

BELGIAN BORDER IS ALMOST WITHIN STRATEGIC VISION

War Expert Points Out Possible Move by Foch Which May Make Huns Continue Retreat.

BATTLE IMPORTANCE GROWS

Second Marne Action Is Suddenly Approaching Major Importance, View; Hun Defeat Only Answer

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New York, Aug. 3.—Von Hindenburg has been squeezed out of practically all of the deadly Marne salient and is continuing his retreat with the Belgian border almost beginning to appear within range of General Foch's strategic vision.

There have been two dominating victories won by the allies in the present series of engagements. The first was when the Americans drove the Germans back across the Marne, giving General Foch his opportunity to begin his counter drive. The second was the capture of Soissons. As the Marne victory opened the way for the exercise of decisive pressure against Hindenburg within the Soissons-Rheims salient, so the capture of Soissons opens new possibilities of compelling the Germans to retire north of the Aisne.

Further Retreat May Be Forced.

The Chemin des Dames position, which are Hindenburg's principal defenses north of the Aisne, 12 miles northwest of Soissons. If General Foch can bend the German front into the western Chemin des Dames area with a fair degree of rapidity, the danger of flanking Hindenburg will compel the Germans to retire still further.

The new positions may well bring the allies nearer to the southern border of Belgium than they have in any time since the Germans invaded France four years ago.

Hindenburg has carefully prepared defenses between the Chemin des Dames and Belgium; but it is certain that profound confusion has been caused by his plans, and his resources may not now be sufficient to hold the allies at all the important positions along the west front.

Major Importance Approached.

The thrust which General Foch is beginning to develop against the Chemin des Dames is the most serious position Hindenburg has had to face since he began his retreat from the Marne. It may well demand a shortening of the German lines at many points, so that the German reserves shall not be dangerously depleted.

The second battle of the Marne, in fact, in substance, is suddenly approaching major importance, second only to the first battle in 1914. The present campaign may spread slowly eastward, and may merge into America's forthcoming offensive next autumn or next spring. General Foch is now in a position to retain the initiative throughout this year's period of fighting and to continue harassing the enemy during the winter.

German Defeat Only Answer

Hindenburg can prevent this development only by starting a sixth German offensive. Such a move would be playing so directly into the allies' hands that no sane military leader would attempt it. Yet Hindenburg and the Kaiser are gambling with death, and they may decide on another throw. If they do, there will be fewer German reserves to be overcome by the Americans when America's own offensive starts.

Germany's sole remaining source of supply for her reserves is the class of youths who yearly reach military age. Not more than 400,000 of these can be sent to the western trenches. America is dispatching that same number to France at least every week. There is no answer to this but Germany's defeat.

JOURNAL WRITER TELLS OF PARIS IN WAR TIME

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beams are moving up and down the heavens seeking the raiders who may have passed the outer barrier. One of these enormous eyes sharper than the rest suddenly ceases its moving. Far up in the sky, 10,000 feet above the ground, it has discovered a black speck traveling rapidly toward the city. As if by magic guns burst into flames on every hand. Huge 140s send shell after shell hurtling up toward the point indicated by the searchlight.

Bombs Fall in Cemetery

The Hun thereupon does one of two things. He either drops all of his bombs at once and by a swift dive endeavors to escape from the path of the searchlight or continues his course and trusts to luck. As a rule he does the former. An incident of this kind occurred in one of the raids in April which was amusing in that six bombs were discharged in this fashion and landed in a cemetery just outside of Paris.

While some considerable material damage has been done inside of Paris by the bombs dropped in various raids none of the government buildings or works of military importance has been harmed.

Eiffel Tower Nearly Hit

In a raid on June 27 a German plane with greater daring than is usually displayed by its kind descended to within a couple of thousand feet of the ground and launched a bomb that exploded a scant 50 feet from the famous Eiffel tower, which is used now as a government wireless plant. Another bomb the same night fell within half a block of the Ecole Militaire. Still another fell within a few feet of the monument in the Place Vendome. Owing to the covering of cement and sandbags, the monument was uninjured.

