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WORLD WAR NEWS

French Seize Five Miles of Trenches

French Capture Entire First Line from Barleux to Soyecourt, South of Somme.

GAIN CONTINUED ON NORTH SIDE. In the Verdun Sector, French Capture Powerfully Fortified Enemy Position.

PARIS, France, July 20.—The French have resumed their driving offensive along the Somme in northern France. According to this afternoon's war office bulletin, the German first line trenches, from Barleux to Soyecourt, south of the Somme, a distance of five miles, fell into French hands.

North of the river, the French attack pushed east from Hardecourt and carried the trenches along the Combles-Clery railway. The operations here are close to the right flank of the British advance. Complex fighting, little more than three miles southeast of Longueval.

In Wednesday night's fighting in the Verdun region, Paris reports progress west of the Thimout works north of the citadel, and the capture of a strongly fortified German post south of Fleury.

Big Drive Is Resumed. Today's official communication follows: "On both sides of the Somme our infantry this morning attacked German positions and gained notable advantages. North of the Somme we captured enemy trenches from Hamelton-Hardecourt as far as the river, and carried our line clear to the east of Hardecourt along the railroad to the narrow road which runs from Combles to Clercy."

South of the Somme, between Barleux and Soyecourt, all the first line enemy trenches fell into our hands. German Trench at Auberville Penetrated. "In the Champagne we penetrated a German trench north of Auberville. "In the Argonne, the enemy attempted a coupe de main upon our small posts in the Bolante salient. After a lively hand grenade battle the enemy was repulsed."

French Gain West of Thimout. "On the right bank we progressed west of Thimout works. South of Fleury, a powerfully fortified work held by the enemy was captured by our troops, who took prisoner several officers and 150 men."

Germany Claims Foo Repulsed. Berlin, Germany, July 20.—Repeated French attacks south of the Somme were repulsed by the Germans, the war office announced today. The French and powerful artillery fire developed to a pitch of greatest intensity on both sides of the Somme.

British Make Small Gains. London, Eng., July 20.—Heavy fighting continues on the Somme front. The war office announced today that the British had gained ground in Delville wood and Longueval. North of the Longueval-Bazentin position the British pushed forward their line. "The statement follows: "At 2:50 o'clock in the afternoon, in Delville wood and Longueval, we regained a little more ground. The struggle in these areas continues. "North of our Longueval-Bazentin position we this morning pushed forward our line, capturing some prisoners and a gun. "East of the Leuze road we made a substantial advance last night. "Elsewhere in the main battle area there has been only artillery fire since the last report and no alterations in the positions."

German Losses Severe. "A captured diary belonging to a German commanding officer shows that in the fighting from July 1 to 6, a Bavarian reserve brigade which was opposed to Montauban, suffered 3000 casualties out of a total strength of 5500 men. "Another document shows that one battalion of the 18th regiment lost 989 men out of 1100 while the other two battalions of that regiment each lost more than half their effective strength. "Yesterday evening, south of Arras, we carried out some important raids on a front of two miles in which Australian troops took part. "340 German prisoners were captured."

The War At a Glance

TODAY'S official statement from London shows that the British are continuing their attempts to regain the ground lost in the recent strong German counter attack in the Somme region. Progress in the Delville wood and in Longueval is reported and the British lines also have been moved forward north of the Longueval-Bazentin line. Official reports from Petrograd tell of the development of a great battle in the Carpathians at Jablonitz, where the Austrians are resisting the Russian advance into Hungary. French forces this morning captured German first line trenches along a front of five miles south of the Somme. Progress north of the Somme was also reported.

BIG BATTLE ON AT JABLONITZA

London, Eng., July 20.—A wireless dispatch from Rome says it is reported from Petrograd that a great battle is developing at Jablonitz, the results of which thus far have been favorable to the Russians. In addition to the heavy fighting in the Carpathians the dispatch adds, the Russian offensive has been resumed before Kovel and Vladimir-Volynski, in the Riga area.

AUSTRIANS HURL STONES ON FOE

Berlin, Germany, July 20.—(By wireless to Sayville, L. I.)—Hurling stones down the mountain sides, the Austrians repulsed three strong Italian attacks near Borcola pass, the official statement issued Wednesday at Vienna reports. An attack upon Thurwieserjoch was repulsed, says the statement, which also contains the following: "In a trench northwest of Pontebba (Carnio) loud sounds of combat were heard. Austrian mountain troops were not engaged at the place mentioned."

