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Public ning Telegram

The Franco-American troops, con in retreat from the Marne, have reached and crossed the Ourcq River and enetrated into the town of Fere-ensupply bases for the enemy inside tha Soissons-Rheims salient. In the meantime in the center of the Allies' ced the enemy to give further ground several towns of strategic value and to draw their front appreciably nearer the high road which runs northeast from Dormans to Rheims. On the extreme wings of the gradually decreasing pocket near Soissons and Rheims, the enemy, heavily reinforced s holding tenaciously to his ground, realizing that success there would result in a general crumbling of hisplans of defence against the locking up of his whole army inside the big north of Soissons and north and north east of Rheims are defending both he enemy has by no means become a rout, and so long as the picked troops around Soissons and Rheims are able to keep well open the mouth of the bag through which the Germans are falling back, it is expected that the greater portion of the armies of the Crown Prince will be successful in reaching in order the line where it is intended for them to turn stand will be taken is problematical. More tahn half the pocket has been recaptured by the French, British, American and Italian troops opposing the enemy, and there have as yet been no sign of a let-up in the retrograde movement. If, as some of the mili-

that if they remained on strike until Monday, they would be liable to military duty, a majority of the dissatisfied munition workers in England will

resume work at once.

tary critics have suggested, the Crown

Prince Rupprecht of Bavaria purpos-

es to start an offensive against the

British in France and Flanders as a

diversion against the big battle now in

progress, no signs of it are apparent.

At present what little fighting has

been going on in this region has been

in the nature of patrols, in which the

British have taken some prisoners and

machine guns. Evidently impressed

by the threat of the British Premier,

REACHED THE OURCQ. In their pursuit of the retreating Germans north of the River Marne, French troops have reached the south pointed to investigate the labor con-Office. In the Champagne a number of German attacks were repulsed by

WITH THE FRENCH ARMY ON THE MARNE, July 28 .- (Havas Agency.)-French cavalry, supported by some infantry elements, advancing in the Soissons-Rheims salient, has reached 13 miles east of Villers-sur-Fere, a little more than a mile to the southeast of Fere-en-Tardenois, and Sergy, 13 miles east of Villers-sur-Fere, southeast of Rheims, the French cavalry advancing swiftly on the Villers or Tardenois road. The Allied success was complete along the whole front. Half of the pocket in which the Germans had been cornered had been retaekn. Fere-en-Tardenois, the town on the Ourcq River in the middle of the Marne pocket, which had been used by the Germans as a great supply base, is seriously threatened. The losses of the enemy have been extremely heavy. The German retreat is assuming a rapid char-

GERMAN SUPPLY BASE ENTERED.

PARIS, July 28. French advance guards have reached the north bank of the Ourcq River and Allied troops have entered Fereen-Tardenois, the great German supply base, which lies in the middle line of the Aisne-Marne sector. The text follows: 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 paslage of the river, we succeeded in throwing advanced elements. On the north bank we have penetrated into Fere-en-Tardenois, northeast of the Forest of Ris and reached Chavoisy. On the right bank our troops have oc-Supied Autheny and Olizy-en-Violaine, ind have approached appreciably the ine of the road from Rheims to Dornans. In Champagne two enemy at empts in the region south of the Monts were repulsed.

COVERING THE RETREAT.

WITH THE FRENCH ARMY ON HE AISNE-MARNE FRONT, July

1. (By the A.P.—The Entente Allied atrols are pushing forward. They we reached the southern bank of the er Ourcq. This morning was ex-mely quiet along the center of the

as far south as Oulchy-La-Chateau. Notwithstanding this bombardment the are making progress, although they are faced by the Germans' best divisions, and the concentrated fire of many machine guns. On the east wing the Allies gradually are obtaining from Dorman to Rheims on this side. Also the enemy has assembled a great force of artillery in the neighborhoo of St. Thierry; northwest, of Rheims

A PRECIPITATE RETREAT.

slower for the Allies.

The guns cover the German left flank

and consequently make the progress

the whole Marne front has reached a a glorious part in the battle after distance of several miles. French and haven't ceased to accompany or pre French and British troops are ham-

AMERICANS ON ITALIAN FRONT.

