

# FRENCH SMASH FORWARD BETWEEN OISE AND AISNE, TAKING 1600 PRISONERS

## GREAT FLEET TAKES TO WATER DOWN AMERICAN WAYS TODAY

Eighty-nine Ships, Representing Total Tonnage of 439,886 Answer Threat of Prussians and Prepare to Maintain 146,000 United States Soldiers at Battle Front.

(By United Press.) WASHINGTON, July 4.—Eighty-nine ships, thundering down the ways added a new note to the nation's Fourth of July celebration today. It was a note calculated to make tyrants tremble far more than they ever trembled at all the Fourth of July oratory since 1776. For it is America's answer to the threat of the Prussian tyrants to drive civilization from the seas. Although launchings have been going on steadily in scores of shipyards on every coast of the United States a special effort was made to rush many ships to completion for today's big drive, with the unprecedented result that 37 steel ships and 52 wooden ones were ready to take the ways this morning. It is possible that from one to five other ships may be far enough advanced in construction to be sent into the water during the day, and if they are they will be launched, regardless of the formal program. The tonnage scheduled for launching totals 439,886. This is enough tonnage, the war department estimates, to maintain 146,000 American soldiers at the front, carrying them food, guns, equipment and ammunition from America. Impressive ceremonies were held at most of the shipyards, as the hulls went to the water. Here is the list of the yards producing the ships and their deadweight tonnage:

Location of Yard	D. W. T.
Portland, Maine	3,500
Bath, Maine	3,500
South Portland, Me.	3,500
Portland, Me.	3,500
Portland, N. H.	3,500
Swack, N. J.	3,500
Norwalk, N. J.	3,500
Cornwells Heights, Pa.	3,500
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Mariners Harbor, N. Y.	3,500
Noank, Conn.	3,500
Tampa, Fla.	3,500
Madisonville, La.	3,500
Pascagoula, Miss.	3,500
Mobile, Ala.	3,500
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Orange, Tex.	3,500
Orange, Tex.	3,500
Houston Sh. Canal, Tex.	3,500
Beaumont, Tex.	3,500
Morgan City, La.	3,500
Houston, Tex.	3,500
Houston, Tex.	3,500
Wilmington, Cal.	3,500
Seattle, Wash.	3,500
Aberdeen, Wash.	3,500
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Salmon Bay, Wash.	3,500
Seattle, Wash.	3,500
Seattle, Wash.	3,500
St. Helens, Wash.	3,500
Willapa Harbor, Wash.	3,500
Tacoma, Wash.	3,500
Seattle, Wash.	3,500
Tacoma, Wash.	3,500
Tacoma, Wash.	3,500
Tacoma, Wash.	3,500
Portland, Ore.	3,500
Portland, Ore.	3,500
Portland, Ore.	3,500
Astoria, Ore.	3,500
St. Johns, Ore.	3,500
Columbia City, Ore.	3,500
Astoria, Ore.	3,500
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St. Helens, Ore.	3,500
Total wood ships	52 185,200
Total steel steamships	37 254,686
Grand total	89 439,886

## FIREWORKS THAT SPELL DEMOCRACY



## THE MAN NOT IN THE WAR ENTITLED TO PITY, NOT THE MAN IN THE ARMY, SAYS LINCOLN WIRT IN WONDERFUL ADDRESS

"I went to France a republican; I came home an American. I went a Congregationalist; I came back a Christian. The man who does not enter the war is to be pitied; not the man who is in it. The Hun is a Hun now, as he was 2000 years ago when he sacked Rome. The Kaiser and the lowest peasant are in the same category. If the American people really knew of the outrages committed by the Germans against the French and Belgians, not only several years ago but more recently, there would not be a red-blooded man left on this side of the Atlantic. The foregoing gives an index to the talk by Lincoln Wirt at the Chautauqua last evening—the most interesting, eloquent and powerful address thus far given in Pendleton on the war subject. The speaker is a man of rare platform ability and feels intensely upon his subject that he holds his hearers spellbound. He indulged in no abuse of the enemy, yet the pictures he drew from first hand observations showed the foe consistently and deliberately follows methods based on bestiality. A wonderful description of the Red Cross work, in all its branches was given by the speaker and he gave facts showing beyond question the vast importance of the work, not only from a humanitarian standpoint but from the standpoint of helping win the war. Staunch praise was also given the American administration for the progress made in war preparations. He says criticism of the war program is unjust and based either on ignorance or is enemy propaganda. He says to pay no heed to stories that the boys in France are not well fed and do not live under good moral surroundings. He says the only place to get a good meal abroad is at the mess of the American private soldier. Morally the boys are safer there than in their own homes. They do not have to drink wine, abundant good water being always provided. He says France and Paris have been libeled by former American tourists who could find and did find the same things at home that they boasted of finding in the "gay" French capital. The woman who doesn't give her full possible help to the Red Cross (the woman who sits on her husband's coat tail or her son's, or her brother's, will be cursed by that husband or brother when the Grand Army of the Republic goes marching by in future years and that man can't be a participant. Mrs. F. E. Judd, now in service in France, writes that he and Frank Dickson finished their course at the truck school and are head with Battery D, 95 Artillery, American Expeditionary Force. "Smock" deplores the fact that he can't speak French and said: "I went into a restaurant and asked for eggs. They couldn't understand so I crowed like a chicken and drew a picture of an egg—but no chance." We can get regular meals, of course, but the French tastes are so different from ours. "I am feeling fine and believe me I wouldn't trade places with anyone in the United States."

## ADVANCE OF MILE IS MADE ON THREE MILES FRONT; BRITISH ALSO MADE ADVANCE YESTERDAY

Hamel Village Is Taken by Haig's Army; Eighteen Hun Officers in List of Enemy Captured by French in Forward Movement; Attack Made Just as Enemy Was Preparing to Attack.

