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SIXTY SQUARE MILES OF FRENCH OIL RE-TAKEN

Fighting for Possession of Ovillers Was "Hard, Bloody and Close"—No Wall Two Feet High Left Standing—Guns Swept It Level and Buried Hundreds in Its Cellars Where They Had Taken Refuge—30,000 Prisoners Taken—Other Losses Are Heavy

Results of First Fortnight's Fighting
Anglo-French troops have captured 25 villages and reconquered sixty square miles of French territory. More than 30,000 German prisoners have been taken. German losses are estimated at from 60,000 to 75,000 by allied critics. German critics say allied losses are "frightful."

British troops have penetrated to the German third line at one point and are less than seven miles from Bapaume, their immediate objective. French troops have broken through German second line trenches and are within one mile of Peronne, their immediate objective. The greatest British advance is four miles. The greatest French advance is nearly six miles.

London, July 15.—The Germans at one point have been forced back to the third line of their defense under smashing British blows four miles behind their original front, General Haig reported to the war office this afternoon.

"All is well at the British front," said an official statement. "We have pushed our rear from Fricourt to Mametz, capturing two thousand prisoners in 24 hours. The total number of prisoners since the beginning of our offensive is now 10,000. In addition, we have taken large quantities of material."

The reference to the advance made by the rear from Fricourt to Mametz emphasized the gains made by the British in the fighting yesterday. The first and second British lines apparently have advanced well beyond Mametz with the third running through the wood where desperate fighting occurred.

No important new gains since the issuance of last night's official statement were claimed nor they were expected.

Heavy German counter attacks slowed up the momentum of the new British advance in desperate fighting on the Ovillers-Longueval front last night. The British encountered most stubborn resistance after breaking through the German second line and were met by steady machine gun fire in the district north of Longueval. Notwithstanding this determined opposition, the British troops continued to consolidate their positions and break down small German positions in fighting that continued well into the night.



Miss Tawney Apple wrote her name on an egg last November and today she got a letter from an actor. Young Life had dropped out of the Elks and joined a suit club.

LURED FROM HOME HIS WIFE IS KILLED

Prosecutor Called To Aid Brother Finds Wife Nearly Dead on Return

St. Joseph, Mo., July 15.—Lured from home by a fake telephone call, Oscar K. McDaniel, county prosecuting attorney, returned to find his wife beaten unconscious, apparently attacked while she slept. The murderer fired several shots at McDaniel. He hurried home, fearing a plot.

An insane robber who recently escaped from the state hospital and who had written several letters threatening the life of the prosecutor is believed by the police to have killed Mrs. McDaniel.

Two children asleep in an adjoining room, slept peacefully while their mother was fatally beaten.

Shortly before midnight last night McDaniel was called to the phone and told to come down town to a saloon where his brother was in trouble. When he arrived at the saloon in his motor car, he learned that his brother had not been there and that no one there had telephoned him.

Fearing treachery, McDaniel hastened home to be greeted by bullets, fired from behind a tree. The attorney returned the fire at a man standing in the darkness. Whether he hit his mark is unknown.

Rushing into his home McDaniel found his wife, beaten unconscious, blood spattered on the bed clothing. When discovered, her body was taken to the hospital and the prosecutor collapsed. Search of the house revealed the theft of Mrs. McDaniel's wedding ring and other jewelry, indicating that robbery may have been the motive.

Police said there was no evidence of a struggle. Beneath the woman's pillow lay her revolver. It had not been touched.

MYSTERY SURROUNDS HIS DISAPPEARANCE

Dr. L. E. Axford, of San Francisco, Missing—Telegrams Puzzling

Portland, Or., July 15.—Detectives are searching Portland today for Dr. L. E. Axford of San Francisco an optometrist, or for a mysterious William Bradford, who is supposed to know something about Axford's disappearance.

A letter just received by the Portland police from Frank A. Mersereau, proprietor of the Mersereau apartments, 2265 Mission street, San Francisco, gave the first details. Mersereau declared that shortly after the disappearance of Dr. Axford, his fiancée, Mrs. A. E. Stone, 82 Bartlett street, San Francisco, received a telegram from Portland, signed by a William Bradford. The message said Dr. Axford was in Portland after having been rescued from an open boat off the coast, and that he was suffering from "ill usage and exposure."

Mrs. Stone answered the message, according to Mersereau, and received an answer saying Dr. Axford was doing well and was receiving good care. The message said he would return home in a few days. The messages sent were found in Portland telegraph office, but they have no address nor clue as to the identity of William Bradford.

