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STRIVING DESPERAELY TO HOLD STAGGERING BLOW BY ALLIES HEAVY FIGHTING IN PROGRESS GERMANS THROW BAVARIAN DI- SUPPLY BASE OF GERMANS PEN- TRAINED TROOPS ARE ARRIVA

Crown Prince Believed to Have Used Military Critics Take Pressimistic All His Available Men in Resistance.

London, July 26 .- On all sides of the German salient the allies are rewhere are for the most part light.

Thierry, the Franco-American line the official headquarters reports of tend a further retreat. now shows an advance beyond the victory." line of a week ago of from six to eight

As a result of the past week's activ- blusters thus: ities the whole situation on the western front has been transformed. The Great) walked the streets today and German, according to dispatches from saw the people's long faces he would will go back beyond the Vesle to the the front, have used 65 divisions on say: 'Remember the seven years' war thirty mile line between Soissons and the Champagne front and the whole when fortune was often dead against Rheims, which is probably well enof the Crown Prince's reserves have us. Why grumble because affairs on trenched. been exhausted. The only fresh re- the Marne are not going as well as exserves remaining to the Germans are pected? Devil take you. You ought Fere-en-Tardenois sector are pressing less than 30 divisions attached to to be ashamed of yourselves." Crown Prince Rupprecht's armies.

Prince Rupprecht would be called up- commander, General Foch, now that for it probably has passed for the Ger- stance, refers to him repeatedly as an mans appear committed to the great "able leader," while General von Arbattle in progress and can not afford denne in The Tageblatt frankly admits tion at another part of the front, ac- line had become necessary as the re- today after a year's illness. His es-

The German situation in the salient, although awkward, is not un- German newspapers speak of the retenable. The enemy's difficulties are cent operations as a "defensive batnot greater than those in which the tle." And General von Ardenne cred-British army was placed for many its General Foch with a plan to excapture of Messines ridge.

gan to undertake a retirement to a and if line along either the Ardre or Vesle course enemy ground. and had actually given orders for this. but their orders were later cancelled.

Meanwhile, the military writers int out, the allies are using up the can not possibly undertake any important offensive therefrom and the and thorough trainer." ailles could not hold them lightly and It is incorrect to regard Foch's un-

made to straighten out the confusion mere interlude in the great drama. which now exists along all the artershell fire and work along them must this evening. be very difficult.

SAVE THE PULLETS.

An Increased supply of Eggs and Poultry Needed.

Columbia, July 26.—The food administration urges that wherever possible the flock of farm chickens be increased. Every farmer, or for that day in street fights between whites and lies. So it is generally believed the covered, one German, acting as a matter, every person who raises chick- negroes in the southern section of the use of his heavy guns is merely an in- leader and speaking perfect English. ens should provide to carry as many city. More than 50 persons were dication that his armies are being yelled to the American machine pullets that were hatched in the placed under arrest. months of March and April as pos-

for the late fall and winter months. food will be during the months to from 9 o'clock in the morning until 9 The Americans began their advance come, none can say definitely, but the o'clock tonight and with the fighting on Sergy early in the morning. They tered a forest to the right of the food administration is always looking going on in half a dozen parts of the had been driven back a short distance ahead, and the necessity of increas- district, the police found it hard to Saturday night but when they moved ing the flocks of all who raise poultry, cope with the situation. At one point this morning under cover of the areither for market or for home con- 200 marines aided in quelling the dis. tillery—a few pieces going forward

While the temptation of fried chick- been shattered by bullets. en may be strong at this time, the In addition to the police, more than The Germans used gas, but the a. carried over to provide layers for the trolled the streets tonight.

PRICE TO ADVANCE.

War Savings Stamps Will Cost \$4.19 August 1st.

specially anxious for those who sign-

View of Situation-Arrival of Americans in Force Allies Conditions.

Amsterdam, July 26 .- The impresported today to be continuing to make sion that the Franco-American coungress, except on the heights be- ter-offensive has made on the Gerhind Solssons. The German resist- mans at home and perhaps best illusance to the French pressure has been trated by an article written by Deputy neighborhood so far the French have varian guards, the Teutons today set- penetrated the town of Fere-en-Tar- March told the newspaper men tovery determined in this latter sec- Traub of the Prussian lower house in made no progress. The villages be-The advance reported else the Pan-German newspaper, The tween Soissons and Bazoches, about Between the Ourcq and Chateau- lashes the croakers "who dare doubt ing to the belief that the Germans in-

'more nerve" and "more faith," and mile front.

"If 'der Alte Fritz' (Frederick the the line of the Ourcq.

