

BRITISH START BIG DRIVE IN NORTH

HUGE OFFENSIVE IS LAUNCHED AT EARLY HOUR THIS MORNING

FORCES UNDER COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL HAIG MAKING SATISFACTORY PROGRESS

ATTEMPT WILL BE MADE TO WIPE OUT GERMAN POSITIONS IN MONTDIDIER SECTION. BRITISH AND FRENCH ENGAGED

WITH THE BRITISH ARMY, Aug. 8.—An offensive movement was started by the British forces east of Amiens today. Shortly after the move began the British had taken Haper Wood, Dedo Wood, and are believed to be now in possession of the towns of Merclave and Lamotte en Santerre.

The attack is made under the command of Field Marshal Haig, and extends over a wide front. The troops engaged are the British Fourth Army and the French First Army. The advance commenced at dawn this morning. The principal attack is southeast of Amiens, and is probably aimed at the weakening, if not the wiping out of the German positions in and around Montdidier, where the battle line swings to the north.

A break thru into Montdidier would probably have a menacing effect on the German lines from Rheims to Ypres.

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY, Aug. 8.—The Vesle River was crossed on the east and west of Fismes late yesterday by additional American infantrymen. To the west of Flanders, the Americans are now breaking up counter attacks.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 8.—The army casualty list today totaled 131. Sixteen died of their wounds and 84 were wounded. In the marine casualties, two were killed, one died of wounds, 95 were wounded and 10 were missing in action.

PARIS, Aug. 8.—The Franco-British troops under Field Marshal Haig at 5 o'clock this morning began an offensive on a wide front east and southeast of Amiens, and are progressing favorably.

NEW DRY BILL FOR CALIFORNIA

Sacramento, Aug. 8.—A bone-dry initiative measure which would prohibit the manufacture, importation or sale of intoxicating liquor in California after December 3, 1918, except denatured alcohol, has been secured a place on the ballot for the general election November 5, next. Additional petitions which have been received by Frank C. Jordan, secretary of state, brought the total signatures of voters on the petition to approximately 84,000 names. The total number of signatures required was 74,136.

Another initiative measure, the amended Rominger bill, providing for the abolition of saloons and regulating the alcoholic contents of beverages, qualified some time ago.

HUNS GET LITTLE GRAIN IN UKRAINE

Washington, Aug. 8.—Despite drastic requisitioning of harvests in the Ukraine, Germany's attempts to secure grain there have been pitiful, according to advices from neutral sources reaching here today. The last harvest was 576,000 bushels, as against 13,000,000 bushels harvested by the Ukrainians in 1916. It was said.

EX-CAR'S LAST WORDS IN BEHALF OF FAMILY

Amsterdam, Aug. 8.—"Spare my wife and my innocent, unhappy children," was the last request of Nicholas Romanoff just before he was executed, the Moscow correspondent of the Berlin Lokal Anzeiger telegraphs his paper. The former czar added, "May my blood preserve Russia from ruin."

CAR STOLEN AND FOUND LAST NIGHT

THIEVES START OFF WITH FORD BUT LEAVE MACHINE SHORTLY AFTERWARD, REALIZING THEY ARE FOLLOWED

To have his Ford car stolen last night, attempt to stop the thieves as they passed him in the street, and later in the night find the car a short distance away, was the experience of F. E. Rist, who resides on West Main street, near the Link river bridge. The car was parked in front of his residence. Mrs. Rist heard some one crank the machine about two o'clock and slam the door. She aroused her husband, who ran out just in time to meet the thieves who had crossed the bridge and were returning with the car going at top speed. His attempts to stop them were without avail, and he immediately notified the authorities. Believing that the thieves would be too frightened to attempt to leave town with the machine, he went out in search of it and discovered it some time later near the corner of Eighth and Main streets.

CURTAILMENT IS ASKED OF NEWSPAPERS

Washington, Aug. 8.—The war industries board is preparing a plan to be sent to paper mills and newspapers, assuring drastic economy in the use of paper, including reduction of 15 per cent on weekday editions and 25 per cent on Sunday editions. The board has also ruled that during the war "no newspaper shall be established."

In weekly editions newspapers are required to reduce 5 per cent reading matter up to 50 columns, 15 per cent in matter over 50 columns up to 70 columns, 30 per cent over 70 columns up to 90 columns, and 50 per cent on all additional space over 90 columns.