The first message led detectives to believe Dr. Axford might have been stranded. Mersereau's letter said Axford is 42 years old, a widower, and boarded with Mrs. Stone. He has a son, Raymond Axford, and a 14 year old daughter died several weeks ago in the east. After his disappearance, said Mersereau's letter, Axford's relatives feared his mind was unbalanced as a result of the death of his daughter.

Several men named William Bradford have been questioned, but detectives have not found the right man.

General Trevino Looms Up As Leader

El Paso, Texas, July 15.—General Jacinto B. Trevino loomed up today as the strongest military leader in Chihuahua state. He refused to obey orders of First Chief Carranza to make certain arrests and of War Minister Obregon to resign as commander of the de facto army in Chihuahua. With 20,000 troops, the bulk of Carranza's army, loyal personally to Trevino he is said to have forced a "back down" and will remain loyal. Efforts to bring about Trevino's court martial failed, as the army would not oppose him and he threatened to join with Villa. General Ignacio Enriquez, appointed by Obregon to replace Trevino, has been recalled in the cabinet as minister of public instruction.

ALL ON COLLIER HECTOR SAVED BY TUGS AND TENDER

Engineer and One Fireman Badly Hurt—Carpenter's Leg Broken

Charleston, S. C., July 15.—Survivors of the wreck of the naval collier Hektor, broken in two off Cape Romane, today brought to Charleston thrilling stories of the disaster. Captain G. P. Newell, they said, together with 15 men of his crew, remained with his vessel after the tug Wellington had taken off 102 crew members, and marines. The 16 were later rescued by the lighthouse tender Cypress.

The Wellington had to give up her rescue work with the captain and others still on board because of the darkness and the rough sea. Few of the survivors believed they would again see those left behind, for the Hektor was rapidly filling through her hatches.

She was well gone when the Cypress reached her.

Lieutenant Adams, commanding the 50 marines from Port Royal, said the wind that hit the Hektor was blowing 110 miles an hour.

Taken Off At Daylight
Charleston, S. C., July 15.—With the naval collier Hektor broken in two by yesterday's storm and abandoned late last night, a radio message today brought word to the navy yard that all on board had been saved.

The crew and the company of marines carried by the Hektor, were taken aboard the tug Wellington and the lighthouse tender Cypress shortly before daylight.

The Hektor was abandoned at 12:45 a. m., seven miles northeast of Cape Romane. When last seen she was a total wreck. All who were aboard, including G. F. Newell, her master, are proceeding to Charleston aboard the rescue vessels.

At 2:50 yesterday afternoon the Hektor first flashed her distress call, saying she was 14 miles south of Charleston, with a list of ten degrees starboard. Twenty minutes later she sent another "S. S." with the cry "believe we are sinking."

The steamer Alamo immediately sped to her assistance and was followed quickly by the tug Vigilant. Captain Hunt of the latter vessel reported, however, that he was unable to get within three miles of the Hektor and that static conditions prevented her from communicating with the Alamo by wireless.

Just after the wireless telling that the Hektor was sinking the collier flashed to the navy yard: "Crew to leave. Send help." And nothing further was heard until 3:55 when Newell wireless: "Hektor aground ten miles southeast Charleston lighthouse. Breaking in two. Rush help."

Marines and Crew Totaled 122
Ten minutes after the last message, "Send help at once" was sent, the Alamo was standing by. Then the wireless failed.

Immediately after the Hektor's first distress call at Charleston, calls from the Arlington radio station were heard, asking any vessel to go to the Hektor's assistance.

The Hektor had left Port Royal for Santo Domingo, carrying marine recruits for the latter place and Cuba. She attempted to put into port here when the storm disabled her, but according to Captain Hunt, was unable to get further than within nine and a half miles of the Charleston lighthouse before sinking.

The Hektor carried a crew of 12 of ficers and 50 men and sixty marines. The Hektor was built in 1908, one of the first of the new type of naval colliers. She was 383.9 feet long, 52.5 broad and had a draft of 24.5 feet.

The destroyer Terry which was reported in distress off here last night, is waiting outside of the harbor in tow of the wrecking tug Relief for a pilot. She will dock this morning. The Terry was being towed from Santo Domingo, where she ran aground several weeks ago.

Three Were Hurt
Washington, July 15.—Three men were injured, two seriously before the crew and marines aboard the wrecked collier Hektor abandoned her off Charleston, a navy department radio said today. The chief engineer and one fireman were seriously injured and the ship carpenter's leg was broken.

