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## FRENCH CAPTURE STRONGHOLD OF ROYE BRITISH NOW IN OUTSKIRTS OF BAPAUME

### BOCHE BASE CAPTURED BY FOCH'S ARMY

French Advance Three Miles on 8 Mile Front, Taking Roze and Crapeau Mesnil—British Pierce Hindenburg Line East of Heninel and Are Fighting in Streets of Bapaume—Enemy Fighting Savagely—Germans Attack Americans.

LONDON, Aug. 27.—(7 p. m.) French troops last night and today advanced for an average depth of two to three miles on a front of 8 miles, capturing the towns of Roze and Crapeau Mesnil, according to news received here tonight from the battle front.

To the north of the region of the French advance British troops pushed forward between Herleville and the river Somme and reached the outskirts of Dompiere.

Field Marshal Haig's men are in the outskirts of Bapaume but they are not actually in the town itself.

The greatest depth of the British advance today represents a distance of about three miles.

PARIS, Aug. 27.—(Havas.) The new British attack along the Scarpe river is making progress at many points, notably between the railroad from Arras to Douai and the Arras-Cambrai highway, according to dispatches to newspapers here.

**Roze Is Captured**  
BY ASSOCIATED PRESS, Aug. 27.—Roze, one of the bastions of the German line in the southern sector of the Picardy battlefield, has been captured by the French.

Starting early today the French moved ahead from the region of St. Mard, where they had been holding their lines against violent and repeated counter attacks for the last few days. Late dispatches from the front have told of the French being at St. Gilles, a suburb of Roze, and of incursions by General Debeney's men both south and north of Roze.

Farther north the British were in the outskirts of Bapaume this morning, but nothing has been reported as to later developments there. The enemy is fighting savagely in that area, seemingly being determined to beat off the British in this latest serious onslaught against the German front.

**Americans Attack**  
East of Arras, British troops are unofficially reported to have pierced the Hindenburg line east of Heninel. There have been few details of the fighting in this area during the last day.

Along the Vesle river American troops today attacked the Germans at Bazoches, where the enemy has been entrenched since his retreat from the Marne. The fighting there is reported to be still going on. A little to the east of Bazoches, the Germans attacked the Americans who have

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### GREENBACKS REPLACE SILVER CERTIFICATES

WASHINGTON, Aug. 27.—The greenbacks, the first of the nation's war time currency—are in circulation. They are the \$1 and \$2 federal reserve bank notes planned especially to replace the silver certificates with—\$300 circulation as the treasury's silver reserve is melted into bullion for export to the allies.

### HUNS BATTLE DESPERATELY TO HOLD BAPAUME

British Forces Established in Outskirts of German Base and Street Fighting in Progress—Haig Continues Methodical and Crashing Advance Over German Resistance.

LONDON, Aug. 27.—British forces are established in the northern outskirts of Bapaume, according to the official statement issued at the war office today. There is hard fighting around Croisilles, farther north.

Since last Wednesday, the British have taken 21,000 prisoners, the statement says.

The British have pushed thru the town of Montauban, three miles north of the Somme and capturing the wood near that place, have reached Longueval, the statement says.

Australian forces have made substantial progress south of the Somme and east of Suzanne, north of the river, the statement adds.

North of the Scarpe river Scottish troops renewed their attack against the Germans last night and have advanced towards Plouvain, the statement says.

The statement reads:

**On Somme Battle Line**

"Severe fighting took place on the field of the old Somme battle between Maricourt and Bapaume and also north of the latter town yesterday afternoon and evening. The enemy counter attacked repeatedly in strength, incurring great losses from the fire of our troops, but being unable to arrest our progress.

"English and Welsh troops pushed thru Montauban and advanced along the crest of the ridge, capturing High Wood and reaching Longueval. In the latter village we were heavily counter attacked and forced back toward Bazentin-Le-Grand and High Wood. On this line we broke the enemy's attack and again advancing, established ourselves well to the east of High Wood.

"Early in the night a second enemy counter attack was driven off by rifle fire before the Germans reached our position.

**Counter Attack Fails**

"North of High wood the enemy twice counter attacked in the neighborhood of Ligny and Thille, pressing back our advanced troops some 400 or 500 yards. There his infantry was stopped and driven back.

"At Bapaume the New Zealanders, after fierce fighting, established themselves in the northern outskirts of the town.

