

STAND ALONG AISNE RIVER OR EVEN FARTHER NORTH IS BELIEVED TO BE PROBABLE

Simultaneous Advance of Allies Toward Fismes From East and West Indicates Gap at Top of Soissons-Rheims Pocket Has Been Reduced to About Thirteen Miles, the Distance Between Cereuil to West of Fismes and Joncherry to East.

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Cohan and other towns and villages in that region are now in our hands.

Heavily destructive artillery fire is combating the roads over which the Germans are retreating. The Boches continue to blow up ammunition dumps and burn material as they retreat.

Cohan, six miles east and slightly north of Fere-en-Tardenois, is a mile north of Coulonges, the last village officially announced as captured in that district.

By Lowell Mellett

With the French Armies in the field, Aug. 3.—(U. P.)—(Noon).—The allied advance south of the Vesle river towards Fismes continues.

Skirting the Aisne from Pommiers to Venizel, allied troops are reaching the regions of Serches, Couvrelles and Cereuil.

(This latter place is about seven miles west of Fismes.) Further east the allied progress also continues. Cavalry patrols have reached certain points along the Vesle towards Champagne and Joncherry, crossing bridges set afire by the Germans.

(This simultaneous advance of the allies towards Fismes from the east and west indicates that the gap at the top of the Soissons-Rheims pocket has been reduced to about 13 miles. This is the distance between Cereuil west of Fismes, and Joncherry, east of Fismes, both of which places the allies have reached.)

West of Rheims the regions of Tinguet, Thillois, Gueux, Rosnay and Montant have been attained.

(These villages are along a line running almost directly west of Rheims.)

Allies Have Reached Vesle

By Earl C. Reeves
London, Aug. 3.—(I. N. S.)—(12:20 P. M.)—Hotly pursuing the retreating Germans on the Aisne-Marne front, the allies have reached the Vesle river, which is an advance of six miles over the latest official announcement of progress made.

The advance continues. The Germans are unable to make a stand south of the Vesle.

The Germans probably will be compelled to retire to the Chemin Des Dames north of the Aisne.

French cavalry is now on the Vesle between Champagne and Joncherry.

All of the bridges on the Vesle have been destroyed by the retreating enemy. The Germans are burning all the villages north of the Vesle between Mulsen and St. Thierry.

Fourteen large fires have been observed. Fismes is still burning, as well as two villages to the northwest of Fismes.

The allies held all of Soissons and the south bank of the Aisne from Pommiers to Venizel. The western edge of the plateau southeast of Soissons is now held by the allies all the way from Venizel to Blaine (Billy-Sur-Aisne).

Further east the advance has continued but details are lacking. At last reports the French progress put the line at Prin and Savigny, thence

Kentucky Democrats To Nominate James

Lexington, Ky., Aug. 3.—(I. N. S.)—Renomination of Senator Ollie M. James by Kentucky Democrats is predicted here today in the state primaries, which is showing a tight vote. W. P. Kimball, Democratic candidate opposing Senator James, issued a statement today asking for support for his rival.

In the Republican ranks, B. J. Bethune is considered the probable victor over Ben L. Bruner in the senatorial nomination race.

The Republicans are supporting national prohibition and woman suffrage.

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Chinese Custom Is Defense Made to Kidnaping Charge

Los Angeles, Aug. 3.—(U. P.)—Kong Tom Koon was in court today charged with attempting to kidnap Mrs. Mamie Wong Lee, who, he said, was betrothed to him for 200 years. Their ancestors, according to Koon, two centuries ago agreed that every second generation of the two families should intermarry, and he intended to see that the ancient pledge was made good.

Mrs. Lee, however, looked at it differently—witness the fact that she is "Mrs."

JUDGE BACK ON TOUR GETS WORD OF SON'S DEATH AFTER 3 DAYS

Secretary Phones Father at Aberdeen That Captain Back Died From War Wounds.

Vancouver, Wash., Aug. 3.—When Judge R. H. Back phoned from the Washington hotel in Aberdeen to his office late Friday afternoon, he learned for the first time of the death of his son, Captain R. H. Back, who died in France, July 19, from wounds received in action.

