

### ALLIES' DRIVE CONTINUES WITH MARKED SUCCESS

Germany Admits Lines Penetrated at Several Points by Forces of the Entente Nations.

**FRENCH TAKE 5,000 MEN**  
Fricourt Captured by British, According to Report From Headquarters.

**RUSS WIN IN GALICIA**

Paris, July 2.—South of the Somme, the French have forced their way to the second line of the German entrenchments at a number of places and have captured the village of Frise and the Meracourt, according to an official statement issued by the French war office tonight. The number of unwounded prisoners taken in the two days battle is stated to be more than 6,000.

**Take Five Thousand.**  
Paris, July 2.—In the fighting south of Arras yesterday the French took prisoner five thousand Germans, according to the official statement issued today by the French war Department.

In the course of the night French troops captured the village of Curly, about seven miles southwest of Albert, a heavy German counter-attack upon the village of Hardecourt, 1.8 miles north of Curly was repulsed, the statement adds. After repeated assaults the Germans were obliged to retreat in disorder.

**Fricourt Captured.**  
London, July 2.—Fricourt, a town three miles east of Albert, the scene of desperate fighting between the British and Germans since the entente allied offensive was begun yesterday morning, has been captured by the British according to an official statement issued this evening.

The report follows:  
"Heavy fighting has taken place today in the area between the Ancre and the Somme, especially about Fricourt and Laboiselle. Fricourt was captured by our troops about two p. m. and remains in our hands and some progress has been made east of the village.

"In the neighborhood of Laboiselle the enemy is making stubborn resistance, but the troops are making good progress.

"Much war material has fallen into our hands, but details are not available."

**Berlin, July 2.—(Via London.)**—In the great Anglo-French offensive began yesterday along a front of twenty-five miles to the north and south of the river Somme the German official statement issued today says the entente allied troops were successful in penetrating the German first line trenches at several points.

The German division defending these trenches, it is added, had to be withdrawn to other prepared positions.

From Gommecourt to La Boisselle, the communication says, the British and French sustained very heavy losses and obtained no advantage worth mentioning.

**Russ Take Position.**  
Petrograd, July 2.—(Via London.)—General Letichsky's army, after intense fighting, has taken by storm the Suatrisan positions in the section west of Kolomea, in Galicia, says the Russian official statement issued tonight. The statement adds that up to the present 2,000 prisoners have been taken in this sector.

### Thirty-Three Sign Roll of the Sixth At Columbus Sunday

Columbus, Neb., July 2.—(Special Telegram.)—Thirty-three young men who had signed the roll for a company of volunteers in the Sixth regiment this afternoon at Wunderlich hall were all very enthusiastic with chances of being called to service. Officers were elected as follows:

August Wagner, captain; A. L. Rollin, first lieutenant; C. M. Post, jr., second lieutenant; Harold Kramer, first sergeant; Herbert Hahn, quartermaster sergeant; W. E. Cooper and W. J. Callahan, line sergeants; H. A. Dress of Platte County, corporals. The third corporal is left to selection by the Bellwood squad. Joe Riley was elected musician and Henry Person, artificer. The petition will be left at the recruiting office to be filled to war strength. Fifty men have signed the petition. From the enthusiasm shown the company will be ready in a few days. Petitions will be sent to surrounding towns in Platte county to organize battalions.

### The Weather

Temperatures at Omaha Yesterday.	
5 a. m.	74
7 a. m.	75
9 a. m.	76
11 a. m.	77
1 p. m.	78
3 p. m.	79
5 p. m.	80
7 p. m.	81
9 p. m.	82
11 p. m.	83
Total rainfall since March 1, 1916, 2.14 inches.	
Normal precipitation for the month, 3.11 inches.	
Deficiency for the month, 0.97 inches.	
Total rainfall since March 1, 1915, 2.41 inches.	
Normal precipitation for the month, 3.11 inches.	
Deficiency for the month, 0.70 inches.	

