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GERMAN RETREAT ORDERS ARE ANCELLED

150,000 IS ESTIMATION OF ENEMY'S TROOP LOSS

PARIS, July 24.—German losses in the Soissons-Rheims region are estimated at 150,000 including 25,000 prisoners.

Higher Estimates Made. PARIS, July 24.—Unofficial estimates place the total of German casualties as the result of the Champagne fighting at 175,000 but military men discount this.

MOBILIZATION OF BOLSHEVIK FORCES BEGAN JULY 17

AMSTERDAM, July 24.—Moscow dispatches say a general mobilization of all Bolsheviki military forces was begun July 17. No reason is assigned.

INDIAN WOMAN STRUCK BY WEST BOUND TRAIN

An aged Indian woman died at St. Anthony's hospital between 11 and 12 this morning as the result of injuries received by being hit by the engine of a westbound passenger train earlier in the morning near Cayuse station, east of Pendleton.

NATIONS MAY ADOPT ALLIED FOOD CONTROL

LONDON, July 24.—Wilson's proposal for unity in food control of the allied nations with headquarters in London is being favorably received by the food controllers of allied nations meeting here.

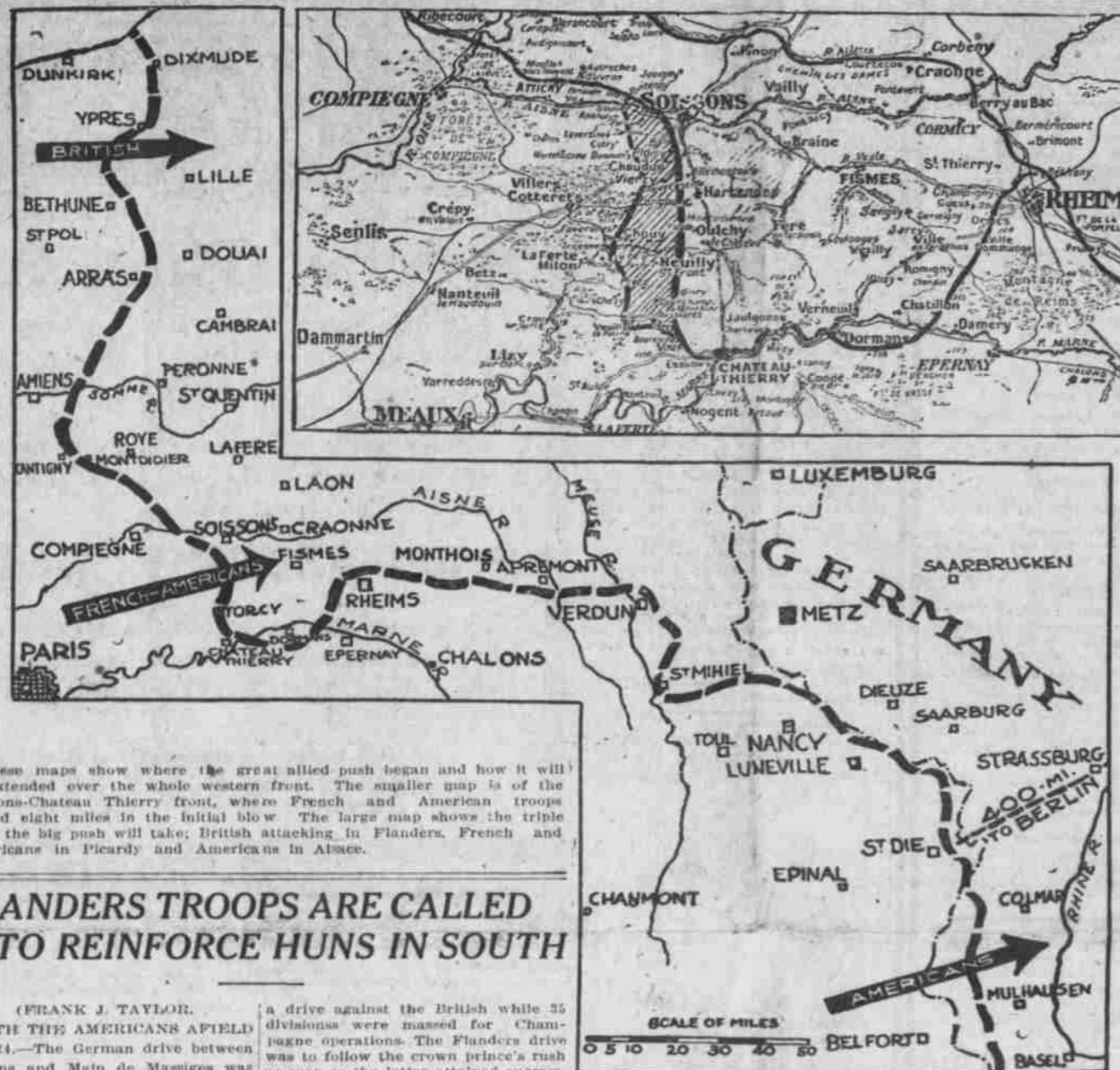
CONTRACT BETWEEN FARMER AND BUYER TO RULE PAYMENTS

The rule governing wheat sales last year where the government advanced 50 per cent of the purchase price to the farmer and the farmer paid interest on this amount until the time of the final acceptance of his wheat will not be used this year.

