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DEATH REAPS HARVEST ALONG 25-MILE FRONT

Greatest Battle in History Is Being Fought—Germans Swept Back Three Miles—Losses Are Terrific, Those of Germans in First 24 Hours Being Placed at 20,000—Cloudburst of Iron Falls For Days, Destroying Trenches and Piling Earth With Dead

By Ed L. Keen,

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London, July 3.—The arrival of German reinforcements has temporarily checked the British offensive north of the Somme, except at one point, but the French continue to smash back the German line south of the river.

These facts are indicated in the official dispatches from the German and French war offices and press dispatches from headquarters of the British armies in France.

The French forces last night scored the most complete success of the last 24 hours of the great allied offensive. They battered in the German lines on a three mile front directly south of the Somme. The disorganized German regiments were driven rapidly eastward, the French advancing to within five miles of the railway town of Peronne, the immediate objective of their offensive.

By occupying the town of Herbecourt, French troops advanced their lines eastward nearly two miles.

The German official statement this afternoon admitted a German retirement south of the Somme under heavy bombardment by the British but announced the repulse of all Anglo-French attacks north of the river. The statement was partly borne out in a press dispatch from their army headquarters this afternoon, claiming the capture of a German position near Fricourt, but describing the situation on the British left wing as unchanged, though "promising."

The pause in the British advance on Bapaume was fully expected here. It was realized that following the first advance across German trenches wrecked by artillery the British would encounter row after row of strong German defensive positions, intact, and backed up by large forces of reserves hurriedly rushed into action.

The headquarters reports this afternoon, announcing that British artillery is conducting a terrific cannonade of Thiepval, northeast of Albert, is evidence that General Haig is preparing the way for another infantry advance by blasting in German works. The next British rush may be delayed many hours, until the artillery has completed its work.

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London, July 3.—Under a blazing July sun, the allied armies are pushing on across the rolling farm lands of the Somme region today, in what is rapidly developing into the greatest battle in the history of the world.

The fighting not only is growing more intense with the arrival of German reserves, but threatens to spread along the whole of the 110 mile front from the Somme to the sea.

British artillery has been pounding the German line in Flanders with the most intense fire for 58 hours, said a Rotterdam dispatch today. The sound of ships guns has been heard along the Flanders coast. Supposedly British monitors have joined in the mighty symphony of artillery, whose rumble may even be heard across the channel in London.

Berlin dispatches to the United Press Saturday night expressed the belief that the British will deliver their most powerful stroke further north of Flanders.

The gun fire on the Flanders front continued throughout yesterday without cessation, said the Rotterdam dispatches, which added: "No such tremendous cannonading for such a long period without a break has been heard since the first coast battle nearly two years ago."

The fighting on the 25 mile front over which the British and French armies are driving eastward toward the Peronne-Cambrai-Lille railway is costing huge losses in men. No estimate of the British or French losses has reached London, but the German losses in the first 24 hours are said to have exceeded 20,000.

1,500 Dead in One Place.

In the village of Dompierre alone, 1,500 German dead were counted after three French regiments had fought their way in with bayonets and bombs. Prisoners said many of the dead were men wounded by shell fire before the infantry attack began. The artillery's curtain fire made it impossible to effect their rescue. They bled to death under the hot sun.

The Anglo-French offensive, after the first thrust deep into the German lines, has now resolved itself into a steady rolling movement with Peronne and Bapaume, apparently, the immediate objectives.

The German counter attacks are hourly growing more vigorous and have checked and bent back the British left, which advanced rapidly into the village of Serre when the offensive opened Saturday morning.

The British center, north of Albert is making slow, methodical gains, though also under terrific counter attack.

East of Albert, where the extreme British right links up with the French left, the bloodiest struggle is going on. Driven out of LaBoiselle, Fricourt, Mammetz, Contalmaison and Montauban, the Germans are fighting with desperation to save important highway lines of communication which imperil both Bapaume and Peronne.

South of the Somme the French

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RULER OF THE SALEM CHERRIANS



KING BING (ALIAS F. G. DECKEBACH).

ORPET CASE GOES OVER UNTIL WEDNESDAY

Jury Goes Fishing While
Lawyers Work to Strengthen
Their Trenches

Waukegan, Ill., July 3.—The Orpet jury today went fishing while counsel for the defense and state seized upon the court recess over the Fourth as a final opportunity to strengthen their lines in the fight to clear or convict Will Orpet of Marion Lambert's murder.

Len Barthell, one of the jurors, took his fellow tatesmen and several court bailiffs up to his home on Channel lake, near the Wisconsin line. They will remain there until Wednesday morning, when court reconvenes.

Orpet's counsel said today they will present more witnesses to corroborate testimony that the "three spots" on Marion Lambert's coat were not present when the coat was examined at the coroner's inquest.

