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GERMANS RETREATING NORTH OF ALBERT

BATTLE LINE IN PICARDY

French Continue to Hammer Away, Slowly Advancing Toward Noyon and Roye-Rilicourt Captured-British Advance Line Slightly-Hubterne Salient Disappears as Resuit of German Withdrawal Between Albert and Arras.

WITH THE BRITISH ARMY IN FRANCE, Aug. 15 .- (Noon, by the merged. Associated Press). General interest in the situation along the Picardy battlefront has shifted to the north- opened fire on the schooner the crew ward, where it is confirmed that the Germans have evacuated some of the forward positions. Beaumont-Hammel, Serre, Bucquoy and Puisieux-Au-Mont have been abandoned, British patrois crossed the Ancre at marine submerged. Authuille Aviluy, north of Albert. One of the plane last night and went some distance before they were fired upon.

Albert is still held strongly by the Germans. British patrols, on entering the town, were fired upon from the Albert cathedral.

WITH THE BRITISH ARMY IN FRANCE, Aug. 15 .- (Reuters). The Hubterne salient has practically disappeared as a result of the German retirement. Between Albert and Ay ette the British have pushed their posts far toward Bucquoy.

General Ludendorff's order that ground must be given if holding would entail an undue expenditure of man power, is believed to be largely responsible for the German with

Sraight Line

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS, Aug 15 .- Allied success in Picardy has compelled the Germans to realign their positions between Albert and Arras. Enemy troops have begun a retirement on a five mile front. The British and French have improved their positions slightly northwest of Roye, south of Lassigny and along the Oise.

drawal north of Albert is not clearly defined. The enemy has left his forward positions at Beaumont, Hamel, Pulsieux-Au-Mont and Buc-These are in the sector where the Germans were stopped in March Should the German lines be moved Tack any great depth the line south before the crew had a chance to to Albert and thence to the Somme ould be affected. Likewise the linto the Scarpe might have to be read-

Von Boehm in Command PARIS, Aug. 15 .- (Havas Agency General Hans von Boehm, the German "retreat specialist" has been appointed to the supreme German command on the Somme front. The newspapers believe that this change in the German command is highly significant. The German withdrawal north of Albert is looked upon as the first application of his tactics.

General von Boehm and his former command, the German eighth army stood the brunt of the allied pressure in the Marne salient previously to the withdrawal to the north of th Vesle.

French Pushing On

LONDON, Aug. 15, 4 p. m - The (Continued on Page Two.) -

WHEAT CROP OF CANADA SHOWS LOSS

bushels or 1,742,850 bushels less than Baufort, of the Datch legation last year's crop, according to a report of the dominion burehs of staristics, compiled from returns of cor-Said 410 000,000 hu-help, an increase of 13,000,000 over last year.

BOMBS DROPPED **UPONSUBMARINE** OFF CAPE MAY

German U-Boat That Sink- Schooner Dorothy Barrett Chased by Destroyers and Sea-Planes Who Drop Depth Bombs-Tanker Kellogg

WASHINGTON, Aug. 15 .- The + American schooner Dorothy Barrett + States. was sunk by shell fire from a Ger- . man submarine yesterday near Cape . . May, N. J. Seaplanes and submarinchasers sent to the scene dropped depth bombs on the spot where the submarine was believed to have sub-

A report to the navy todays says when the submersible appeared and took to the small boats and have been landed at Cape May. The schooner was set on fire by the shells. When the planes and two submarines were sighted the sub-

One of the planes flying low drop ped a depth charge where bubbles presumably from the wake of the ubmarine were observed. The chasers then closed in and let go several There was no evidence of bombs. wreckage, but the submarine did not eappear.

Tanker Still Affont

WASHINGTON, Aug. merican tank steamer Frederick R. Rellogg (torpedoed Tuesday evening y a German submarine, affoat 16 miles off Barnegat, N. J., the navy department was advised today and there is a chance that she may be brought into port.