Since the beginning of the repeated air incursions in March, the French have built walls of sandbags and concrete around all the most valuable works of art that are exposed.

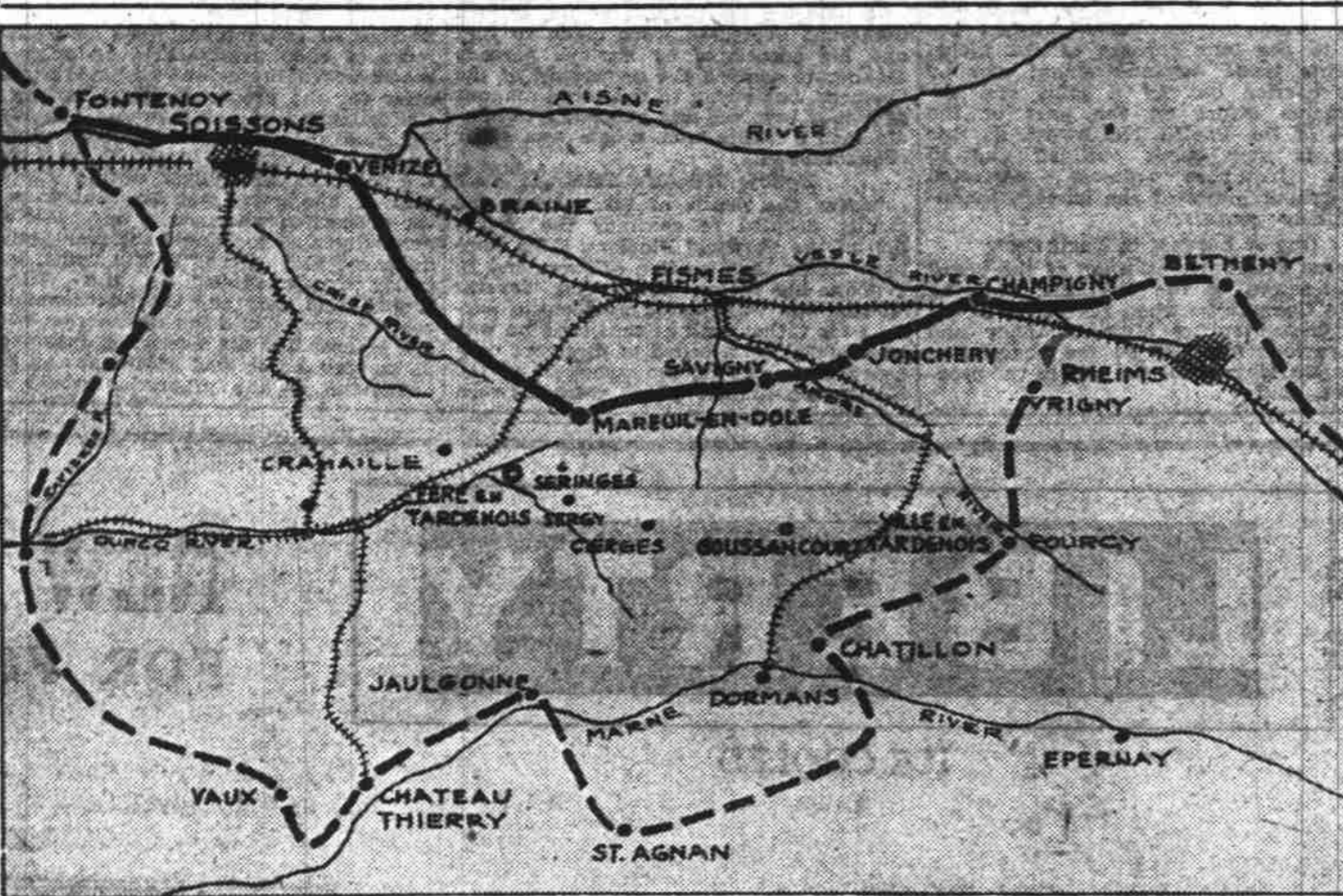
The bomb commonly used by the Germans in the Paris raids weighs about 340 pounds. Striking in the middle of a street it makes a hole about 20 feet deep and 20 to 30 feet across. It happened that during one of these raids a bomb dropped directly in the center of one of the side streets, making an opening from curbstone to curbstone. A taxi speeding through the hole a few minutes later. Viewing it the next day it was necessary to get right to the edge of the crater before you could get a glimpse of the inverted machine lying at the bottom.

