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BRITISH SHATTER GERMAN SECOND DEFENSE LINE

Troops Under Gen. Haig Strike at Dawn Along Four-Mile Front.

BATTLE HAND TO HAND

(By the International News Service.)

London, July 14.—Gen. Sir Douglas Haig struck again at dawn today. Tonight the British front has been advanced three miles to the eastward. It rests on a line from Bezanin Le Petit to Longueval. Both villages are in English hands. Beyond the latter place the British troops are fighting forward in the wooded section. In desperate hand-to-hand engagements with the Germans.

The British blow fell on a front of four miles east and north of Contalmaison. The German second system of defense was shattered. The British advance at its deepest point tonight approximated three miles.

The British artillery, according to all dispatches from the front, made the first stages of the attack a matter of comparative ease. The German resistance grew more stubborn as the line pushed forward, however, and tonight furious counter-attacks are being launched along the entire new front.

One German attack resulted in the recapture of Bezanin Le Petit, but the British came up in renewed force and won back the village.

The effect of the British guns on the German defenses is described as annihilating.

One of the first results of the British charge was the complete recapture of the Trosses wood and the rescue of a gallant little detachment of the Royal West Kent, who, for forty-eight hours without food or drink, had held out against masses of Germans in the northern part of the forest. They had been out of firing a German counter-attack two days before.

Today's advance is one of the greatest blows yet struck the Germans in the Picardy offensive. It brings the British southern front on an even line with the French at Hardecourt and puts the English in good position to drive a wedge between Bapaume and Peronne.

STORM SINKS NAVY COLLIER

142 Officers and Men May Have Perished Off Charleston, S. C.

Charleston, S. C., July 14.—Sixty marines, seventy members of the crew, and twelve officers, may have perished when the big United States naval collier Hector sank off Charleston today.

News of the disaster was first received from Capt. Hunt, of the tug Vigilant, which tried to go to the Hector's assistance. The Hector was disabled sixty miles off here in last night's hurricane. The steamship Alamo responded to the sinking collier's distress calls, and had been standing by her today, but the sea was running high. Static conditions made it impossible to obtain a wireless report from the Alamo.

The Hector, a vessel of 11,200 tons, 324 feet long and built in 1908, left Port Royal yesterday for Santo Domingo. When the storm came, she tried to put into port here, but according to Capt. Hunt, she went down nine and a half miles from the Charleston lighthouse, part of her superstructure remaining above water.

DEATH AND RUIN TRAIL IN WILD STORM'S WAKE

(By the International News Service.) New Haven, Conn., July 14.—Two men were killed and one seriously injured in one of the worst electrical storms which has struck Connecticut this season. In addition, many were struck, barns and other buildings burned, telephones, telegraph and the New Haven road electrical power and signal wires burned out or affected, and thousands of dollars worth of damage done to standing crops.

GIVE THAT DEAR PUBLIC CHANCE AT FRENCH LOAN

(By the International News Service.) New York, July 14.—Three-year notes paying 6 per cent will be listed on the stock exchange to give the public a chance to share in the \$1,000,000 loan to France by a group of American bankers. It is announced here. The loan, according to J. P. Morgan & Co., will be secured by government bonds of Argentina, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Switzerland, Holland, Uruguay, Egypt, Brazil, Spain, the province of Quebec and shares of the Suez Canal Company.

Italians Take Ridge.

Rome, July 14.—Following a successful mine explosion, the Italians attacked and captured the Austro-Hungarian position on the summit of Castellotto Ridge, the war office announced today. A counter-attack was repulsed.



Uncle Sam: "Josephus, It's a Good Thing for Us that Fellow Is Peaceful!"

KING LEAPS FOR LIFE AS HIS CHATEAU BURNS

(By the International News Service.) Athens, July 14.—The royal chateau on the country estate of King Constantine today was destroyed by forest fires, as well as the crown prince's residence, the Mausoleum, King George, and the nearby military barracks. A number of persons, including army officers, were burned to death. King Constantine saved himself by leaping from a bridge.

