

FRENCH ARMY CONTINUES TO PUSH HUNS BACKWARD

Take 2,200 Prisoners in The Capture of Pimprez and Take Heights Dominating Carlepont--Many Villages Fall to The Victorious French

With the French Armies, Aug. 19.—The French troops yesterday took the heights dominating the Carlepont plain south of Noyon and also captured the town of Pimprez, taking 2,200 prisoners.

London, Aug. 19.—Launching what may be described as an extensive local attack, the French last night broke through the German positions along the vital sector connecting the Marne and Picardy battle fields, between the Oise and Aisne rivers.

Near Merville, at the apex of the Lys salient, the British progressed further, and 50 prisoners and a few machine guns were captured. A German counter-attack between Outtersteen and Metren were broken up.

With the French Army, Aug. 19.—The French progressed yesterday in the vicinity of Lassigny, and are approaching Fresnoy and Plessier de Roye. In the sector between the Marne and Picardy front the French are also progressing northwest of Soissons, menacing the high roads between Noyon and Chauines.

London, Aug. 19.—French troops penetrated into the village of Lehaucourt on the hills on the western side of the Oise river northwest of Lucecourt today, and made some head-

way against determined resistance between Lassigny and the Oise river. The French line this morning ran from Fonte Noye to a ridge south of Andignicourt, thence to Nampool, which the French have surrounded, and to the edge of Montage forest. It passes 1,500 meters south of Carlepont and joins the old line north of Tra-cy-le-Val.

With the British Army, Aug. 19.—The British, according to an official dispatch, have captured Outterspeen ridge near the town of Nerris. They took over 5,000 prisoners.

Paris, Aug. 19.—The French, attacking between the Oise and Aisne over a 10-mile front west of Soissons, advanced an average distance of one and one-third miles on the full front, and penetrated to an extreme depth of nearly two miles. Enemy machine gunners resisted desperately.

The German air service was very active in an attack between Carlepont, four miles east of Ribecourt, and Fontenoy. The French occupied the plateau west of Nampool and the edge of a ravine south of Andignicourt, and captured Nouveron, Vingre and Le Triot, southwest of Beuvraignes.

The French took 1,700 prisoners.

CHROME PROPERTIES ARE REPORTED SOLD

An extensive deposit of chrome was discovered in Pleasant valley, an arm of Evans creek valley, by Phil Robinson, of Rogue River, who, after thoroughly prospecting the claim, found the percentage of chrome to be high. Portland capitalists were soon interested and it is currently reported this week that Mr. Robinson sold the property to them for \$15,000.

Extensive prospecting was immediately begun by the purchasers who report that the find is extensive. They have since been offered \$100,000 for the mine. It is currently reported.

Another extensive deposit of chrome, yielding from 15 to 25 per cent, was recently discovered by C. C. Clark, of Medford, in the Kane's creek district, about four miles from Gold Hill. Mr. Clark has bonded his claims to Merrick & McClellan, the former of Medford and the latter of the Greenback mine, the one being a capitalist and the other a well known mining engineer. The sum for which this property is bonded is \$5,000. Work on the claims was begun by the new owners on Thursday. Mr. Clark has other extensive chrome prospects in that district, but the claims bonded to Merrick & McClellan appear to be a veritable mountain of chrome ore.—Gold Hill News.

GERMAN PRESS HAS NEW EXPLANATION

Paris, Aug. 19.—The German press is attempting to reassure the public by the statement that a general retreat is necessary in order to allow General Ludendorff room in which to manoeuvre his armies so as to be able to assume the initiative on a vast scale in the west.

HOOVER IGNORES THE REQUEST OF BREWERS

London, Aug. 19.—No increase in the amount of barley used for beer in Great Britain will be permitted, notwithstanding the demands of the brewers for an extension of their allowance, according to the Central News. This is a result of the conference of the food controllers of the allies during the visit of Herbert C. Hoover, the American food administrator.

Barley is an important constituent in the standard loaf for the allies which has been agreed upon and also is necessary for feeding animals. These demands are considered more important than the claims of the brewers.