GERMAN PEACE WORKERS DRAFT APPEAL TO NATION

Berlin, Germany, July 20.—The German national committee for securing an honorable peace has drafted an address to the nation, containing an appeal to the imperial chancellor and one for the support of the country in attempting to secure an honorable peace. The signatures attached to the address indicate the importance of the movement. They include prince von Wedell, general adjutant to the emperor; Philip Heinkele, director of the North German Lloyd Steamship company; Paul von Schwaback, director of the Reichswehr bank; Prof. Adolph Harnack and many important manufacturers, merchants, professors and others.

TURKS SAY RUSS DRIVEN OFF WITH GREAT LOSSES

Constantinople, Turkey, July 20.—Turkish victories in Persia and the Caucasus were announced today by the war office. The statement follows: "East of Sinch, Posa, Russian forces which attacked our detachments were driven off. They left behind great numbers of dead. "In the Caucasus, on our right wing, our advanced posts made successful surprise attacks."

BRITISH HAVE CAPTURED U-35 TYPE SUBMARINE

London, Eng., July 20.—The first official announcement that Great Britain had captured a German submarine of the U-35 class was made in the house of commons today by Thomas McNamara, financial secretary of the admiralty, who said that one of these vessels would be brought to London to be viewed by the public.

WAR HISTORIAN KILLED

London, Eng., July 20.—Major Sir Foster Hugh Egerton, Canadian military historian, has been killed in the fighting in France. Maj. Cunliffe wrote the official history of the Boer war as well as several books on the present conflict.

RUSS OCCUPY KIGLI

Petrograd, Russia, July 20.—The war office announced today that Kigli was occupied by the Russians on Tuesday. Kigli is junction point of high roads in the Erzerum district.

ARIZONA COWBOY KILLED BY STROKE OF LIGHTNING

Tucson, Ariz., July 20.—Munsel Brannaman, a cowboy, was instantly killed by a stroke of lightning about 21 miles southwest of this city, while driving a herd of cattle to this city. His horse was also killed.

ALLOWS INQUIRY INTO DISASTERS

British Government Grants Request for Dardanelles Probe; Is Withdrawn.

London, Eng., July 20.—The government has consented to the demand for investigation into the Dardanelles and Mesopotamian campaigns, which were asked for in motions in both houses of parliament. Premier Asquith said the government thought it right to institute two separate inquiries into the campaigns. The government has no desire to conceal the past shortcomings of the arrangements in Mesopotamia or to shield those responsible. The inquiry would be held by small bodies composed of members of both houses and a representative of Australia, whose troops had taken such a gallant part in the Dardanelles operations, added the premier and would be held in secret. The motions were then withdrawn. In expressing satisfaction with the government's position, Sir Edward Carson said he hoped that the government was satisfied everything possible was being done to remedy what seemed from the correspondence, to have been a very disastrous state of affairs in Mesopotamia. He had seen individuals who collected to give him first hand information and who appeared almost incensed, he said, by the accounts they had received as to what had been happening. It was hoped, he added, in coordination with the Russian attempt in that quarter, the country could look forward to the accomplishment of what originally intended and that there would be no evacuation.

Britain's Expenditures Are Now Totalling About \$30,000,000 Every Day

London, Eng., July 20.—Explaining the increase in the government rate of expenditure to \$30,000,000 daily, Keirhard McKenna, chancellor of the exchequer, said in the house of commons today that the figure related not only to war expenditures but also to total out-goings. "The unforeseen and unforeseeable causes which raised the rate of expenditures," added the chancellor, "were mainly the rate at which American securities have been sold to the government for the purpose of regulating American exchange and the rate at which the British government has assumed dominions of Great Britain were drawn upon. The concurrence of these two causes had led to the exhaustion of the British treasury power earlier than was anticipated."

RUSSIANS CHECK TEUTONIC ATTEMPTS AT AN ADVANCE

Petrograd, Russia, July 20.—Attempts by Teutonic forces to advance against the Russians in the region of the river Stokhoder, in Volynia, have been repulsed, the war office announced today. In Galicia, the army being prepared by the overflow of the river Dniester.