Judge Back's secretary received the telegram announcing the death of Captain Back last Wednesday afternoon and an attempt was made that day to get in touch with Judge Back, who is making a short tour through the Sound country. Word was sent to Port Angeles, where the judge was to have stopped Thursday for mail, but reached there late last night, having called for its mail and gone. It was learned that the Washington hotel in Aberdeen was to be the judge's next stopping place and word was left there for him to telephone his office. The judge and his party will reach this city sometime Saturday.

Auto Occupants Escape Injury

Vancouver, Wash., Aug. 3.—Arthur Edwards of Sixteenth and Daniels streets, his two brothers and a sister were in an automobile accident Friday which damaged their machine to the extent of about \$50, but luckily did not injure the occupants. They were turning from Sixteenth street north into Main street when the engine stopped, leaving the car in the center of the street.

Before the engine could be started, the machine was struck by a swiftly approaching car.

Four Marriage Licenses Issued

Vancouver, Wash., Aug. 3.—Marriage licenses were issued to the following couples today: Paul J. Barry, 21, and Rosina P. Dozier, 20, Canby, Or.; George Geill, 46, Galvin, and Mrs. Mary E. Baltimore, 46, Portland; Robert William Nelson, 31, and Mrs. Rose A. Kelly, 24, Portland; John R. Swanson, 27, and Laura C. La Porte, 23, Portland.

Oregon City Elks Will Be on Hand

Oregon City, Aug. 3.—Following an enthusiastic meeting Friday night, the local lodge of Elks unanimously adopted a motion to accept the invitation of the Portland Elks to participate in the state convention to be held in the latter city during the last week in August, and a committee comprising James D. Olson (chairman), Dr. Clyde Mount, E. J. Noble, Gilbert L. Hedges and H. E. Tschirgi was named to make the necessary plans. The following delegates were named to represent the lodge in the convention: C. Gilbert L. Hedges, Dr. Clyde Mount, John Risley, James D. Olson, H. F. Tschirgi, Thomas A. Burke, H. G. Starkweather, Grant B. Dimick, John N. Slevens and W. R. Howell.

Divorces Are Granted

Oregon City, Aug. 3.—Judge J. T. Campbell had another round in the divorce court Friday, which resulted in decrees being issued as follows: Lila Seely from Chester J. Seely, and the plaintiff restored her maiden name of Lila Morton; Nellie Childers against Clarence Childers, the minor child awarded the defendant, while the plaintiff was restored her maiden name of Nellie Teller; Lilla Newton against Albert E. Newton, and the plaintiff given the custody of the minor child, George Wilburn against Arthur C. Wilburn.

County Dairymen Organize

Oregon City, Aug. 3.—Instead of attempting to solve their problems individually, the dairymen of Oregon City and vicinity have formed an association that will take up this arduous task, and at a meeting Friday in the Bank of Commerce, George DeBock was chosen president and Chris Naegle secretary of the new organization.

The new school probably will be given attention at once is the purchase of hay in carload lots from Eastern Oregon.

Demurrer Denied Seven Indicted Men

New York, Aug. 3.—(I. N. S.)—The demurrer interposed by Morris Hiquit to the indictment charging Max Eastman, Floyd Doll, C. Merrill Rogers Jr., Henry J. Glantz, Arthur Young, John Reed and Josephine Bell with violation of the espionage and selective draft laws, through publication of poems, cartoons and articles in the "Horse" and "The New York World," was denied in the federal court here today.

Judge Hand, however, allows the defendants bills of particulars.

School for Balloon Pilots Considered

Washington, Aug. 3.—(I. N. S.)—Another school for balloon pilots is contemplated according to an announcement of the navy department this afternoon. The new school probably will be located somewhere "east of the Mississippi and south of the Ohio river," the announcement said, and will be picked from the best candidates for the personnel may be secured.

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BRITAIN TO OFFER THANKS FOR HELP

"Almighty God We Thank Thee for Aid of United States," One of Prayers Tomorrow.

London, Aug. 3.—(I. N. S.)—"Almighty God, we thank Thee for the powerful and timely aid of the United States of America."

This is one of the prayers to be said throughout Great Britain tomorrow—the fourth anniversary of England's entrance into the war.

All England will go down on her knees and pray to God for divine guidance and aid. The prayer will be said at 10 o'clock on a day of national prayer for the allied cause.

There will be special services attended by hundreds of thousands in practically every church in the land and members of parliament will be held in parks and open places. Homes will be given over to reverence and prayer.