Sales this year will be direct from the farmer to the dealer or grain buyers, and payment will be according to the contract between the purchaser and producer.

Hearst Reiterates Candidacy. MARATOGA, July 24.—William Randolph Hearst reiterated through representatives his presence in the race for the democratic gubernatorial nomination when the democrats opened the state convention.

THE HUNS TAKE THE HOME TRAIL!



FLANDERS TROOPS ARE CALLED TO REINFORCE HUNS IN SOUTH

FRANK J. TAYLOR. WITH THE AMERICANS AFIELD July 24.—The German drive between Soissons and Main de Massiges was one of three pushes they contemplated this summer, two towards Paris and one toward the channel, prisoners admit. They also admit large numbers were massed in Flanders for a drive against the British while 35 divisions were massed for Champagne operations.

41 GERMAN AIRCRAFT SHOT DOWN MONDAY

PARIS, July 24.—Thirty-seven German airplanes were shot down and four balloons destroyed by the allies Monday, the air ministry today announced.

HUNDREDS DYING DAILY IN PETROGRAD

LONDON, July 24.—The air ministry today announced the destruction of one enemy airplane during raiding operations.

His Fortune Made.

BAKER, Ore., July 24.—It is reported that C. W. Scott, a former Richland resident, recently sold one-half of his interest in some chrome ore mines near Lake Creek, Ore., for \$70,000.

PENDLETON MILLS READY TO GRIND NEW WHEAT CROP

It will be the first of August before grain will be coming in to the local flouring mills in quantities though both the Pendleton Roller Mills and the Walters Flouring mills are receiving some wheat of the new crop every day.

EVENTS SUGGEST LORD IS WEARIED OF 'ME AND GOTT'

WASHINGTON, July 24.—General March told correspondents that the allied armies in the Soissons-Rheims salient have steadily advanced during the past three days although the Germans have used at least 15 reinforcement divisions.

He said between the Marne and Rheims the enemy lost one half to two miles on a 16-mile front. The Germans have only one railroad left for retreat. He said "it seems the Lord has become tired of the partnership of 'me and Gott'."

He also said the German retreat somewhat resembled the Austrian dash through the back door of the Plateau. A storm concealed allied movements, indicating Gott forsook the Kaiser. March said the Germans made a bold decision for retirement when the allies captured the important Soissons-Chatou Thierry highway.

Holding New Positions. March said the Americans and French have crossed the Marne at several points and are now holding positions there.

The response of the Germans to Foch's offensive was to throw in a large number of reserve divisions which were not used when the drive for Rheims started.

Keep Enemy Guessing. He said the allies advance in the past few days had been practically a steady march and declared the enemy must retreat or be caught in a pocket at the mercy of the allies. He said the ground regained by the allies about equal what the allies lost in Flanders last April.

SWISS INFLUENZA CASES NOW 11,500

BERNE, July 24.—The influenza epidemic in the Swiss army has 13,500 cases with 109 deaths.

LINER JUSTICIA SUB VICTIM; 11 KILLED, PASSENGERS SAFE

LONDON, July 24.—It is announced that 400 Justicia survivors, torpedoed Saturday, have landed at an Irish port, declaring that one of the 10 torpedoes wrecked the engine room. The explosion killed 11 of the crew. No passengers were lost.

NEW YORK, July 24.—The White Star line today announced that a new 3200-ton liner, Justicia, was torpedoed and sunk en route to the United States. It was completed a year ago and made its first trip with invalided Canadians. It also did freight service while under American control.

PEACE PROPOSALS PUBLISHED

AMSTERDAM, July 24.—A German socialist newspaper publishes the new "informal" peace proposals made through Spain including no annexations or indemnities in the west, the Russian and Rumanian peace treaties to stand unquestioned. The future of Belgium and other small nations to be determined at a peace conference, all Germany's colonies returned, freedom of the sea recognized and the Gibraltar and Suez canal dismantled.

AUGUST DRAFT CALLS WILL EQUAL THOSE DURING JULY

A wire received at 1:30 by the local draft board from the provincial marshal general announces that August calls upon the state of Oregon will be as large as were the calls in July, and that approximately 2200 white men will be called during the month. Some of the August calls have already been made, but allotments have not been made to all boards on account of local agricultural conditions.

