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CABLE NEWS.

SOISSONS RETAKEN.

WITH THE FRENCH ARMIES IN FRANCE, Aug. 3. (By the A.P.)—Soissons has been retaken, and the Valley of the Crise has been crossed. The Allied line this evening runs from Pommiers to Soissons, thence to Belleau, the Valley of the Crise, Chacrise and Arcy Street, through the centre of the Forest of Nesles to the Village of the same name, and thence to the centre of the Forest of Rheims to Lagery, Lheroy and Tramey. North of the last named three places French cavalry has advanced about another mile to the Bois Lemerne and Treslon. Brullet is still in the enemy's hands in flames, and further east near Rheims, Thillois has been retaken. The day was one of continued successes for the armies of Generals Mangin, Depoutis and Berthelot. All along the line the Germans have been forced to hurry their retreat of the west centre of the salient. The enemy is completely devastating the country as he retreats, carrying out the settled German policy. The French are now on the edge of the plateau between the Crise and Vesle, after an advance which at some places was three miles deep, and are within seven miles of Fismes. The enemy, it now seems certain, must retire to the Vesle and very probably to the Aisne. A copy of the Berlin Tageblatt received behind the French line contains the following article written recently by Herr Hegeler, its war correspondent: "From the strategical point of view

the seven days' battle has been a complete failure. Nevertheless, success has been gained which I can register to-day. A new part of France has been laid waste. Everywhere are ruined towns, villages and farms. Fires light up the night, and all day thick clouds of smoke, caused by explosions, float over the ravaged cornfields and destroyed forests."

HAVE REACHED THE AISNE.

PARIS, Aug. 3. Throughout last night the Allies continued to advance toward the Vesle, the war office announced to-day. East of Soissons the French have reached the Aisne between Soissons and Vinesel.

HUNS RETIRING ON THE ANCRE.

LONDON, Aug. 3. The Germans are executing a local retirement to the east bank of the Ancre in the region of Albert, on a front of three or four miles, according to news received in London to-day. The Germans' hold on the west bank of the Ancre in this region has been precarious, and it seemed to be tenable only if it were intended to be made use of in the starting point of an offensive. The retirement appears to indicate the abandonment of any attempt at an offensive in this quarter at present.

EXTENDING THEIR RETREAT.

LONDON, Aug. 3. On the main battlefield the French, after completing their occupation of Soissons, have occupied the south bank of the Aisne between Pommiers and Venizel, a distance of approximately five and a half miles, advice

received here to-day show. On the easterly side of the Soissons-Rheims front the line to which the Allies have advanced runs, according to the latest advices from Serzyterin and Serigny, both in the Ardre Valley, to the highest point on the plateau between the Ardre and the Vesle, and thence to Rosnay, Gueux and Thillois and on to the Vesle at St. Eric, which is on the original line on the northern end of the plateau to the southeast of Soissons. The French have advanced from Venizel to a point south of Braine on the Vesle. The advance is continuing on the line farther to the east. Burning villages in the area north of the Vesle River between Muson and St. Thierry indicates that a further withdrawal of the German forces is intended. Fourteen large fires have been observed. The important centre of the line is in flames, and there are great conflagrations in two villages to the northwest of that town.

AIRMAN MISSING.

LONDON, Aug. 3. Major Edward Mannock, one of England's most successful flying men, who had fifty-eight German machines to his credit up to a month ago, is missing, according to the Evening Standard. Major Mannock was last seen fighting over the German lines on July 2nd, when his machine was observed to fall in flames.

AMERICAN PROGRESS.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 3. American troops pursuing the enemy, whose forces on the Soissons-Rheims front began to fall back this morning, have penetrated to a depth

of five miles, and their progress is continuing, General Pershing reported in to-day's communique received late to-night by the war department. In Thursday's fighting American troops captured Hill 230.

FRENCH TROOPS ADVANCING.

PARIS, Aug. 3.

During the night the French troops continued their advance toward the Vesle on the left. The French troops reached the Aisne between Soissons and Venizel. The evacuation of the line of the Vesle, if it has not been brought about before, seemingly is made compulsory by the French advance to the Aisne, east of Soissons. Coupled with the French advance north of the Aisne yesterday to Pommiers northeast of Soissons, it is a dangerous menace to the line of the Aisne. The French advance points directly toward the important heights at the western end of the Chemin des Dames, which are less than five miles north of Venizel.

MANY VILLAGES TAKEN.

LONDON, Aug. 3. Reuter's correspondent with the French armies, says that after the fall of Soissons the French headquarters received the names of villages and woods re-occupied by the Allies with almost monotonous regularity. "Fleisher Wood," he continues, "which is on the Soissons-Chateau-Thierry road, was turned early in the day and the defenders surrounded. This wood was the centre of the enemy resistance, and the fight for it was extraordinarily bitter. Farther north the British troops crossed the Soissons-Chateau-Thierry road, and pressing through the Concrois Wood, were soon more than a mile east of Ville Montoire."

PRISONERS TAKEN.

PARIS, Aug. 3. (Havas Agency.)—Many prisoners were taken by the French at Soissons, which was occupied at 5 o'clock Friday evening, one hour after the Germans were driven from the suburbs. Those of the German garrison not captured escaped by fleeing northward.

WORK OF AIRMEN.

