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ALLIES TAKE 20,000 GERMANS, ADVANCE 12 MILES IN PICARDY

BOLSHEVIN BRITISH START NEW DRIVE IN FLANDERS;

Foreign Minister Tcherin Says State of Defense, Not War, Exists, in Explanation of Statement Made by Lenine.

Expresses Hope Allied Representatives Will Stay at Posts; Will Not Oppose Departure of Allied Military Officers.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 9.—(I. N. S.)—Belated dispatches from American Consul Poole at Moscow today partly cleared up the reports that the Bolsheviki had declared war on Great Britain. Poole reported that on July 3 Premier Lenine announced at a public gathering of the Russian soviet that a state of war ex-

existed, not a state of war," and tives would remain at their posts, ex actly as did the representatives of Germany under similar circumstances.

The consular officers then demanded that a public statement of exact conditions be made, in order that the public should not be deceived. This was taken under consideration by Tcherin. When asked whether British

French military officers who were in Russia would be allowed to leave the country. Tcherin said that so obstacle would be placed in their way. At the same time a report Archangel stated that when the allied forces appeared there the Bolsheviki demanded an explanation.

The allies, however, immediately cap-(Continued on Page Two, Column Four)

68 SHIPS ARE BEING

28 Vessels Have Been Completed and Sent on Their Journey From This Port.

Sixty-eight ships, wooden and steel, launched in the yards of Portland, 65 of them since January 1, are lying at out- Schenectady, who has been named re- office from the city jail, into a private fitting docks today. Nor is this all of gional director for New York and New office. Brown took advantage of the Portland's contribution to the govern- Jersey. ment's ship program for the war, for 28 vessels already have been completed and sent out for carrying men, muni-

tions and supplies to Europe The launchings this year for the Amer can and French governments, together with a few on private account, total 93 so far in 1918. The total tonnage of ships put in the water this year is 392,800. Of the 93 ships, 18 were steel, 14 of 8800 tons and four of 3800 tons, a total ton-

nage in steel ships of 128,400. Wooden ships numbered 75, with a total

Shipyards are just getting to their full capacity now. With the three new ways at the Columbia River Shipbuilding con poration, the five new ways at the steel yards of the G. M. Standifer Construction corporation, and the increased production planned in the wooden shippards the year's tonnage will more than double that so far launched and is expected to appreximate a million tons.

Arthur Vincelet Severely Wounded

was severely wounded, according to the official announcement of the war department. Mr. Vincelet's name is not in the city directory, and the

Battle Tide Is Turned Victory Held Nearer

it through to the end," declared Premier Lloyd George in a speech at Neath today at a Welsh celebration. Ringing cheers greeted the premier. "The word is full steam

ahead," he continued, "until the gods decree that the sun shine again in a land of real peace and there is no apprehension of sinister plotting by forces always ready to start the slaughter again. "We have a right to feel con-

fident, for there is great news. "The Franco - British attack is one ray of light in the tunnel through which the allies are traveling," continued the pre-

"It means we have traveled so many miles nearer the end. We may have dark days ahead. nevertheless let us keep up our "It is the spirit of the people

that counts for victory. And in that victory there will be no tearing up nor greed; yea, no vengeance.

"Keep steady and all will be

"The tide of the battle has turned," the premier declared in a speech on his way to

Lyle D. Brown, Facing Possible

Forgery and White Slave

Charges, Escapes.

department store, escaped from an ante

where he disappeared in the crowds at

At the city jail, huddled disconsolate-

ly in the women's protective division

quarters, is a pretty girl of Louisville.

Ky., who, until today, thought she was

Brown's wife. She heard then, however,

that the marriage ceremony performed

at Jeffersonville, Ind., was fictitious.

She is being held as a witness to pos-

sible charges of forgery and violation

Officers say the girl in the case is an

orphan and was in an asylum during

her childhood. Innocent of any wrong.

she is said to have met Brown in Louis-

ville, when he was on parole from the

reformatory. He is said to have told

her he had been an employe rather

than an inmate of the state institution.

In Shell Factory

Chicago, Aug. 9 .- (I. N. S.) -A blast

which threatened tons of munitions,

threw into a panic the 300 odd employes

of Winslow Bros, here today when an oil vat, used for the dipping of shells,

exploded. Although driven into the

whom 200 are girls, was hurt. Prompt

Efforts are being made by

women's protective bureau to proper employment for her here.

Oil Vat Explodes

of the federal white slave law.

Morrison and Fifth streets.

"The enemy has done his worst," he continued. "He could not do more than he has done. If we hold together we will win the greatest triumph for liberty the world has ever seen.

attempted

office, in the

PRISONER FLEES ORDERED STOPPED

Men Who Applied Up to 9 A. M. This Morning to Be Accepted; Marine Still Taking Men.