ALASKAN RAILWAY IN OPERATION END OF YEAR

Cordova, Alaska, July 20.—(By mail)—An unbroken stretch of 230 miles of United States government built and operated railroad will be in operation north from Seward Alaska, by the end of the year, asserted W. C. Edes, chairman of the Alaska engineering commission while here recently.

Mr. Edes is in charge of the government railroad now being built between Fairbanks and Seward. This summer work is being pressed south from Nenana, an interior railroad point, and a gap is being closed between Seward and Anchorage.

Two big locomotives formerly used by the government at the Panama canal are now on their way from the south to Nenana. The locomotives will be sent to Seattle, thence to St. Michael, western Alaska by ocean steamer. At St. Michael they will be put aboard a river boat and carried up the Yukon and Tenana rivers to their destination.

RECOGNIZES GERMAN SUB OFFICER IN N. Y.

OFFICIALS ADMIT POSSIBILITY OF GERMANS COMMUNICATING WITH ATLANTIC COAST

LANDED MEMBERS OF CREWS

Enemy Raiders Reported to Have Cut Trans-Atlantic Cable From American Port

Washington, Aug. 19.—American naval officials admit the possibility that German submarines have been communicating with persons on the Atlantic coast, and that they have landed members of their crews.

An American steamboat officer reported that he recognized a submarine officer in New York. It is also announced that enemy raiders recently cut a trans-Atlantic cable out of an American port.

PLAN TO STABILIZE PETROLEUM PRICES

Washington, Aug. 19.—The national petroleum war service commission's plans for the stabilization of petroleum prices was accepted today by the fuel administration. It is believed the plan will prevent any radical change in the prices consumers pay for gasoline and other petroleum products.

FORECAST FOR PERIOD AUGUST 19 TO AUGUST 24

Washington, Aug. 19.—Pacific Coast States—Fair except local rains in western Washington and Oregon the first of the week.

DISCOVERY MADE BY FRANK M. LELAND ADDS SPEED IN TURNING OUT SHIPS

Colonel Frank M. Leland, well known in Grants Pass through his mining operations in Josephine county, and whose mother is a resident of this city, is having a big part in shipbuilding operations, according to the following article from the San Francisco Examiner:

Lost arts of other ages, combined with the benefits of modern science, are being utilized in the romance of the shipyards of today. Each rivet driven in a ship's keel, each step toward America's maritime supremacy, carries with it memories of the days when knights went forth to battle, when the swordmaker of Damascus or the bladesmith of Toledo fabricated weapons that would pierce the strongest armor without being broken.

At the plant of the Moore Shipbuilding Company, Oakland, this reclaiming from other ages has resulted in greater efficiency in shipbuilding, has given greater skill to the workers and is working a financial saving.

"The lost art of tempering steel has at last been found," Frank M. Leland, efficiency engineer at the plant, said as he explained what he terms the greatest advancement in handling steel utilized because of the war. "Every tool in the yard has a perfect temper as the finest Toledo swordblade."

An ordinary piece of steel can be handled under a process introduced into shipbuilding by Leland and made the equal of the highest grade of tool steel. In a test a needle-pointed chisel was driven through a block of steel an inch and a half

RICE RIOT WIDE SPREAD IN JAP CITIES

TROOPS CALLED OUT IN MANY IMPORTANT CITIES TO QUELL RIOTOUS MOBS

SABERS AND BAYONETS USED

Newspapers Prohibited From Giving Reports—Believe Rice Question Has Become Political

Tokio, Aug. 19.—Newspapers have been prohibited from printing reports of rice riots. The ministry says disorders are abating. It is believed that the rice question has become political.

Tokio, Japan, Aug. 19.—Troops have been called out in nearly every important city in Japan. Even the naval station at Malsuru is affected by the unrest.

At Nagoya, noted for its manufactures of porcelain, a mob estimated at 30,000 persons rioted. At several places the soldiers fired on the disturbers.

At Kobe the soldiers and police also were obliged to use sabers and bayonets.