The reven men of the crew still are missing, but the navy has no confirmation of reports that five men were killed by the explosion of the torpedo

PORTSMOUTH, N. C., Aug. 15. leavy firing was heard today off the North Carolina coast in the vicinity where a German submarine has been

Peniston's Crew Arrives

previvors of the British steamer Penistone sunk by a German submarin off the Massachusetts coast Sunday landed at Cape Cod ports today and reported that another boat containing members of the erew had been lost. Four of the survivors were badly burned and injured, which indicatof that the vessel had been attacked escape

Advices from the cape failed to explain how the ship had been sunk. Saval authorities have taken charge of the ship's crew. The men were in two boats which had drifted since Sunday. They were nearly exhausted from exposure and lack of food-

The number in the heat reported

Four of Crew Killed

NANTUCKET, Mass, Aug. 15.-The killing of the engineer and the counding of four firemen on the Britsh stemmer Penistone sent down by

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FORTY DUTCH, SHIPS TO BE SECURED

WASHINGTON, Aug. 15,-Forty 00,000 tens, new idle in Dutch East odian ports are expected to be reused to bring sugar, tin, quinine and ther commodities to the United tates as a re-git of an informal m das vivendi effected by the war trade board through Charge D'Affaires De

In return the United States govern ment will undertake to license normal exports to the islands subject only to stewards that racing will not be perrespondents. Outs are expected to such limitations of commodities as mitted next cinter owing to the great are made necessary by the war pro-

AMERICAN TROOPS AT VLADIVOSTOK

WASHINGTON, Aug. 15 .-American troops today began to * disembark at Vladivostok and * immediately will join the international force to aid the Czecho-Slovak army in its campaign in Siberia. The Americans compose the 27th regular infantes regiment from Manilla and will be followed by another regiment from the Philippines and additional troots from the United *

MAKE TAKE OVER CAMP AUXILIARIES

CAMP LEWIS, Tacoma, Aug. 15 -Provision for Red Cross Y. M. C. A., Knights of Columbus and Jewish Welfare league army camp workers must be made by congress or the war department must take over these ac tivities in camp and cantonment was the opinion expressed by men of these organizations here today following a conference with military authorities, under the proposed plan of drafting men from 18 to 45 years of age.

All these workers are exempt on der present provisions for drafting men for the army, but the majority of them will come within the proposed new age limit. Until now men of draft age liable for military service have not been accepted by these organizations.

That the war department will take over the camp work of the Red Cross and merge these activities and follow this by the assignment of soldiers experienced in this work to the joint organization was believed by many.

TWO KAISERS IN

AMSTERDAM, Aug. 15-Emperor headquarters, according to a telegram to the Lokal Anzeiger of Berlin from Karl Rosner, its war correspon-

ference at headquarters, the correspondent reports and these deliberations, on political and military ques tions, are "reaching their highest points" with the coming of the Aus trian emperor and his advisory staff.

LAST PAYMENT ON LIBERTY BONDS

WASHINGTON, Aug. ast installment payment on the third iberty loan, due today, was expected th bring in the \$250,000,000 august minnee of the \$4,176,000,000 termi f the foan. Altho the Installment comittally was forty per cent, a large art of this has strondy been paid into the treasury.

cates of indestedness which closed Tuesday was over-subscribed \$75,-706,000, the treasury announced to-

ENGLAND AGAINST WINTER RACING

LONDON, Aug. 15.—The govern nent has informed the National Hun need of transportation for war par-

EVACUATION OF MUSCOW BEGUN BY BOLSHEVIKI

Russian Peasants Flocking to Standard of Czecho-Slovaks and Soviet Troops-Anti-German Spirit Revived by News of German Defeats in West-Armed Peasants March.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 15. Russian pensants are reported in state desertment advices today to be flocking to the standard of the Czecho-Slovaks operating in force about 500 miles east of Moscow, Particular significance is attached to the report that the soviet troops have begun the exacuation of Moscow, opening the ied troops to re-establish the eastern ront on a line much further west an was believed possible,

With the soviet evacuation, the zecho-Slovaks are in control of the railroad lines from Siberia to Moscow and from Archangel to Moscow, The seasants reinforcing this army are just learning the truth about the been heaten on the west front.