Comparative Local Record.	
High temperature	1916, 1915, 1914, 1913, 1912, 1911, 1910, 1909, 1908, 1907, 1906, 1905, 1904, 1903, 1902, 1901, 1900
Lowest temperature	74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90
Mean temperature	84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100
Precipitation	49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65
Temperature and precipitation departures from the normal.	
Total excess since March 1, 1916, 1.11 inches.	
Total deficiency since March 1, 1916, 0.97 inches.	
Total excess since March 1, 1915, 0.97 inches.	
Total deficiency since March 1, 1915, 0.70 inches.	

### TERRIFIC STORM OF CANNON FIRE COVERS ADVANCE

British Leap From Parapets as Great Guns Are Turned Upon Second Line of Foe Trenches.

**LINE IS A HUGE INFERNO**

English Front Alive With Furious Shelling After Months of Quiet.

**INCREASES IN INTENSITY**

British Headquarters, in France, June 29 (Via London July 2).—This week the British front from the Ypres salient to the Somme is alive with the most furious gun fire, in thunderous contrast with the quiet spring months, when the world was asking why the British were inactive. Battery after battery of guns have been tried out, and this week the curtain was lifted on an exhibition of their power. The proportion of large caliber guns, which are so useful, is large.

The correspondent traveled from the northern to the southern end of the line with the roar always in his ear.

Just back of a German first line trench the village of Beaucourt-Sur-Ancre, which when last seen had been unharmed, with its green shade trees, in a day's time had become a wreck of fallen walls with only a few stumps of trees standing, and still shells belabored the ruins.

Becomes an Inferno.  
All the country between Donchy-Au-Bois and the Somme was noted for quiet and where one might not hear a gun fired for hours had become an inferno and the winding river Ancre, which flowed past Alberton, the British side, and past Miramont, on the German side, among ridges and hills gleamed through the nimbus of shrapnel smoke.

Whenever one went forward the scream of shells passed overhead, and one might judge the caliber by the nature of the explosion. Those big white balloon-like puffs over the first line ground trenches were heavy missiles from trench mortars, and those huge black spurts, colored by the earth, were eight or ten-inch howitzer shell fire, fired into the second line trenches and still bigger spurts, aimed at the redoubt, was a fifteen-inch shell.

A mist for a distance of a hundred yards on the front at another point of the first line trenches meant that the barbed wire was being cut.

Gangs were busy, as usual, repairing the network of roads, old and new, built for army purposes to carry the heavy traffic of caterpillar tractors, steam and gasoline tractors and columns of regulation motor trucks which were bringing up more shells.

"It took time to prepare all of this, and all of it had to be brought over sea," said an officer.

This morning from 6 o'clock to 7:30 all guns along the twenty-mile front were firing their fastest in a chorus of final blasts, cutting wires and demolishing trenches. The rapid fire of the small caliber weapons resulted in a continuous roll. The trenches were hidden by a curtain of smoke, punctured by vicious flashes. Toward that cloud which shrouded every form of destruction within the power of man, the reserves were moving forward. Far above the observation balloons, motionless in the still air, a squadron of aeroplanes was flying to its work—spotting targets for the artillery.

**Add Their Shells.**  
At 7:20 o'clock the rapid-fire trench mortars added their shells to the huge pouring upon the first-line German trenches.

After ten minutes of this, at 7:30, the guns lifted their fire to the second line of German trenches, as if they were answering to the pressure of a single button, and the men of the new British army leaped over the parapets and rushed toward the wreckage the guns and mortars had wrought. Even close at hand they were visible only a moment before being hidden by the smoke of the German shell curtain over what remained of the trenches. The Germans had to yield to "two years of our preparedness against forty for the Germans," said the staff officer, "and we have satisfactorily started in on our first trial of our new divisions in the team work of a big attack."

Nothing was now to be seen from the hill except smoke flashes through which the famous figure of the virgin, atop the tower at Albert, struck by a shell early in the war, but still in place, although tipped at an angle, showed dimly.

It was not long, however, before fast ambulances began coming down the roads and batches of half starved prisoners were being brought in, too dazed to appreciate their escape after having been marooned five days in their dugouts without food by the British fire curtain, and into headquarters, from out of that inferno of confusion to the eve, came reports making the whole movement intelligible.

The progress of the battle has been marked by steadily increasing intensity of the fighting throughout the day. North of the River Amerie it has been particularly severe. The enemy in several villages offered strenuous resistance, but the gallantry of the British troops resulted in their gradually working around various strong points.

