

# GERMANS USE DOUBLE WEDGE TO TRAP FRENCH

### "Pincer Strategy" Aims to Flank Allied Forces in Picardy By Capturing Paris—Wedge Driven into Allied Line in Champagne Similar to That in Picardy.

WASHINGTON, June 7.—As the Hindenburg offensive continues, it becomes more and more evident that the German strategy is bent on reaching the French capital.

It is extremely unlikely that the Huns can reach their objective. Even if the advance brings the German hordes to the very outskirts of the city, the allies have sufficient reserves of three armies—French, British and American—to hold the foe as they did on the Somme. The defenses of Paris are the strongest in France.

"They shall not pass!"

### Two Great Wedges in Line

The German strategy is now plain. It seeks to drive a wedge into the allied line in the Champagne equal in extent to that great salient driven into it in Picardy. To make this great triangular dent, the Germans have devoted their heaviest attacks to the center of the line and to the region about Soissons.

If they can extend their advance southward and westward as far as the city of Meaux, 25 miles from Paris, the advance will equal that in Picardy—perhaps exceed it a little.

Thus two great wedges will be sledge-hammered into the French line—the familiar pincer strategy of General Mackensen that won him many victories in Galicia and Russia.

Between these two wedges would lie a great equilateral triangle of territory held by the allies, each side about 50 miles long. Its western side would reach from Montdidier to Meaux; its northern from Montdidier to Courcy-le-Chateau, just north of Soissons, and its eastern from Courcy to Meaux.

The triangle would include in its area the big railway centers of Compiègne, known as "the gate to Paris," and Villers-Cotterets.

Faced by German armies on two sides of this triangle, the French would be forced back to its western base in order to escape being trapped and slaughtered. Their line would then extend from Montdidier to Compiègne, to Villers-Cotterets, and thence to Meaux.

### Verdun Railway Threatened

This great retreat would place the allies on an excellent line of defense before Paris—on the ground which saw the furious fighting of the Battle of the Marne in 1914.

To rectify the front toward the east the allies would be compelled to withdraw to the Marne on a line extending from Meaux to Chalons.

This line would protect the Paris-Verdun railway. The German strategy is aimed at cutting this line to prevent Foch from bringing up his reserves and supplies.

In prosecuting this plan the Germans have succeeded so far in capturing Soissons and reaching the Marne at a point southeast of the city. To drive in the northern wing of the triangle, they have attacked between Courcy-le-Chateau and Noy-en-Ober, apparently with the intention of a flank attack on the French in Picardy.

To succeed, this German strategy requires Von Hindenburg to keep on his hammering blows incessantly. If he stops for a minute he puts his line in danger of a flank attack by the French on either his right or his left wing.

General Foch's chief strategy has been to give up ground and save lives, while that of the Germans has been just the opposite. To the casual observer it would seem that the allies' efforts should be devoted to stemming the German rush on Paris at all costs. As a matter of fact, the German indications lead to a better strategy is to fall back to the new line before Paris, consolidate the Forest and Champagne fronts, and make a final stand for victory.

### Will Consolidate Two Fronts

Therefore a further retreat by the allied armies must be held upon its inevitable. But it must be taken into consideration that the Germans gain ground by fighting every foot of the way and suffering enormous losses. In comparison with the number of men engaged, it will be found when the figures are received that the Teutonic losses will be every bit as heavy as they were during the March drive. The allies, on the other hand, will lose heavily in men and supplies, but will conserve their man power.

It is likely that the German plan

# 41 NAMES ON CASUALTY LIST FROM PERSHING

WASHINGTON, June 7.—The army casualty list today contained 48 names divided as follows: Killed in action 17; died of wounds, 12; died of accident, 6; died of disease, 7; wounded severely, 6. Among officers named were: Died of disease, Brigadier General Robert E. L. Michie, Staunton, Va., died of airplane accident, Lieutenant Livingston L. Baker, San Francisco. The list includes Private Charles Dunn, Alger, Wash., killed in action.

Killed in action: Lieutenants Robert B. Anderson, Wilson, N. C.; Grosvenor P. Cather, Bladen, Neb.; Henry W. Clarke, Boston; Corporals Joseph Drabkin, Lodi, Cal.; Herman L. Evans, Lebanon Junction, Ky.; Silas Triplett, Hunting Creek, N. C.; Privates Joe W. Bonnet, Cheyenne, N. D.; Clarence Henry Caw, St. Joseph, Mo.; Raymond E. Cuthbertson, Nebo, N. C.; Charles Dunn, Alger, Wash.; Walter W. Hawk, Cincinnati; George Olen, Brockton, Mass.; Nash B. Shaheen, Moorhead, Minn.; Guy W. Showers, Harrisburg, Pa.; Mike Sinkovagh, Easton, Pa.; Harlie C. Smith, Middletown, N. W.; Lewis T. Strickland, Corro Gordo, N. C.

Died of wounds: Lieutenants Lynn H. Harriman, Concord, N. H.; Wellborn S. Proby, Chicago; Corporals Otto G. Ambler, Newkirk, Okla.; Robert Finnegan, Pittsburg; Mechanic Herman Hansou, Edmore, Mich.; Privates William L. Baxter, St. Paul, Ind.; Mike Christy, San Pedro, Cal.; William W. Gosnell, Greenville, Tenn.; Cable Keen, Pinola, Miss.; Leon R. Matthews, Springfield, Mass.; Louis Sayer, Vergas, Minn.; Arville Serog, Visalia, Cal.

Died of disease: Brig. General Robert E. L. Michie, Staunton, Va.; Sergeant Renner Agnew, Canby, Pa.; Band Leader Hiram N. Cole, Inglewood, Cal.; Privates Chester Brishy, Jacksonvill, Tex.; William H. Harris, Marietta, Ill.; George E. McKeena, Farr Hills, N. J.; Benjamin C. Wood, Lynn, Mass.