Local boards are directed to refuse release to the navy, marine corps, or the emergency fleet to all registrants who have been or will be classified in class I and to reclassify putting all in class I, having the newly classified men examined, making generous allowance for physical qualifications for general military service, so the boards will be able to fill promptly all calls until August 31st.

TROOPS ORDERED TO FIGHT TO FINISH IN PRESENT POSITIONS

Foe, Nevertheless, Gives Ground Before Allied Attack on Practically Whole Battle Front; German Reserves Being Ordered Into Soissons-Rheims Pocket.

GERMANS GIVING GROUND (Fred Ferguson) WITH THE AMERICAN ARMIES, July 24.—Despite orders to hold until death, the German rear guard is giving way before an allied attack along practically the whole battlefield. Prisoners declare the rear guards were ordered to hold off the Americans to the last. Violent American assaults wiped them out or took them prisoners. The advance is proceeding cautiously at all points, however, because great masses of German reinforcements are increasing the resistance.

(Frank J. Taylor) WITH THE AMERICANS AFIELD, July 24.—The German retirement movement within the Soissons-Rheims salient has been reversed. The movement is now southward. It is believed the Germans are prepared to make a stiff stand with fresh troops.

RETREAT POLITICALLY BAD PARIS, July 24.—The German crown prince has suddenly changed his plans for a strategic retreat from the Soissons-Rheims sector. He has determined to fight it out there. This decision is indicated by stiffening enemy resistance and borne out by German prisoners who declared the withdrawal ordered has been countermanded. Prisoners could not explain it but ally leaders believe German politicians, fearing the internal effect of the huge retirement, forced the plan's change. The prince continues to order new divisions into the pocket, drawing reinforcements from the British front far north.

BULLETINS

CREW OF VICTIM SAFE. PORTLAND, Maine, July 24.—All members of the crew of the schooner Richard and Robert, sunk by a U-boat off the Maine coast, were accounted for when a dory containing eight men was landed here while another with four men arrived in Boston.

SAYS ASSASSINATION RUMOR FALSE. AMSTERDAM, July 24.—The Cologne Volks Zeitung today declared false a rumor of an attempt made to assassinate the Kaiser and Hindenburg.

BRITISH RAID SUCCESS. LONDON, July 24.—Haig announced raiding operations and cannonading on various British sectors.

FOE RAID FAILS. LONDON, July 24.—An attempted enemy raid northwest of Bethune was repulsed. Hostile artillery is active on the northern portion of the front, particularly near Loos.

SAYS ALEXIS DEAD. LONDON, July 24.—The Berlin Lokal Anzeiger says under a Moscow date that Grand Duke Alexis, the former Czarovich, died of exposure shortly after the czar's execution.

LENINE FORBIDS GERMAN ENTRANCE. AMSTERDAM, July 24.—Doctor Karl Helfferich, former vice-chancellor and one of Germany's strongest pacifists will be the Russian ambassador. Lenin recently declared the Bolsheviki to be capable of guarding the German embassy and would not allow German troops to enter Moscow or Petrograd.

REGULARS NUCLEUS FOR ARMY DIVISIONS. WASHINGTON, July 24.—March ordered six new national army divisions with regulars for a nucleus formed this month at six camps, including Camp Lewis. They will be numbered from 101 to 113, each having two regular infantry regiments.

ARTILLERYING VIOLENT. PARIS, July 24.—Violent artillery fighting is in progress along the whole Rheims-Soissons salient, says a communique. German counterattacks were repulsed west of Rheims.

U. S. Cavalry Fighting.

(Frank J. Taylor) WITH THE AMERICANS, July 24.—American cavalry, acting for the first time in this war, are harassing the enemy north of Chateau Thierry. The horsemen are throwing grenades which is a new stunt.

The Americans this afternoon captured Epieds village, five miles northeast of Chateau Thierry for the third time after violent street fighting. After overcoming stiff machine gun opposition the Americans cleared Bois de Chatelet at bayonet points.

HUNS THROWING GAS SHELLS. (LOWELL MELLETT) JULY 24.—The Germans are violently bombarding allied positions on a 12-mile front from Virgny southward to the Marne. They also are throwing great quantities of gas shells across the Marne from Normans eastward.

The Germans appear determined to avoid a prolonged retreat and are preparing a desperate stand at the present line.

100,000 IN POCKET. Germans have more than 100,000 in the salient which is imperilled by the allies at Soissons and Rheims. The Franco-Americans still progress, overcoming bitter resistance northwest of Chateau Thierry. Enemy positions at Oulchy are outflanked.

NEW RESERVES IDENTIFIED. WITH THE AMERICAN ARMIES, July 24.—On many sectors the battle occasionally loses all resemblance to rear-guard actions with the Germans seemingly intending to make a permanent stand. New German reserve divisions are being constantly identified.

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