London, Aug. 19.—A dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph from Tien Tain dated Friday says:

"The Japanese rice riots are proving the worst outbreak against the constituted authority witnessed in many years. The rioters are resorting to acts of extreme violence, such as the use of dynamite and incendiary."

Tokio, Japan, Aug. 15.—There was serious food rioting in Tokio last night. Mobs attacked and damaged property in the business and theater districts.

CLASS 1 MEN FROM 18 TO 45 WILL BE NEEDED

Consideration of Man Power Bill in The Senate Thursday --Committee Objects to Calling 18 and 19 Year-Old Boys For Active Service

Washington, Aug. 19.—Consideration of the man-power bill will begin in the senate Thursday. Secretary Baker said he would not object to a provision making a separate classification for men between the ages of 18 and 19, and to defer calling them so far as practicable until others in Class 1 had been exhausted. The secretary said: "There is a sentiment in this committee against the calling of men as young as 18 unless absolutely necessary. I think the sentiment of the country is to get all the men necessary."

Adjutant General Crowder said the plan would be to call 2,000,000 men between now and the end of next June. General March in commenting on the situation said that he believed that every man in class 1, between the ages of 18 and 45 will be needed.

General March said they have planned to send 250,000 troops per month to France for the present, and it is hoped to increase the number in the spring.

The American army August 1 numbered 3,012,112.

21,467 U. S. LOSS SINCE WAR BEGAN

Washington, Aug. 19.—Casualties in the United States overseas forces, announced by the war and navy departments during the week ending yesterday, numbered 1,355, compared with 4,916 for the previous week. Total casualties announced to date, number 21,467, including 376 in yesterday's army list. Total army casualties number 18,707; the marine corps lists total 2,760.

The summary of the army casualty list now, including yesterday's list follows:

- Killed in action, 3,869. Died of wounds, 1,189. Died of disease, 1,556. Died of accident and other causes, 682. Wounded in action, 9,785. Missing in action, including prisoners, 1,626. Total to date, 18,707. The summary of the marine corps list follows: Deaths, 837. Wounded, 1,820. Missing in action, 88. In hands of enemy, 5. Total to date, 2,760.

NORTHWEST STATES NOT IN SPECIAL CALL

Washington, Aug. 19.—Adjutant General Crowder has called on 18 states for 5,709 white draft registrants with a grammar school education, equipped for general service to be sent to special training schools. The northwest states are not included in this call.

Secretary Baker declared in a statement to the house military committee that no general exemption of married men, simply because of their married status, was contemplated by the war department in preparing the proposed extension of draft ages. The secretary said his previous remarks had been misconstrued. He states that married men not supporting their family or engaged in a useful occupation should fight.

U. S. CASUALTY LIST

Table with columns for Army and Marine Corps casualties, including killed in action, wounded, missing, and previously reported missing.

SOVIETS WILL DECLARE WAR ON ENTENTE ALLIES

Amsterdam, Aug. 19.—The German correspondent at Petrograd says the Soviet government will declare war on the entente allied countries soon.

BIG RUN OF SALMON LOWER ROGUE RIVER

A highly profitable run of salmon, chinook, is now on in the lower Rogue river and has been noticeable for the past ten days, says the Marshfield Record. The season closes the 25th of August and it is believed before that date the average or greater than average receipts will be on hand. The fore part of the season was not so heavy but fishermen made wages and some did much better. The run now is extraordinary, for the fish are coming higher than a 30-pound average, 40 and 50 pound fish are common. Eighty boats are operating at present and the catches run from 35 to 40 fish nightly. More men are delivering to the Macleay cannery than to the Seaborg. Residents of Gold Beach and Wedderburn say the present run, relating to size of the catch, was never outrivalled.

WESTERN UNION OPERATORS GET WAGE INCREASE

New York, Aug. 19.—Postmaster-General Burelson has approved the 10 per cent increase in wages for the Western Union telegraph operators.

NORWEGIAN BARK IS SUNK BY SUBMARINE

Washington, Aug. 19.—The Norwegian bark Nordhav was sunk by a German submarine off the Virginia capes. The crew was brought in by an American warship.