

WORLD WILL BE THRILLED WHEN RESULTS ARE KNOWN

The Allies Pursuing Germans All Along the Great Battle Line and Thousands Overtaken

RACE FOR NORTHERN BANK OF THE AISNE RIVER

Germans Racing to Put the Aisne Between Themselves and Pursuers to Escape Further Life Losses and Prisoners—French and Americans Have Taken the Important Town of Fismes, Germany's Great Supply Depot—Allied Troops Have Negotiated the Passage of the Aisne to the Northern Bank and Harass the Enemy—Salient Towns Blaze the Way For Allies After the Huns—Germans Battled For Their Lives at Velse River and Lost—The Cathedral City Saved—Germans Thoroughly Vanquished

(By The Associated Press.) The German retreat continues unabated, with the allies everywhere in hot pursuit. Apparently the situation now has resolved itself into a race for the northern bank of the Aisne river by the Germans, who have been evicted from strategic positions along the Vesle river, in the center of the line and directly east of Rheims, which seemingly renders necessary that they put the Aisne between themselves and their pursuers as quickly as possible in order to escape further large losses of men made prisoner.

Thousands of Germans Captured. Just how large this bag of captives is at present cannot be reckoned, but unofficial advices from Paris assert that when the figures are made public they will thrill the allied world. General Pershing in his communication says the Allies alone have taken 8,400 prisoners, and in addition 132 guns.

After hard fighting the Americans and French have succeeded in taking from the Germans the important town of Fismes, once Germany's great ammunition and supply depot, across the railway between Soissons and Rheims, while to the east at a number of places along the Vesle river the French have crossed the stream, driving the enemy toward the east. East of Soissons allied troops have negotiated the passage of the Aisne to the northern bank of that stream, where they are in a position to harass the enemy as he endeavors to straighten out his line in conformity with that running northwestward.

Salient Towns Are Ablaze. So fast has been the retreat of the Germans in the center that already some elements of their forces have succeeded in reaching the northern bank of the Aisne and getting numbers of their big guns across the river. All through the salient towns are still ablaze behind the retreating Germans, and even combats have been set in motion to harass the allied troops gathering the ripened crop.

Rheims is Rescued. The fighting along the Vesle river was of a sanguinary character as late as it lasted. With the river at their feet and the Germans unable to ford it, they stood with their backs to it and gave battle for their lives. Many were made prisoner. One of the most important maneuvers north of the Vesle was the penetration of the French to the village of La Neuville, which releases the German hold on the northern outskirts of Rheims and seemingly delivers the cathedral city from the German menace.

Germans Thoroughly Vanquished. With the Germans now thoroughly vanquished thus far on the Soissons-Rheims salient, eyes are being turned to the regions in the northwest on both sides of Amiens. Here the French and British are keeping up their hard pressure against the armies of Crown Prince Rupprecht of Bavaria and have forced them to a wide front, while northeast of Amiens, in the region of Albert, a similar retrograde movement has been made across the Ancre. The German official communication in admitting the withdrawal near Albert declares the maneuver was carried out without interference by the British.

German Line Loses. Just what bearing these new offensives will have on the fighting front to which the Germans ultimately retreat for a stand in the Aisne region cannot yet be forecast, but should the allied troops be able to press back the line for any material gain eastward it is not improbable that it would dislocate the entire German line in the south.

There again has been considerable activity on the Italian mountain front, where at several points the Italians have attacked and defeated the Austrians.

SMASHING BLOW HAS BEEN DEALT TO GERMAN ARMIES Victory Has Been So Great That Cannot Be Gauged Yet.

(Washington, Aug. 4.—Evidence that the German armies ejected from the Aisne-Marne salient have been dealt a smashing blow cannot be gauged from all quarters. Letters in men's hands war material sustained by the enemy is indicated are so great that the full scope of the victory cannot yet be gauged.

General Pershing's official report covering yesterday's operations for the first time cast aside military reserve and declared "the full fruits of victory" had been realized. Even his message was being given out, however, news reports from France showed that further advances had been realized today as the enemy's flanks had been turned. It seemed certain, on the face of these reports, that he could not halt even at the Aisne unless he masses many more reserves to relieve pressure against the beaten and disorganized

Cabled Paragraphs

Russian Revolutionist Coming. Paris, Aug. 4.—Vladimir Bourzoff, the Russian revolutionist, who is opposed to the Bolshevik leaders in that country, has arrived here from London. He will leave soon for the United States.

