

BOCHE PINCHED FOR ESCAPE AS ALLIES GO FURTHER INTO SOISSONS-RHEIMS LINES

HUN TROOPS ENGAGED ESTIMATED 720,000

Blazing Villages and Ammunition Fire Path of Retreat, Made Perilous Difficult Roads, Bombing Planes and Long Range Cannon.

PARIS, July 23.—Front dispatches declare that the Allies' bombardment from both sides or the Rheims-Soissons pocket leaves the Germans only a seven mile passage for troop withdrawal.

(LOWELL MELLET)

WITH THE AMERICANS AFIELD, July 23.—The German retreat northward from the Marne is illuminated by burning villages. The sky is alight from horizon to horizon by blazing towns and ammunition dumps as the enemy retires towards the Vesle river line. Aviators report great congestion of German troops on the roads across the Vesle, 16 miles north of the Marne.

RETREAT MADE PERILOUS

There is the greatest congestion on the roads below Bazoches. The Germans are fighting with heavy rear-guard action and are holding the flanks desperately to prevent General Foch's squeezing. Communications below Bazoches are difficult even under normal conditions as they consist mostly of winding roads. Their lack of repair is greater because they were recently fought over. Bombing planes and long range cannon are adding to the Boches' discomfiture.

BIG RESERVE CALLED

It is estimated the Germans have already used 720,000 men. The number of prisoners is steadily increasing.

THESE MEN GO TO FIGHT FOR FREEDOM



Below is the list of 69 men who left Pendleton this morning for service in the national army:

- Verne J. Dresser.
- Dale Hinkle (Leader).
- Jesse W. Gossage.
- Jonathan D. Thorne.
- Edward A. Mayberry (Asst. leader).
- George H. Haley.
- Clarence L. Gagnon.
- John Thomas.
- Fred W. Bowers.
- Ross L. Carroll (Asst. leader).
- Clarence B. Foster.
- Earl L. Hacker.
- John A. Olson.
- Martin McLaughlin.
- William C. Kirk.
- William F. Porter.
- Desoto W. Davis.
- Adrian C. Getak.
- Albert Chapman.
- John McFerrant.
- W. Herbert Easterwood.
- Hert Ferguson.
- Clyde O. Harritt.

- Ernest B. Whiteley.
- John H. Canfield.
- Elmer S. Ferguson.
- Earl R. Gustaves (Asst. Leader).
- Clarence P. Wilkins.
- Roy Reeves (Asst. Leader).
- James L. Phillips.
- George N. Acropolios.
- Jasper G. York.
- Carl C. Nelson.
- Melvin L. Alexander.
- Carl S. Knudich.
- Vivian V. Henderson.
- Archie R. Wilson.
- Peter J. Rohde.
- Maugas Olson.
- Tyr O. Blackwell.
- Wilbur T. Pritchett.
- Robert I. McCullough.
- Arthur S. Wallden.
- Albert Kinnison.
- Dalton G. Chapman (Asst. Leader).
- John H. Wheeler.
- Philip L. Lay.
- Edward Olson.
- Julius Dendeanw.
- Emil J. Rivedal.
- Fred B. Slocum (Asst. Leader).
- Philip Bill.
- Romero Lee Hubbs (Asst. Leader).
- Waldo M. Records.
- Andrew Jackson.
- Nels O. E. Edrison.
- Earl G. Harne.
- Robert A. Parrens.
- Fred Bushman.
- H. A. Newsumh.
- Lester W. Higgs.
- James L. Kelly.
- Roy B. Van Orsdahl.
- Roy L. Russell.
- Geo. E. Farmer.
- J. V. West.
- Geo. W. Maynard.
- J. F. Murray.
- Wm. Cochran.

NAVY PASSES HALF MILLION ENLISTMENTS

Secretary Daniels Makes Announcement of 503,793 in U. S. Sea Force.

PERSONNEL INCLUDES 90,000 IN ADDITION

Laborers, Mechanics and Office Men Not Named With Enlisted.

WASHINGTON, July 23.—Secretary Daniels today announced the navy's enlisted personnel has passed the half million mark. The total strength of armed forces is 503,793. There are also 90,000 laborers, mechanics and office men.

ADVANCE CRUMBLES STIFFENING EFFORTS

Yankees Capture Jaulgonne, Fall of Buzancy and Oulchy le Chateau, Dominating Point on Soissons-Chateau Thierry Line, Reported; Americans, French, British and Italians Now Gradually Advancing.

(LOWELL MELLET)

WITH THE AMERICANS AFIELD, July 23.—When the prisoners are all counted it will probably be discovered that one allied army alone has captured more than the total present official estimate of 20,000 prisoners.

ABANDON SALIENT CENTER

PARIS, July 23.—Oulchy le Chateau, the dominant point on the Soissons-Chateau Thierry line was reported captured by the allies this morning. General Mangin is tightening his grip on Monte de Paris which dominates Soissons.

The Germans are fighting desperately to prevent allies cornering them in the Rheims-Soissons pocket. The allies on both sides of the salient are aiming at two vital points—Fersentardenois and Fismes. There are many indications that the enemy is attempting further withdrawals of men and material before he is enveloped. Airmen report the Germans are hurriedly preparing to retreat from the entire center of the salient.

CONCENTRATION POINTS ON FIRE

PARIS, July 23.—Allied aviators have set fire to Fersentardenois and Fismes, points of enemy concentration within the Rheims-Soissons salient, dropping more than 32,000 pounds of bombs on the two cities. The allies are still progressing at several points with the Germans withdrawing towards the Vesle river.