S. S. Teacher—Now can any little boy tell me what we need most when we go fishing?
Voice in class—"Bait."

SEARCH FOR SHARK IS NEARLY ABANDONED

Still Patrolling Creek But Have Little Hope of Catching Man Eater

Matawan, N. J., July 15.—Crowds of pleasure seekers who would ordinarily spend their Saturday afternoon at the beaches, were expected to flock here today to join in New Jersey's game of shark hunting, but there was little hope held out by seasoned hunters that the big fish which has killed four persons within the last fortnight will now be caught.

The funeral of Lester Stillwell and Stanley Fisher, the shark's most recent victims, will be held here this afternoon. At the same time it is believed the search for the man eater which attacked them, will virtually come to a halt.

There have been rumors that a shark has been seen near Keyport, but for 24 hours there has not been an authentic report of the presence of the man killer in Matawan creek. A railroad engineer reported sighting the big fish, but this is doubted. Most of the searchers believe the shark escaped from the creek soon after killing Stillwell and Fisher.

A patrol of Matawan creek was carried early today by several men carrying long pikes. It was not expected, however, that further dynamiting would be done and today's task may be one of "watchful waiting."

Captain Edward Craven, aged 58-year captain, who has been one of the leaders in the hunt for the shark, gave up completely today.

"The creek be dammed and the shark be damned. I think I'll quit," was the way the captain said things up.

Acting Mayor Henderson has offered a reward of \$100 for the capture of the shark, and a pro-rata reward should more than one of the man eaters be killed. A movement is on foot to persuade Governor Fisher to offer a reward on behalf of the state.

In the meantime great interest centers here in the steps to be taken by the government. It is expected revenue cutters will soon patrol the Jersey coast.

STRIKER KILLED BY OFFICER AT TACOMA

Alexander Laidlaw Shot by Special Officer J. F. Dowling

Tacoma, Wash., July 15.—Shot through the abdomen by J. F. Dowling, a special officer employed at the Millacene ocean dock, Alexander Laidlaw, a striking longshoreman is dead here today. The first fatality resulting from the weeks of longshore strike trouble here came last night as a result of one of a number of clashes between strikers and sympathizers and strikebreakers and guards on the water front.

As Dowling is said to have stepped from a tide flats car at Eleventh and Pacific avenues in the heart of the business district, someone struck him across the head with a club. Instantly he drew his revolver and fired, the bullet piercing Laidlaw's body. Laidlaw ran a few steps and then fell in the street. He died half an hour later at the receiving hospital.

Dowling was surrounded in a moment by a clamoring crowd who surged about him, and he fired a second shot, the bullet entering the back of one man's shoe and setting off the big toe of another of the men. Dowling backed against the wall of a store building and leveled his revolver, calling "I demand protection." City Detective Lloyd Kincaid rushed in and disarmed Dowling, a shot being fired as he did so, Dowling refusing to give up his weapon until the officer wrenched it from his hand.

Laidlaw was kept in a cell at the city jail over night, with a double squad of officers on hand to act in case anything came of a rumor that the strikers planned an attack on the jail.

Laidlaw was the second striker to be shot here. John Now, shot through the bowels in the attack of strikers in June on the Grace steamer Santa Cruz, is recovering rapidly.

Marblehead Sails with Naval Militia

Portland, Ore., July 15.—With nearly 300 men aboard, the cruiser Marblehead steamed out of Portland harbor today for a 3,000 mile trip to Sitka, Alaska, and back.

Of those aboard, 55 are regular enlisted men in the United States navy. The remainder are members of the Oregon naval militia, including the high school division and the lawyers' division. Only 17 attorneys could pull themselves away from their desks to take the cruise, which will last two weeks.

The Marblehead goes first to Port Angeles, Wash., where she will be joined by the California naval militia on the battleship Oregon and the Washington militia on the cruiser New Orleans. Next Tuesday the three warships will steam out of the straits of Juan de Fuca and go north.

SECRETARY POLK SAYS SUBMARINE IS PEACEFUL SHIP

Today Notified Secretary McAdoo Formally of His Decision

Washington, July 15.—The state department announced today it considers the Deutschland a peaceful ship, "in view of all the facts in the case."

There will be no formal decision of Acting Secretary of State Polk.

Polk notified Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo formally of his opinion. The state department announced that the decision may not make a precedent and that arrival of another submarine liner would be treated as a separate and independent case.

The acting secretary today expressed displeasure at morning news stories purporting to relate the findings of the neutrality board. He said the reports did the board a great injustice but that he could not reveal the contents of the report.