The German military commentators Last week it appeared certain that have begun complimenting the allied on to launch an attack on the British they are no longer able to conceal his front but the enemy put off this at- success from the German public. The tack and the psychological moment Vossische Zeitung of Berlin, for into stake heavily on a dubious opera- that the shortening of the German the Reynolds Tobacco Company, died W. Lambert, of Newman, Ga., died of cording to the view of British ex- sult of the French generalissimo's tate is estimated at ten millions. "impetuous counteroffensive."

It is noticeable also that all the months in the Ypres salient, before the tend his line northward with the object of attacking the crown prince's The Ypres salient was five miles army in the rear as well as on the wide and five miles deep and was dom- flank. This coupled with the difficult inated by the enemy. The present zigzag formation of the German lines, German sailent is now 20 miles wide where the fighting is proceeding in the and 20 miles deep, and, similarly, is wooden wilderness to the southwest dominated by the allied artillery. Evi- of Rheims, he says, makes a concendence has reached the allies in the tration of the German forces advisshape of captured documents to show able. The commentator goes on at

In Vorwaerts Col. Richard Gaedke pays a handsome tribute to General mably owing to the difficulty of Foch for profiting by past experiences fecting an orderly retirement in the and gaining his end by launching a ched salient, and it is now possible flank attack. "He succeeded" Colone! the German command has decided to Gaedke says, and he adds what for a setain the present positions as long German is an astounding admission. 'mainly because the armed assistance of the Americans proved effective."

"Tonnage and measures of safety a German reserves in a battle where the sea seem to have been provided in Germans are continuously in a disad- sufficient measure for the bringing of vantageous position so the situation hundreds of thousands of Americans entirely satisfactory to the allies. across the ocean," continues this If the enemy remains in the salient he writer. "They have rapidly assimilated the art of war, for war is a quick

devote their energies elsewhere. One dertaking only as a measure for rereason for the German abandonment lieving his front under the German of the plan for retirement is found in pressure, Colonel Gaedke adds. It was the reports of allied airmen which rather, he declared, a well prepared show tremendous congestion along the bid for regaining his freedom of acline of German communication. The tion. The writer, however, maintains Germans may be merely holding on as that after the initial success. the long as possible in order to effect an course of Foch's onslaught was spen: orderly withdrawal and remove the on the third day and that since that vast accumulations of stores and mu- time he has made no further progress nitions which have been gathered in in his dash for Soissons. Thus he con this district ready for a great advance siders that General Foch's counteroffensive has brought about no radica Undoubtedly a big effort will be change in the situation and remains a

"The day has been quieter on the les of the salient. All these arteries battle front," says the official stateare now constantly under the allies' ment issued by general headquarters

WHITES AND BLACKS FIGHT.

One Policeman Killed, Sixty Persons Hurt and Fifty Arrested in Philadel-

Philadelphia, July 28 .- One policeman was shot and killed, another so badly wounded that he probably will die, and 60 other persons were injured a score of them seriously to-

The trouble started over the killing ter midnight and the wounding of two demoralization of what so far has been What the situation with regards to others. It continued intermittently an admirably conducted retreat. turbance. Hundreds of shots were with the advanced line-they proceedsure poultry products in sufficient fired and there were but few houses ed almost unchecked to the river.

RIOT IN PHILDADELPHIA.

Quaker City Folk Don't Like Negroes

for Near Neighbors. Philadelphia, July 29.—Another Charleston, July 28.—Commencing South Philadelphia where a succes-August 1, the price of War Savings slon of race riots have occurred since Stamps will advance to \$4.19, and Saturday. This makes three deaths. of the wounds were clean flesh wounds those who intend to purchase War One of them, a policeman, was made by bullets from machine guns The trouble, aca few days in which to make their cording to the police, started been captured, including a few loco. Gen. Pershing Reports Advance by purchases. By delaying until next when negroes began moving into a

BATTLE NEAR SOISSONS.

BUT ALLIES GAIN NO GROUND.

Villages East of City on Fire Indicat- Our Boys Go up Against the Flower ing Further Retreat by Germans is to Be Expected to Line Beyond Vesle River.

London, July 2.—Heavy fighting is Tageliche Runschau. Traub flercely fourteen miles east, are on fire, lead-

Since yesterday the Allies have ad-He makes a desperate appeal for vanced two to three miles on a two The enemy has definitely abandoned

There is little doubt now that they

The Americans particularly in the the Germans vigorously.

TOBACCO KING DEAD.

R. J. Reynolds of Winston-Salem Leaves Ten Millions.

ADVANCE ON SUNDAY.

