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Foe Clings Tenaciously to Wings of Salient to Prevent Trapping of Army---Allies Cross Ourcq River and Penetrate Fere-en-Tardenois, Great Supply Base for Salient---Cavalry and Tanks Harrying the Retiring Germans.

Allies Capture Several Important Towns in Effective Pursuit.

FLANKS HELD FIRMLY

Many Men and Guns Massed by Enemy Near Soissons.

The Franco-American troops, continuing their pressure on the Germans in retreat from the Marne, have reached and crossed the Ourcq River and penetrated the Town of Fereten-Tardenois, one of the great German

value and to draw their front appreciably nearer the high road which runs northeastward from Dormans to

On the extreme wings of the gradually decreasing pocket-near Soissons and Rheims-the enemy, heavily reinforced, is holding tenaciously to his ground, realizing that successes there would result in a general crumbling of his plans of defense against the locking up of his entire armies inside the big bag. In addition to the large number of troops for reinforcements that have been thrown on these two sectors, the German long range guns from the region north of Soissons and north and northeast of Rheims are keeping both wings of the salient under a

heavy enfilading fire.
Twelve-Mile Advance. Under the battering tactics of the French and Americans the German driven back more than 12 miles from the point south of Chateau Thierry, where the allied troops locked the door to Paris against the enemy July 18 and themselves became the ag-

The crossing of the Ourcq, even if only by advanced elements of the allied forces, presages a general crossing later on. The French official pears that Mrs. Hassall, who occurrence that the configuration of the pears that mrs. Hassall, who occurrence that the configuration of the configuration o communications thus far during the pies the top flat at 53 Arundel avebattle have been remarkably conservaallied troops are considerably in advance of the line as announced offi-

Where the Germans are in retreat from the south the cavalry has been brought into the fighting, and numer-here loud calls for assistance attracted brought into the fighting, and numer-Gus tanks and machine guns in pro- the attention of some neighbors, who fusion are everywhere harrying the sent for the police and also for med-enemy, whose losses are heavy. Mean-ical assistance, Dr. Morrison of Dantime airplanes are flying over the rebig allied guns from the sides of the scene and rendered first aid. The the salient are keeping up their intensive firing from all angles into the Hospital in the police ambulance,

densely congested area. means become a rout, and so long as and her condition is critical. mouth of the bag thru which the Gerthat the greater portion of the armies provide a description of some men of the crown prince will be successful seen in the neighborhood, and the defin reaching in order the line where it tective department is now working

GERMAN RESERVES

but at the decisive moment an attack by our reserves will bring victory."

Amsterdam, July 27.—Expressing the view that the present battle beers must end in a preliminary deci-sion, the military critic of The Vos-the Ourcq has been broken down and sische Zeitung of Berlin says: cannot be to our interest to allies, are in pursuit, General Pershallow the war to drag on into the ing announced in his communique for years 1919 and 1920 as the British yesterday, received tonight by the above all desire because they hope by war department. The text of the reached Europe and that Americans

Every Indication That German Army is Being Withdrawn From Intolerable

Aisne-Marne Front, July 28.—The rear-guard actions, but to no such extent as today, and this gives some basis for belief that Von Boehm, the Ourcq River, and Fere-en-Tardenois, German commander, is preparing to which has been entered by French troops, is at the mercy of the allies. The tightening of the flanks holds promise that the retreat will be considered and the advantages of ground are with the allies. So it is generated that the dropping back

The Germans are bringing into play their artillery in force to check the plunges of the Franco - American

of small villages. River to Sergy and to Goussancourt, the latter place lying about six miles

north of the Marne The Germans offered bitter resist- mid-fo inside the Soissons-Rheims salient.

Meantime, on the centre of the allied right wing, southwest of Rheims, violent attacks by the French have forced the enemy to give further ground and enabled the French to the supports, the volume of fire at times attaining enormous proportions.

The Germans offered bitter resisting mid-torencon.

The Germans used gas, but the attacking party long had its baptism of gas furnes and knew how to utilize the masks and to avoid ravines thru which their defense with artillery fire reaching over the American front lines to the supports, the volume of fire at times attaining enormous proportions.

Capture several towns of strategic Unwaveringly the Americans held.

Considerable material has been cap-

> the Germans. From behind the advancing lines lines of the depreciation in the Gerthe allied heavy guns kept up a conman morale, Gratest significance is attinuous bombardment thruout the day, shelling the German positions, wherev- written by his brother in Germany

With the American Army on the some extent by the Germans in their reached, all the advantages of ground are with the allies. So it is genertinued.