PARIS, July 4.—French forces smashing forward again between the Oise and the Aisne in two attacks yesterday evening advanced about a mile on a three mile front taking 1606 prisoners, it is officially stated. "Between the Oise and Aisne towards 7:30 o'clock in the evening our troops attacked the German lines west of Autrech, 10 miles northwest of Soissons on a front of one and a quarter miles, advancing positions nearly half a mile. In the evening a new attack between Autrech and Moulinsoustouvent was launched just when the Germans were about to attack. This advanced our lines a mile on more than a three mile front. We took 1606 prisoners including 18 officers. North of Monte Didier between Monte Didier and the Oise and along the right bank of the Meuse prisoners were taken in French raids."

## 250 VESSELS, 43,000 MEN IN FOREIGN WATERS

Submarines Sunk Faster Than Germans Can Build Them Says Admiral Sims. TEN MILLION WILL CROSS IF NECESSARY Merchant Ships Launched Faster Than They Can Be Sunk.

LONDON, July 4.—American naval forces comprising 250 vessels and 43,000 men are now in European waters operating in all areas from the White Sea to the Adriatic, Admiral Sims announced in a speech at the Anglo-American fellowship meeting. General Biddle in speaking declared: "We have 10,000,000 just like the soldiers marching today in various British cities, who can be brought over when needed." 150 Sub Chasers. Sims said: "We have now in European waters about 250 vessels, 2,000 officers and 40,000 men. During the coming year three times the present number of destroyers will be fighting with the allies. More than 150 submarine chasers will soon be in the war zone. Half of them are here now."

## INDIANS HOLD HIGH JINKS FOR TEN DAYS

The annual celebration of the Indians on the Umatilla reservation opened today with the usual large gathering of Indians. The scene of the festivities is at Cayuse about 15 miles east of Pendleton. There are about 75 types in the village for the 10 days' high jinks, and the hundreds of Indians in the encampment will spend the days and nights in having a general good time. A big parade will be held each evening with all participating dressed in their best native outfits, and the nights will be given over to war dances and other Indian festivities and rites. Poker Jim is the leading spirit on the Umatilla reservation in promoting this annual celebration. Indians are here from Nez Perce reservation, the Yakima reservation and from the Warm Springs. Some years ago they came with pack trains, but now many of them come in six-cylinder touring cars.

Fire Bad in Santiam Forest. ALBANY, July 4.—Another forest fire started in the Santiam National forest today, between Scar mountain and Crescent mountain, in section 8, township 12 south, range 6 east. The lookout reporting it to headquarters here said it was a bad fire, but further details are unavailable. This fire is near the one reported yesterday, they being the only fires in this forest now.

## ROY RITNER ARRIVES IN FRANCE, DESCRIBES WORK OF RED CROSS

A letter written on Decoration Day by Roy Ritner, who left recently as a member of the American Red Cross says that he has reached his station and is ready to begin work. He mentions that he expects his commission, and since the letter was received here that he was made captain. His address is Captain Roy Ritner, A. I. C., A. P. O. 745, American E. F. France. Following is the letter, in part: "I have arrived at my station and tomorrow will start my work. I like it very much and the trip which I had to take in getting here is one which I will never forget as it was mostly by auto and through a most beautiful country and one that has been settled for many hundreds of years. The climate out here is much more pleasant than in Paris and is quite cool at night. Some of the towns through which we passed were very interesting and picturesque. The country is all green and the crops look fine, but as so many of the men are at war many of the fields are idle. Oxen are used a great deal and sometimes you will see an ox and a horse hitched up together. I made part of the trip in an automobile with Major Perkins, the head of the American Red Cross in Europe. He is vice-president of the National City Bank of New York, the biggest bank in the United States. I have also met Mrs. Belmont Tiffany, Miss

## NO MORE FIREWORKS FOR PENDLETON BOYS

No more firecrackers or fireworks for the city of Pendleton. The city council, at the meeting last night by unanimous vote adopted an ordinance with stringent penalties against the firing of crackers, fireworks or other destructive agents, in the city limits or the selling of them. The ordinance goes into effect at once. It carries a fine of \$25 to \$50, or imprisonment of 10 to 30 days, or both fine and imprisonment. The one redeeming feature about the passing of the ordinance, from the viewpoint of the small boys, was the statement of Councilman Ralph Polson when voting for its passage. He said he would like to have the privilege of building a private celebration with a few giant crackers if we happened to let the news of the boys in France holding the celebration at the expense of the Huns, that he anticipated hearing.

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## RECOMMENDATION OF ALLIED COUNCIL MAY DECIDE RUSS POLICY

Favors Quick Action Along Line Yet Unknown; Will Soon Report. WASHINGTON, July 4.—Recommendations of the Inter-allied committee of the city water since turning water from the river into the city mains last week. He said much fear is expressed in the city of the purity of the water and recommended steps be taken to insure its being pure. The principal fear of the pollution of the city water is from Bingham Springs, about 12 miles above the point where water is taken from the Umatilla river for the water system and on the main stream. Sewerage from Bingham Springs is turned into the river, he is also water from the swimming pool. City Attorney Jas. A. Fee said Pendleton was given by the state absolute control and authority over the waters of the Umatilla in the use of same for water for the city. In order to protect the city water from pollution it will be up to the city to take some action, and it seems it is time to get busy. The city can probably get an injunction against the Springs and prevent the turning of waste in the river, while the matter is settled in the courts. The council instructed Judge Fee to look into the matter at once and take such action as he deemed best. Samples of the water have been sent to the state chemist at Corvallis for analysis, and returns from this will be received in the next few days. The returns from the analysis can only show a temporary condition of the water, as it will probably change more or less from day to day.

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