Damage Is Terrific

One of these aerial torpedoes striking

ONE DAY'S GAINS BY ALLIES SHOWN ON MAP

WITH the entering of Fismes by the Americans, the allies have attained at all points the Vesle river defense line of the Germans. The map shows the astonishing gains made since the allied lines held on July 18 against the German attack. The dotted line shows the farthest advance of the Germans. The solid black line shows the battlefront Saturday morning. By nightfall the allies had attained the Vesle river at all points and were pressing on toward the Aisne.



Whiskers Will Stay Till Lord Says Nay

Cattlesburg, Ky., Aug. 3.—(I. N. S.)—Waiting for the lord to tell him to remove his long whiskers—which he says he will not remove until so ordered—Clare Dixon, a holy roller preacher, has been jailed here on charges of seditious statements relative to the war.

He is alleged to have preached that it is wicked to fight, and that to resist the draft is right, basing all his assertions on the Bible.

He refuses to accept bond, asserting that he is glad to have an opportunity to suffer as did the disciples of old.

Military Minstrel Show Is Postponed

The soldiers' military minstrel show scheduled for this afternoon and to-night at Vancouver barracks, under the auspices of the Knights of Columbus, has been postponed because the band has been ordered for other duties.

Great preparations have been made for the show and many Portland people were planning to attend. The show will be given in the immediate future at a date to be announced.

College Receives Money Promised It

McMinnville, Or., Aug. 3.—McMinnville college has just received a draft for \$50,000 in payment of the pledge of the educational board of the Northern Baptist convention made in the endowment campaign of two years ago.

This pledge is paid considerably in advance of the date stipulated and is most cheering news to all friends and supporters of the school.

Roumania, Ukraine In State of Siege

Zurich, Aug. 3.—Germany has declared a state of siege both in Roumania and Ukraine.

The drastic action in Roumania, which was taken at the instigation of Field Marshal von Mackensen, resulted from the rebellion of workmen and peasants, the extent of which has not been learned.

Special measures were taken in Kiev and Odessa when the state of siege was proclaimed in Ukraine. Five hundred persons, including former Premier Wjnlshchek, Secretary Millukoff and many cadets, were arrested in connection with the murder of General von Eichhorn. The peasants' revolt in Ukraine is also reported to be growing and the railway strikes continue to paralyze traffic.

Federal Control Of Roads Is Success

Washington, Aug. 3.—Improvement in the freight traffic situation extending over every mile of road under federal supervision is noted in reports to the railroad administration here tonight. So general is betterment that officials here believe the national railways are efficiently working as one system for the first time.

Divisional rail officers advised that complaints have decreased within the last ten days to a point where they are negligible. Cars are abundant, and movement of traffic has been prompt, officials say.

Auditorium Almost Pays Its Expenses

Exclusive of interest charges on the bonded indebtedness, the net cost to the taxpayers of maintaining The Auditorium the past year was \$60.82. In the past 12 months The Auditorium has staged 107 attractions, the attendance aggregating 1,818,000 persons. There were 54 patriotic affairs, attended by 108,200 persons. Hal M. White, manager of The Auditorium, states that receipts for the year totaled \$21,241.26, and expenses \$21,203.08.

Two German Planes And Balloon Downed

London, Aug. 3.—Two German air-planes were shot down and an enemy observation balloon was sent down in flames. Field Marshal Haig reported to-night in dispatches dealing with British activities in the air. Flying was interfered with by rain on Thursday.

Thirteen tons of bombs were dropped by British planes upon enemy works. Three bombs were dropped upon the Brugge docks.

All the bombing planes returned in safety.