Allies Penetrate Alto. Vienna, Aug. 4.—(British Admiralty per Wireless Press.) The following statement was issued from the war office today: "The enemy penetrated into portions of our positions on Dosso Alto. The enemy has recaptured the Ferri-Beratt line in Albania."

Grand Duke Executed. Paris, Aug. 4.—(Havas Agency.) Three Russian grand dukes, one of whom seems to be Nicholas Nikolaievitch, former commander-in-chief of the Russian armies, have been executed by the Bolsheviks, according to Moscow advices to the Bayerische Zeitung of Munich.

INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER UNLAWFUL COMBINATION

When Peace is Declared Company Must Relax Its Power. Washington, Aug. 4.—Under an agreement between the government and the International Harvester company, federal court decrees declaring the so-called harvester trust to be an unlawful combination and ordering its dissolution, are to be carried into effect at once. The company's appeal pending in the supreme court since 1915, is to be dismissed and an order issued providing for the liquidation of the company together with its plants in Springfield, Ohio, and Auburn, N. Y. The terms of the agreement, made public tonight by the department of justice.

AMERICANS SHARE IN INCREASE

It was not clear whether General Pershing's message reporting that 8,400 prisoners and 132 guns had been captured by the Americans alone included those taken in yesterday's swift rush to Fismes or only those of the preceding period of the counter-offensive. It was regarded as probable, however, that the captures made yesterday were still to be reported. Other reports indicate large captures of both men and guns in the rush to the Vesle.

FLANK ATTACK PROJECTED

The German retreat southeast of Montdidier may be significant. To some officers appeared possible that General Foch would hurl his victorious armies which already have crossed the Aisne near Soissons, north and east from that point toward the line of the Vesle. Should the German disorganization prove serious enough to permit the allies to extend their victories northward, a flank attack might be projected against the Picardy front with hopes that the Aisne-Marne salient could be duplicated. Stalling suits along the Oise and with the clear forces available to continue on the offensive the French would threaten the Germans in this whole great area from the south while a British advance from the Albert-Arras front would form the north jaw of the trap.

CONCESSIONS GRANTED BETHLEHEM STEEL MEN

Disatisfaction Among Employees Serious War Work Detriment. Washington, Aug. 4.—The national war labor board, through its joint chairman, W. H. Taft and Frank P. Walsh, today announced the decision in the dispute between the Bethlehem Steel company and its employees, granting important concessions which affect approximately 20,000 workers. The decision in many respects is one of the most important in the history of the board, the decision stating that "it appeared that the complete elimination of the effect upon the production of war materials absolutely necessary to the success of the expeditionary forces."

GERMAN SUBMARINE SINKS THREE SCHOONERS

Off the Nova Scotia Coast Saturday Afternoon—Crews Safe. Halifax, N. S., Aug. 4.—Three American fishing schooners were sunk by German submarines off Seal Island, Yarmouth county, on the Nova Scotia coast, yesterday. The crews landed on the Nova Scotia coast today.

THE DESTROYER MAHAN LAUNCHED AT FORT RIVER

Named After the Rear Admiral and Christened by His Niece. Quincy, Mass., Aug. 4.—The destroyer Maahan was launched today at the Fort Rivington shipyard of the Bethlehem Shipbuilding Corporation. The vessel is named after the late Rear Admiral Alfred T. Mahan and was christened by Miss Ellen K. Mahan.

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GENERAL ILIEOOU COMMANDS TRANSYLVANIA LEGION

He Was Romanian Representative to International Conference Last Year. Paris, Aug. 4.—General Ilieoou, former chief of the Roumanian general staff, has been assigned to the command of a Transylvanian legion on the French front. He has been in France since last November as Rumanian representative in the inter-allied conference.

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Marshall Joffre said he always had been confident that help would be fully and generously given France, and this, he believed, was better than a great victory.

The Town of Fismes Taken By Americans

SUPPORTED BY FRENCH TROOPS. GEN. PERSHING TELLS STORY LATE SUNDAY AFTERNOON BRIEFLY AND POINTEDLY

HEAVY ARTILLERY FIGHT DEFEATED ON MARNE

A Few Americans Entered the Town Saturday Afternoon, Remaining Over Night, But Were Driven Out By Gas Shells and Shrapnel, Early Sunday—Now the Town Swarms With American and French Soldiers.