REPUBLICAN CONVENTION WILL BE NO LOVE FEAST

Santa Fe, N. M., July 20.—Any hope that the coming republican state convention will be a love feast is being rapidly dispelled, for the big chiefs, including H. O. Bursam, Frank A. Hubbell and a number of lesser chiefs are now traveling up and down the state making political medicine. No sooner has a fence been put up by one candidate than another candidate comes along and tears it down. After the recent visit of Frank A. Hubbell to Taos, it was reported that the publisher reports that he has pledged himself to Hubbell and is forced and that he favors United States senator Thomas R. Catron for reelection.

MARRON-WOOD DISBARMENT CASE INVOLVES EL PASO

Santa Fe, N. M., July 20.—Assistant attorney general H. S. Bowman and judge E. R. Wright have gone to El Paso to take depositions of William L. Edgar, formerly of Albuquerque, in the Marron-Wood disbarment proceedings. Supreme court justices R. H. Hanna and Frank W. Parker, together with district judge Colin Nettlet and attorney general Frank W. Clancy have left for Albuquerque for the hearing.

TO OPEN OLD BLACK CANYON ROAD TO PRESCOTT AUG. 1

Phoenix, Ariz., July 20.—The famous old Black Canyon road, closed for many years past, is to be opened again August 1, after extensive improvement work by the counties of Yavapai and Maricopa. It is only 110 miles to Prescott by this route, compared with 147 by way of Wickenburg. While automobile travel will be stimulated, the road will be used especially for serving scores of rich mines that lately have been opened in old districts.

MAKING REPAIRS TO SILVER CITY-LOUISBURG HIGHWAY

Lordsburg, N. M., July 20.—The state highway commission has placed a road gang to work repairing the damage caused by heavy rains on the Silver City-Lordsburg road, especially between Silver City and Tyrone, where big fills were washed out. For the present, travel is being detoured over the ridge road.

DEUTSCHLAND IS OYSTERING CAR ALL READY TO LEAVE U. S.

Captain and Crew Aboard And Waiting; Cruisers Alert Outside Harbor.

KOENIG STUDIES CHARTS OF BAY. May Attempt Dash to Open Sea Soon After Nightfall, It Is Believed.

BALTIMORE, Md., July 20.—Prepared to leave port at any moment, Capt. Paul Koenig, commander of the German merchant submarine Deutschland, put on his uniform today for the first time since he landed here, 11 days ago. For several hours this morning studied the charts of the Patuxent river and Chesapeake bay with Capt. Frederick Hensch, commander of the North German Lloyd liner Neckar. When Capt. Koenig went back aboard the undersea liner he took with him a duplicate manifest of the ship's cargo. Another copy was ready to be taken to the customs house. Capt. Koenig said he would not leave his ship again and indicated an early departure but said nothing that would give an idea just when the submarine would leave.

Machinery Given Final Test.

It was understood that Deutschland's engines and submerged machinery had been given a final test and were found to be in perfect condition. It is believed the submarine may attempt a dash for the open sea late this afternoon or, more probably, after midnight. Three allied cruisers are lying in wait just beyond the territorial line and two others are understood to be waiting farther out. They will try to sink the submarine. "All night last night a launch filled with newspaper men kept watch on the submarine. At one time an attempt was made by officials of the Eastern Forwarding company to shoot the submarine in gold, in the cargo of the German submarine Deutschland, Marine insurance on it was said to have been underwritten by a New York broker at five per cent.

4000 LONGSHOREMEN RETURN TO WORK PENDING SETTLEMENT

San Francisco, Calif., July 20.—Four thousand San Francisco union longshoremen who struck June 19 for higher wages and a closed shop returned to work under the old wage scale and without a closed shop agreement, pending future negotiations with their employers. Longshoremen in Seattle, San Pedro and other Pacific coast ports, excepting San Diego and Portland, who struck at the same time, are still holding out for their original demands. The locals in San Diego and Portland voted to follow the lead taken by the San Francisco workers.

