

ALLIES MAKING GREAT GAINS ON ENEMY; HAIG FORCE NEARING PERONNE

Chaulnes and Nesle Fall to the French and British; Germans Giving Way on Battlefront of 50 Miles; Americans Are Participating in Drive Against Enemy

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Enormous booty is being taken. One army corps has captured 80 additional guns.

Foucaucourt and Trones Wood Taken by British

LONDON, Aug. 28. — (U. P.) — British troops captured the strongly defended town of Foucaucourt, Tuesday, which had been holding up the advance south of the Somme, Field Marshal Haig announced today.

Trones wood, another strong point north of the Somme, also was taken.

Troops of the British First army have made further advances south of the Scarpe, reaching Remy, three miles beyond the Hindenburg line.

In Flanders the British advanced on a four mile front astride the Neuf-Berquin-Estaires road, taking a number of prisoners.

Pont St. Mard Captured By Gen. Mangin's Forces

LONDON, Aug. 28. — (I. N. S.) — (7:24 P. M.) — General Mangin's forces have captured Pont St. Mard, it was learned here tonight. (Pont St. Mard is three miles southwest of Coucy-le-Chateau.)

Rupprecht's Reserves Are Fighting at Bapaume

By Lowell Mellett

WITH THE BRITISH ARMIES IN FRANCE, Aug. 28. — (U. P.) — The Germans, in their desperate efforts to stay the British advance, are strongly increasing their front line forces by recklessly drawing on Rupprecht's reserves. Several divisions of fresh troops are reported to have been thrown into the battle south of Bapaume.

It is easy to understand why the German staff is confused by the kaleidoscopic events in the constantly changing Somme fighting line which Tuesday's new attack north of the Scarpe makes close to 50 miles long.

The British method of "hit and run" with modifications—that is to say, hit and run if the running is good; if not, sit tight or drop back and hit somewhere else—is bound to keep the Boche guessing. He often guesses wrong while the steady forward movement of the line as a whole continues.

Reports of Tuesday's battle are confusing enough when reduced to cold print, where things always seem much simpler than they actually are. These reports included the fact that the Canadians had reached the St. Robert sugar factory, the farthest point eastward along the Cambrai road since the German invasion.

Many Hun Divisions Identified
The German defense is suffering in the region of Croisilles. Our troops got into Vaux-Vraucourt (four miles southeast of Croisilles) and the same distance northeast of Bapaume, and grabbed 150 prisoners, including five officers, before they were forced to withdraw. Others had the same experience south of Bapaume, taking 78 prisoners. In other words, the Hun's tanks have been pulled and its machine guns suppressed. Delville road (two miles northwest of Comblès) was captured Monday night with a number of prisoners, lost and then retaken. Five enemy divisions were identified opposite the wood and machine guns were discovered all over the place. The Germans rushed up a fresh division by train Monday to the defense of Chirsey (two miles north and east of Croisilles). Two regiments got into action against the Canadians and were almost wiped out. Elements of five German divisions were found in Trones wood (two miles west of Comblès), while elements of 16 battalions were found on a three-mile front elsewhere. Bandmen, laborers and other miscellaneous troops were found in the front line.

British Seize Own Manitions
It is rumored that orders were found on members of the Eighty-seventh division directing them to practice rear guard actions. I also heard a story that German were cowardly waving handkerchiefs and surrendering in the vicinity of St. Leger (a mile and a half southwest of Croisilles).

The Australians are reported to have penetrated peacefully a little nameless wood south of the Somme.

Malshorn farm, near Ginchy (a mile and a half northwest of Comblès), was taken and the capture of Maricourt (four miles southwest of Comblès) was easy.

Stories of great stores of German munitions captured at Miraumont (on the Ancre) being turned against the German line are now also true of British munitions which were captured by the Hoches last spring. These were recovered at Fogeres and Moyon hill.

Airman's Exploit Amazing
The Germans are still endeavoring to stiffen the defense about Bapaume, where their situation is steadily growing worse.

Summed up it is apparent that the Germans are fighting harder, although it still seems to me they are only fighting for time. One of the amazing exploits reported today probably equals anything the well worn Somme fields have yet seen. A youthful airman attacked 12 Fokker planes which were not disposed to return his fire and fled. He then fought an inconclusive engagement with a Fokker triplane. To wind it up he was in turn attacked by 20 Fokkers, 12 above and eight below. He hurled his machine into the first, setting it afire. He was wounded, but his observer brought the machine back safely.

Huge Hun Forces Face Disaster
By John McHugh Stuart
Paris, Aug. 28, 1 p. m. — (I. N. S.) — Huge German forces are facing disaster as the result of the sensational advance of the French troops, under General Mangin and Debonay, in the vicinity of Roye and Chaulnes. It was learned by the International News Service today.

The vanguard of the French troops are now in sight of the Somme river while the infantry and artillery of Generals Mangin and Debonay are pressing forward at all points.

All of the Somme crossings are under the fire of the French artillerymen. They are being swept by a steady stream of steel, rendering the retirement of the German troops from this perilous positions extremely hazardous.