With a great demand for army officers facing the war department, a standard course of military training has been prescribed to prepare and train 65,000 officers in all the colleges of the country, it became known here this after-

Forty college presidents from New York and New Jersey conferred here today with Dr. Charles Alexander Attorney Goldstein called Inspector Pat Richmond, president of Union college, Moloney, who had brought Brown to the

The war department plan has vided the country into 12 educational districts. A regional director for each district has been appointed.

Official orders covering the cancelation of voluntary enlistments pending regotiations over the new draft were eceived by Portland recruiting officers this morning.

Colonel George S. Young, in charge of the army recruiting station in the Worcester building, received the fol-(Concluded on Page Three, Column Two)

Spain's Neutrality at Stake, View of Papers of Nation

Paris, Aug. 9 .- (By Agence Radio to the I. N. S.)-Rigorous measures are necessary to establish absolutely the neutrality of Spain, according to advices from Madrid today, quoting the Spanish newspapers.

One paper was credited with saving given as 1806 Endicott street, Portland, that the "allies mistrust Spain and that stand is imperative." The Diario and Universal

"grave and solemn hour." The deliberations of the ministry at street by fear, none of the workers, of army recruiting station had no record Madrid on the sinking of Spanish ships is having enlisted since Novem- by German submarines have come to an action by the fire department prevented

Picked Shock Troops Try Vainly

HUNS DRIVEN INTO LAND THE

Four Times to Drive Away Americans Holding the Bridge Over Vesle River at Fismes.

By Henry G. Wales TITH THE AMERICAN ARMY FRONT, Aug. 8.—(Night.)—(J. N. S.)-Picked German shock * dops unsuccessfully attempted four times today to drive back the American troops holding the bridgehead established on the north bank of the Vesle river at

von Boehm launched his heaviest attack soon before daybreak with 400 picked men from the grenadier and Prussian Guard forces. He ordered them to regain the river bank at all

machine guns, however, deadly a fire from the northern outskirts of Fismes and the northern side of the Soissons-Rheims high road in the region of Bazoches that the German attack was broken

The enemy continues to hold Bazoches technically, as he has drenched the town with gas in his determination to keep the allies out, but he is unable o live there himself, merely maintainthe edge of Fismes. Despite enemy gases, Krupp batteries

Enemy aircraft and artillery failed to stop them. Our artillery also successfully grapments which the Boches placed along

the river bed to prevent its fording

the Montdidier salient.

night by city detectives after he had during the Franco-British offensive in

Critics of Foch Silenced By Earl C. Reeves Aug. 9.-(I. N. S.)-The launching of Marshal Foch's second surprise offensive Thursday apparently

reveals that American troops partici-

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Auto Factories officer's absence and fled to the street, Are Told of Need

Washington, Aug. 9 .- Pleasure autonobile manufacturers were advised to convert their energies to war' work as quickly as possible, in a letter made public today by the war industries board. No assurances for continuance of the industry after January 1, 1919, can be given, the letter stated.

No steel will be allocated the manufacturers who have not complied with the board's request for a detailed inventory of steel stocks on hand, the board added.

Kuehlmann Sees Collapse of Junkers

Berne, Aug. 9 .- (U. P.)-Dr. Richard von Kuehlmann, former German foreign minister, has conferred with Mathias Erzberger, centrist leader, and Philip Scheidemann, leader of the majority Socialists, with a view to forming a reichstag majority under his leadership, according to a Berlin dispatch today. It is reported Von Kuehlmann has predicted collarse of the Pan-German majority and the fall of Chancellor von Hertling within a year. Von Kuehlmann is said to exthe blast from causing serious damage. | pect to become chancellor.

Picardy Drive Expected to Aid Americans on Soissons Front U

News of Amiens Attack Received With Great Enthusiasm by

With the American Armies in France, Aug. 8.-(Night.)-The Franco-British attack in Picardy is likely to have a big influence on the situation along the Aisne-Vesle line where there has been no great change in the past 24 hours. The Americans improved their positions slightly by heavy attacks, but for the most part were busy repulsing German counter attacks. One of these eached our lines, but the infantry threw them back in hand to hand

News of the Amiens attack is being received with great enthusiasm by Americans. One doughboy expressed the sentiments of his companions as

"The Boche is getting like a horse. Now he is beginning to kick. The British ought to put a twist on his nose and shut off his wind. Then we'll start going here again."

I spent an hour tonight with some boys from Michigan and Wisconsin who took part in the fight and drove the Boches across the Vesle. They ran into many machine guns being fired by men with the red cross on their arms, they said. One lieutenant came in with the knees clean out of his pants, where machine gun bullets had nipped him. There was scarcely a man but had a bullet hole through his clothes somewhere. Many had lost puttees and coats and fought virtually bare armed and bare legged. Father Dunnigan of Lapeer, Mich. said he buried one boy he found with three dead Boches about him. The boy's rifle was covered with blood. ently he had fought a bayonet battle against many Germans and had accounted for three of them before he had fallen himself.