At 6 o'clock tonight the British were around Gommecourt and Beaucourt-Hammel, and fighting at this time was continuing determinedly, the first stage of what promised to be a long action developing.

### TWO NATIONS ARE MARCHING ARMIES ON SOUTH BORDER

Oregon Strengthens Forces, While Funston Moves Thousands of Soldiers Into Frontier.

**DAY IS WITHOUT A CLASH**

Increased Caution Shown by San Antonio Chiefs in Handling Men.

**MOBILIZATION SOON OVER**

Columbus, N. M., July 2.—American cavalrymen patrolling the border, three miles south of here, were fired upon tonight from the Mexican side of the line and returned the fire. None of the Americans were injured. The persons who did the shooting escaped in the darkness.

San Antonio, Tex., July 2.—While the War department today was moving into the frontier thousands of the National Guardsmen, General Obregon, Carranza's minister of war, was strengthening his border forces. Minor changes were directed by him in his armies, though they are now quartered in force in almost all the northern cities except a few that lie under the American guns, according to information that reached the intelligence department at Fort Sam Houston.

It was another day without news of any clashes between Mexican and American troops.

**Officers Cautious.**  
Increased caution was displayed at army headquarters to keep secret the movement towards the border of the National Guardsmen. By the end of the week, those in charge of the mobilization say that it will be almost completed.

The first arrivals were the Illinois First regiment to go into camp here and it was expected that by tomorrow the Second and Seventh, completing the first brigade, commanded by General P. J. Foster, would be here. The Seventh, Seventy-first and Fourteenth New York infantry passed through San Antonio today on the way to the Massachusetts. The First regiment from Massachusetts will pass through tonight, and the others to arrive by Wednesday or Thursday, the New York movement will be completed.

**Completed Soon.**  
El Paso, Tex., July 2.—Mobilization of a large part of the National Guard organization, which was expected to be completed tonight, was completed by several trains carrying the first contingents of the Massachusetts militia arrived here today, while railway officials asserted that a number of trains carrying guardsmen from Massachusetts, Pennsylvania and New Jersey, are expected within the next twenty-four hours.

### Discharged Soldier Is Beaten and Robbed

Fearfully beaten and in a pitiful condition, James Kelley, 34 years of age, hailing from Philadelphia, was found Sunday locked in a boxcar at Sixth and Jones streets, where on Thursday night he had been lured, strangled and robbed by four men. Kelley was recently discharged from the army at Jefferson Barracks, Mo., and was just recovering from an attack of pleurisy when he arrived in Omaha Thursday evening, on a freight train. Shortly after his arrival he met two white men, who were later joined by two negroes. Kelly accompanied the quartet to Sixth and Jones, where they suddenly sprang upon him, and after administering a terrible beating, took \$20, his hat, coat and shoes, threw him into a boxcar and fastened the door. It was here he was found more dead than alive, by a car checker, Sunday morning. After receiving medical treatment at the hands of Dr. Barney Kulakofsky, Kelly was removed to St. Joseph's hospital, where his condition is reported to be decidedly serious.

### Fero Wires Lobeck Spanish Vets Ready

(From a Staff Correspondent.)  
Washington, July 2.—(Special Telegram.)—Representative Lobeck was advised today by telegraph by a gentleman signing himself "Fero" that 1,400 members of the Spanish war veterans were ready to enlist with the president called for troops.

Mr. Lobeck was overjoyed to receive the news of the loyalty shown, but could not place "Mr. Fero," the author of the message. The Omaha city directory fails to identify.

### Kinkaid to Atlantic City By the Doctor's Orders

(From a Staff Correspondent.)  
Washington, July 2.—(Special Telegram.)—Representative Kinkaid was on the floor of the house today looking very much his old time self. On the advice of his physician he went to Atlantic City today to remain over the Fourth.

Representative Lobeck today presented the name of Clate Nichols to be postmaster at Valley.

### American Flour Sold at Auction at Rotterdam

Rotterdam, July 2.—(Via London.)—A series of public sales of American flour in which about 100,000 barrels will be disposed of was begun yesterday by a committee of grain dealers acting for the government. A great crowd of buyers gathered.

