of machinery, polishing brass, sweeping and such other duties as the feminine sex is capable of performing.

Three Women Are Arrested for Larceny

Emma Carson, Ida Maittila and Hilda Haanpaa, three Finnish women, were arrested Saturday night by Inspectors Hyde and Craddock on a charge of larceny. According to the officers, the women were caught in the act of shoplifting. They are being held in the city jail in default of bail.

Stanley Gibson, 18, was arrested Saturday by Inspector Smith on a charge of stealing an automobile. The complaint was filed by L. R. Maple.

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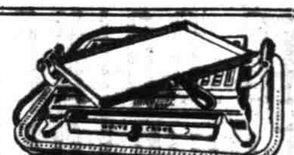

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