YANKS TAKE JAULGONNE

LONDON, July 23.—The Americans have captured Jaulgonne on the Marne's north bank and are continuing their advance, it is learned authoritatively. They took 300 prisoners.

The French hold the entire Marne bend from Chassins to Treloup. They repulsed a German counter attack at Vandiers.

Franco-Americans are progressing between the Ourcq and the Aisne. German artillery is comparatively inactive in the Soissons-Rheims salient, indicating the withdrawal of guns.

CAPTURES REPORTED

The Americans are believed to have captured Buzancy, four miles below Soissons and east of the Soissons-Chateau Thierry highway. The French are reported holding Oulchy le Chateau.

FRENCH TAKE VILLAGES.

PARIS, July 23.—There was only artillery on the entire offensive front last night, said the communique. North of Monte Didier the French advanced on a three mile front, capturing three villages and 300 prisoners.

ALLIES GO ON.

(FRED FERGUSON.)

WITH THE AMERICANS AFIELD, July 23.—Despite stiffening resistance the allied advance continues generally in the Soissons-Rheims salient, the Americans pushing forward on a five mile front between Gribolles and Bezu.

Franco-Americans are progressing farther eastward north of the Marne. The Franco-British and Italians are advancing slowly on wide sectors between the Marne and Rheims.

COUNTERS DWINDLE TO ARTILLERYING.

The Germans are making a desperate stand between Oulchy and Soissons, and the fighting following desperate counter attacks has temporarily become an artillery duel.

BERLIN SUFFERS TYPHOID OUTBREAK

AMSTERDAM, July 23.—A serious typhoid outbreak has occurred in Berlin, believed to be the result of poisonous milk, said dispatches today.

GOVERNMENT CUTS SEA RATE.

WASHINGTON, July 23.—The government today took over Cape Cod Canal, which cuts off 70 miles from the sea route between Buzzards Bay and Sandwich, Massachusetts. The seizure was a result of the U-boat menace.

MILITARY ESCORT AND THROGS OF FRIENDS CHEER 69 DEPARTING MEN

In spite of threatening rain clouds and occasional showers, Pendleton people lined Main street this morning to cheer the 69 drafted men who left for Camp Lewis, on a special train at 10 o'clock. The men gathered at the court house and marched to the music of the band down Court and Main streets, preceded by the Pendleton branch of the Umatilla county guard, and the Oregon Military Police. The flag was carried by the color bearers of the guard.

At the station, friends and relatives crowded the platform to bid farewell and wish good luck to the boys who will soon be "over there." Boxes of lunch were distributed by the canteen committee of the Girls' Honor Guard, as well as packages of cigarettes. Each man was given a card which, if filled out after he passes his examination, will entitle him to a comfort bag made by the Umatilla County Red Cross.

As the train pulled out, the men waved their hats and cheered to show their good spirits, while the people cheered in return.

Three Indians were among those who left and many tears were shed by their native friends who pressed forward and gave parting gifts.

Last night the men were guests of the Alta theater and afterwards of the Commercial club, who entertained them on the court house lawn. Ice cream, cake and punch were served by the Canteen committee of the Girls' Honor Guard.

There were 52 men in the call for this morning from Umatilla county, or this number but 45 go direct from the county, the remaining 27 being inducted in the service by other boards. Five of the 49 who entrained here were registered in other places, being inducted into the service by the local board and 44 from Umatilla.

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STRIKING PHOTOGRAPH OF BLOWING UP OF U-BOAT



Just before the submarine here blew ship at the right. An airplane ship, also dropped several. One made its hits before she could turn loose shown blown out of water was torpedoes signaled the ship and at the time it was about to attack the submarine she dropped depth bombs. The direct hit and blew the submarine, her torpedoes.

REITH SCHOOL SUED BY SURETY COMPANY

Suit has been entered in the federal court at Portland by the Aetna Surety and Liability Co., against school district No. 23 at Reith for what is alleged a breach of contract in authorizing payment of money to contractor before completion of construction of the district's new school building. The amount asked by the company aggregates approximately \$2500.

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TURKEY WOULD AVOID UNITED STATES WAR; PROMISES "FULL DUTY"

WASHINGTON, July 23.—Turkey has promised to do "full duty" towards the United States if it is demonstrated that her troops were responsible for the anti-American outbursts at Tabriz.

This means that Turkey will attempt to avoid war with the United States by pledging reparation. The Swedish foreign office notified the state department that Turkey is still investigating but the work is difficult because of poor communications.

6 TAPS, 3 TIMES, MEANS A FIRE IN THE WHEAT FIELDS

The alarm for country fires will be 6 rings of the curfew bell repeated three times. This is the understanding reached this morning between Fire Chief Wm. Ringold and Capt. H. E. Williams, of the O. M. P., for the spread of the alarm in the city where fire are reported in the wheat fields or other farm property in the surrounding country.

Farmers or others reporting such fires are requested to phone first to the city fire department, when the alarm will be given. Then they should call the military police headquarters, where they can give the location of the fire, its character and if possible the cause of it. With this information the captain can determine the number of men that will probably be needed as fire fighters, and the mistake will not be made of taking out a lot of unnecessary men. All volunteers going out to such fires are requested to report at once to the city hall when such alarm is given.

At the city hall they will be furnished with all the tools they will probably need for fire fighting.

If a fire is reported in a wheat field the need of haste in getting to the scene is very important and it is urged that those having cars, and able to go at once on the sounding of an alarm to the city hall to take men out to the scene of the fire. Quite a number of owners have already signed up to respond with their cars for such work when called on, but this should not prevent others from coming as they may find their cars needed also.