Reconsecrate Itself

In a single sentence of simple eloquence, Premier Lloyd George breathed the spirit of the day—"It is fitting that the nation should remember the services of men and women who are fighting and working for the preservation of civilization, and should once more reconsecrate itself to the high ideals for the attainment of which the allied nations have already sacrificed so much."

Perhaps the most impressive ceremony will be held at the historic St. Margaret's church, Westminster, where members of parliament will attend. The special form of prayer and thanksgiving for the service of the allied nations will be read by the service.

St. Margaret's is the spiritual home of all English politicians, especially those who have attained parliament rank.

Church Is Historic

The memorial services of parliamentarians are held at St. Margaret's under secretaries and junior lords are married there in increasing numbers. It stands near St. Stephens and Westminster cathedral.

In the political history of England St. Margaret's has a large place. It was a great center for the members of the Cromwellian long parliament, who used to attend it at 6 in the morning to hear the seven preachers who officiated in rotation for salaries of \$1500 a year each.

Pepys, who was married in St. Margaret's, used to go "sermon tasting" not always in the most creditable frame of mind. For it is written that "he took great pleasure (at St. Margaret's) in seeing and gazing at the great many fine women, and what, with that and sleeping, passed away the time."

Schooner Torpedoed Near Nova Scotia

Washington, Aug. 3.—(U. P.)—A schooner was reported sunk by a submarine at 11:35 a. m. yesterday, 35 miles west southwest of Briar Island, near the coast of Nova Scotia. This report was brought in by nine survivors in a dory, who landed at Ganet, Babel.

The navy department's advice said the men reported a submarine 200 feet long was reported taking provisions off the vessel and then setting it on fire. Naval patrol vessels are seeking to catch up with the trail of the submarine.

Victim Was Lumber Laden

Eastport, Maine, Aug. 3.—(I. N. S.)—The first vessel attacked in Canadian waters by a German submarine was sunk Friday at the mouth of the Bay of Fundy near here. The attack came today when the crew of nine members of the lumber-laden schooner John Fountain, on her maiden voyage, landed at Wood Island and reported the loss of the vessel.

The schooner was hailed at 11:30 a. m. Friday, 25 miles off Briar Island. The members of the schooner's crew were taken to the shore and advised they had two guns, one forward and one aft, and carried a crew of 73.

The schooner was bound for South Africa from St. John with lumber and was unarmed.

Insurance Agents, Clerks Essential

Salem, Aug. 3.—Insurance agents or clerks are not included in the work-order, according to an advisory report today by Insurance Commissioner Harvey Wells from Provost Marshal Crowder. Wells sent a query to Crowder yesterday, asking whether he should include insurance agents or clerks in the list of non-essential occupations.

Center of Town of Dixon, Mont., Ruined

Missoula, Mont., Aug. 3.—(I. N. S.)—A ring of small earthquakes surrounding the center of Dixon, Mont., 40 miles west of here, is all that remains today following a fire that started early yesterday morning and burned itself out. After report of the fire sent out last night, telephone and telegraph wires failed, and not until this afternoon was communication with the town restored.

Citizens fought the fire with bucket brigades, but were unable to save any of the business section of the town. Origin of the fire has not yet been ascertained.

Dinner in Honor of Departing Soldiers

A dinner will be given Monday night at The Auditorium honoring 250 drafted men who will leave for camp at 9 o'clock. The dinner will begin at 7 o'clock. Mrs. Elva Gervin is making in charge and the affair will be under the auspices of the war emergency committee.

Murdered for Money

Chicago, Aug. 3.—(U. P.)—Two Italians today shot George Neybert, assistant secretary of the Gottfried Brewing company here, and robbed him of \$1500, the brewery payroll. Neybert is expected to die.

Six Midgets Who Weigh 361 Pounds Given Discharges

Camp Lewis, Aug. 3.—(I. N. S.)—Six men, midgets, whose total height measures 21 feet 5 inches and weighing a total of 361 pounds were discharged from the army here today. They are members of a troupe of dwarfs and were automatically inducted into the army because of their failure to fill out questionnaires. An additional reason for their discharge was the fact that they are Austrian citizens, such as are classified as alien enemies.

NO ESTIMATE IS MADE OF U. S. CASUALTIES IN GREAT OFFENSIVE

General March Tells Senate Military Affairs Committee Reports Will Be Given Promptly.