WITH THE FRENCH ARMY ON THE MARNE, July 28. (By the Havas Agency.) -The magnificent move of Generals Foch and Petain, splendidly carried out by Gourard, Mangin, Degoutte and Berthelot, is bringing results. The Germans, under irresistible pressure, are retiring all along

LEMS.

LONDON, July 28. Winston Spencer Churchill, Minister of Munitions, announced to-day that immediately the munition strikers resume work, a committee will be ap-

losing contact with the Germans.

THE AISNE-MARNE FRONT, July the day of the French counter offen-German Crown Prince's forces along and the Marne our tanks have taken more precipitate phase at some places. piercing the enemy lines and enabling American troops are hammering the cede the troops throughout the battle. retiring forces on the centre, while The tanks have given proof of their mering at both flanks. Cavalry and comparable audacity. The crews tanks in considerable numbers have drove the tanks in the hottest part of succeeded in getting among the re- the battle and recoiled from no obstatiring Germans, while airplanes are cles. They attacked the centres of rebombarding their columns on the sistance and the batteries of the ene-WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY ON results. Each tank accounted for 15 THE ITALIAN FRONT, July 28. (By or 20 German machine guns. Some of the A.P.) - Amercan flighting troops the tanks charged the German batterand make a stand. Just where this began arriving this morning, and are tion, and assuring the capture of the tofore the only combatant American the Germans as a result of the ontroops were aviators, and the appear- slaught of the tanks were very high, ance of this large body of fighting according to the reports of prisoners men from the United States at the From July 18th to the 23rd, the tanks present moment has occasioned the took part every day in the attacks. RETIRING ALL ALONG THE LINE. five times on the same day. Some tank companies fought for three days.

points. Two enemy air planes were brought down.

Chavigny, whence they bombarded ment, the employers and labor, and with an enfilading fire, the west wing will be presided over by a neutral

Allies in the Oulchy-le-Chateau region LOSING CONTACT WITH GERMANS advance to the northeast, and the forest of Fere was cleared of the enemy this afternoon. The Allied forces are

TANKS DO GOOD WORK.

PARIS, July 28 In a supplementary official report issued this afternoon the French War Office says: "Since the opening of my under terrific fire from machine guns and special German cannon Their gallantry attained the greatest Most of them were in action twice and some returned to the fight four or

The official statement issued to-day by the Italian war office says: Yesterday there were effective concentrations in the Lagarina valley and in the line. The information given out the Valarea, and in the Brenta valley officially no longer covers the full sit- the usual harassing activity of both artilleries. On the remainder of the front our own and French patrols cap-WILL INVESTIGATE LABOR PROB. tured some prisoners at scattered

ADVANCE OF TEN MILES.

PARIS, July 28. The Germans to-day retreated along the whole front north of the Marne, bank of the River Ourcq, it was anditions which rendered the embargo the war office announces to-night. nounced to-day by the French War necessary, and report what further French and Allied troops pressing for hostile air craft and actions of the charmeness and actions of the charmeness and actions of the charmeness are should be added to the charmeness and actions are should be added to the charmeness as the charmeness are should be added to the charmeness and the charmeness are should be added to the charmeness and the charmeness are should be added to the charmeness and the charmeness are should be added to the charmeness and the charmeness are should be added to the charmeness and the charmeness are should be added to the charmeness and the charmeness are should be added to the charmeness and the charmeness are should be added to the charmeness and the charmeness are should be added to the charmeness and the charmeness are should be added to the charmeness and the charmeness are should be added to the charmeness and the charmeness are should be added to the charmeness and the charmeness are should be added to the charmeness and the charmeness are should be added to the charmeness and the charmeness are should be added to the charmeness and the charmeness are should be added to the charmeness and the charmeness are should be added to the charmeness are should be added to the charmeness and the charmeness are should be added to the charmeness and the charmeness are should be added to the charmeness and the charmeness are should be added to the charmeness are should be added to the charmeness are should be added to the charmeness and the charmeness are should be added to the charmeness and the charmeness are should be added to the charmeness and the charmeness are should be added to the charmeness and the charmeness are should be added to the charmeness and the charmeness are should be added to the charmeness are should be added to the charmeness are should be added to the charmeness and the charmeness are should be added to the charmeness are should be added to the charmeness are should be added to the charmene these conditions to maintain and reached the line of Bruyeres, Villenwhere necessary increase the output euve, Sur-Fere-Courmont, Passy, Grigof munitions, with due regard to the ny, Cruisles, La Neuville and Chaum-RETREAT ASSUMING RAPID CHAR- effective and economical use of the uzy. The Allied forces have advanced labor, money and material. The Min- more than fifteen kilometres (apister pointed out that this step would proximately ten miles) northeast of be taken in accordance with an agree- Chateau Thierry. The right bank of