Sunday editions must be reduced as follows:

Ten per cent in reading matter up to 150 columns, 30 per cent over 150 and up to 300 columns, 50 per cent over 300 and up to 450 columns, 60 per cent over 450 and up to 600 columns, 50 per cent over 600 and up to 750 columns, and 60 per cent in all reading matter over 750 columns.

If the conservation is not accomplished by October 1, additional curtailments will be put into effect then. Computations on reading matter are based on the six months period between January and July, 1918.

GERMANS ADMIT THEIR OFFENSIVE HAS STOPPED

Berlin, Aug. 8.—The German offensive has been stopped and present operations cannot be publicly discussed, declared General Hollingworth, Bavarian minister, in speaking in the first chamber recently.

HERE FROM TULE LAKE

Attorney E. L. Elliott is in town today on matters of business from his ranch in the Tule Lake district. He reports excellent crops in that section.

COUNTY ROAD WORK STARTED IMMEDIATELY

BIDS TO BE CALLED FOR ROAD TO PELICAN BAY SAWMILL. WORK TO BE RUSHED ON IMPROVEMENT PAST ALTAMONT

Surveying of the new road from the Shippington highway via Pelican Bay saw mill to the Fort Klamath road has now been completed by State Engineer J. H. Scott, according to County Road Supervisor Thomas Dixon, and it is expected that bids for the improvement for this much needed highway from the city limits to the big saw mill will be advertised for by the county clerk in the next few days.

Surveying of the county improvement from the lower end of Sixth street past the Altamont ranch commenced today and Contractor J. H. Garrett plans to push this work ahead with all possible speed as his contract calls for completion of the work within 60 days.

STOLEN AUTO IS RECOVERED AT SEATTLE

MACHINE TAKEN FROM FORD GARAGE FOUND IN WASHINGTON—ARREST OF THIEVES EXPECTED BY AUTHORITIES

Word has just been received by Constable Morely of the recovery of the Ford car in Seattle which was lost by George Biehm of the Ford Garage, about a week ago, and news of the apprehension of the thieves is expected today.

The car was taken by John Gill who was employed for a short time by the Ewauna Box company here, and who represented himself to be a nephew of Mayor Gill of Seattle, and Herman Gartland, who was employed as delivery clerk for the Palace market for a short time. Gartland had about \$100 belonging to the meat market in his pocket when he left. The two men rented the car from the Behn garage and failed to return.

Gartland is declared by Morely to have been connected with a hotel robbery in San Francisco some time ago.

MAY USE DUTCH BOATS TO SHIP IN SUGAR

Washington, Aug. 8.—Negotiations are under way to obtain Dutch vessels to carry more sugar from Java, it is announced.

Forty vessels are now idle in East Indian waters, either thru fear of capture or the menace of submarines, and other vessels are tied up in home waters. Allied officials are strongly representing to the Dutch government that vessels will not be requisitioned in Allied ports.

There can be little improvement in the sugar situation in America until the Cuban crop becomes available about the first of the year, food officials say.

FOUR PACKING COMPANIES ARE FOUND GUILTY

FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION CHARGES CONSPIRACY TO CONTROL PRICES WITH INTENT TO DEFAUD

Washington, Aug. 8.—Government control of all principal stock yards and storage plants is recommended to President Wilson today by the Federal trade commission. This move is made to destroy the monopoly which it is declared the big packers now maintain.

The commission in its report says that Swift & Co., Armour & Co., Morris & Co. and the Cudahy Packing Company have used their powers to manipulate the livestock markets and control the prices, with the intention of defrauding both the producer and the consumer.

Government control is recommended not only for the meat industry, but other food necessities.

AUSTRIANS IN ITALY ADOPT HUN HABITS

Rome, Aug. 8.—Austrian airplanes bombed a camp of Italian prisoners, killing 1900, according to an Italian girl, who escaped with a group of refugees from territory occupied by the Austrians. According to the refugees, the Austrians are pillaging houses and stealing crops.

Austrian soldiers attacked an Italian home at Oderzo, with their bayonets, killing the men and kidnapping the women. The girl refugees, who was among the latter, attempted to escape by jumping thru a window, but broke her leg. She was outraged by one of the soldiers. She later was rescued by citizens of the town who escaped to the Italian lines.