Washington, Aug. 3.—(I. N. S.)—War department officials this afternoon said that there had apparently been a misunderstanding between some members of the military affairs committee of the senate and General March, chief of staff, regarding American casualties in the present drive. Those senators on leaving the committee were told that General Pershing had estimated the casualties at 12,000. Later General March told the newspaper correspondents that he had no estimate of casualties.

Secretary of War Baker this afternoon said that the compilation of the casualties reported to date had been something in excess of 12,000 and that it was possible that the senators had been misled by the present offensive. The secretary repeated General March's statement that no figures on casualties from the present offensive were as yet in shape for presentation.

Reports to Be Made Promptly

Arrangements have been completed by the postoffice department which now controls the telegraph and telephone systems, and by the committee on public information, for the prompt transmission of the reports to parents and relatives of men killed and injured in battle.

It is admitted at the war department that the daily casualty lists of the past two weeks have not adequately reflected our losses abroad. The reason for this has been the difficulty faced by General Pershing in collecting the information.

The first list, however, is practically ready for the cable.

While our losses in the present offensive may appear large to the casual observer, they are really only commensurate with the fighting now in progress. Latest reports give more than 300,000 of our men along the line of battle.

Our troops are widely scattered, however, and who injuries are reported to the nearest base hospitals, which may be our own, or the French or British.

Baker Makes Statement

This together with other obstacles was explained by Secretary Baker as follows: "I have received a cablegram from General Pershing with reports of casualties. He points out that our troops are still widely separated, serving in many places, and that our wounded are taken to French and British hospitals as well as our own, causing the difficulty and complication in securing accurate information. In addition to this the troops are separated from their records while in the area of conflict and must depend upon very inadequate and temporary telegraph lines which are subject to frequent interruption and must for the most part, be devoted entirely to the urgent business of the battle itself."

"General Pershing assures me that he is making every effort to collect casualty lists, have them confirmed and verified and that they will be transmitted promptly."

North Pacific Men Are to Be Trained

Washington, Aug. 3.—(U. P.)—The adjutant general today named the colleges that will have units of the students' army training corps. Officers will be assigned to the schools and rifles, uniforms and other equipment will be shipped soon.

The colleges include: Drake university, Des Moines, Iowa; Grinnell college, Grinnell, Iowa; North Pacific college, Portland, Or.

North Pacific college is located at East Sixth and Oregon streets. It maintains schools of dentistry and pharmacy.

Prices on Hides To Remain in Force

Washington, Aug. 3.—(I. N. S.)—Prices of hides other than cow hides, set May 1 by the war industries board, are to remain in force during August, September and October, it was learned today. Prices set on August 1 will remain in force until August 1, also are to remain.

Mice Start Tucson Fire

Tucson, Ariz., Aug. 3.—(U. P.)—Sixty thousand dollars damage was done here early today by a fire which originated in a grocery store, spread to the court-room of Federal Judge Savtelle above the store, and then destroyed an adjoining building. The fire was started when the mice attempted to gnaw them, started the fire.

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FOOD CONDITIONS IN GERMANY ARE BAD, DECLARES TRAVELER

Former Postmaster General of Canada Who Has Just Reached U. S.

An Atlantic Port, Aug. 3.—(U. P.)—Bearing 600 passengers, one of the largest war ships, a huge British transport steamed into port here today. Among her passengers were many British and American army officers, and Dr. H. S. Beland, former postmaster general of Canada and a former member of the Canadian parliament.

Dr. Beland spent the period between the capture of Antwerp by the Germans until a few months ago in a German detention camp. He says he had just been released without his being able to see her. He is now on his way home.

Dr. Beland described conditions in Germany as very bad, and expressed the opinion that the nation could not long hold out, with food so scarce. Prison camp conditions, he said, are horrible.

Echo of Old Suit Is Heard Again

Oregon City, Aug. 3.—On December 15, 1917, E. H. Fry, a real estate man of Portland, secured a judgment in the circuit court of Clackamas county against Mat Mattawa in the sum of \$1000 and interest, together with attorney's fees, in a suit involving the commission for the sale of the Mattawa farm property by Fry. Although an effort was made by Fry to collect the judgment, and Mattawa was declared insolvent.

