

Ak-Sar-Ben Dates
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Daylight Parade—Thursday afternoon, October 3.

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THE WEATHER—
Generally fair Friday and Saturday; cooler Friday.
Thermometer Readings:
8 a. m. 57 1 p. m. 70
6 a. m. 55 2 p. m. 81
7 a. m. 60 3 p. m. 84
8 a. m. 62 4 p. m. 85
9 a. m. 65 5 p. m. 87
10 a. m. 69 6 p. m. 88
11 a. m. 72 7 p. m. 88
12 m. 76 8 p. m. 86

AMERICANS IN BIG DRIVE; HAM AND BAPAUME TAKEN

HUMBERT'S ARMY TAKES STRONGHOLD IN BITTER CONTEST

French Advance To Outskirts of Happlincourt and Obtain Foothold on Slopes of Mont St. Simeon; Germans in Pocket Between Canal Du Nord and River Aisne.

By Associated Press.

Paris, Aug. 29.—The French, after capturing Noyon in heavy fighting today, continued their advance and now have a foothold on the southern slopes of Mont St. Simeon, more than a mile to the east, according to the War office announcement. They have also taken Landrimont and Morlincourt, and have crossed the Ailette river at several points.

The text of the statement reads: "During the course of the day our progress continued in the region of the Canal Du Nord, which we have reached along its entire length, except near Catigny and Sermaize. We have occupied Quenoy wood northeast of Ecuilly and Beaurain and Ham.

Go Beyond Noyon. "Further south we captured Noyon in a bitter struggle and advanced as far south as the southern outskirts of Happlincourt. To the east of Noyon we gained a foothold on the southern slopes of Mont St. Simeon and took Landrimont and Morlincourt. We captured several hundred prisoners.

Between the Oise and the Aisne our troops crossed the Ailette river at several points north and south of Champs despite the resistance offered by the enemy. Gny and Pont St. Mard are in our hands.

Germans in Pocket. "With the French Army in France, Aug. 29.—The operations of the past two days have put the Germans into another pocket between the Canal Du Nord and the river Aisne. They will have to evacuate it promptly or run a big risk of having their positions there turned from the north by the French along the valley of the Somme.

Since the fall of Noyon, which was the apex of this salient until this morning, Mont St. Simeon, a mile and a quarter to the east, is the advanced defense. This height dominates the valley of the river Meve and the Canal Du Nord to the north. These valleys were lines in the salient last night.

Guns Command Ham Road. The taking of Quenoy wood this morning has tightened the pocket from the western side, bringing the French within shelling distance of the main road leading out of it in the direction of Ham.

Between the roads to Ham and a succession of heights extending from Mont St. Simeon to Chaussy form a position of great strength. The Germans are violently shelling the French lines from there today, but the imminence of danger, threatening their communications to the north, suggests that they are thereby using part of their immense ammunition supplies there to ease a pressure which had become so strong as to require them to abandon ammunition all over the field of the Aisne.

Retreat in Good Order. With the French Army in France, Aug. 29.—(Reuter's.)—The enemy is retreating in good order, but is making the French fight for all points of vantage.

South of Nesle the First army is progressing in the region of Moyencourt and Breuil. The Germans are counter-attacking fiercely, and the fighting has reached the pitch of grenade attacks.

The Third army to the south reports hard fighting also. Its troops hold the line of the unfinished canal from Nesle to Noyon, which means that the French have Beauring and Sermaize.

General Mangin's army is fighting in very difficult country. The next step in the development of the battle depends on the advance of the armies north of the Oise.

Americans on Vesle Front Bombard Enemy's Position

With the American Army on the Vesle front, Aug. 29.—The Americans early in the day along the Vesle front sent over a large number of projectiles and gas shells against the Germans, who replied feebly. Patrols were active on both sides during the night. The fighting line remains unchanged.

American officers deny the German assertion that 250 Americans were made prisoner in recent fighting, saying that only a few of their men are missing.

Flyer Killed in Fall. Rantoul, Ill., Aug. 29.—Lieutenant Guthrie, an aviation instructor at Chanute field, was killed this afternoon when his airplane fell while he was returning from a flight. The cadet with him escaped serious injury.

West Point Woman at 83 Knits 33 Pairs of Socks for Soldiers

H. C. High of Scottsbluff was in Omaha yesterday returning from his old home at West Point, Neb., where he visited his parents, who have been married 63 years. His mother, Mrs. D. E. High, although 83 years old, was just finishing knitting her 33d pair of socks for soldiers.