GERMANS ATTEMPTED TO REAP WHEAT HARVEST

In the Country From Which They Have Been Driven Out. With the American Army on the Aisne-Marne front, Aug. 4, 10 p. m. (By The Associated Press.)—The town of Fismes was taken today by the American troops, supported by the French. The French are across the Vesle at several points to the eastward, and the line has been extended toward Rheims and La Neuville. The Germans are retreating sharply from Muzon to Champany.

AMERICAN OFFICERS SHOW SPEED IN TRANSPORTATION

38,000 Soldiers Forwarded Behind Lines in Five Days. London, Aug. 4.—Over English railroads in a country strange to them and under unfamiliar conditions, the American officers directing the transportation of troops to the front are making records today surpassing the best that has been done in the states. The Weekly Dispatch, in describing the feeding and rail transportation of the American armies arriving in Europe.

THEODORE CAME OUT FROM HIS LATE SECLUSION

He Delivered a Stirring Patriotic Address at Bar Harbor. Bar Harbor, Maine, Aug. 4.—Former President Roosevelt came out from the seclusion of his vacation retreat here on the Maine coast to deliver a stirring patriotic address today. From every summer resort within automobile or motor boat distance guests and natives flocked to this town to give the oratorist a warm welcome.

GERMANS WITHDRAWN FROM GERMAN FRONT

May Mark Beginning of Strategic Defeat as Predicted. London, Aug. 4.—On the British front the Germans have withdrawn between Montdidier and Moreuil, a distance of ten miles. The French hold the slope down to the western side of the Aisne river.

ALLIED PATROLS HAVE REACHED ANCRE RIVER

In Sharp Contest With Enemy All Along the Line. London, Aug. 4.—Today's official statement reads: "Our patrols have reached the Ancre river between Hamel and Hamel and are in contact with the enemy on this line."

CANADA HAS SENT 480,000 TROOPS ABROAD

The Spirit of the People Remains Unalloyably Shaken. Seattle, Wash., Aug. 4.—With a population of approximately 8,000,000 persons, including foreign residents, estimated by Colonel Ernest J. Chambers, Canadian chief press censor, who is in Seattle today, Canada has sent 480,000 troops overseas to French and Belgian battle fronts, he said.

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Condensed Telegrams Ludendorff States Matters Untrue

Franklin D. Roosevelt, Assistant Secretary of the Navy, is in Paris. During the month of July 1909 government mints turned out 7,100,000 coins. The total sale of war saving and thrift stamps for the month of July totaled \$211,417,942.

Copper production of the Anaconda Mining Co. for the month of July totaled 25,100,000 pounds. The House of Commons voted unanimously to adopt the \$3,500,000,000 credit asked by Bonar Law.

A report in Basel, Switzerland, says that a revolt has broken out in Turkistan against the Bolsheviks. Dutch newspaper report that former German Foreign Secretary von Kuehlmann has come to Holland, to stay.

The Harrison liner, of Texas, which was reported lost in the middle of the Atlantic July 14, was the instructor. Rochester railways are asking for a seven-cent fare because of the recent increase in wages given to their men.

Lieut. Eddie Rickenbacker, former American aviator, has been cited for bravery by the French Government. Provost Marshal General Crowder has issued a call for 1,081 regulars of Hawaii qualified for general military duty.

To increase the supply of soft coal, the administration has adopted a plan which is expected to double the present output. The Post Office Department announced that 1,741 letters for Egypt were lost in the Mediterranean by the sinking of a steamship.

The names of 15 Americans appeared on the Canadian casualty list. Ten were wounded, one killed in action, one ill and three wounded. The government is going to take over 500 or 600 bungalows on Graham Beach, Staten Island, N. Y., for winter quarters for soldiers.

Every American postoffice near American fighting troops is filled each day with German helmets addressed to relatives in the United States. Ensign P. J. Barnes, of the American navy, set a record in a 200-yard race by remaining in the air 30 hours and 30 minutes in a "bump."

The Duchess of Marlborough has been accepted as a progressive candidate of the North Southway Division of the London County Council. Gen. Ludendorff is universally being blamed for the defeat on the western front. It is reported Field Marshal von Mackensen will succeed him.

The General Motors Corporation has obtained a large interest in the Doehler Die Castings Co., operating plants in New York, Newark and Toledo. The president of Switzerland will open the conference between commissioners of America and Germany on the exchange of war prisoners to be held in Bern.

