

GERMANS ARE MAKING SLOW PROGRESS AND ARE SUFFERING ENORMOUS LOSSES IN NEW DRIVE FROM NOYON TO MONTDIDIER

Enemy Has Hurlled Over 200,000 Men Into Battle on 20-mile Front and Has Reached Maximum Depth of Less Than Three Miles Since Sunday

COMPIEGNE IS THE OBJECTIVE OF THE OPERATION, IT IS BELIEVED

Meanwhile the Americans and French Have Not Let Up in Their Pressure on the Aisne Front—British Repulsed Sharp Attack Further North

Comparatively slow progress, attended by losses described as enormous, is being made by the Germans in their latest efforts to break the allied front in France.

It has been believed since the drive toward Amiens stopped that General Foch had the greater bulk of his reserves in or near the area that is now being attacked.

The present assault on the line east of Montdidier may be considered as a complement of the offensive along the Aisne, and when the map is studied it will be seen that the "pincer" system followed by Mackensen in Russia, Serbia and Rumania is against a new work.

According to advices from the front, the Germans have thrown more than 200,000 men against the line, which measures a little over 20 miles in length.

American and French troops operating northwest of Chateau-Thierry repulsed German attacks last night and made new progress.

BRITISH REPULSED GERMANS AT AVELUY Enemy Made Attack North of Albert Last Night Following a Raid During the Day.

London, June 10.—German troops last night attacked a British post in Aveluy wood, to the north of Albert, the war office announced to-day.

DENSE GERMAN WAVES BROKE IN ASSAULT Great Forces of the Enemy Were Hurlled at French Lines Between Noyon and Montdidier.

With the French Army in France, Sunday, June 9 (By the Associated Press).—Notwithstanding the great forces the Germans threw into the line to-day when they opened their offensive between Montdidier and the Oise, they did not achieve any considerable advance.

There is little doubt that a heavy reserve is maintained by General Foch at some place within the triangle formed by the new sector attack, Soissons and Chateau-Thierry.

FRENCH, BATTLING HARD, REGAINED COURCELLES TOWN

Holding Their Positions Southeast of Ville, the French Took More Than 500 Prisoners—Germans Gain in Center.

Paris, June 10.—The new German attack on the front between Montdidier and Noyon continued last night with undiminished violence, the war office reports.

On the French right wing along the front of the new attack bitter fighting continues. The French took more than 500 prisoners in various engagements.

On the French left wing violent attacks were renewed on several occasions, but they were broken by the French fire and by counter-attacks by our troops.

On the right the French forces maintained their positions to the southeast of Ville. Here there was bitter fighting.

On the center the enemy endeavored by bringing in fresh forces to continue his progress. He was successful in reaching the southern edge of Cuvilly wood and Ressons-Sur-Matz on the plateau of Bellinglie.

According to the unanimous reports of prisoners, the battle up to the present time has cost the enemy enormous losses.

On the north of Rheims there has been fairly spirited artillery fighting. French forces completed the operation on which they embarked yesterday to the east of Hautebraye, and took 150 prisoners.

ALLIED ADVANCE HELPED THEIR LINE British Went Ahead Slightly in Neighborhood of Bouconne, South of the Somme River.

With the British Army in France, June 10 (By the Associated Press).—A considerable local improvement of the British line just to the south of the Somme was effected last night through a slight advance carried out in the neighborhood of Bouconne.

SPLENDID RESISTANCE Is Being Made By the French in the Noyon Sector.

London, June 10.—(Offensive).—The French troops appear to be putting up a splendid resistance to the Germans on the Noyon sector, especially on the two flanks of the attacking front where the heaviest fighting continues.

FOCH IS HOLDING HEAVY RESERVES BACK OF ATTACK American Army Opinion in Washington Is That the Allied Leader Is Prepared to Meet the foe.

Washington, D. C., June 10.—The new German thrust between Montdidier and Noyon was regarded by officials here to-day as a local operation on a large scale, with limited objectives designed to consolidate the Picardy and Aisne battle theatres and straighten out the line for later mass attacks either toward Paris or the channel ports.

AUTOS COLLIDED Accident Took Place on Main Street in Waterbury.

Waterbury, June 10.—Automobiles driven by Alfred Doucette of Montpelier and H. C. Russell of Huntington collided on Main street here last evening, the accident being due in part to another car which was backing out of a garage.

PERSHING'S MEN CANNOT LOCATE U-BOAT BASE

Enemy Made Effort in the Vicinity of Bouresches

BUT AMERICANS REPULSED THEM And the Germans Suffered Severe Losses, Reports Gen. Pershing

Washington, D. C., June 10.—General Pershing's communique to-day reports the repulse of a heavy enemy attack in the vicinity of Bouresches with severe enemy losses.

"Section A—Northwest of Chateau Thierry the enemy made a fresh attack during the night on our positions in the vicinity of Bouresche. The attack, which was preceded by artillery preparations and accompanied by heavy machine gun fire, broke down with severe losses to the assailants.

On the Marne sector the day was marked by decreased artillery activity.

"WE CERTAINLY GOT A FEW OF THEM" Said Wounded American Marines and Infantrymen, Commenting on Fighting in Bouresches-Veuilly Sector.

Paris, Sunday, June 9.—"We certainly got a few of them before they got us," said the American marines and infantrymen wounded in the Bouresches-Veuilly fighting and who now are in Paris hospitals, where the nurses marvel at the good spirit of the men.

SEC. BAKER HEARD ON ARMY BILL Appeared Before Senate Military Affairs Committee in Defense of Measure to Give President Power to Increase Without Limit.

Washington, D. C., June 10.—With Secretary Baker as the first witness, the Senate military affairs committee to-day opened hearings on the army appropriation bill carrying \$12,000,000,000 and containing a provision inserted by the House to give the president unlimited authority to increase the army.