HOLD ON ENEMY'S FLANKS GERMAN FORCES SWEPT OUT OF PROMISES MUCH.

Cover of Artillery and Capture Town of Sergy.

With American Army on the Aisne-Marne Front, July 28, 7 p. m. (By the will be continued.

places as much as five miles.

troops. The Americans have played this was seen Saturday when the enea brilliant part in the advance, which my retreated so rapidly that the Franincludes the occupation of Sergy on co-American troops entirely lost connumber of small villages.

The line tonight follows the Ourca they supplemented their defense with artillery fire reaching over the Amervolume of fire at times attaining enormous proportions.

Unwavering the Americans held their ground and even advanced slight ly, while the French on their sectors to the right and left resisted as steadily against the vicious efforts of the

From behind the advancing lines the allied heavy guns kept) up a continuous bombardment throughout the day, shelling the German positions ceive. wherever the airmen reported troop concentrations.

some extent by the Germans in their alert for Germans wearing American rear guard actions, but to no such or French uniforms, several cases havextent as today, and this gives some basis for belief that von Boehm, the did this. On one occasion the soldiers German commander, is preparing to make a stand.

It is pointed out, however, that until the Ardre River is reached all the ing across an open place in the forest advantages of ground are with the al- when the German nests had been diswithdrawn with all speed from a posi- gunners, "Don't shoot; there tion which is untenable and which Americans in that thicket." sible. These will make good layers of a white man by a negro shortly af. unless relieved might result in the

quantity to meet the demands at home in the district whose windows had not crossed the bridge and occupied ti-

ravines through which the fumes some cases of Germans wearing merefiltered. When the town was occupied ly an American or French Tunic, prethere was some street fighting, but not much, the Germans retreating to higher ground.

as a result of the failure of the Ger- dead, owing to their retreat, month the price will increase one residential section populated exclu- of commission. There were relatively few prisoners,

FIGHT PICKED TROOPS.

VISIONS AGAINST AMER-ICANS.

of Germany's Veteran Troops and Give Good Account of Themselves.

Aisne-Marne Front, July 29.—Rein- in retreat from the Marne, have reachprogressing south of Solssons. In this forced by two crack divisions of Ba- ed and crossed the Ourcq river and have begun to arrive in Italy, General tled down to the hardest resistance denois, one of the great German sup- day. that they have yet displayed against ply bases for the enemy troops inside the American forces north of the the Soissons-Rheims salient. River Ourcq, although heavily ham- Meantime, on the center of the al- the fourth and fifth commanded by en-Tardenois. Up to midday the capture several towns of strategic advices showed that the allies had recrossing of the Ourcy River.

AMERICAN CASUALTY LIST.

Two Hundred, Lacking One, Names on The List.

Washington, July 29.-The army casualties reported number one hundred and ninety-nine. Killed in action, 47; died of wounds, 17; died of disease, 4; died of accident, 7; woune severely, 93; wounded, degree undetermined, 7; missing, 20. Captain Ju-Winston-Salem, July 2 .- Richard lius A. Mood, Jr., of Summerton, S. Joshua Reynolds, aged 68, head of C., was killed in action; Private John wounds; Private Will Anderson, of Greenville, S. C., died of disease.

BATTLE IN THE WOODS.

FORESTS.

Constantly With Rear Guard Actions of the greatest battles of the war. and Hun Trickery.

the allies. The tightening of the four days' struggle the Franco-Ameriretreat of the Germans was greatly The line along the greater part of disorganized. The edge of the Gerthe bottom of the Soissons-Rheims sa- man salient to the south and southlient has been pushed forward in some east of Fere-en-Tardenois was ground down by the whirl of the allied The Germans are bringing into play troops and dulled to an extent that ous tanks and machine guns are every. forbidden to sell them, their artillery in force to check the German weakness was indicated at plunges of the Franco-American many points. The first indication of the north bank of the river, and a tact with him. In the "Pattle of the Woods," however the stiffest resistance the Americans ever faced in this River to Sergy and to Couzzancourt, kind of warfare was encountered. the latter place lying about six miles Here the Franco-American troops north of the Marne. The Germans of- were compelled to contend constantly fered bitter resistance, but not to com- with a rear guard action composed pare with that which began late today completely of machine gunners most for the retention of the higher ground of whom, dressed in green clothing further north of the river. There had nests in trees. Day after day during the fighting the Allied troop ducked the German machine nests, ican front lines to the supports, the using artillery and machine guns and some gas.