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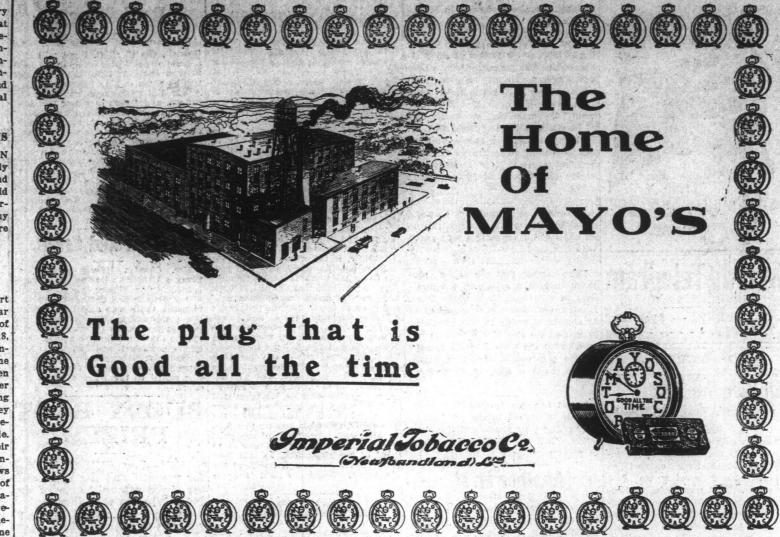
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BRITISH OFFICIAL.

LONDON, July 28. Field Marshal Haig's report from British headquarters in France tonight says: The hostile artillery has shown some activity during the day

AERIAL ACTIVITY.

LONDON, July 28. The communication dealing with aerial operations issued to-night reads, period of the day in which flying was brought down by our airmen and a flames. Two of our machines are missing. One of the machines reported missing on the 25th has since been lo-

AERIAL ACTIVITY IN HOME WA-TERS.

LONDON, July 28. In home waters during the period of the 18th to the 2nd July inclusive, says an official communication, issued to-day by the British Admiralty, Royal Air Force units working with the imity to the English coast has been above normal, and several engagements have taken place. Six enemy machines have been destroyed and eight have been driven down out of control. Five of our machines are missing. Our bombing squadrons have attacked military objectives at Zeebrugge, Bruges and Ostend, more than fifteen tons of bombs being dropped with good results. Enemy destroyers and trawlers have been attacked, a direct hit being obtained on one trawler, which was subsequently observed to be in a sinking condition.

DRIVEN THEM OUT.

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY ON THE AISNE-MARNE FRONT, July 28.—The Franco-American forces on the front northeast of Chateau Thierry have driven the Germans almost entirely out of the wooded area which they have been so stubbornly defending. The Allied pressure is being constantly maintained and early to-day the punishment of the enemy by artillery fire was resumed with added vigor. Under the cover of the guns the Franco-American troops again began crawling forward. The advance is bringing the Allies still nearer to the important road junction of Fereen-Tardeneis. It is being carried out through the remainder of the denue woods in this region and over the rain soaked fields and hills on their outskirts. Slowly retreating, the Germans are fighting stubbornly as they retire. Persistent as was the German rearguard defense, however, the enemy's most intense efforts to hold his lines are still being put forth on his flanks in the Rheims and Soissons re-

SUCCESSFUL BRITISH RAIDS. LONDON, July 28.

Reporting military operations on the British front in Flanders last night, the statement issued to-day by the war office says that successful raids, as the result of which we captured a few prisoners, and machine guns, were carried out by us southeast of Arras and in the neighborhood of Locre last night. In the Givenchy sector our patrols brought in further risoners and a machine gun.

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