The line along the greater part of the Soissons-Rheims salient has been pushed forward in some places as much as five miles.

The Germans are bringing into play

mirably conducted retreat. The line tonight follows the Ourca lery—a few pieces goiing forward with River to Sergy and to Goussancourt, the advanced line—they proceeded althe bridge and occupied the town about

their ground, and even advanced tured, including a few focomotives, slightly, while the French on their sectors to the right and left resisted as commission. There were relatively few steadily against the vicious efforts of prisoners. Many stories are told along the old

er the airmen reported troop concen- giving it as his opinion that a revoluwas imminent unless the war was stop-Heavy artillery has been used to ped.

BRUTAL ASSAULT ON

Mrs. Hassall, 53 Arundel Avenue, Victim of Attack by Two Men.

was the victim of a brutal assault essors in what has turned out to one of the greatest battles of the about 10.45 o'clock, as the result of which she now lies in the Western Hospital in a serious condition with nue, was alone in the house at the time, and upstairs, when she heard Screaming loudly, and with blood streaming down her face from the Where the Germans are in retreat violence of the attack, she managed forth avenue and Dr. Hamilton of

The retreat of the enemy has by no consist of severe head lacerations, terial witnesses. the picked troops around Soissons and Owing to the suddenness of the Rheims are able to keep well open the attack she was unable to give any description of the men, but some mans are falling back it is expected neighbors were able subsequently to is intended for them to turn and make on the case and expects to apprehend the two men. Entry was made at the rear by the removal of a screen

TO COUNTER-ATTACK ENEMY'S RESISTANCE

in the pantry window.

Washington, July 28.—Resistance American troops, with those of the

The text of the statement follows: "Section A-Between the Ourco by force of numbers will be able to and the Marne the enemy's resistance chieve a break thru. has broken down. Our troops, with "An American danger is facing us. those of our allies, are in pursuit "Section B-There is nothing to report in this section.'

With Razor in Riverdale Park, and Puts Up Strong Fight.

Visitors in Riverdale Park yesterday Mrs. Hassall of 53 Arundel avenue afternoon about two-thirty, were startled by the screaming of a woman, and shouting out some threatening language and chasing two women. Pte. dier, immediately gave chase. The man, an Italian named Antonio Novelli, 360 Victoria street, put up a strong fight, but the soldiers eventually over tive in their estimates of the gains that daily have been made, and it is indicated in unofficial despatches that dily troops are considerably in additional despatches that the solution of the police, when he was taken in the kitchen. On going came him, and held him until the argument of the police, when he was taken to No. 4 Police Station. It appeared that the woman, Louise McGee, had been living with Novelli for some time past as his wife, but, getting tired of both went into the park for a walk. Novelli followed them, but they would have nothing to do with him, and repeatedly told him to go away. Novelli vest, was announced today in treating hordes, dropping bombs, while Broadview avenue were quickly on razor out of his pocket and gave chase to the two women. Owing to the assistance rendered by the soldiers, woman was conveyed to the Western neither of the women was touched. where her injuries were found to The two women were also held as ma-

NO MORE FOOD TAXED BY PREFERENCE PLAN

London, July 28.—Replying to a corwhich the cabinet has approved, would involve the taxation of food imports pounds of sugar. and, if so, whether the United States would be excluded from the scheme. Walter Hume Long, secretary for the colonies, writes that he cannot advan-HAS BROKEN DOWN tageously detail the scheme at the present time, but that certainly the ernment would not tax foodstuffs oher than those already taxed.

HINDENBURG IS ALIVE. German General Headquarters Danies Reports of Death.

Amsterdam, July 28.-An official German main headquarters denies the that several have been shot. recent rumors concerning Field Marshal von Hindenburg's health. communication says Hindenburg's train that was run on pain of the

Americans Take Sergy North of the Ource ALLIES ADVANCE FAR NORTH OF MARNE IN RAPID PURSUIT

Onward March Continues

Paris, July 28.—French advanced guards have reached the north bank of the Ourcq River, and allied troops have entered Ferent-Tardenois, the great German supply base, which lies in the middle line of the Aisne-Marne sector.

The announcement of the war office tonight adds that the Villages of Anthenay and Olizy-en-Violaine, on the east flank, lying to the southwest of Rheims, have been occupied. The text of the state-

"North of the Marne we have continued our onward march in the region of the Ourcq. Notwithstanding the resistance of the enemy who employed every effort to check our passage of the river, we sucblunges of the Franco - American troops. The Americans have played a brilliant part in the advance, which in cluded the occupation of Sergy, on the north bank of the river, and a number of small villages.