The minimum price for sound patent flour was 20 florins, per 100 kilograms. The highest grade brought 23 1/2 florins.

### MEXICAN TROOP TRAIN—Here is a scene of Mexican mobilization. The Mexicans put their horses inside the boxcars, while they themselves ride on the tops with their families.



MEXICAN TROOP TRAIN

### LIFE HARDLY WORTH LIVING, SAID MARION

Sensational Remark of Poisoned Girl to Friend Repeated on Stand.

**HEARD ORPET ENGAGED**

Waukegan, Ill., July 2.—The apparently powerful evidence of the three white spots alleged to have been left on the overcoat of Marion Lambert by cyanide of potassium in solution was the subject of attack at the trial of William H. Orpet, college student charged with her murder today.

Two members of the coroner's jury, Alexander Allen and George L. Blanchard, testified with regard to the coat today. They impeached to an extent the testimony of Fred Wenban, the undertaker, who cared for Marion's body.

**Freshman on Stand.**  
H. J. Carlin, investigator for the defense, and Miss Dorothy Mason, a school girl friend of Marion's, also were witnesses today, and Irwin N. Clow, a 16-year-old high school freshman to whom Marion occasionally wrote notes, also appeared for a few minutes.

Miss Mason, a pretty girl, with "bobbed hair," confessed to a conversation with Marion without, which, according to one of the two theories of the prosecution, there might have been no tragedy in Helm's woods last winter.

"My mother," said Miss Dorothy, "had been at River Forest visiting my sister who is married to a brother of Celestia Yonker. Mother told me that Will Orpet was engaged to Celestia."

**Repeats Marion's Words.**  
"A few days before Marion's death I was talking with her in the wash room at school, and mentioned what my mother had said. We were looking out of the window at the time, and we noticed a poor crippled old woman hobbling along."

"What did Marion say?" asked Attorney Potter.

"She said 'is that so.' Then she said, 'Do you know what I think? Sometimes, I think life is not worth living.'"

### Hughes Starts Upon First Real Vacation Within Ten Years

Bridhampton, N. Y., July 2.—Charles E. Hughes, the republican presidential nominee, here on his first real vacation in ten years, today took a motor drive and spent the remainder of the day just jolling about. The justice had few callers. To those who saw him, the nominee made plain his intention of spending all the time he could before the campaign in relaxation. Preliminary work will be concentrated into two or three days a week, which he will spend in New York.

The actual campaign probably will begin the latter part of August. In framing his speech of acceptance, on which he worked for a time today, Mr. Hughes has at his disposal the views of virtually all the chief party leaders and progressives with whom he has conferred since his nomination. Suggestions from Roosevelt, Taft, Root, Wickersham, and others, jotted down by the nominee while they were fresh in mind, have been placed on a portfolio for use. They will be consulted and from selections which he makes Mr. Hughes will frame his speech, adapting them to his own ideas.

### Germany Sees Long-Expected British Offensive Has Begun

Berlin, July 2 (Via London.)—Private advices from the front indicate that the long-awaited British offensive on the west front finally has begun. The earlier activity of the British had a more or less "feeling out" character and left it uncertain whether General Sir Douglas Haig was in earnest or merely endeavoring to hold the German forces on his front. But today it is fairly apparent that the new movement is the beginning of a serious offensive.

The headquarters report today speaks of heavy artillery fire, gas at-

### Cook Is Overcome By Heat and He Is Killed by a Fall

Nels Norberg, aged 50 years, cook in a saloon at Fourteenth and Howard streets, was overcome by the heat Sunday afternoon, and fell in a doorway at 422 South Thirteenth street, fracturing his skull. He died while en route to the hospital. Relatives have not been located by the coroner, who took the body. He was formerly assistant cook at the Merchants.

### JUNE GOOD FOR STATE TREASURY

Collections Amount to Eight Hundred Thousand More Than Disbursements.

**BALANCE IN ALL FUNDS**

(From a Staff Correspondent.)  
Lincoln, July 2.—(Special.)—June was a pretty good month around the Nebraska state treasury, the collections amounting to something like \$800,000 more than the disbursements. The total amount in the treasury at the close of the month amounted to nearly \$2,400,000. The report, given out by State Treasurer Hall, shows a balance in every fund. The statement of the treasurer shows that the state holds bond investments amounting to \$9,672,268, which makes a showing with funds on hand indicating that the state educational fund will run up to about \$10,000,000.