SENATE VOTES BAN ON BEER AND WINE EFFECTIVE JULY 1

Washington, Aug. 29.—National prohibition moved a considerable step forward today in congress. Without a record vote being taken or requested, the senate late today adopted the leaders' compromise on "bone dry" prohibition, effective July 1, 1919, and continuing during the war and until the American troops are brought home and demobilized.

The compromise and amendment by Senator Sheppard of Texas, prohibition leader, to the \$11,000,000 emergency agricultural appropriation bill is expected to remain in the measure under the harmony agreement of the "wet" and "dry" factions although technically subject to another vote. Passage of the bill itself is planned tomorrow and the measure will be returned to the house, which is expected by prohibition advocates to accept the senate provision.

COURT DENIES NEW TRIAL TO I. W. W. LEADERS

Judge Landis Hears Story of Each of 100 Defendants and Will Announce Sentences Today.

Chicago, Ill., Aug. 29.—Federal Judge K. M. Landis today, after denying a new trial to the 100 I. W. W. leaders recently found guilty of anti-war conspiracy, later granted three of the defendants continuances of their cases and announced that the remaining 97 will be sentenced tomorrow afternoon.

This decision was reached only after Judge Landis had listened to the individual story of each defendant. He was visibly affected by the stories of some and showed every inclination to give each defendant the benefit of any doubt that might exist.

Nearly three and a half hours were occupied with the speeches of the defendants and at the end of this time Judge Landis announced that so much new matter had been introduced that he wished time to consider the new evidence.

William D. ("Big Bill") Haywood, secretary and treasurer of the I. W. W., was one of the last to step before the bar of justice. He, cool and collected, said:

"I feel that the verdict in this case is one of the greatest mistakes ever perpetrated in a court of justice. No member of the I. W. W. is guilty of any act against the United States. If released, there is nothing I could do but continue to uphold the I. W. W. constitution as I have done in the past."

Two Injured When Struck By Auto on Farnam Street

An unidentified woman was run down and slightly injured by an automobile operated by J. Frost, 621 Sixteenth street, at Thirteenth and Farnam streets at 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. She refused to give her name and address, but consented to let Mr. Frost take her to within a few blocks of her home.

Louis Morocco, 206 North Sixteenth street, while crossing the intersection at Twenty-fifth and Farnam streets on a bicycle was run down by an automobile operated by C. S. Anderson, 710 Park avenue. Morocco suffered slight bruises about the body. He was taken to the Central police station, given surgical assistance by the police surgeon and taken to his home.

120,000 Prisoners Captured By Allies Since July 18th

By Associated Press. London, Aug. 29.—The total number of prisoners captured by the western front since July 18 now approaches 120,000 prisoners and 2,000 guns. The British captured more than 21,000 prisoners between August 21 and August 26, while the British total losses in the same period, including all killed, wounded and missing, were only slightly in excess of that figure. A considerable proportion of the British casualties are in the slightly wounded class. The total captures by the British since August 8 exceed 47,000 officers and men and the captured guns number nearly 600.

British military observers say it is now clear that the Germans intend to retire to a shorter line on the western front, where they can obtain better defensive positions against the constantly repeated entente allied blows and so that the enemy can economize his forces, which has become an urgent necessity on account of his lessening man power.

The most important obstacle, however, is the recent British advance on both sides of the Scarpe, which is a serious flanking threat to the whole Hindenburg position.

While it is necessary to guard against exaggerated expectations of a German collapse, it is nevertheless true that the fighting of the last month has given definite evidence of a notable deterioration in German morale.

Captured orders tell of the refusal of new drafts to enter the trenches. Others accuse officers for laxity in dealing with offenders.

HUNS HARD PUSHED IN RETREAT

Forced to Abandon Ground Gained at Heavy Cost; Bapaume and Ham Taken by British.

London, Aug. 29.—The occupation by the British of Bapaume and Ham was officially announced tonight in Field Marshal Haig's report from British headquarters.

Field Marshal Haig reports that along the whole front from Bapaume southward, the Germans have been forced to retreat with great loss in prisoners, guns and material. The British have reached the west bank of the Somme opposite Brie and Peronne.