Huns Must Change Before Allies Will Ever Bridge Abyss

London, Aug. 9 .- (I. N. S.) - "The abyss separating the allies and the and the shelling of back areas by long central powers will be immeasurable range enemy guns, allied engineers have until the true policy of Germany is succeeded in establishing a bridge across changed," Foreign Secretary Balfour "There is small hope declared today. that Germany willingly will become a member of a peaceful society of napled with the barbed wire entangle- tions," Balfour continued. "To return the African colonies to Germany would mean submarine bases in all the trade routes of the world and creation of black army for the purpose of ag-

"This would be a calamity to man kind, unless Germany changes heart or an allied victory convinces everybody in Germany that their policy is

22 Hun Planes Are Sent Down in Raid

London, Aug. 9.-Explosives factories at Rombach were attacked by British bembing squadrons, the British air ministry communique, issued today, stated Fifteen hostile airplanes were destroyed and seven driven down out of contro Two British machines failed to return

vided as follows:

Killed in action, 90; died from wounds, 9; from disease, 2; from accident, 1; wounded severely, 20; wounded slightly, 2; wounded, degree undetermined, 41; missing in action, 308.

The marine list contained 52 names, divided as follows: as follows:

Four killed in action, five died from wounds received in action, 13 wounded severely in action and 30 wounded, degree undetermined.

The army lists contain the names of the following officers:

KILLED IN ACTION CAPTAIN ROBERT M. GRAHAM, Mineola,

EUGENE E. RAYNOR, Battle Creek, Mich. JOHN B. WHITE, Hutchingth, Kan. GUY J. WINSTEAD, Rozboro, N. C. GERALD R. STOTT, Oakland, Maine. MISSING IN ACTION CAPTAIN DANA C. SCHMAHL, St. Paul,

CLYDE C. VAUGHN, Liberty Hill, Texas. GEORGE H. CROWNS, Nekoosa, Wis. ROBERT F. RAYMOND, Boston. (Concluded on Page Fourteen, Column Three)

Initial Progress Made by British in Flanders Battle Is to Depth of Two Miles on Eight Mile Front; Capture of Six Villages Reported; Resistance of Germans to North of Somme Vigorous; Morlancourt Is Captured; British Make Big Gains

ONDON, Aug. 9, 5:15 P.M.—(I. N. S.)—General retreat by the Germans is indicated by the wholesale destruction of munition dumps and stores, said a Reuter dispatch from the front late this afternoon. The Franco-British casualties are reported to be only three-fifths of the number of prisoners counted.

By William Philip Simms

TITH THE BRITISH ARMIES IN FRANCE, Aug. 9, 12:30 P. M .-(U. P.)—British cavalry detachments are reported approaching Chaulnes, 12 miles from where the offensive started. Prisoners taken in the drive to date exceed 20,000, according to the estimates. The cavalry today took a number of additional villages from the Ger-

The losses to the armies of Von der Marwitz and Von Hutier in muniions and other supplies alone constitute a heavy blow to the Germans. Ten different enemy divisions were identified in Thursday's fighting.

(A German division usually numbers 12,000 men.)

Other divisions have been thrown into the battle since Thursday night. The whole area included in the great bend of the Somme is a nasty tangle of German transports and artillery troops, all struggling along the same roads. These masses of men and material are being attacked by low-flying airplanes, which maintain a constant machine gun fire, accompanied by bombs, day and night.

In the region of Morlancourt, the British were unable to maintain their positions. The Chihilly spur, around the foot of which flows the Somme, is the scene of very heavy fighting. The Wurtemburgers there were ordered to hold despite any losses.

Farther south, French and British cavalry seems to be everywhere at once, cutting retreating columns to pieces and rounding up prisoners.

Armored cars are dashing up and down the roads, adding to the enemy's dismay, while tanks and "whippets" maneuvering across the fields and cooperating with the cavalry far in advance of the infantry, are continuing their deadly trundle.

Many bridges have been destroyed, including those at Peronne and

French cavalry, tanks and infantry are fighting brilliantly on the Brit-

London, Aug. 9.—(U. P.)—British troops, while sweeping forward on heir new offensive front in Picardy, suddenly advanced in Flanders today. Initial progress of two miles on an eight-mile front along the southwestern portion of the Flanders salient was reported by the British war office, together with the capture of six villages.

Locon, Le Cornet, Malo, Quentin, Le Petit Pacaut and Le Sart have

been occupied. North of the Somme, the statement said, the enemy is resisting vigorously, and heavy fighting is under way between Chipilly and Morlancourt.

Haig's statement indicated the enemy had retired from his positions on the whole Lys valley front, and that the British had advanced northwestward of Merville to a depth of 2000 yards.

London, Aug. 9, 2 P. M.—British patrols have passed Foucaucourt