The conditions existing is the result of compelling county treasurers to remit monthly, which keeps the state treasury in a condition to meet obligations promptly. However, there are four counties which the report shows are delinquent. Arthur county for May, Blaine for April and May, Sarpy for May, and Valley for May. The treasurers of these counties are thus liable for the ten per cent penalty for failure to remit.

### Washington Democrat Sees Trouble Ahead of Senator

(From a Staff Correspondent.)  
Washington, July 2.—(Special Telegram.)—A straight political appointment was the way the democratic members of the house from Nebraska designated the nomination of Charles E. Fanning to be postmaster at Omaha.

None of the democrats was consulted by Senator Hitchcock over the right of naming the postmaster for his home town, but the senator has laid up for himself a "bunch of trouble" as one democrat expressed it today, "when he nominated Charles Fanning to succeed Wharton."

### Drug Store Soda Clerk Joins Militia Aviators

From the prosaic job of head soda clerk at Beaton's to a membership in the Nebraska National Guard aviation corps is the metamorphosis achieved by Harry Wendell, 3622 Hawthorne avenue.

### Miles of Meat Hanging on The Wire Fences in Mexico

Nogales, Ariz., July 2.—Miles of barbed wire fence decorated with drying beef from thousands of slaughtered cattle were reported today by Mexican railroad employes arriving from Hermosillo.

### MAHER GIVES THE RECRUITS ADVICE

Suggests All Who Have Enlisted in Proposed Sixth to Change to Fourth or Fifth.

**WANTS TWO FILLED UP**

(From a Staff Correspondent.)  
Lincoln, July 2.—(Special.)—Seeing the need of haste in order that Nebraska troops may not lose out in the movement of men to the border, Colonel John G. Maher, who recently called for the organization of a sixth regiment, has issued a statement urging all men who have enlisted in the proposed regiment to change their enlistments to the fourth or fifth regiments where they are needed to get those organizations in shape.

He says that there is need of men, and where they will do the most good, and he wants to see those regiments filled up at once.

**Sent to Every Town.**  
Recruiting officers will be sent today to every town in the state which has sent a guard company to the mobilization camp to enlist men to fill the companies. While the two regiments will probably be moved to the border this week recruited to the strength first required, it will be necessary to keep on recruiting in order that they may eventually reach war strength, so that the work will go on from now on as rapidly as possible.

Men in other towns than those having companies who desire to enlist, can do so by coming to Lincoln, or by reporting to the mustering officers of the nearest towns.

**800 Participate.**  
Religious services at the camp today were especially interesting. About 800 soldiers participated and when Chaplain George A. Beecher led in the prayer, most of the soldiers joined in the words.

Bishop Beecher was attired in the purple robes of his office, presenting an impressive appearance. He reminded the boys of the obligation they owed their country as soldiers and trusted that everyone of them would not be recreant to the trust. He wanted all of them to conduct themselves as men, and hoped that the two regiments would vie with each other to bring credit to the great state they represented.

Before beginning his talk he called upon Chaplain J. M. Leidy of the other regiment for a short talk and as the Omaha preacher stepped to the platform he received a strong round of applause from the men, his brother chaplain leading. The services closed with all joining in the song, Onward Christian Soldiers.

**Omaha Visitors.**  
Visitors who had arrived at the camp at noon today from Omaha were Mr. and Mrs. John T. Yates, Dr. and Mrs. McMullin, Mrs. Lieutenant Crosby, Mrs. Parks, mother of Sergeant Parke, Mrs. Hislop, mother of the Hislop boys in Company C, with other members of the family, Mrs. Hedges, Mrs. Dunlap, Miss Katie Clark, Miss Helen Dugan, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Wilber, parents of Lieutenant Wilber and Sergeant R. T. Wilber, with little Harold Wilber, Red Crosby, Francis O'Neill and Harold Dickinson of Council Bluffs, Mr. and Mrs. L. Kneeter, Mrs. C. A. Cook, Mr. McGill, father of Sergeant McGill, Mrs. Lovelady, R. G. Hamilton. Others were expected to arrive on the afternoon trains.