"Farther north English troops progressed toward Beugnotre. We have had hard fighting about Croisilles.

"On the right of the battle front the Australians continued their advance astride the Somme and made substantial progress toward Dompiere and to the east of Suzanne.

"On the left of the battle front the Canadians yesterday captured the ridge to the east of Wancourt and established themselves to the east of Guemappe.

"North of the river Scarpe, Scottish troops renewed their attack last night and they had made substantial progress toward Plouvain.

"Prisoners taken since the morning of August 21 exceed 21,000."

### PAGE RESIGNS AS ENVOY TO BRITAIN

WASHINGTON, Aug. 27.—Walter Hines Page of Garden City, N. Y., ambassador of the United States to Great Britain since April, 1913, has submitted his resignation because of ill health, to President Wilson, who has accepted it.

### FRENCH CAPTURE 1100 PRISONERS IN ROYE DRIVE

Foch Renews Advance on German Base—Between Oise and Aisne, Boche Counter Attacks Break Down and French Advance Line Half Mile—Heavy Artillery Duels.

PARIS, Aug. 27.—French troops advanced this morning in the region of St. Mard, southwest of Roze, after having repulsed a number of enemy counter attacks in that sector, according to the official statement issued at the war office today. They have captured 1100 prisoners, including two battalion commanders, the statement says.

East of Bagneux, north of the Aisne, the French have advanced their line about three-quarters of a mile, the statement says. German counter attacks were repulsed in this region.

The text of the statement reads:

**French Official Report**

"South of the Aisne French continued their progress this morning in the region of St. Mard after having repulsed a number of enemy counter attacks. We have taken more than 1100 prisoners in the combats. Of these, 36 are officers, two of whom are battalion commanders.

"Between the Oise and the Aisne, German counter attacks west of Chavigny broke down last evening. Thirty prisoners remained in our hands. In the region east of Bagneux we have advanced our line about 1200 meters.

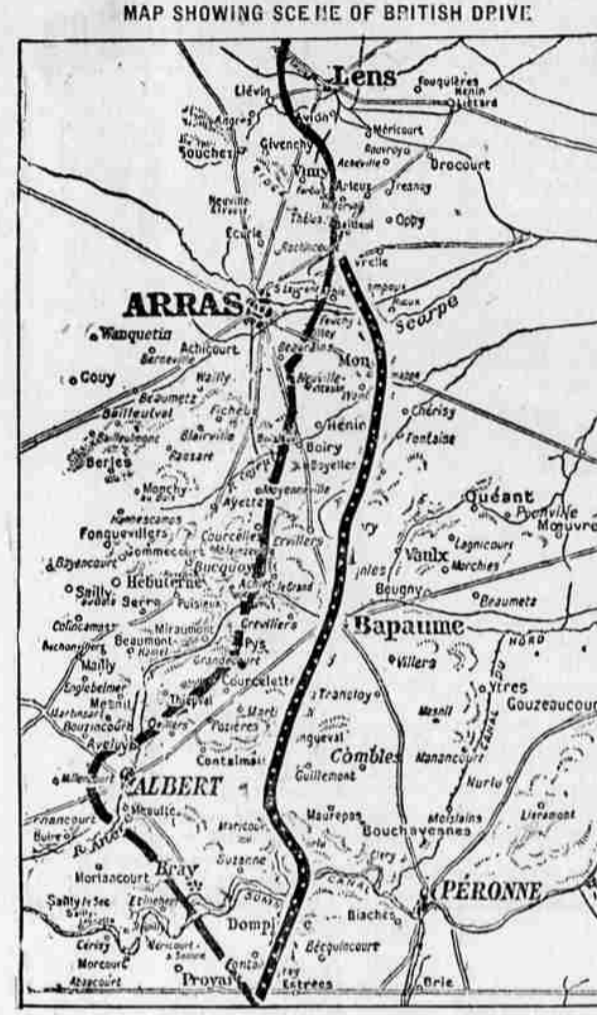
"During the night there were lively artillery duels between the Ailette and the Aisne."

**Huns Lose by Attack**

WITH THE FRENCH ARMIES IN FRANCE, Aug. 26.—(Reuters.)

Heavy German forces made a desperate attempt to drive the French from the heights between Juvigny and Creden-Mont yesterday. The attack was carried out by the first guards division which has been brought from the region of Charleville.