Died of accident: Lieutenants Livingston L. Baker, airplane accident, care Baker and Hamilton, San Francisco; Duncan R. Grant, airplane accident, New York City; Earl H. Neville, airplane accident, Winona, Minn.; Privates George E. Finicle, Haron, S. D.; George Jacob Fymire, Monmouth, Ill.; Emanuel G. Williams, Morristown, N. J.

contemplates the union of the forces of Von Below, Von Hutier and Von Boehm, who are in command in the Champagne, with those of Von Der Marwitz, Van Quast and Von Arnim, in Picardy and Flanders, for a great joint drive at Paris and the channel ports.

Therein lies the greatest danger for the French and British. If the Germans succeed in breaking through either on the Somme or on the Marne, it will take another Battle of the Marne to turn the tide.

### Unity to Aid Allies

The probability that the drive to the Marne is merely preparatory to a greater offensive in Picardy is still a likely one. If this turns out to be the German plan, it will prevent General Foch from sending reinforcements to Champagne from the Amiens front. If the German drive assumes such proportions that this becomes necessary, we may look for an immediate resumption of the advance in Picardy.

One fact that should be kept in mind is that the allies can far better afford to give ground along the Marne, where miles of territory is behind them, than they could on the Somme, with only the sea to fall back upon. This is an important consideration in the allied councils of war.

The unity of command that has been achieved by the allies since the beginning of the March drive will have its effect in the present offensive. The Picardy drive was not appreciably checked until the eighth day of the offensive. Already, however, the Germans have been stopped at both ends of the line on the Aisne, while in the center the French apparently plan to make a stand on the Marne.

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# MARINES TAKE TORCY IN DRIVE ON MARNE FRONT

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Americans reached the cemetery at dawn, the German continued to press forward slowly under a heavy fire from German machine guns.

**Capture 270 Prisoners**  
During the attack this morning at dawn, the German artillery fire against the allies was feeble, but the enemy front line was well staked with machine guns. In the action this morning the Americans and French advanced one kilometer into the German lines and captured 270 prisoners, including ten officers.

Forty-five minutes after the fighting started one French regiment had attained the border of Mares wood and the edge of a triangular wood 300 yards southeast of Bussalres, notwithstanding resistance. This regiment alone took more than 100 prisoners.

### Tired of Fighting

A notable development was the low morale of the prisoners, all of whom are Prussians. They expressed themselves as tired of the war and glad to get out of the fighting. This was despite the fact, they say, that they are furnished with food altho the Saxons, the Wuertemberg troops and other maps go without.

It must not be imagined, however, that they did not put up a fight this morning for their officers were among them urging them on, but the marines dashed into them yelling like Indians and plying bayonet and rifle. One marine who was taking back a prisoner ran into two German officers and ten men. He tackled them single handed with his rifle and bayonet, killed both the officers and wounded seven of the men.

### Called Him Kamerad

Another sergeant was about to take a prisoner when the German threw himself on the ground and discharged his revolver at the American after calling him "kamerad." That settled the German, for the sergeant shot him, as he did four others who also had surrendered but refused to put up their hands.

The marines advancing in the Bel-

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leau wood region went forward in four waves in open formation. The men in the first wave were for the most part armed with rifles and bombs, while the rear waves were equipped with automatic rifles. With them came squads of machine gunners lugging their collapsible guns. They crossed the open space and toiled up the slopes bent over like gnomes. The trenches the marines passed over were clearly visible from below but they hardly deserved the name, for they were simply lines of little holes, each only a mile away from a man, while barbed wire was lacking. There was some, however, interlaced among the trees of Belleau wood, but the marines pushed their way thru it.

### Village on Fire

Out in the open field artillery officers with glasses were directing the supporting fire, while on the roof of a nearby farmhouse a signal man wigwagged with his red and white flags. On all sides the guns were flashing, some of them standing right out in the field, while others were hidden in the woods. Looking down into the valley only a mile away the village of Bussalres could be seen on fire. As the correspondent watched the scene the clouds of white shrapnel smoke over the village of Torcy also became brownish and flames appeared in that town.

The artillery fire that preceded the attack lasted an hour and was

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of especial intensity for five minutes preceding the time when the marines went over the top. French and American batteries both took part in the firing, putting down a rolling barrage and then shifting to the roads behind the German line.

### Forestalled Attack

It appeared that the marines in going forestalled an attack the Germans had planned. It was to have been carried out by the Prussians who had been put into the line for that purpose and was to have taken place either today or tomorrow. These men had relieved the Prussian guard division, which was badly chewed up in the fighting of the last day or two. They, in turn, had relieved the Saxons, just after the marines took over the sector, so the marines are proud of the fact that they have used up three German divisions in less than a week and are still very much alive themselves.

The moral of the men is wonderful. They are willing to attempt anything and are talking with pride of

the heavy losses they inflicted upon the Germans in their attack this morning, while all the early reports indicated that the afternoon had been even more costly to the enemy.

This latter attack was undertaken largely because of the splendid showing the marines made in the morning coupled with the discovery that the morale of the Germans in the opposite positions was low, which made the going easier for the fiery soldiers of the marine companies.

No one who saw the marines in action today did not thoroughly agree with the exclamation of their com-

mander, himself an army man, when he said: "I just wish I had an army corps of 'em here."

### AVIATION CADETS KILLED WHEN AIRSHIPS COLLIDE

LAKE CHARLES, La., June 7.—Lieuts. John L. Hegarty and Travers Lee Halton were killed near Gerstner field today when their airplanes collided while at battle practice.

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