### Nebraska Editor on Visit To the National Capital

(From a Staff Correspondent.)  
Washington, July 2.—(Special Telegram.)—F. O. Edgecombe, editor of the Geneva Signal with his wife and son returning from New York and Philadelphia, were in Washington today the guests of Representative Sloan. They went west tonight.

P. H. Carney of Sutton was in Washington today.

### Villa Reported Operating With 1,200 Men in Durango

El Paso, Tex., July 2.—Francisco Villa with 1,200 followers is in the state of Durango near the Zacatecas, according to a report made to General Bell by a scout, who reached the border today after a month's individual pursuit of the bandit chieftain.

### ENVOY PAGE SAYS ITALY NOT SILENT PARTNER IN WAR

American Ambassador to Rome Asserts Quirinal Government Doing All It Can for Its Allies.

**FACES HARD CONDITIONS**

Natural Barriers Make Invasion of Teuton Neighbor State Difficult.

**TO CORRECT FALSE IDEA**

New York, July 2.—Thomas Nelson Page, American ambassador to Italy, sailed on the steamship St. Paul to return to his post. He said upon his departure to an Associated Press representative:

"In reply to your question which indicates what I have so often remarked, the want of general information in America as to the part which Italy has taken in the struggle on the side of the allies, I would say that nothing has surprised me more than the idea to you which you refer that Italy has taken a less active part than the other members of this alliance in the serious operations of the war."

**Can Correct Impression.**  
"It is not for me to discuss either the policies or the parts that different members of the alliance on either side have played in this terrible contest, but certainly I can correct an impression as erroneous as that which I find quite general in this country as to the part you mention, for the facts are no secret among those who have had opportunities for knowing them."

"I may not give my own opinion on policies, but it is certain that the Italian statesmen felt that the vital interest of Italy demanded that it should at whatever cost of blood and treasure take its stand with the allies and that on this depended not only its present, but its future. It is also the conviction of all who have had opportunity for observation that no country has put forth greater efforts in proportion to its strength than Italy, or has met the losses and borne the sufferings which the war has caused with greater fortitude."

**Difficult to Penetrate.**  
"A glance at the map and even a little knowledge of the history of the relations between Italy and its chief opponent, show any one the extraordinary difficulties which Italy has to surmount to make any—even the least advance in the mountain region in which Austria fixed the boundaries between them when it turned Venice over to France after the battle of Sadowa. No more difficult region to penetrate exists along any front."

"Of one thing you may be certain, Italy like every other country in the war feels its vital interest—one might say its very life—to be at stake, and is putting forth every effort that it is capable of in the fight. Of its courage and its endurance and fortitude there can be no question if one considers the history of Resorgimento than which there is no more glorious page in the history of the world."

"And it is not only the men, but the women of Italy also, who are doing their utmost. There is not a woman in Italy, so far as I know, of high or low degree who is not doing her part for Italy."

### 'President Needs You,' The Call on Posters

Lincoln, July 2.—"President needs you to protect rights of American citizens on the Mexican border. Enlist now."

Posters bearing this inscription were received today from the office of Adjutant General Hall and displayed conspicuously at the Nebraska mobilization camp. This action was deemed necessary in the face of the many guardsmen eliminated by reason of physical disability and discharged by order of Governor Morehead.

In the meantime enlistments are going forward with considerable energy at the state fair grounds camp. In order to hasten filling out the companies' complement two enlisted men from every company that is short were ordered today to their home town to secure recruits. Unless an emergency call should come from the War department, the two Nebraska regiments will make no effort to move for the border within five days.

### Continued Progress for the Italian Army Is Announced

Rome, July 2.—(Via London.)—Continued progress for the Italians in their offensive, notably in the Posina sector, in the Trentino, is announced tonight by the war office. The advance continues along the entire Posina line and also in the Arsa valley.

### PHENOMENAL SUCCESS

For the 18th consecutive week Bee Want-Ads have made a gain of over 1,000 PAID ads over same period of 1915.

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MORE PAID Want-Ads for the Week just ended 7-1, than same week one year ago.