Will Please Germany.
By Carl W. Ackerman.
(United Press staff correspondent.)
Berlin, July 15.—Berlin is anxiously awaiting a decision by the American state department on the status of the submarine Deutschland.

A formal finding that the Deutschland is a merchantman, in the face of protests of allied diplomats, will go a long way toward convincing Germans that America is really trying to be neutral. At the same time it would be a blow to the Von Tirpitz supporters, who have been urging a disregard for American opinions and the resumption of former submarine policies.

Ambassador Gerard has received certain confidential information regarding the Deutschland but he will not discuss it in any way.

The American consul at Bremen and Berlin denied today that they had been asked by Washington why they had not reported the Deutschland's departure. Such a report was received here from London. They said they knew nothing of the Deutschland's departure.

GERMANY AFRAID TURKS WILL MAKE SEPARATE PEACE

New York Salesmen Reach Rome from Berlin, Make Statement

Strict Watch for Spies and Any Wanting to Go To Turkey Suspected

By John H. Hearley.
(United Press staff correspondent.)
Rome, July 15.—Germans are worrying now over the possibility that Turkey may desert the central powers while they are under attack on all sides and sue for peace, according to two New York salesmen who arrived here today from Berlin.

The two New Yorkers did not profess to have any information from German sources, but detailed the discussion heard in German restaurants and gathering places. They asked that their names be withheld because they have business interests in Germany.

Several Americans who desired to go to Turkey on business, have been detained in Berlin for three weeks, while their credentials are closely scrutinized, the two Americans said. They reported that the Balkan express was devoted almost exclusively to carrying military, and that all civilians who asked permission to go to Turkey were viewed with suspicion.

The German authorities have imposed more drastic regulations to curb spies, they said. On entering Germany they were forced to strip and submit to an examination with lemon juice to prove that messages were not written on their skin in invisible ink. The popular belief in Berlin is that the spy regulations have something to do with preparations for another big naval battle, possibly late in July or August.

The New Yorkers said that the "man in the street" with whom they talked in Berlin, has come to realize that Germany can achieve no final victory and will be satisfied with a peace that brings a draw. There is much dissatisfaction over the food situation, they said, and the chief complaint being that the rich are suffering less from the food shortage than the poorer class. In the evening wealthy Berliners crowd the first class hotels for a substantial meal.

Dinner in the average Berlin hotel costs about \$2 and breakfast and luncheon about \$1.25 the Americans said, but some of the articles on the menu card run very high. Even in moderate priced hotels a peach, for instance, costs 35 cents, they reported.

Though the fields are full of cattle, the authorities are urging that fish be eaten in order to preserve the meat supply against the possibility of a long war. Potatoes and vegetables, they said, are being planted in every vacant spot, even in the public parks and along the railroad tracks.

There has been no diminution of the anti-American feeling they report. Even employees of the hotel at which they are stopping constantly said that Germany would have won the war months ago if it had not been for American munitions.

The Americans said that one peace demonstration occurred at Karlsruhe while they were in Berlin.

MARKET VERY TAME PRICES FLUCTUATED LITTLE

New York, July 15.—The New York Evening Sun's financial review today said:

As is usually the case in the short Saturday session of the stock market in mid-summer, the market today was very tame as well as highly professional. Although prices for the most part continued the upward movement of the last hour of Friday's session, the changes were narrow and lacked any suggestion of vigor or disclosed more than the most perfunctory interest. There was little in the news developments over night of market-wise influence, although little there were numerous items from both foreign and domestic sources, which tended to impart cheer, notably the continued success of the allies on all fronts, peace discussion progress toward an understanding in our Mexican relations, and so on. United States steel and most of the standard industrials held closely at the closing prices and there was distinct firmness in the metal and metal issues. Munitions specialties were inclined to be somewhat unsettled but the movements were narrow and the net results in the early session was scarcely changed.

There was very little change in the later trading which became even quicker than before.

Stranger—Is the cashier in?
Manager—No.
Stranger—Gone for a rest?
Manager—No; gone to avoid arrest.

EPIDEMIC ABATING

New York, July 15.—The number of new cases of infantile paralysis showed a falling off, in a report issued by the health commissioner's office today.

During the past 24 hours only 144 cases have been reported, compared with 163 for the previous 24 hours. The number of deaths reported today were 27, as compared with 31 deaths reported yesterday.

The cool weather of the last 48 hours has aided in the fight on the disease.

THE WEATHER

Oregon: Tonight and Sunday occasional rain; southerly winds.