Somme Lines Untenable. "Successful attacks delivered since Aug. 6 by the Fourth, Third and First British armies have rendered the enemy's positions on the old Somme battle field untenable.

"On the whole front from Bapaume southward the enemy has been forced to abandon, with great loss in prisoners, guns and material, as well as killed and wounded, the ground gained at such heavy cost in last March and April. We have reached the west bank of the Somme opposite Brie and Peronne and have taken Ham.

"North of Ham we are advancing on the general line of Combes, Morval, Beaulincourt and Frencourt. Sharp fighting occurred on this front today and many casualties have been inflicted on bodies of German infantry who attempted to delay our progress.

New Zealanders Take Bapaume. Berlin via London, Aug. 29.—The evening communication from general headquarters says:

"Southeast of Arras fresh engagements developed in the afternoon. Forefield fighting took place in front of our new lines east of Bapaume and Peronne and east of Noyon. Infantry fighting took place on the Ailette.

"Between the Ailette and the Aisne especially strong attacks by French and Americans failed completely with very heavy enemy losses. So far 50 tanks are reported shot to pieces."

All Men Must Ascertain Their Exact Age Before Date for Registration

Washington, Aug. 29.—Men likely to be affected by the new age limits of 18 and 45 years should make every effort possible to clear up this doubt between now and the day set for registration. General Crowder said in his statement.

"Failure to do this will not excuse a man from registering if as a matter of fact he comes within the age limits laid down by congress. All resources of the nation will be used to locate persons who so fail to register. Such persons under the law would be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction, would be liable to a year's imprisonment."

Are You Reading Oh, Money! Money!

By ELEANOR H. PORTER
Author of "Pollyanna" and "Just David"
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Hun Killed Estimated At Nearly Three Million After Study of Tables

London, Aug. 29.—It is estimated by experts here that the German losses in killed alone now reach a total of more than 2,000,000 and probably approach 3,000,000. These figures were given out after a study of tables of German and allied losses which have been published.

GERMANS FORCED BACK ON WHOLE BRITISH FRONT

Large Numbers of Machine Guns Are Left Behind on Ground Out of Which Huns Are Pushed.

With the British Army in France, Aug. 29.—The British forces gained additional ground today. There has been hard fighting in the Scarpe region, where the German resistance is being sustained regardless of cost, in an effort to save their Droocourt-Queant line. As a matter of fact the line is still intact, but this is solely because the British have not noticeably carried out any assaults against it.

In the operations today there was desperate fighting, this for the purpose of straightening out the British line and pushing closer to the enemy positions. Individual Germans in this locality as at other places are showing increased dislike for the war that is going against them. Their officers have been forced to shoot some of the men for refusing to obey orders. Nevertheless the enemy is offering the stiffest of resistance.

Australians to Fore. South of the Somme the Germans are retreating before the Australians. The French to the south having reached the banks of the Somme backwaters, the Australians are engaged in clearing the enemy from the small bit of ground remaining to him west and south of the river within the angle created by its course.

Bapaume has virtually been surrounded for several days. British patrols having been in its western outskirts, and it has just officially been reported to have fallen.

South of Bapaume the battle continues. This afternoon the British were east of Maurepas and Combes, while Ginchy and Guillemont have been stormed and captured. The British are pushing on.

Other British troops this afternoon beat down the opposition and are moving through Thillois, just south of Bapaume. The whole British line here seems to be on the move. The Germans are falling back, leaving large numbers of machine guns on the ground out of which they are being pushed.

In the north heavy fighting is in progress on both sides of Bullecourt and in front of that town. Villers-Carbonnel and Barleux have been taken.

Within the past 24 hours the Germans have launched several heavy counter-attacks, fresh troops being employed. In every case except one the enemy was beaten back with terrible losses, gaining no ground whatsoever.

The only exception was a counter-attack south of Gavrelle, north of the Scarpe, where the Germans managed to penetrate the British lines.

Lawyers Support All Needed War Measures

Cleveland, Aug. 29.—Dr. T. Miyooka of Tokio, representing the Japanese government, addressed the 40th annual convention of the American Bar association at its session here tonight on "The Safeguard of Civil Liberties."

The report of the committee on international law recorded the various violations of international law committed by Germany during the past year.

The committee on jurisprudence and law reform presented a report and a resolution containing a memorial addressed to congress supporting every grant of power desired by the president to help in the task of winning the war.