The Americans began their advance on Sergy early in the morning. They had been driven back a short distance Saturday night, but when they moved this morning under cover of the artil-time morning under cover

"Northeast of the forest of Ris we reached Champvoisy.

"On the right our troops have occupied Anthenay and Olizyen-Violaine and have approached appreciably the line of the road from Rheims to Dormans.

"In Champagne two enemy attempts in the region south of the Monts were repulsed."

Which Suddenly Submerges Beneath Them.

London, July 28 .- The survivors of 1 British and Belgian, just brought into later the Belgian trawler was sighted aboard. All were kept on the submarine's deck near the conning tower Italian Was Threatening Woman and when a patrol boat appeared the submarine submerged without warn-

ing, leaving the fishermen to drown. The Belgian skipper and his son, and three Englishmen perished, and only two of the English crew were saved The survivors state that the Germans ransacked the trawlers before sinking them, and carried off everything of value. The German sailors according to the survivors, ate biscuits and fish ravenously, as if starving. J. W. Corliss, who happened to be near All of the Germans appeared to be youths, their commander being only 26. The survivors were in the water for three or four hours before they were picked up.

EATING PLACES IN U. S. FREE TO USE WHEAT

Washington, July 28. - Release of a hotels, restaurants, clubs and dining him, yesterday went out following a hotels, restaurants, clubs and dining bals. They were told that they would quarrel, called on a girl friend, and car services thruout the country on be offered cigarets and eaten directly Aug. 1 from the voluntary pledge to after. All the prisoners, much to the astonishment of their captors, firmly use no wheat until the present harrefused, and finally enraged, drew a cablegram received from Food Administrator Hoover, who is now in food administration said, will continue to comply with baking regulations and to serve "victory" bread. The exact figures have not been ompiled, it was estimated today by the food administration that thru the voluntary pledge made by hotels, restaurants, clubs and dining cars, there has been effected, between Oct 1, 1917, and Aug. 1, 1918, a saving of respondent whether the scheme of between 175,000,000 and 200,000,000 trade preference within the empire, pounds of wheat and products; 150,-000,000 pounds of meat and 50,000,000

BIG STRIKE EXTENDS

ON UKRAINE RAILWAYS London, July 28. - The Ukrainian railway strike is extending and is assuming a permanent character, c-cording to a Russian Government wireless despatch. The higher fi-cials are in sympathy with the strike, which was occasioned not only by economic causes, but because the Germans .confiscated food reserved Amsterdam, July 28.—An official for the railway men. Many strikers communication received here from have been arrested and it is rumored There has been no train service on The the railways recently, except one

Were Kept on Deck of Submarine, Credulous Kaiser's Troops Told New Zealanders Are Cannibals.

With the British Army in France, two sailing trawlers, respectively July 28.—Continued rain has turned the Flanders front at many places German crueity. The British trawler into an almost impassable mire, was sunk before dawn on Friday by while all other parts of the front are a bomb, and the crew was taken aboard the submarine. Three hours most unfavorable for launching an and sunk, and the crew consisting of assault against the British lines, even a father and son, also was taken if the enemy, who is busy trying to save his troops north of the Marne from further defears, should have some such plan in mind. Large quantities of gas have been

> projected against various sections of prisoners, the enemy units are losing strength little by little. So far as the German soldiers hemselves are concerned, they seem perfectly satisfied to push matters, for their officers have been telling them extraordinary tales in order to make them fight, instead of submiting to capture when they come into contact with the British. Prisoners aken during the recent minor opertions say that they had been warned before leaving their own lines that the New Zealanders were opposite and that on no account should they allow themselves to be taken alive, as the New Zealanders were cannibals. They were told that they would

TWO AREAS RAIDED BY BRITISH FORCES

London, July 28.—Reporting tary operations on the British front in Flanders last night the statement ssued today by the war office says: "Successful raids, as the result of which we captured a few prisoner and machine-guns, were carried out by us last night southeast of Arras and in the neighborhood of Locre. brought in further prisoners and a

SIX ALLIED AIRCRAFT BOMB CONSTANTINOPLE

Amsterdam, July 28.-Six airplane dropped bombs on Constantinople Tuesday afternoon, according to a Turkish official report received here. Five persons were wounded. Constantinople has previously been bombed, half a ton of bombs having been dropped on the city on July 7.

'Apart From Fighting on Ourcq,' Berlin Says, "Day Was Quiet'

Berlin, Via London, July 28.—"Apart from fighting on the Ourcq," says the evening report from general headquar-ters, "the day has been quiet."

