## VICTORY MAY HASTEN END OF WAR! The St. Jolm Standard

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the region west of Soissons to the northwest of Chateau Thierry, American and French armies have begun a mighty ofiensive against the Germans which pos silbly may have a marked influence on the future of the world war. In its initial stage the movement has been rewarded with great success, all along the twenty-five mile the French and American troops have dashed in brilliant fashion across positions held by the Germans, killing, wounding or capturing thousands of the enemy and taking more than twenty villages, towns and large quant ities of guns and other war supplies. The French and American forces are at the gates of the city of Soissons.

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The Teuton Disaster Yesterday Between the Rivers Marne and the Aisne Likely To Shatter German Campaign and Compe! Withdrawal of His Entire Army South of the Marne Valley andin the Region of Rheims -Twenty Towns and Villages, Thousands of Prisoners, Many Guns and Vast Quantities of War Material Captured By Gallant French and Americans in a Smash Against Invading Host on' a Front of More Than Twenty-Five Miles.
The Franco-American Armies Hurl Disaster and Death Into the Ranks of the Legions of Prusia and Bavaria and This Morning Are Standing Before the Gates of the City of Soissons, an Important Centre Captured From the Entente in the Previous Thrust For Rheims and Paris -Foch'sFirst Grand General Attack a Sweeping Success.
Paris, July 18 -More than twenty villages have been re-captured by the French and American troops in the offensive begun this morning, according to the war office announcement tonight, which reports also the occupation of the plateau dominating the city of Soissons on the southwest.

The statement says: "After having broken the German offensive on the Champagne and Rheims moun"After having broken the Cerman offensive on the Champagne and Rheims mountain fronts on the 15th, 16 th and 1 th, can forces, attacked the German positions on the 18 bh between the Aisne and the Marne on a front of forty-five kilometres, (approximately ive.
prises Ambleny, Longpont, Troesnes and Bouresches. lateau dominating Soissons on the southwest and the region of Chaudun.
"Between Villers-Helon and Noroy-Sur-Ourcg, violent engagements have been in progress. Genevieve, Hautevesnes and Belleau.
"More than twenty villages have been re-taken by the admirable daoh of the Franco More than twenty villages haveleen retakioners and important war material.
American troops, as well as several Fith the American Army in France, July 18-(By The Associated Press)-The
W With the American Arried all before them by late this afternoon and had proceeded so fast that cavalry was thrown irto the action. All the American headquarters staffs tonight were well inside the territory which the Germans held this morning.
As the whole German left flank is menaced, the enemy must draw in his troops from he Marne front or riok their being caught where they are. This means that the finiohing the warne posibly has been administered to his dying offensive. The towns of Torcy and Givry and the Giviry Wood were taken by the Americans in their advance. The final objectives in the Civry and Torcy sectors were reached in about two hours of hard fighting




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Nowhere in Battle Zone Between Aisne and Marne Rivers Has Enemy Been Able To Stay Progress of the Attack and German Army; South of Marne Is in Precarious Position--Terrific Fighting All Day.

## So Rapid Was Advance of American Troops That

 Cavalry Had To Be Sent Into Action - Fot First Time This Year Enemy Getting Sam Medicine He Attempted To Administer To Allies.Special cable to New York Tribune and St. John Standard.
With the French Armiss, July 18-The German line was completely surprised today. The allied troops took the advantage of a storm to leave their position and followed their barrages with a speed seldom equalled in any allied adance of parallel magnitude

There was little opposition from the German line roops and within an hour a number of prisóners were be-
ind the allied lines, beginning the round up and herded to the rear. The fighting later became stiffer and at noon today there was heavy street battling in the villages along the line

Biles beyond the old French lines.
Both French ảnd American aviators in large numbers are assisting in the battle. They report the balance going others.

The Germans for the first time this year are facing the Today's counter-offensive marks the point where the enemy Today 's counter-offensive marks the point where the enemy
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## PERILOUS POSITION OF  

German Headquarters Gravely Announces That DEATH RECALLS Between the Aisne and the Marne the French NOTED MURDER Attacked With Strong Forces and Tanks and Captured Some Ground.

German Reserves, Their Headquarters State, Took Part in Battle-Hilaire Belloc Sizes Up Situation in the Valley of the Marne.
Special cable to Now York Tribune and St. John Standard (By Hilaire Belloc).
London, July 18-The center of all today's news is obviously the enemy on an eight to ten mile front south of the
Marne. Of all the fifty mile of front on which he attacked the sector between Chateau Thierry and Dormans was the most vulnerable. To the west the German was held by a
sharp return of the front to his line up north right by a very broken hilly country densely wooded all the way to Rheims.
For twenty miles beyond Rheims the German attack
had been conducted against ground highly organized for had been conducted against ground highly organized for
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This Means That Finishing Blow Has Been Administered To Dying Hun Offensive-French and Americans Dominate City of Soissons, Cap. tured By Germans in Previous Offensive.

Americans Capture Town of Bwierzy and Several Thousand Prisoners-French Take Heights of Fontenoy and Advance To Monte De Paris, One Mile From Soissons-Fierce Carnage.

With the American Army in France, July 18-As the whole German left flank is endangered the enemy must
draw in his troops from the Marne front or risk their being draw in his troops from the Marne front or risk their being
caught where they are. This means that the finishing blow possibly has been administered to the dying Hun offensive London, July 18-French troops have gained the rav
at the River Crise, running into Soissons on a five mile ine at the River Crise, running into Soissons on a five mile
front down to the east of Buzancy, which means a maximum advance at this point of five miles, according to news receiv ed in London tonight.
An American division co-operating with the French troops in the counter-attack have captured the town of Bwi erzy; about six miles south of Soissons, and have advanced
three miles beyond the town, the advices add. The Amerithree miles beyond the town, the advices add. The Amer add, have taken 4,000 prisoners, thirty guns and much other material which has not yet been estimated.
French troops have captured the heights overlooking Fontenoy on the extreme left, and have progressed
te De Paris, within a mile of the city of Soissons.


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