Newspapers were again asked by Secretary Daniels to eliminate advertising or news columns of the sailing or departure of American vessels from American waters or foreign. Ichiya Kumagata, the Japanese tennis star, announced he would not take part in the national single championship because it would be unfair to American players who are fighting.

Because of the German control of Finland, the inhabitants of the Aland Islands in the Baltic sea have blown up fortifications on the islands to prevent them from becoming a menace to Sweden. Dr. Karl Helfferich, the new German Ambassador to Russia, has requested the Bolshevik Government to adopt stern measures in looking for the slayer of Field-Marshal von Eiehorn.

Gen. Pershing cabled Secretary Baker that there is much confusion in checking up the casualty lists because American troops are scattered in French and British dressing stations and hospitals. The Interstate Commerce Commission ruled that free transportation of property by express companies for their employees and officers or for employees of other common carriers was unlawful.

Under an order by the Chief of Ordnance services in the limited personnel of the ordnance department, except in the arsenals and proving grounds will be for men only who are physically disqualified for general military service. AUSTRALIA'S CONTRIBUTION TO FIGHTING FRONT

321,000 Men and Fully Equipped Flying Squadron, and More to Come. Vancouver, B. C., Aug. 4.—Up to the fighting front, according to a special to the Vancouver World from Sydney, N. S. W. The despatch reads: "In a speech before the Million club in this city, Mr. Pearce said that up to date Australia had sent 321,000 men to the fighting front, and would continue sending every man it could until the war was won. He was proud that the Australians had been fully clothed and equipped with Australian materials. The commonwealth, he also pointed out, had done what no other dominion had done—sent a properly equipped flying squadron to the front."

CREDIT EDUCATION NATIONAL UNIVERSITY Is to Be Instituted in New York City in Near Future, With Degrees. New York, Aug. 4.—One of the first branches of a national university of credit education, recently founded by the National Association of Credit Men, will be opened at the School of Commerce, Accounts and Finance of New York University this fall. Dean Joseph S. Johnson announced today.

The national university will not be conducted as an independent institution, but will organize and standardize higher courses in the practice and theory of credits in existing universities and colleges. Commercial graduates will be conferred upon graduates who complete the authorized course.

THE CRUISER SAN DIEGO WAS SUNK BY A MINE Placed by the German Submarine That Burned Canadian Vessel. A Canadian cruiser, Aug. 4.—The United States cruiser San Diego was sunk off Fire Island last month by a mine laid by the German submarine U-56, which captured and burned the Canadian schooner Dorffenstein in the Bay of Fundy last Friday, according to statements made by members of the crew of the submarine to sailors from the sailing ship who were taken on board the submarine.

SAVING THE SOLDIERS? NOT WORTH THE COST. Amsterdam, Aug. 4.—The enemy evaded us on July 15, and we threw up, as early as the evening of the sixteenth, broke up operations. It is always our endeavor to stop an unprovoked attack, but the attack is not worth the cost. I consider it one of my principal duties to spare the blood and strength of our soldiers.

GERMANS PAID THE PRICE TO GET BEHIND THE AISNE Bonfires of Enemy War Material Illuminated Battle Front. Paris, Aug. 4.—The Germans succeeded only at a great cost in getting behind the Aisne from Soissons to Comde sur Aisne, where the Vesle flows into the larger stream. They also lost a great number of their troops from the Aisne to Rheims. The booty reported to be by the allies is but a small part of what the enemy was obliged to abandon to the flames. The entire content of the German magazines was incinerated by night by immense fires consuming war material which had been laboriously transported across the Aisne and the Vesle for the great assault on Paris.

ENEMY CLOSELY FOLLOWED BY BRITISH SOLDIERS Situation is Considered Highly Satisfactory to the Winning Side. London, Aug. 4.—The situation around Albert is somewhat obscure, but the British have been closely following the enemy and it is probably that the Germans have been evacuated the western bank of the Aisne. The villages of Hamel and Dernancourt are in the possession of the allies.

NEW ENGLAND DRAFT ARE NOT ALL SATISFACTORY Nearly 1900 Drafted Men Disqualified at Camp Devens. Aver, Mass., Aug. 4.—The need of more careful examination by New England draft boards of men selected for military service was pointed out tonight by camp officers who announced that nearly 1,900 of the last contingent of drafted men arriving here last night in July proved to be disqualified for physical reasons.

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