COMPLETE PROHIBITION DURING THE WAR Is Proposal Introduced in the Senate by Senator Jones of Washington as an Amendment to Agricultural Appropriation.

Washington, D. C., June 10.—A proposal for complete prohibition during the war was presented in the Senate to-day by Senator Jones of Washington as an amendment to the \$11,000,000 emergency agricultural appropriation bill.

IS BACK IN TRENCHES. Allen R. Moore of Fitzdale Was Gassed, Not Killed.

FUNERAL OF MRS. FRASER. Was Held Saturday Afternoon at Her Daughter's Home.

Waterbury, June 10.—The funeral of Mrs. Isabelle T. Fraser, wife of the late Robert Fraser, whose death at the home of her daughter, Mrs. R. Lynn Clark, Wednesday forenoon followed by an illness of five months' duration, was held at the house Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

PAY MORE OR WALK. Railroad Fares Now Are Three Cents a Mile on American Railroads.

Washington, D. C., June 10.—Travelers upon American railroads to-day paid increased fares, the new rate of three cents a mile ordered by Director-General McAdoo having become operative last midnight.

174 CANVASSERS WILL START OUT FOR WAR CHEST

Barre's House-to-House Canvass Will Be Held To-morrow and Everyone Is Urged to Be Ready with Generous Response—Pre-Canvass Meeting Will Be Held To-night.

Every worker who is to participate in to-morrow's big drive for the Barre war chest is urged to attend the rally in the assembly hall at Spaulding school this evening at 7 o'clock.

Little more remains to be said. Most everyone who will be solicited for pledges by the workers to-morrow has decided how much to give.

Reports from the stonished canvass this forenoon indicate that upward of \$10,000 has been pledged, with a number of the large plants still to be heard from.

PINAR DEL RIO CREW WERE ALL RESCUED

Capt. J. MacKenzie and 16 Seamen Landed at New York To-day and Others Reached the North Carolina Shore.

New York, June 10.—Captain J. MacKenzie and sixteen members of the crew of the American steamship Pinar del Rio, who have been missing since the vessel was sunk by a German submarine off the coast of Maryland on June 8, reached here to-day on a Norwegian steamship, which rescued them from a small lifeboat seventy miles off the coast of New Jersey.

JOY RIDERS CLIPPED OFF FENCE POSTS Car Turned on Its Side and Two Montpelier Young Men Were Taken to Barre Hospital.

Two Montpelier young men, Joseph Laird, a son of Atty. F. L. Laird, and Hector Farnham, whose father is H. M. Farnham, the horse buyer, are at the City hospital recovering from injuries received in an automobile accident late Saturday night, when a Cole touring car driven by Farnham skated along the edge of the highway just north of the Smith stock farm on the Williamstown road and then turned in the brush.

SAW SCHOONER SUNK BY U-BOAT Survivors of Freighter Pinar del Rio Said It Happened Soon After They Were Attacked.

Norfolk, Va., June 10.—Sixteen survivors of the crew of the American freighter Pinar del Rio which was sunk by an enemy submarine off the Maryland coast Saturday, said on their arrival at Elizabeth City, N. C., to-day, en route to Norfolk, that shortly after the submarine sent their ship to the bottom, they witnessed the sinking of a schooner a few miles away.

GENERAL REVENUE BILL Will Probably Be Drawn Up Next Week.

Washington, D. C., June 10.—Hearings on the new general revenue bill designed to raise \$8,000,000,000 by taxation this coming year, were resumed to-day by the House ways and means committee.

COLLIDED IN BRIDGE. Mrs. Thomas Comstock Thrown Through Auto Windshield.

Near noon Saturday a Ford automobile owned and driven by A. O. Comstock of Calais collided with one of Ward & Son's ice carts in the South Main street bridge.

FELL OFF BRIDGE AND DROWNED

Bruno Marriotti Aged 41, Lost Life in Stevens Branch Last Night

BODY RECOVERED AFTER AN HOUR During Search There Was a Panic at False Cry of "Train Coming"

Bruno Marriotti, aged 41, a granite cutter living at 15 George street, fell from the Central Vermont railroad bridge south of Blackwell street last evening around 7 o'clock and was drowned in Stevens branch.

There is a small element of mystery in the drowning, for no child seems to have seen Marriotti fall. Today the police said that information received by them indicated that the man had been drinking.

A crowd gathered quickly and long before Froucher, who ventured from the shore on a hastily improvised raft, had located the body, the big railroad bridge was creaking under its human load.

The work of recovering the body was directed by the police. Someone set out for a boat, but while the crowd waited, boards and old doors were converted into a raft and Provencher, armed with a long pole, struck out for midstream.

RAILROAD STATION BURNED. Fairmont Station at East Montpelier Laid Flat Saturday.

The Fairmont station at East Montpelier on the Montpelier & Wells River railroad burned Saturday afternoon. The cause is not yet known, but it is thought that the fire was set from a spark from an engine on the mixed train which passed a short time before the fire was discovered.

The building was a total loss but was insured. Arthur Prescott lived over the station. He lost his household effects, including a piano and nearly all of the station clothing, while the Patch Granite company lost a derrick and considerable of their granite stock is damaged.

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R. W. SIMONDS NAMED As State Director of Public Service Reserve.

Washington, D. C., June 10.—Appointment of state federal directors of the public service reserve in a number of states and Alaska was announced yesterday by the department of labor.

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According to witnesses, Mr. Comstock was proceeding rather vigorously toward Jockey hollow, when he met the ice team in the bridge. A collision was imminent and there was little leeway for either to turn out. The auto struck the ice wagon on the wheel.