"LONE MOOSE" PARKER CALLS NEW CONVENTION

(By the International News Service.) New Orleans, July 14.—In a statement which he is now preparing John M. Parker, Progressive Vice Presidential nominee, calls upon Progressives of the nation to call another convention at Chicago on August 5 to nominate a President and Vice President.

FIEND AT FOOTBALL; BARRED AS SOLDIER

In his high school and college days, Sergt. L. L. Krentzlin, of Troop A, the "millionaire" cavalry troop of the District militia, was a football player.

Now he can't stay with his troop because the doctors say that gridiron injuries make him physically unfit. When he was a star on the Western High School football team he hurt his ankle.

LOOKS FOR "ENEMY;" FINDS WATER SNAKE

While crawling through underbrush looking for the "enemy" during outpost maneuvers, Private Charles Hunt, Company I, District militia, put his hand on a snake, supposed to have been a water moccasin. He suffered a slight bite, and his hand began to swell.

Quickest Service to Baltimore.

Baltimore, Md., July 14.—"Every Hour on the Hour." \$1.50 Saturdays and Sundays. Other days \$1.75 round trip.—Adv.

WILSON READY TO ARBITRATE

President Believed to Favor Plan for Mediating Controversy with Mexico.

After the Cabinet meeting yesterday it was learned that President Wilson had endorsed the idea of submitting the Mexican border controversy to the arbitration of commissioners appointed on each side.

The President's action, however, is conditioned upon an advance agreement between the two governments as to the scope of the commissioners' power and other details which have been discussed informally by Acting Secretary of State Polk and Eliseo Arredondo, the Mexican Ambassador designate.

Indications yesterday were that Polk and Arredondo had practically agreed upon the essential points of these advance negotiations. Several members of the Cabinet understood that Mr. Polk would make a public announcement on the question, but the latter confined this announcement to saying that "matters were progressing satisfactorily."

It was later stated that Mr. Polk desires to be very sure of his ground before making any formal statement. There are still some points undecided which may upset the negotiations at the eleventh hour.

PARTIAL ECLIPSE OF MOON IS SEEN HERE

Clear weather and a full moon made last night's partial eclipse one of the best that has ever been visible in Washington.

At 9:30 last night the upper right-hand corner of the moon began to assume a grayish cast, and at exactly 10:13 o'clock the earth's shadow began to gradually spread over the surface. At 11:45 o'clock, when the moon was almost directly overhead, about four-fifths of its surface was in darkness.

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The shadow of the earth was clean-cut across the moon's surface, and by comparison of the curve of its shadow with that of the moon's circumference, an idea of the relative size of the earth and the moon was obtained.

SPORTSMAN MAYOR LOST IN WILD COAST STORM

(By the International News Service.) Augusta, Ga., July 14.—Mayor Hyde, of Charleston, and a party of friends who were on a fishing trip up the coast when the hurricane struck Charleston last night, are missing, according to reports reaching here. A motor boat containing Mrs. A. W. Pettit and a party of friends en route to Kiawah is also believed lost.

CORK TERROR REIGNED BY SINN FEIN RIOTERS

(By the International News Service.) Cork, Ireland, July 14.—Rioting Sinn Feiners wrecked the recruiting office here today and attacked military pickets in the streets. A mob of several hundred men marched through the city singing revolutionary songs. They were dispersed by troops.

KAISER DEPARTS 20,000 BECAUSE OF BLOCKADE

(By the International News Service.) Amsterdam, July 14.—Twenty thousand inhabitants of Lille, Roubaix and Turcoing have been deported into Germany by the German military authorities owing to the impossibility of feeding populous districts on account of the blockade.

"IMPORTED" GUARDSMEN REJECTED AND STRANDED

(By the International News Service.) Columbus, N. M., July 14.—Three hundred New Mexico National Guardsmen were stranded here today without funds to get them back to their homes, as a result of failure to pass the regular army physical examination. Many of them are from distant States.

SLAYS WIFE, BABE, SELF; DECLARES IT 'ONLY WAY'

(By the International News Service.) Chicago, July 14.—Leaving a note saying that "this was the only solution," Theodore Wasserman, a wealthy contractor, murdered his wife and 20-month-old baby early today and then killed himself.