LA FOLLETTE RESUMES ATTACK ON NAVAL APPROPRIATIONS

Washington, D. C., July 20.—Resuming his attack today on the naval bill, Senator La Follette reiterated his declaration that the proposed doubling of expenditures for military purposes had been adopted by selfish interests, instead of patriotism, and asserted that there was not a military, economic or political reason to warrant the proposed appropriation. Senator La Follette spoke so long Wednesday evening that the senate was prevented from reaching a vote. His discourse was along the same line as

BOY PLAYS WITH PISTOL; IS KILLED BY DISCHARGE

Globe, Ariz., July 20.—Mrs. Wallace R. Stanfill, returning to her house after an absence of ten minutes, saw her eight-year-old son, James Stanfill, lying on a bed apparently asleep. She went to awaken him and found him dead with a bullet hole beneath his chin. It appeared the child had obtained a key and unlocked a drawer where his brother kept his pistol. He removed the weapon and sat down on the bed to examine it. The discharge followed.

GEN. BLISS FINDS CAMPS IN EXCELLENT CONDITION

Washington, D. C., July 20.—Major Gen. Tasker H. Bliss, assistant chief of staff, has reported to the war department that he has completed the inspection of camps at Fort Sam Houston, Brownsville and vicinity and has found them in excellent sanitary condition, with the men well and reasonably well sheltered. He further states deficiencies in equipment are being made up as rapidly as possible.

REPUBLICANS ARE EAGER TO CARRY MAINE ELECTION

New York, July 20.—William R. Wilcox, chairman of the Republican national committee, called the campaign committee together here today for the first time for the purpose of discussing the general features of the Republican campaign which opens actively early next month with a month's tour by Charles E. Hughes through the west. "The campaign committee is thoroughly impressed with the desirability of carrying Maine in the September elections," read a statement by chairman Wilcox, "and will exert every effort in conjunction with the national committee to that end."

THE DAY IN CONGRESS.

Senate. Resumed discussion of naval appropriation bill. House. Not in session; meets Friday.

Cananea Company Gets Permission to Ship Explosives to Sonora Property.

Douglas, Ariz., July 20.—A car containing 1000 boxes of dynamite, the first explosives to be sent across the Sonora border since the beginning of the international crisis six weeks ago, is expected to be received in Naco Saturday for the Cananea Consolidated Copper company. It will be crossed immediately under a special permit from Washington.

St. Paul, Minn., July 20.—An effort to inject an anti Catholic declaration into the Prohibition platform caused the resolutions committee today to go into executive session while a bitter debate waged.

Anti-Catholic Proposal Causes Bitter Debate at Prohibition Convention.

When the convention opened at 9:45 a. m., Hanly managers predicted his nomination on the first ballot this afternoon. The report of the committee on credentials was adopted without objection. This report showed 72 delegates and 25 alternates on the floor of the convention. Thirty-nine states and the District of Columbia were represented. There were incomplete state delegations.

Former Governor Sulzer of New York, Arrived Shortly Before 11 o'clock and went into consultation with a number of friends. His headdress appearance before the convention was delayed by the conference.

Try to Reach Platform Through Resolutions Committee's Draft of a Platform Without First Printing and Distributing Copies to Delegates this noon precipitated the first contention among delegates today. The advance of immediate consideration and adoption of a platform received from their position and Wm. Shaw, of Boston, who headed the effort to expedite consideration of the platform withdrew his motion. The convention then recessed until 3 p. m.

For 10 minutes the convention was in an uproar, delegates standing on chairs and shouting wildly, while Republican Pitkin vainly pounded to restore order.

The delegates evidently desired to have deliberate discussion of the various planks in the proposed platform before taking up the question of adoption. For a moment the delegates of New York arriving here said he did not come to St. Paul to seek the presidential nomination, but because a group of his friends in the convention begged him to come and speak for the good of the cause.

Declare for Prohibition. The proposed platform led off with strong resolutions for nationwide prohibition and woman suffrage. These were followed by anti-protectionist and peace planks. Reciprocal trade treaties with foreign nations and federal trade commission of specialists were recommended.

Says Mexico Needs Good Samaritan. Taking up the Mexican situation, the platform declared the "Democratic party has blundered, and the Republican party evaded responsibility. Mexico needs not a conqueror but a good Samaritan." The platform declared the plan for free institutions declared for absolute separation of church and state with an adequate guarantee for religious and civil liberty.