Adoption of Prohibition By March, 1919, Predicted

Washington, Aug. 29.—Chairman L. B. Musgrave of the National Anti-saloon league's committee today issued a statement predicting the prohibition "constitutional amendment would be adopted by March, 1919, and become effective in March, 1920. The war prohibition measure, he said, would operate to expedite national prohibition.

Besides the 14 states which already ratified the amendment, Mr. Musgrave claimed 18—Alabama, Maine, Kansas, Oklahoma, North Carolina,

YANKEES SWEEP GERMANS BACK ON JUVIGNY PLATEAU

Strategic Position Taken in Dramatic Drive of Light French Tanks Which Smash Nests of Machine Guns Left by Germans as Defense While Their Infantry Is Falling Back.

By Associated Press.

With the American Army in France, Aug. 29.—Late this afternoon the Americans held positions in the fighting line in the Soissons region extending in a northerly direction from Chagny.

Accompanied by a fleet of tanks and covered by a heavy artillery barrage, the Americans swept forward early today against the German lines that slowly and reluctantly fell back over Juvigny plateau.

The little operation carried out yesterday by the French and Americans had been merely preparatory to the attack which began at 7 o'clock this morning. The kink had been taken out of the line yesterday but no determined effort was made to advance to any extent.

JAPS ROUT ENEMY IN FACE OF HEAVY MACHINE GUN FIRE

Allies Advance on the Ussuri Front; Brown Men's Fury Excited by Mutilation of Comrades.

By Associated Press. Harbin, via Peking, Tuesday, Aug. 27.—General Semionoff, the anti-bolshevik leader, continues his advance toward Chita and has captured Dawu station and Karanor siding. The bolsheviks have retired to Sokatui siding.

General Semionoff's cavalry is engaged with the bolshevik rear guard five versts west of Karanor. The enemy main force is concentrating at Borsa station 50 miles north of the Manchurian border.

Vladivostok, Monday, Aug. 26.—The enemy in considerable numbers attacked desperately along the Ussuri front last Saturday. All the allied forces participated in the fighting except the Americans. Upwards of 300 of the enemy were killed.

The Japanese bore the brunt of the fighting. They captured two armored trains and several field guns. According to a wounded Czech, the Japanese, infuriated by finding mutilated comrades on the battlefield, charged and routed the enemy in the face of heavy machine gun and rifle fire.

The Japanese report that the allied troops are advancing steadily.

Disarmed By Allied Patrols. Entente allied and Czechoslovak patrols today succeeded in disarming all the Russian volunteers who had revolted and had gone over to Lieutenant General Horvath, the anti-bolshevik military leader in eastern Siberia.

Advises received in Washington Wednesday from Vladivostok said that General Horvath had completely failed in his attempts, with the aid of General Pleshkoff, to establish a dictatorship in Siberia.

Charge to Be Required For Telephone Installation. Washington, Aug. 29.—Under orders issued today all changes in telephone rates must be submitted to Postmaster General Burleson for approval before becoming effective, and the companies are required to make a charge for installing new telephones or changing the location of old ones.

Fifty Hun Planes Are Brought Down in Year By French Ace Fonck

With the French Army in France, Aug. 29.—Lt. Rene Fonck, the leading French ace, has brought down, since January 1, 50 of the more than three score German aircraft he has destroyed. This constitutes a record for one man.

Between July 16 and July 22 he felled 11 machines, nine of which have already been recently accounted for. On July 16, while stationed in the Somme, he was ordered to report to the Champagne. He left for Paris that day at 10 o'clock. He lunched there and set back for the Somme, arriving there shortly before 5. At 5 o'clock he had become the conqueror of two boche machines. He left that evening for his new assignment.

The following day in the Champagne he felled a German machine and on the next two. On July 19 he brought down three, on July 21 two and July 22 one.

Two Local Grocers Penalized For Violating Food Rules

Two Omaha grocers fell under the ban of the federal food administration for Nebraska yesterday for violating the rules and regulations governing the sale of sugar, flour and oatmeal. Both were penalized by Oscar Allen, Douglas county food administrator, by being prohibited from dealing in the commodities until further notice.

R. Kulakofsky, manager for the Central market, 1608 Harney street, couldn't explain satisfactorily charges against his company that they took excessive profits on flour and oatmeal, so the prohibition order followed. Julius Newman, 1337 Park street, sold sugar in excessive amounts, for which he goes out of the sugar business.