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U. S. Government Joins Fight to Clear Waters of Man-eaters.

(By the International News Service.) New York, July 14.—The Federal government, roused by raids on Spring Lake, Beach Haven and Matawan, N. J., plans a widespread shark hunt to protect bathers.

LIKE BATTLEFIELD WHEN STATE ARSENAL BURNS

(By the Sun News Service.) New York, July 14.—One of the toughest fights by the fire department of New York in many months occurred tonight in the State Arsenal at Thirty-fifth street and Seventh avenue. The loss was unofficially estimated at half a million dollars or more; one man was killed and a large number of firemen were injured.

ARMY AVIATORS LOST; RELIEF SQUADRON OUT

(By the International News Service.) Gen. Pershing's Headquarters in Mexico (by wireless to Columbus), July 14.—Aviators Rader and Brooks, who sailed off on a tour of reconnaissance of territory west of here early yesterday morning, have not been heard of since.

\$390,000 for Seized Cargo.

(By the International News Service.) London, July 14.—The W. L. Green Commission Company, of St. Louis, owner of the cargo of the American steamship Wilhelmina, seized and placed in the prize court in February, 1915, to receive from the British government £390,000 by award of the arbitrator, Lord Mersey, today.

Allies Talk Finances.

London, July 14.—A financial conference between representatives of Great Britain, France and Russia was held today at the Treasury office.

Turn on Gasoline; Out Come Uniforms

A "new fangled" washing machine, to clean soldier clothes, is being tested at Camp Ordway.

A bristle roller rubs the shirts and breeches while a spray of water, plays upon them. A one-cylinder gasoline motor furnishes the power. A wringer is also part of the outfit.

The firm trying to sell the washing machines to the government will wash the militia officers' clothes for a limited time to demonstrate the utility of the device. The apparatus is set up under a tent on the camp site.

FRESH PLAGUE CASE APPEARS

Second Outbreak of Paralysis in District Reported to Health Office.

The second case of infantile paralysis in Washington since the outbreak of the plague in New York was reported to the Health Department yesterday.

The victim is a child about 2 years old. Like the case reported Wednesday, the physician states that it is only a mild attack. The Health Department does not believe that serious results will follow either attack.

Dr. Eugene L. La Merie, who has been in charge of the contagious diseases for the Health Department during the absence of Dr. W. C. Fowler, stated that the mildness of the cases gives ample reason for the department to believe that Washington is comparatively safe, but the cases reported are being carefully observed.

Dr. Fowler has been in New York for several days attending the conference which will decide steps to be taken to prevent interstate spread of the disease. He will return today with a report of the proceedings.

SOUR GRAPE CHAMPION BOBS UP IN CONGRESS

Ever since Mr. Aesop wrote his justly celebrated fable about the fox, everybody has been picking on sour grapes, and now, according to Representative Meeker, of Missouri, Congress has joined the procession.

Meeker is up in arms over an additional revenue bill the House has just passed, which, he says, makes it almost illegal to press wine from anything except the sweet grape grown in the land of the Golden Gate. Otherwise it won't be pure.

Meeker says the bill is a deliberate attempt to put the winemaker of his native Missouri out of business. All the grapes in Missouri are sour.

ASK AID OF CONGRESS IN MAN-EATER HUNT

Congress was asked yesterday to give \$500 to aid in the capture of the man-eating sharks that have terrified bathers along the Delaware and New Jersey coasts.

Representative Bacharach, of New Jersey, introduced a joint resolution which would have the Department of Commerce directed to co-operate with the State authorities in exterminating the sharks and appropriate \$500 for the purpose.

HUGHES MAPS TOUR; DETROIT FIRST STOP

(By the Sun News Service.) Bridgehampton, N. Y., July 14.—Charles E. Hughes will make the first speech of his campaign in Detroit, Monday, August 1. He will leave New York on the Western tour Saturday, August 5. From Detroit he will go to Chicago, thence to St. Paul or Minneapolis, and on to the Pacific Coast. Speeches will be made in Seattle, Portland, San Francisco and Los Angeles. The return journey will be made by way of Salt Lake City, Denver, Kansas City and St. Louis.