The French at first yielded a little ground between Pont St. Mard and Orme De Montcouve. They then brilliantly counter-attacked the enemy and not only managed to re-establish their former positions, but made a slight advance, occupying a line more to the east and moving into the Domaine wood.



Heavy black line shows battle line before British began offensive last week. Dotted line shows advance made since August 18.

### NO MORE SUNDAY JOY RIDES FOR EASTERN AUTOISTS

WASHINGTON, Aug. 27.—The fuel administration today called on the public east of the Mississippi river to stop using gasoline for passenger automobiles, motorcycles and motor boats on Sundays until further notice. Unless voluntary action on the part of the public improves the gasoline situation, notice is given that the administration will be obliged to enforce prohibitory regulations. The following exceptions to the request are made: Tractors and motor trucks engaged in hauling of freight; physicians' automobiles, ambulances, fire and police apparatus; public utilities, repair wagons, gasoline railway equipment and vehicles used by persons living in rural communities without other means of transportation.

### RYAN, CROWELL GIVEN AUTHORITY TO HANDLE WAR

WASHINGTON, Aug. 27.—First Assistant Secretary of War Benedict Crowell was made director of munitions today by Secretary Baker, with complete authority to procure and furnish all munitions necessary for military operations. John D. Ryan has been appointed second assistant secretary of war and director of aeronautics, thus becoming head of the whole aeronautical section of the war department. In announcing the appointments today, Secretary Baker said Edward Stettinius who has been second assistant secretary of war, will remain in France as the war department's special representative and his present duties will be augmented by further detailed work.

### BRITISH CROSS FORTIFIED LINE OF HINDENBURG

Progress Along Picardy Battle Front Slow but Steady—Strong Counter Attacks Delay Advance—Street Fighting in Bapaume for Possession of Ruins of German Base.

WITH THE BRITISH ARMY IN FRANCE, Aug. 27.—(By the Associated Press.) The Hindenburg line has been penetrated by British troops at a point east of Heninel.

Troops of Field Marshal Haig today are advancing astride the river Scarpe, and are pushing forward to the south of Bapaume. Elsewhere along the British front, their progress continues.

There has been heavy fighting at Longueval and on the adjacent ground where the Germans launched a heavy counter attack with fresh forces brought up especially for the purpose from Sedan.

In the face of this counter attack the British fell back to the edge of Longueval.

**Bapaume Entered**

In the course of the night the New Zealanders swept around Bapaume at the north and reached the railway just north of the Bapaume-Cambrai road.

The Germans are offering stiff resistance in the neighborhood of Hillilly to the south of Bapaume.

Reports have been received from the advanced lines that British patrols have again entered the outskirts of Bapaume and that there has been street fighting between the British and Germans on the edge of the town.

The British have penetrated the Hindenburg line at one point to the east of Heninel, which is between Bapaume and the Scarpe river, and hard fighting is reported to be in progress here.

**Now East of Monchy**

The British advanced lines now are reported to be east of Monchy-Le-Preux. German rear guards are fighting to retain their hold on Pellevs on the south bank of the Scarpe, the British having reached the edge of the town.

North of the Scarpe progress is being made by the British on both sides of the road to Douai. As Haig's forces advanced south of the river the Germans soon found that the ground north of the stream was extremely dangerous. Here they are being forced back, leaving their rear protected with a large number of machine guns and are employing the same tactics that they generally are using along the rest of the battle front.

**Lusitania Sinker Captured by French**

PARIS, Aug. 27.—Lieutenant Schwieger, who sank the Lusitania, has been captured by a French patrol boat in the Mediterranean, according to Le Journal. A large submarine, of which he was second in command, had just torpedoed a British steamer between Malta and Sicily. The German was waiting to see the vessel sink when two French patrol boats emerged from the fog and sank the U-boat. Of the crew of 75 only one officer and four men were rescued by the patrol boats.

LONDON, Aug. 27.—Tom Wilkinson, a sapper in the Royal Engineers, was sentenced to 14 years in prison for bigamy. He had married five women and was making arrangements to marry three more.

### MAN POWER BILL PASSED BY SENATE

All Men Between 18 and 45 Brought Within Army Draft—Modified Work or Fight Clause Included—Many Amendments Calling for Elimination of Younger Classes Defeated as Do Those Calling for Extension to Ages of 60.