New Mr. Fry comes into court and alleges that after he had started his suit against Mattawa the latter transferred, assigned or sold a promissory note given by E. E. Bradd to Mattawa, in the sum of \$11,000, to Paulina Stangel, a daughter of Mattawa, and that such act was with the intent to defraud and prevent Fry from collecting his judgment. Mr. Fry asks the court to issue an order restraining Bradd from paying the next installment of the note to Stangel, except that it be paid into court, from which he may secure the amount of his judgment.

Bank Party to Suit

Oregon City, Aug. 3.—A. E. LaTourette, trustee, has brought suit in the circuit court against August Erickson, Marie Erickson, J. E. Hedges and the First National bank of Oregon City to recover judgment in the sum of \$2000 upon a promissory note given by the Ericksons on January 31, 1911, and due in one year, covered by a mortgage upon lots 3 and 5, Fruitland, in township 2, south of range 2 east, together with the personal property of the Ericksons.

Defendants Hedges and the First National bank claim some interest in and to the property involved, hence their being made defendants in the suit.

Dog Causes Suit

Oregon City, Aug. 3.—It was a bulldog and a ferocious and vicious one that attacked her, according to the allegation, of Ellen Ford, filed in the circuit court Friday in her suit against Clarence E. and Bessie Chandler for damages in the sum of \$2500, together with \$122 physician's expense and \$180 medicine and \$25 for nurse. The complaint charges the Chanders, who live near Clackamas station, with being the owner of the aforesaid bulldog, which is alleged to have attacked the plaintiff, biting her upon the left wrist and hand in such a malicious manner that the dog's jaws had to be pried open, before he would release his hold.

Mount Pleasant to Raise Flag

Oregon City, Aug. 3.—Citizens of the Mount Pleasant district will further show their loyalty and patriotism this evening at 7 o'clock, when a handsome flag is to be raised on the flagstaff near the Beverlin store. District Attorney Gilbert L. Hedges will make an address and the program will be given by residents of the locality.

Ridgefield Has New Marshal

Ridgefield, Wash., Aug. 3.—R. C. Hoyt has recently been appointed marshal and pump man for this city, filling the vacancy of S. R. Funkhouser, resigned.

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Asa W. Ryan Is Training for Air

Vancouver, Wash., Aug. 3.—Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Ryan, 1210 Harney street, have recently received some interesting letters from their son, Sergeant Asa W. Ryan, who is completing his course in aviation at the Parkfield Training school at Millington, near Memphis, Tenn.

Sergeant Ryan was one of the popular young men of this city. He is a graduate of the Vancouver high school and prior to his enlistment in the aviation section of the army last fall, he spent two years at Sheridan, Or., as mill foreman in the Ryan-Allen Lumber company mill.

When he enlisted he was sent to Kelly Field, Texas. From there he went to McCook's field at Dayton, Ohio, from there to the Ohio State university and from there to Parkfield training station, where he expects to complete his course in aviation by October. It is expected that he will be home for a brief visit during October before being sent over seas.

W. C. T. U. Workers Visit

Vancouver, Wash., Aug. 3.—Mrs. Sophia Hunter, Mrs. Chas. Knicker, Mrs. Mary Richards and Mrs. L. C. Davis of this city attended the Oregon W. C. T. U. Patriotic Congress held in the Y. W. C. A. in Portland yesterday. They enjoyed the session very much and report that Mrs. Margaret Platte, formerly president of the Washington W. C. T. U., and Mrs. Margaret Munns, formerly corresponding secretary of the Washington W. C. T. U., were both present. Mrs. Munns, who is now the national treasurer of the organization, was the principal speaker.

Vancouver Personal Mention

Vancouver, Wash., Aug. 3.—Mrs. Katherine Whitmore, of San Francisco arrived in this city last night to attend the funeral of her mother, Mrs. Shea. While here she will stay at the home of her sister, Mrs. L. C. Thomlinson. Attorney and Mrs. Bert Yates are the

Auto Lost in Portland

Vancouver, Wash., Aug. 3.—P. J. Pettit of Lake Shore reported to the police Friday the loss of his automobile in Portland. The machine bears Washington license 20736.

Coroner Knapp to Run Again

Vancouver, Wash., Aug. 3.—W. J. Knapp has filed his intention of becoming a candidate to succeed himself for the office of coroner.

In Families With Children

many parents now use