SNIPERS FIRE ON COLONEL

(By the International News Service.) Fifteen Shots Pierce Tent of Illinois Guard Commander.

Camp Wilson, San Antonio, Tex., July 14.—Unidentified snipers, hidden in a clump of underbrush, fired fifteen shots into the tent of Col. Joseph E. Sanborn, commanding the First Illinois Infantry, late last night.

Use Guns in Labor Row.

Chicago, July 14.—Arthur Masterson was killed and L. Marteky was seriously wounded in a gun fight in a saloon today. The shooting is said to have been the outgrowth of labor quarrels.

VILLA, CRIPPLED, HEADS MEN IN 5 DAY BATTLE

Bandit, with 8,000 Troops, Swears to Take Chihuahua in Two Months.

FIGHT IS STILL RAGING

(By the Sun News Service.)

El Paso, Tex., July 14.—Pancho Villa, in command of 8,000 men of the brigades of Canuto Reyes and Calisto Contreras, fought overwhelming forces of Carranzistas, led by officers of Gen. Jacinto Trevino's division, southwest of Jiminez, for five consecutive days, and Villistas are now engaged with Carranza troops at Diaz, near Santa Rosalia.

This is a report brought to the border by a member of a military band at Chihuahua.

"I will take Chihuahua in two months," is the frequent declaration of Villa, according to the musician. He says Villa is going about with a crutch and a cane, one of his legs being badly injured.

Trevino's troops drove the Villistas out of Jiminez after they had confiscated all available foodstuffs in that town. The bandman said there were 15,000 Carranzistas opposing Villa's men. He said that during the engagements around Jiminez two trainloads of dead and wounded Carranza soldiers were brought to Chihuahua.

The Mexican said that when he left Chihuahua Wednesday fighting was reported still in progress and desertions of Trevino's men to Villa were going on. He asserted that the soldiers in the Chihuahua garrison are all for Villa and would like to see him take the city.

A body of Villistas raided Ojos Calientes, the hot springs settlement, two and one-half miles west of Santa Rosalia, Chihuahua, early this week, confiscated provisions and pressed all the able-bodied men they could find into service for Villa, according to the statement of the wife of a physician who reached El Paso from Mexico today.

The woman reported that the people of the Santa Rosalia are Villa sympathizers and that there are doubts expressed of the loyalty to Carranza of the garrison at Santa Rosalia.

SUPER-SUB'S SISTER NABBED

British Navy Caught the First Commercial "Sub" on Trial Trip.

The British navy captured the first submarine of the Deutschland type when she went out on her trial trip, according to confidential information obtained from officers of the navy yesterday.

This craft is now in England, according to a report which is on file here. Her crew, which consisted of several scientists, expert mechanics and sailors, is interned.

The capture was effected because of engine trouble, which developed in the submarine while she was off the Irish coast. For reasons of policy, the fact has been kept secret by the British admiralty.

The Joint and Navy Neutrality Board has made a secret report to the State Department on the supersubmarine merchantman Deutschland. It was announced yesterday that the findings of the board may not be made public.

The secrecy attaching to the report led to the belief that the Neutrality Board, while holding the Deutschland to be a merchantman, has found her character as a peaceable merchant ship "tainted" by the fact that submarines never before were used as trade ships, and the Deutschland's likeness to war submarines in appearance makes it practically impossible for any enemy's vessels to distinguish between ships of her type and war undersea boats.

HIGHWAYMEN, BALKED, SHOOT INTO TRAIN

(By the International News Service.) Lima, Ohio, July 14.—In an attempted hold-up of the Broadway Limited on the Pennsylvania Railroad, between Maples and Monroeville, late last night, four passengers were shot and severely wounded. All the injured were riding on the rear platform of the observation car. The highwaymen fired as the train sped by them, after the engineer had disregarded their signal to stop.

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