Would Attract Trading Boards. The surmount of markets and marketing conditions was taken up in a vigorous discussion of the boards of trade and operated terminal elevators and warehouses were urged, together with the abolition of all boards of trade and chambers dealing in options and futures.

PARALYSIS KILLS 31 IN 24 HOURS

New York, July 20.—Only one day since the inception of the epidemic of infantile paralysis on June 25 have more fatalities from the disease occurred than in the last 24 hours. During this period, the plague killed 21 children and there were 119 new cases reported in the five boroughs of New York city.

DANGER OF NATIONAL EPIDEMIC PAID, BELIEF

Washington, D. C., July 20.—The public health service regards danger of a national epidemic of infantile paralysis is over. State boards of health throughout the country have reported themselves able to combat any appearance of the disease. BANK BROKED OF \$6000. Iron Mountain, Mich., July 20.—The First National bank of Alpha, Mich., a small town about 25 miles from here, was robbed Wednesday afternoon of \$6000 by two masked men, who escaped in an automobile.

"Kill Ball" An Exciting Game Played With Zest at the "Y."

"KILL BALL" on the Y. M. C. A. gym floor is full of excitement and great fun for the boys. In this game the group is divided equally into two sides. Each one is armed with a ball of some kind, ranging from a tennis ball up to a big basket ball. The boys all endeavor to hit one of the opposing side, and when hit he goes out. The side who succeeds in putting all of the opposing side out wins. The game is very exciting when there are several on a side for the balls come fast and furious. Parents should see a game of this if they want to see their own boys in real action. Visitors are welcome. A membership in the Y. M. C. A. will be given to the boys absolutely free for obtaining only a small number of new subscribers. Call to see H. H. Fris, circulation manager of the El Paso Herald.

MANLY'S FRIENDS CLAMOR FACTORY

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Captured Messenger Reveals Alleged Hiding Place and Troops On Way There.

CHIUAHUA CITY STORES CLOSE. Merchants Claim They Can No Longer Do Business Under the Conditions.

ALVESTON, Texas, July 20.—The capture of Francisco Villa by the cavalry of the de facto government is momentarily expected, according to a cablegram received today by Juan A. Mateos, Mexican consul here. This message says that Wednesday a Villa messenger was captured by Carranza troops. This messenger is said to have told where Villa was located and a force has been sent to capture him. The messenger reported that Villa was ill and seeking medical aid.

The name of the small town where Villa is said to be located is not given in the dispatch to consul Mateos. It is understood to be in the state of Chihuahua.

Villa's main forces were last reported in the vicinity of the Chihuahua-Durango border, hard pressed by troops of the de facto government commanded by Gen. Matias Ramos.

Chihuahua Stores Close. Chihuahua City, Mex., July 20.—Practically all of the merchants here closed their doors today, asserting that they could no longer continue to do business at a profit, at the silver exchange rate fixed by the authorities of the de facto government for the new issue of Carranza currency.

Governor Orders Stores Opened. Francisco Trevino, civil governor of Chihuahua, immediately called a mass meeting at which the merchants detailed their grievances and a committee was appointed to place their complaints before the national monetary commission in Mexico City. Pending a decision from the commission, however, the shops must remain open, the governor ordered.

Announcement also was made at the comandancia today that Gen. Luis Ahlbers, once governor of the state of Tamaulipas, and more recently stationed at Mexico City, has arrived in Tampico to assume command of the 14th division of the army of the north, relieving Gen. Nafarrette, ordered to the capital.

Pershing's Force Only Bar To Banditry, Says American, Pro-Legalist

"Villa will not capture Chihuahua unless the American forces are withdrawn," was the opinion expressed Thursday morning by an American doing business in Mexico. "Americans know well that if Pershing's troops return to El Paso, Villa problem will loom up again, and bandits will overrun the border. The only thing that is restraining Pancho now is the salutary effect of the lesson the United States soldiers have taught him."

The soldiers of the United States are the only power that stands between this country and Mexican banditry. It will therefore be impossible to accede to the renewed demand of Don Venustiano that our troops be withdrawn.

Carranza has proved himself a failure. The Legalists offer the only solution to the Mexican problem, for they are uniting all parties, and they propose to do their work without the use of force."