The man power bill bringing within the army draft all men from 18 to 45 years old, was passed late today by the senate with a modified work or fight clause.

All efforts to change the age limits or to form separate classes of youths under 21 failed and the measure now goes to conference between the house and senate with no difference for serious controversy except the work or fight provision.

The senate was recorded unanimously for the bill. Senator Gore of Oklahoma, who cast the only negative vote on the roll call, withdrew it and was excused from voting. There were 75 affirmative votes.

**Work or Fight Clause**

The work or fight amendment written into the new man power bill by the senate military committee was approved by the senate today by a vote of 40 to 29 with an amendment providing that it shall not apply to strikers who return to work and submit their demands to the war labor board.

The test came on a motion by Senator McKellar of Tennessee to strike out the clause after the modification, proposed by Senator Cummins of Iowa, had been adopted by 73 to 0.

Senator Fall's amendment to make men up to 60 years of age subject to draft and providing for their classification for military, industrial or other service, subject to the President's regulations, was rejected, 54 to 9.

**Labor Opposition**

Vigorous support for the "work or fight" clause was given by Senator Poindexter of Washington, who said "so-called labor leaders" opposing the section do not truly represent American working men. He expressed the opinion that a majority of workmen do not seek any special privilege or exemption under the draft law and resent the activity of union leaders.

An amendment by Senator Poindexter of Washington to make the minimum draft age 19 instead of 18 years was defeated 58 to 14.

Senator Vandaman's substitute to make the minimum age 21 years was rejected by an overwhelming viva voce vote.

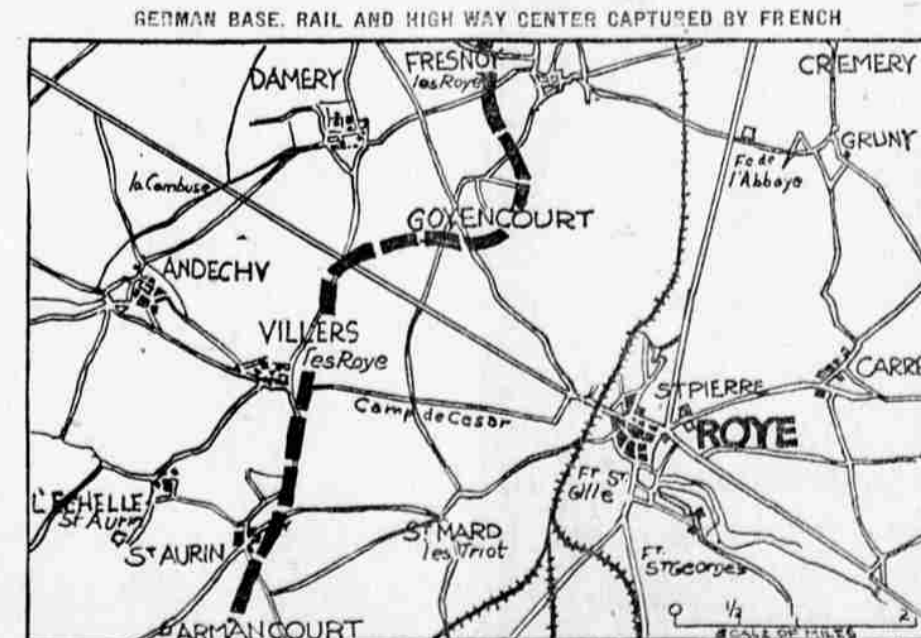
Senator Kirby's amendment to make the minimum draft age 20 years was rejected 60 to 12.

**No Separate Classes**

Senator Gore's amendment establishing separate class for men of 20, 19 and 18 years and providing for (Continued on Page Six.)

### NEW COMMANDER FOR FINNISH ARMY

AMSTERDAM, Aug. 27.—The supreme command in Finland has been dissolved by Premier Svinhufvud, the Kreuz Zeitung of Berlin says. It learns from Helsinki, and General Wilkman has been appointed to command the Finnish army. It is added that the change does not affect Colonel Thesloff, commander in chief of sea and land forces.



Here's a close-up of the city of Roze and nearby towns. The broken line is the battle line before the French resumed their advance on the Hun base yesterday. French and Canadian troops captured Goyencourt and the French Villiers-les-Roye and St. Aurin. Yesterday they reached St. Mard.