LONDON, Aug. 3. Proof of the continuance of British airplane supremacy is afforded in a weekly review of the air-fighting, which shows that during that period seventy enemy machines were destroyed on the Western front, and 11 driven down out of control, while only 27 British machines were reported as missing. On the other fronts 18 enemy machines were destroyed, 2 out of two British planes. In the course of the week there were seventeen raids into Germany, in which Offenburg was bombarded three times, and Stuttgart, Saarbrücken and Baden twice each. There were eighteen raids on German naval and military bases in Belgium, while Ostend was bombed four times. The Bruges docks was bombed thrice and Zebruggue twice.

THE AISNE REACHED.

ON THE FRENCH FRONT IN FRANCE, Aug. 3. (By the A.P.)—The Allied advance along the Soissons-Rheims front continued throughout last night and this morning. The bank of the Aisne has been reached along the front from Pommiers west of Soissons to Venizel and to the east of that town. Further east the Allies have reached the district of Serches, Couvrelles and Cereuil. Cavalry patrols have arrived at the Vesle in the vicinity of Champigny and Jonchery, finding all the bridges cut or burned by the Germans. Just to the west of Rheims the Allies have reached or are approaching Tomqueux, Thillois, Gueux and Rosnay, all lying in the neighborhood of the main road from Rome to Rheims. Fires are illuminating the skies everywhere, the enemy burning everything as he retreats. More than forty conflagrations were counted during the course of the night.

VESSEL SUNK; CREW SAFE.

NEW YORK, Aug. 3. An Associated Press despatch from Eastport, Maine, this morning, says the crew of nine men from a lumber-laden four-masted schooner were landed at Grandmanan, N.S., to-day. The men reported that their vessel

was sunk by a submarine last night while between Briar Island and Grandmanan.

REVOLUTION IN ARCHANGEL.

KANDALAN, Russian Lapland, Aug. 3. (By the A.P.)—A revolution against the Bolsheviks and in favor of the Allies, has occurred at Archangel. The Soviet troops have fled from the city.

TERRORISM IN RUSSIA.

LONDON, Aug. 3. The terrorist campaign against the Germans by the Russian social revolutionists of the left, includes an explosion at Kiev, which resulted in the deaths of seven hundred German soldiers, in addition to the murder of Field Marshal Von Eichhorn.

SUBMARINE NEAR MAINE COAST.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 3. After removing a quantity of provisions from an American lumber laden schooner near the Maine coast last night, the crew of a German submarine set fire to the vessel, the Navy Department was informed to-day by the Commander of the First Naval District. The name of the vessel was not given.

TROUBLE FOR GERMANY.

LONDON, Aug. 3. An Exchange despatch from Zurich to-day says telegrams from Cracow state that after the assassination of Field Marshal Von Eichhorn in Kiev more than 500 persons were arrested, including former Premier Winneschko, Secretary Mikulof, and many members of the constitutional democratic party. Martial law has been

proclaimed throughout the province of Kiev; Germans are continually arriving at Warsaw. Ten German soldiers have been found murdered in various parts of Kiev, and revolts among the Ukrainian peasants continue to be reported. The Germans have discovered a plot to overthrow General Skokorpataki, the Ukrainian Hetman, and make Archduke William, son of the Austrian Archduke Charles Stephen, King or Hetman of Ukraine.

GERMAN RESISTANCE FALTERING.

PARIS, Aug. 4.

Allied troops have crossed the Aisne at several points between Soissons and Venizel. The German resistance is faltering on the left wing of the Allied advance, while it is growing stubborn and desperate on the right wing where the Germans still retain a foothold on the southern bank of the Vesle, between Champigny and Jonchery, northwest of Rheims. The number of prisoners captured by the Allies during the last two days will thrill the Allied world when announced. The Vesle River, which was flooded owing to the recent heavy rains, has hampered the German rearguards which were unable to ford the stream and had to fight for their lives. The most of these Germans were killed and the rest were made prisoners. Fismes is completely surrounded by Americans. The Germans are retaining a foothold in the extreme northern part of the town, where there is house to house fighting. Crack Prussian Guards units are offering the most desperate resistance to the Americans, with the French forces on the Aisne.

AMERICAN CAPTURES.

LONDON, Aug. 4.

The full fruits of victory in the counter offensive begun so gloriously by Franco-American troops on July 18, were reaped to-day when the enemy met his second great defeat on the Marne and was driven in confusion beyond the line of the Vesle. The enemy in spite of suffering the severest losses, has proved incapable of stemming the onslaught of our troops, fighting for liberty side by side with French, British and Italian veterans. In the course of the operations 8,400 prisoners and 125 guns have been captured by our men alone.

ARMY IN FULL RETREAT.

VEZIELE FRONT, Aug. 3.

(By the Havas Agency.)—The army of the German Crown Prince continues in full retreat. The Germans have no heavy artillery in action. They evidently saw that positions were untenable. The German losses have been very heavy.

FISMES TAKEN.

PARIS, Aug. 4.

The town of Fismes, Germany's great store house on the Aisne-Marne battlefield, has been taken by the French and American troops, according to the French official communication issued this evening.

RETREATING ACROSS THE AVRE.

WITH THE FRENCH ARMY IN FRANCE, Aug. 4.—The Germans are retreating on the left bank of the Avre River between Bourges and Brachet northwest of Mont Didier, on a front five miles in extent. Allied patrols are keeping in contact with the enemy.

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