LABORERS ASK REMOVAL OF SPRUCE HEAD

SEATTLE, Aug. 8.—A resolution demanding the removal of Colonel Bryce H. Disque, director of the spruce production, has been adopted by the Seattle Labor Council. It is charged that Colonel Disque prevented the workers from organizing.

RAILROADS SHOW BIG SAVING IN OPERATION

Washington, Aug. 8.—Railroads under common management this year have hauled approximately the same amount of freight as last year, with less actual train movement, owing to re-routing and fuller loading of cars. This is shown by a railroad administration report on freight train operation for the year up to June 1.

NEWS GATHERING IS INDISPENSABLE

Washington, Aug. 8.—News gathering is indispensable industry, Secretary Baker declared today in discussing the draft regulations.

German Dictator in Ukraine Assassinated

A recent report from Amsterdam gives out the assassination of Field



Marshal von Eichenhorn, the German dictator in Ukraine. The report states that Eichenhorn and his adjutant, von Drenner, were mortally wounded by a bomb thrown by a Social-Revolutionist. Von Eichenhorn and Drenner lived but a few hours after they were wounded.

STATE FOREST FIRES ARE NOW UNDER CONTROL

STATE FORESTER MAKES REPORT TO GOVERNOR WITH COMEB—HUNTING SEASON TO OPEN ON REGULAR TIME

Salem, Aug. 8.—The Oregon forest fires have now all been extinguished or are under control, according to Forester Elliott, who made this report to the governor.

It was decided after a conference that the hunting season this year will open on regular schedule time, August 15, unless new fires break out.

HUN ARMY BEING PADDED WITH BOYS

By Associated Press
With the French Army in France, Aug. 8.—The German crown prince is engaged in reconstructing his shattered divisions with the aid of the remainder of the 1918 recruits, in the opinion of General Mangin.

Some of the German divisions had their company strength reduced to less than 50 men, some of the companies being still further depleted in numbers.

GRAVE OF QUENTIN ROOSEVELT FOUND

By Associated Press
With the American Army, August 8.—The grave of Quentin Roosevelt was discovered today by an American aviator in the wood near Chemery, to the east of Fere-en-Tardenois. The grave bears a wooden cross at its head with the English inscription "Lieutenant Quentin Roosevelt. Buried by Germans."

FOCH GIVES GERMANS NO CHANCE TO GET BREATH

CAPTURE OF SEVERAL TOWNS AND PORTIONS IS REPORTED IN DESPATCHES—AMERICANS CROSS VESLE

SEVERAL THOUSAND PRISONERS REPORTED TAKEN IN FRENCH OFFENSIVE—HEAVY ARTILLERY DUEL NOW ON

By Associated Press
Dated, Dispatch.—Giving the Germans no time to catch their breath after their crushing defeat on the Aisne and Marbais front, Marshal Foch has launched a fresh attack against them in a new sector in France.

The British forces attacking this morning from Albert northwest of Amiens to Montdidier, along a front of approximately 25 miles and reports indicate that the Allies have advanced to a depth of three miles south of the Somme river and have taken the villages of Marcelle and Lamotte en Santerre in the early part of the day. The objective is said to be completely attained. The attack started at dawn this morning, the First French and Fourth British army being engaged under the command of Field Marshal Haig.

The Franco-American troops have crossed the Vesle river on a front of five miles between Braine and Fismes.

On the entire Somme-Rheims front the artillery duel continues intense and an isolated artillery fire is reported on the Italian front.

London, Aug. 8.—Several thousand prisoners were taken today by the Franco-British troops in the Picardy offensive, the "Standard" announces.

London, Aug. 8.—According to reports received this afternoon the Allies have captured Moreuil, Demain Albancourt in the Picardy section, besides the heights west of Corbey and south of Morlanwell.

Moreuil is just about midway between Montdidier and the Somme river and is located on the river Avre. Morlanwell is north of the Somme river and is about five miles straight south of Albert.

HUGE GRAIN YIELD IS PREDICTED BY OFFICIALS

Washington, Aug. 8.—The department of agriculture today estimates the year's wheat production at 875,000,000 bushels, oats 1,438,000,000 bushels. These are preliminary estimates.

U. S. ASKED TO AID SUFFERERS IN FINLAND

Washington, Aug. 8.—Official notes have been received from Norway, Sweden and Denmark appealing for American aid to famine sufferers in Finland. These have been presented to the department of state.