These spots, which the state contends were made by liquid cyanide of potassium, were counted on by the state as strong evidence against Orpet.

A jury attaches predicted today the defense will close its case late this week and that the fate of Orpet will be in the jury's hands July 10.

Another form of preparedness is the accumulation of invitations to dinner against the time when the family will be at the beach.



Miss Rosalie Bach, Maid of Honor.

Wife and Baby Were Drowned by Cloudburst

Pendleton, Or., July 3.—D. C. McCabe arrived from Heppner today to find his wife and one child drowned, his ranch house in Butter creek canyon swept away by a cloudburst, and much of his livestock drowned.

The cloudburst swept the canyon late Saturday. Mrs. McCabe's body was found five miles away yesterday, and that of her infant son was nearby. Ranch hands saved the two other McCabe children.

People are more insistent on the right of way than on the right way.

Queen Estella, Rules Cherry Fair



Miss Estella Wilson.

QUEEN ESTELLA REIGNS OVER SALEM'S CARNIVAL

Baby Parade With More Than a Hundred Bright Eyed Little Tots In Line Is As Usual, Most Attractive Feature—Court of Fairies Charming Part. As Was the "Country Gentleman"—Autos Beautifully and Profusely Decorated with Flowers and Greenery in Parade

HARK YE! HARK YE! HARK YE!
Loyal subjects of Cherry Land. You are hereby asked to lay aside all worldly care and abandon the pursuit of wealth for the next two days. Today and tomorrow your queen reigns supreme. Let the subjects of her realm devote their energies to making it a period of pleasure and enjoyment for all, great and little. From now until tomorrow night surfeit yourselves with pleasure and let joy reign throughout the land. Queen Estella so decrees and it is ordered by King Bing.

Salem today is giving itself over with entire abandon to what is in many respects the best Cherry Fair of years. No fairer queen has ever ruled Cherryland's willing subjects than Queen Estella, in private life Miss Estella Wilson. King Bing, Frank Deckebach, the royal consort, is a potentate par excellence.

At 9:45 this morning the festive occasion was officially ushered in with the departure of Queen Estella from the Hotel Marion. Led by the Cherrian band and escorted by the Cherrians in a body the panoply wended its way to the stand on the north side of the court house for the crowning of the queen.

Long before the queenly retinue was due the crowd massed on the court house lawn and surrounded the stand. The Boy Scouts rendered valiant service in holding the hords in check and preserving a lane through which the queen and her party were to enter the stand.

The Cherrian band led the procession to the coronation stand, playing while the queen approached. Preceded by two little girls, one carrying the crown, the other strewing flowers in her path, Queen Estella approached. Her train was held by four tiny girls.

His Excellency Governor Withycombe enfolded by Cherrians brought up the rear.

Following came King Bing and his escort and the scroll and read the proclamation making Miss Wilson ruler over Cherryland for a period of two days and turning the city over to her. He then placed the diadem on her head which will remain there until tomorrow night. Mayor Harley White, in a brief speech, pledged fealty to the sovereign and presented her with a golden key to the city.

On the instant the band broke into the Star Spangled Banner while Mrs. Pariah Hinges sang. The crowd cheered and clapped hands long after the selection was ended. In a voice that carried to the outer edges of the throng King Bing ordered his people to devote themselves to the seeking of enjoyment and pledging in the queen's name a reign of prosperity and pleasure.

Even Jupiter Pluvius was in a happy mood. The rain which for a time threatened to mar the day was held temporarily in check and Cherryland will probably bask in warm sunshine until the end. From outside the city people are pouring in who hesitate to make the trip until assured that the weather would be propitious. The crowds around the streets are becoming thicker and the town will be choked by tonight.

It may be said without any attempt at exaggeration that this year's baby parade was easily the equal, if not superior, to that of previous seasons.

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GOVERNOR CROWNS, QUEEN

Whereas: The people of Cherryland have by their expressed wish called from the midst, one of the fairest maidens of the realm to rule over them as queen as well as to guide and direct the affairs of state; And whereas: I, James Withycombe governor of the state of Oregon, having been appointed by his majesty King Bing to perform the solemn and glorious ceremony of coronation, I do now by the power in me vested, crown this charming lady to be hereafter known as Queen Estella. Your majesty, on behalf of the people of your realm, I bespeak for you a most glorious reign, and for them I promise their most loyal support and earnest co-operation.

THE WEATHER

Oregon: Tonight and Tuesday unsettled, probably showers north, fair south portion; warmer Tuesday; southerly winds.

Abe Martin



Miss Fawn Lippincott has refused to deny or confirm the report of her engagement to a Vincennes tailor. She says, however, that if he shows up for the wedding she'll gladly talk for publication. There's too many folks with grand opery appetites an' gallery incomes.



Miss Charlotte Lally, Maid of Honor.