French Enter Fere-en-Tardenois, German Supply Depot, Recover Villages Southwest of Rheims, Clear Line of Dormans Road - Irresistible Pressure Continues Against Retreating Enemy -Crown Prince Withdraws on Front of Twenty-five Miles.

With the French Armies on the Marne, July 28.—The magnificent move of Generals Foch and Petain, splendfdly carried out by Gouraud, Mangin, Degoutte and Berthelot, is bringing results. The Germans, under irresistible pressure, are retreating all along the front.

The information given out officially no longer covers the full situation. Entente allied patrols pushing ever forward reached the southern bank he River Ourcq. This morning was extremely quiet along the centre

On both wings, however, the greatest activity prevailed. The enemy has massed many heavy guns to the north of Soissons, on the heights around Juvigny and Chavigny, whence they bombard with an enfilading fire the western wing as far south as Oulchy-le-Chateau. Notwithstanding this bombardment, the allies in the Oulchy-le-Chateau region ing some progress, altho they are faced with the Germans' best division and the concentrated fire of numerous machine guns.

On the eastern wing the allies gradually are obtaining command of the whole road leading from Dormans to Rheims. On this side also the Germans have assembled a great force of artillery in the neighborhood of St. Thierry, northwest of Rheims. These guns cover the German left flank, and consequently make the progress slower for the allies.

Precipitous Phase. The retreat of the German Crown Prince's forces along the whole Marne front has reached a more precipitate phase. At some places the Germans have fallen back for a distance of several miles. French and American troops are harrying the retiring forces on the centre, while French and British troops are hammering at both flanks,

Cavalry and tanks in considerable numbers have succeeded in getting in among the retiring Germans, while airplanes are bombarding their col-

The incessant smashing blows night and day of the entente allies left the enemy nothing else to do but to retreat or die in his positions. Even their sudden retirement has not relieved the Germans from constant

In addition to the slashing of the cavalry and the pounding of the the German lines, which also have tanks, the lives of the German rearguards are being made precarious by been shelled freely, and, according to entente infantry patrols. Meanwhile allied aviators daringly fly a few hundred feet overhead, bombarding and machine-gunning the German batteries and columns on the march. Tank Crews Heroes.

The tank crews have been heroes in this chase, and ever since the commencement of the German retreat they have done remarkable work. After breaking up the enemy front line and preparing the way for an advance of infantry, the tanks have thruout continued to exploit the suc-

Some tanks have even attacked the enemy artillery batteries and killed all the gunners, thus permitting the infantry to capture many of these weapons. There is not a tank in the section of tanks which has taken part in the fighting that has not from 15 to 20 machine guns to its credit. Most of the prisoners declare that the losses caused by the tanks have been terrible.

Extent of Withdrawal.

The line where the German withdrawal has attained its greatest depth is northeast of Chateau Thierry. The depth from that point gradually becomes narrower, until it is quite small on nearing the eastern pivot on the front southwest of Rheims. Both here and around Soissons, the other pivot, the ground is admirably suited for defence. In the vicinity of these two points the Germans have concentrated most of their artillery and large forces of infantry, knowing that if a breach be made at either place by the allies a great majority of the German troops occupying the remainder of the pocket must be sacrificed.

By Constant Pressur On the banks of the Marne south of the centre of the satient not a single live German remains: Their sudden retreat here was brought about by the constant pressure of the French, Americans and British. troops have kept constantly on the heels of the enemy, and some patrols have advanced considerably farther than the line indicated.

The method of retirement adopted by the enemy consists of first retiring one company from every two companies, then two sections from the remaining company. Then the last section withdraws, leaving only a few men with guns to cover the retreat. These few men often are sacrificed. but sometimes they manage to rejoin their comrades, and the manoeuvre

Twenty Villages Retaken. Paris, July 28.—The Echo de Paris says that the Germans are retreating far beyond Fere-en-Tardenois. A compilation of the results of yester-day shows that twenty villages and very important forests have been recap-

tured. It is believed that the Germans will make a stand along the Vesle Le Journal says: "We are dogging the enemy's steps, rendering his retreat extremely painful. Our cavalry has reached far beyond the points officially mentioned. Our aviators are co-operating in the pursuit and are increasing the severe losses of the enemy. It is now possible to re-establish the famous Paris-Chalons line in the sector between Chateau Thierry and

The Petit Parisien says: "We have advanced with magnificent speed nearly eight kilometres along a front of forty kilometres. Our troops

everywhere are overwhelming the enemy.' Other newspapers declare that a considerable amount of booty and prisoners have been captured. Premier Clemenceau spent yesterday afternoon at the front witnessing the French advance.