Anti-German Spirit Revives

The great mass of Russians, the government here is informed, also are just learning of the landing of allied froops on the Murman coast and at to their names when the roll was Vladivostok and of the recent vicories of the affice in France. As these facts become known there is a twenty-one democrata. revival of the anti-German spirit among the Russians and according to day and the plan now is to begin con-the reports reaching Washington sideration of the bill next Thursday, they are flocking to the ranks of the Czecho-Slovaks.

marching on Petrograd and that the soviet of that city has fled to Kronstadt is also regarded with interest Officials say that the peasants can give German forces, reported yesterday as marching on Petrograd, a great deal of trouble, as it will require TALIAN FORCES large force to hold them in check

Letts Refuse to Fight

disptach from Switzerland say that it is reported from Moscow, that operation of military trains transcerting Bolsheviki troops to be sent gainst the Czecho-Slovaks have been indered by risings among the railond employes. Trotzky is said to ave threatened severe measure rgainst the railway men. Professor T. G. Masaryk, the com

cander-in-chief of the Czecho-Slo vak force, who is in Washington, i of the evenior that the retirement of the soviets from Moseow may have been compelled by refusal of Lettish troops to operate against the Czecho-It is understood that an the Marne!" army of Letts commanded by German officers was sent to oppose the

REDUCE RATES ON LOANS TOYAID, FARMERS

WASHINGTON, Aug. 15,-To aid further in financing crop movements the War Finance Corporation today reduced from six to five per cent the annual interest rate on short term FRANCE, Aug. 15 .- (By the Associ advances to banks to cover loans ated Press). Deepest admiration for made to farmers or merchants for the American troops which have been marketing wheat and other crops.

to four months, are made up to ser- od today by General Humbert, com enty-five per cent of the loans to far- mander of the Third French army was sont to federal reserve banks of Richmond, Atlanta, St. Louis, Minne-The \$500,000,000 issue of certifi- spolls, Kansas City, Dallas and San Prancisco, which previously had been requested to notify both member and non-member banks to apply to the war finance corporation for these crop moving leans:

NERVE SPECIALIST

AMSTERDAM, Aug. 15. The le nerve specialists in Berlin.

GERMANALOSSES IN PAST WEEK HEAVIEST

LONDON, Aug. 15 .- The proportion of the German losess to those of the allies since those of August 8 is greater than at any other period of the war, it was announced here tonight. It is said that the total allied casual-* ties probably will not be as large as the number of Germans taken prisoner.

HAVE OUORUM FOR

WASHINGTON, Aug. 15 .- Plan for beginning consideration in the senate next Monday of the new manpower bill extending the draft age were blocked today by failue of a quorum to appear when Chairman German report that the allies had Chamberlain of the military committee submitted the measure with i favorable report.

Senate leaders had telegraphed members to return from vacations. Only forty-three senators answered

were twenty-two republicans and The senate adjourned until Mon

if possible. Senater Chamberlain still hope The report that armed peasants are to pass the measure by Saturday of next week. He said a quorum seem ed assured for Monday.

ROME, Aug. 15.-Men of Italian birth or Italian descent form a ma-jority of the troops in some of the detachments arriving in Italy from the United States to fight on the Playe front. This was stressed by the colonel commanding a contingent

which was welcomed at Milan, The soldiers were received at the gave a long and impressive demonstration, shouting "Viva l'América!"
"Viva Wilson!" "Viva the heroes of

streets jammed with cheering people to the corps headquarters, where they were reviewed by General Angelottic The American colonel spoke insta

HUMBERT PRAISES AMERICAN TROOPS

WITH THE PRENCH ARMY IN fighting with the British and French These advances to banks, limited in the Picardy offensive was express-Notice of the reduced rate during a talk to war correspondents at to tederal reserve banks of ... The Americans fight," he said with an arder that is unsurpassed.

ESTHONIA PROTESTS GERMAN OCCUPATION

STOCKHOLM, Aug. 15.—The four representatives of the Esthonian re-public in Stockholm have issued rotest against the German treatmen ALWAYS WITH KAISER of Esthonia, alleging that in the Brost-Latovsk peace trenty Germany was given authority to occupy Livest ramor from the front is that the oma and Esthonia without regard to kaiser never roes anywhere unless the wishes of the people, and despite the fact that Esthonia had declared ber independence.

GREAT BRITAIN OF ANY WAR PERIOD TO RECOGNIZE CZECHO-SLOVAKS

Allies Now Committed to Formation of a Separate and Independent Bo hemia Out of the Ruins of the Austrian Empire - British Troops Warmly Welcomed by Czechs.

LONDON, Aug. 15.-The allies Archangel expeditionary force has reached Pabereshskaia, 100 miles south of Archangel on the railroad toward Vologda, it is announced here. Bolshevik forces on retiring are declared to have committed everpopulation. Fairly determined resisance to the allied advance was offered by the Bolsheviki and the progress of the expeditionary force was told the military committee it was up

LONDON, Aug. 15 .- British recognition of the Czecho-Slovak nation is lief that four million Americans uncommented on favorably by the news der it means that in addition to the other pleased. war aims, the allies are now committed to the formation of a separate new American war program calls for Daily Telegraph, cays:

"These timely measures tell of the into its constituent nationalities and the committee would be in France by to take as much thought about the next June. re-constitution of the east as of the west of Europe."