James Renominated To Be U. S. Senator

Lexington, Ky., Aug. 3.—Ollie M. James was nominated today in the Democratic primaries to succeed him-

self in the United States senate. W. P. Kimball, Democrat, who asked all the Democrats to support James, although he was himself a candidate, was given a large vote. James G. Bethrum was nominated by the Republicans.

Round-trip passenger rates of 1/4 fare will be granted visitors to Oregon and Washington state fairs, livestock shows and county fairs, according to announcement made Saturday by A. D. Chariton, chairman of the passenger traffic committee. Dates of sale and limitation of tickets will be announced later.

PERSHING PLACES AMERICAN LOSSES 12,000 IN BATTLE

General March Announces That Casualty Lists Will Be Published as Fast as Received.

MILLION MEN WITH PERSHING

Americans Not Merely Fighting to Gain Territory, but Direct Objective Is Enemy's Army.

Washington, Aug. 3.—The American casualties on the western front, exclusive of the present drive, are estimated by General Pershing at 12,000 in killed, wounded and missing.

It is explained that casualty lists of recent date are incomplete, owing to the intensive character of the offensive operations.

In this connection General Peyton C. March, chief of staff, said at his regular Saturday conference with newspaper correspondents today:

"General Pershing replied to our order to send all casualties that the delay in sending them in was due to the fact that our men were serving under the British and the French as well as under our own commander, but that casualties would be cabled as soon as they had been completely verified.

"You can well imagine how disastrous it would be if the casualties were cabled and then corrections had to be made. The distress would be beyond all question, and so these lists are going to come in, and as soon as they do come in they will be given out, whatever they are."

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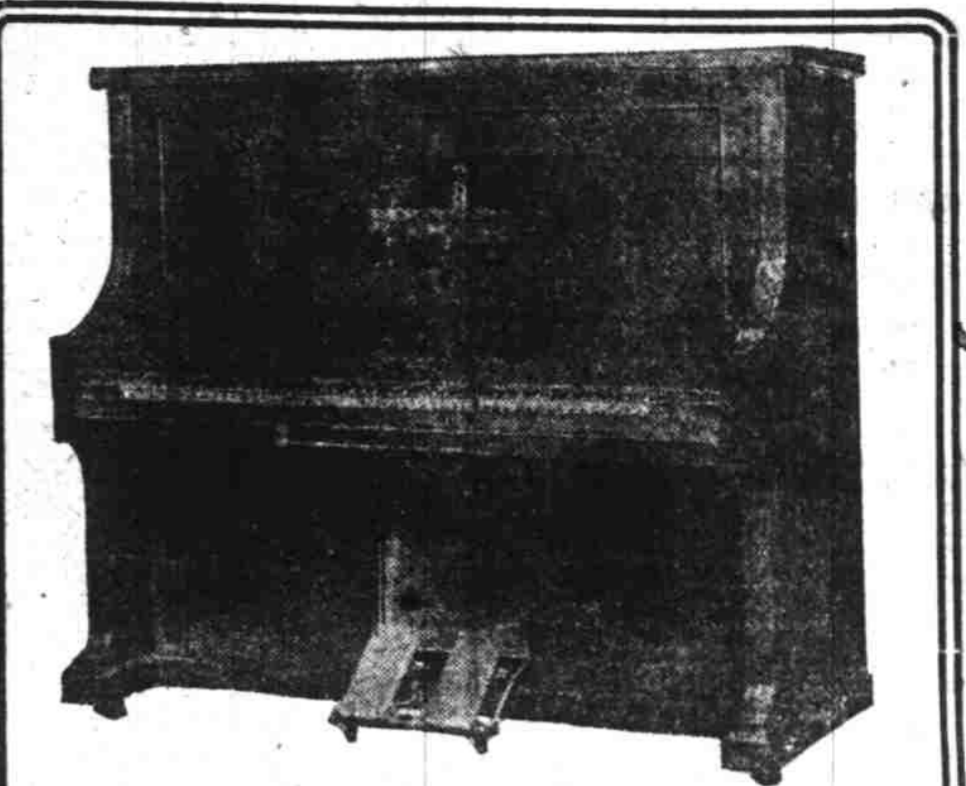
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