The German lines of retirement from Laigny under a grueling fire which is being concentrated upon the enemy from a distance of 14 miles on both flanks.

The French undoubtedly are taking

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Emory Olmstead

large numbers of prisoners in their advance, but no official figures are yet available.

Henri Eidous, the French military expert, predicts that the Germans will attempt to withdraw from the Somme pocket where the Kaiser's troops are in a precarious position.

BOND FOR EVERY THIRD PERSON, PLAN

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learned on this trip he is more sure than ever that Portland can continue to hold its place as the most patriotic big city of the United States.

"From what I learned, I find that raising a quota is comparatively easy in Portland. The organizations, while thorough and efficient, could never have raised quotas so quickly were it not for the universal desire of Portland people to have an active, vigorous part in backing up those who have gone to France. If they can't fight or build ships they buy bonds."

Mr. Olmstead did not predict any plans of the meeting this afternoon. He did say that all previous campaigns had many unusual features and that this would be no exception. Whether the general plans will be made public immediately will depend on the action of the executive board.

This committee, under Mr. Olmstead, will have full sway in all details of the state campaign and in this manner it will be correlated to the general scheme of making Oregon volunteer the quota of the next drive before 9 o'clock of the opening day.

Definite organization will result at today's meeting. It will be placed in full speed at once. The members of this group are:

Members of Groups
Emory Olmstead, chairman; Nathan Strauss, Max Houser, F. S. Doernbecher, J. D. Farrell, F. C. Malpas, J. A. Cranston, H. B. Van Duser, H. L. Camp, Guy W. Talbot, F. G. Nevin, John A. Keating, Eric V. Hauser, Julius L. Meier, L. Allen Lewis, Phil Metcalf, A. H. Averill, William F. Turner, Everett Ames, J. R. Bowles, B. C. Ball, L. Corbett, J. E. Wheeler, J. P. O'Brien, Otto Hartwig, Fred L. Bourke, Harry Anderson and R. A. McGinnis.

The woman's committee met Wednesday, the city chairman, Mrs. Vincent Cook, presiding. Mrs. George L. Williams, president of the war auxiliaries central committee, was made a member of the executive board. Committees were appointed as follows: Church societies, Mrs. D. M. Watson; clubs, Mrs. Colista M. Dowling; patriotic organizations, Mrs. Harriet Hendee; fraternal organizations, Mrs. Philip Gevurtz; granges, Mrs. E. T. Weathered; foreign speaking women, Mrs. William H. Skene and Mrs. J. A. Curry. Brief reports were made by Mrs. C. B. Simmons, chairman of books; Mrs. F. S. Myers, speakers' committee; Mrs. Isaac Sweet, cooperation of women's organizations; Mrs. Sarah Evans, the Chicago meeting. Plans were made for a state conference to be held at the Hotel Multnomah September 16 and 17, when Mrs. A. S. Baldwin of San Francisco will speak. Mrs. D. A. Shindler was made chairman of the mother's day parade to be held September 21.

ZONE ALONG BORDER OF MEXICO TO BE NEUTRAL

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claims illegally to pass a Mexican across the border.

Commandante Abasco declares the outbreak was due to ill feeling between Mexican and American border guards.

It is not known which side fired the first shot, although an American sentry on the international line was the first hit apparently.

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into their part of the town, after which they exhibited a white flag and the firing ceased, except for occasional sniping. Civilians were kept off the streets until several hours later.

No Apprehension Is Felt
Washington, Aug. 28. — (U. P.) — The American patrol at Nogales, on the Arizona-Mexican borderland, stands reinforced today ready to meet any repetition of yesterday's brush with Mexicans.

Officials here were inclined to regard the incident of comparatively little importance, except for the fact that it was the first outbreak of any size along the border in a long time. The border is strongly patrolled at all essential points and there is no apprehension as to the extension of the incident. American troops, it was assured, can cope thoroughly with any raiders.

Calles Coming to Nogales
Phoenix, Ariz., Aug. 28. — (U. P.) — General Calles, governor of the state of Sonora, will arrive in Nogales this afternoon to assist in restoring order, according to a telephone message from Nogales. Mexican government troops are reported en route but it is unknown if they are with Calles.

The message said it had been definitely established that Felix Loza, Mayor of Nogales, Sonora, was among those killed in yesterday's fighting.

Brigadier General Cabell, commanding the American border forces, is personally conducting negotiations for a settlement of the trouble with the Mexican officers.

Decision Protects Health of Soldiers' And Sailors' Camps

Seattle, Aug. 28. — (I. N. S.) — By a decision of the Washington state supreme court the government is now assured protection against contagious diseases for its soldiers at Camp Lewis and its sailors at Bremerton and the University of Washington, declared Special Assistant Attorney-General C. L. Reames here today.

The supreme court in denying a writ of review to Mrs. Emma Westerman compelling the superior court of King county to review the proceedings of the Seattle board of health, ruled the

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