It is suggested by the Daily Chron-Icle that the policy should be completed by the recognition of the Jugo-

Warmly Welcomed

LONDON, Aug. 15 .- Reuter's lim ited learns that the British troops on their way to join the Czecho Slovak troops on the Ussuri front were received by the Czechs with the greatest enthusiasm. The Ussuri river joins the Amui

near Khabarovsk, north of Vladivostok. The Czechs have been engaged with the Bolsheviki in this region for several weeks.

In Dangerons Position

LONDON, Aug. 15.-The Czecho Slovaks in Siberia are in a daugerous position and are liable to be cut off ditagether, says the correspondent of the Times at Vladivostok. Only fraction of those between the Vols: Ports Garibabii by a longe crowd. It and Lake Baikal are armed and all are deficient in equipment.

The correspondent adds: the rear while the Czechs do the The soldiers marched through fighting, General Dieterich's small force might well be annihilated, but it is inconceivable that the allies will refrain from active co-operation and that co-operation must be on a larger cale than hitherto contemplated."

Large Japanese Army

WASHINGTON, Aug. 15.-Guardd intimations are given in well in-ormed official quarters that the -c government has anticipated he need for speeds assistance to the zerbo-Slovaks in western Siberia.

It is understood, the Capanese gen craf statt has planned to strike diseefly at Lake Baikal, the most important center of action on the Sibe ian ruilroad.

For military reasons, it is impossi-(Continued on Page Six.)

ROOSEVELT REGRETS INABILITY TO FIGHT

PARIS, Aug. 15.— (Havas.) -- Col ms; Roosevelt's answer to condolen we extended by President Poincairs on the death of Lieutenant Quentin Roosevelt is published by the news

"My only regret," the colonel wrote, that I am anable to fight beside my sons.

Up to United States to Put Enough Men on Western Front to Win War Says Allied War Council-80 Divisions of 40,000 Each Planned to Be in France and IS More Here for Shipment - To Meet Demands, Raising of Draft Age Necessary.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 15 .- In rethe administration manporting power bill, extending draft ages, today, Chairman Chamberlain disclosed to the senate that General March had to the United States to put enough men in France to win the war on the west front and had expressed the be-The Daily Graphic says that the German lines whenever they

The report also revealed that the and independent Czecho-Slovak na- eighty divisions, or something over tion out of the ruins of the Austrian three million men in France by June Dr. Dillon, writing in the 30 next year, with eighteen more divisions in training at home then.

All of the men called for active determination of the entente powers service under the proposed new draft to break up the Hapsburg monarchy ages -18 to 45 -General March told

To Force the Issue

Secretary Baker informed the committee, the report said, that the president's policy called for concenration of American forces on western front, including Italy and that "the theory of the fighting in issue and win on the western front." Immediate extension of the draft

sentatives to be imperative in order hat the United States may throw its full strength in the struggle and win. If the draft ages are fixed at from 18 to 45 General March said the sys

em of volunteer enlistment in the United States army automatically lisappears. In his report Chairman Chamberlain quoted extensively from testi-

many before the committee by Secre-

tary Baker, General March and Provost Marshal General Crowder. Policy of Department

United States government," General March is quoted as saying, has been asked by her allies to emoark upon a program so large that it was necessary virtually carefully to ascertain whether we can go thru with it and one of the features of this enlarged program was providing men. The desire of the administraimum and minimum, which will accomplish this program, and at the same time disorganize the industries of the country as little as possible.

"The policy of the war department is to put the maximum number of men in France with the idea of shortening the war. We found from figures farnished by the provost marshal general that we could embark on a program of 80 division in France by June 20, 1919, with 1s divisions at home. These divisions consist roughly of 40,000 men to a division. After prolonged study of the available man power of the United States,

the provest general showed that It (Continued on Page Six.)

PORTLAND MURDERER CAUGHT, IN CANADA

PORTLAND, Aug. 15 .- Joseph Monocco, wanted here on a charge of having slain Mary Spins, aged 18, in her home 10 days ago, has been arrested at Vancouver, B. C., and is being returned to Portland, according to advices received by the police department.