In the rear guard fighting, which was carried on to permit of the withdrawal of the heavier German guns, the enemy resorted to numerous tricks, such as carrying machine guns in stretchers when endeavoring to reach some points under the Aliled fire. When they realized that their stretcher trick had been discovered the Germans resorted to other means to de-

The Franco-American infantrymen and machine gunners were notified by "Heavy artillery has been used to their commanding officers to be on the ing been reported where the Germans were notified by field orders that Germans had appeared in the tunics of French and American soldiers. Rush-

The Americans quickly realized that of the forest, peppering a wood opposite. They ceased when the detach-Americans and in a few minutes a hail of machine gun bullets came from that direction.

The American quickly realized that they had been duped and turned their machine guns upon the imposters. 'ng them out in short order.

intelligence officers in the Ameri-March and April pullets should be 100 members of the home guard pabaptism of gas fumes and knew how countered by individual Germans to utilize the masks and to avoid the wearing American uniforms and of sumably having obtained them on some other front. The allies have lost few prisoners in the "Battle of Until today the wounds received by the Woods" and the Germans were negro was shot and killed today in the American soldiers have not been unable to obtain uniforms from the

SEVERAL VILLAGES CAPTURED.

His Army.

Washington, July 2.—The crossing lin Tageblatt. Many stories are told among the out of the Current of the enemy north, and early vegetables met the require-Many stories are told among the old of the Ource by the Americans in the He added that the supply of sugar Munition Workers Rather Work Than make their purchases at once if they on August 9th with the first meeting German morale. Greatest signifi- ward is reported in Gen. Pershing's mens better than last year but the Coventry, July 29.—At a mass shortage of meeter and fets was greater and grea have not already done so. The Unit- at Wedgefield. The entry list for can- cance is attached to a letter taken communique for yesterday. The cap- shortage of meats and fats was great- meeting today the striking munition ed States government is depending didates closes at noon August 8th by from an officer written by his brother ture by the Americans of the towns, er. Owing to the shortage of food workers, it was decided to return to faithfully on these pledges and it is proposed to restrict tourists in work in mediately. At Pirmingham

CONDENSED WAR REPORTS.

ETRATED BY ALLIES.

Pocket Decreasing for Huns Near Two More Army Corps Organized in Soissons and Rheims-Cavalry and Tanks Active in Fighting.

The Franco-American troops, con-With the American Army on the tinuing their pressure on the Germans

mered by the Americans they replied lied right wing southwest of Rheims, Major Generals George W. Reed and in like manner along the river and violent attacks by the French have Omar Bundy, Gen. March said. the fighting shifted back and forth forced the enemy to give further Summing up the Aisne-Marne sitthrough the three miles east of Fere- ground and enabled the French to uation, Gen. March said that official Germans had been unable to force a value and to draw their front ap- forced the Germans back eleven miles preciably nearer the high road which further from Paris and shortened the runs northward from Dormans to allied line ten miles. Rheims.

> ually decreasing pocket—near Soissons Rheims is relatively unchanged. ground, realizing that success there lies are within three and a-half miles would result in a general crumbling from Fere-en-Tardenois and that town of his plans of defense against the is under constant shell fire. The most locking up of his entire army inside striking advance since Wednesday, the big bag.

German long range guns from the re- forward. gion north of Soissons and north and northeast of Rheims are keeping both wings of the salient under a heavy enfilading fire.

Under the battering tactics of the Americans and Frenchmen the German line on the south has now been driven back more than 12 miles from

where harassing the enemy, whose losses are heavy .

Meantime, airplanes are flying over the retreating hordes dropping bombs. Premier Lloyd George Gives Warning while the big allied guns from the sides of the salient are keeping up their intensive firing from all along

The retreat of the enemy has by no means become a rout and so long as the picked troops around Soissons the mouth of the bag through which expected that the greater portion of the armies of the Crown Prince will be successful in reaching in order the turn and make a stand.

Just where this stand will be made is problematical. More than half the ion advisory committee. pocket has been recaptured by the American, French, British and Italian ment said, "not in pursuance of a some of the military critics have sug- tion of the war. gested, Crown Prince Rupprecht of Bavaria purposes to start an offensive trymen hourly are facing danger and this region has been in the nature of patrol raids in which the British have taken a number of prisoners and ma-

Evidently impressed by the threat of the British premier that if they remained on strike until Monday they would be liable to military service, a majority of the dissatisfied munitions workers in England will return to failed or refused to execute orders iswork immediately.

NO LOAFERS TOLERATED.

If This German Rule Could be Enforc-Labor Shortage.

Amsterdam, June 25.-The Bavarian is as follows: Minister of War has issued an order in

INTERVIEWS KING GEORGE,

Assistant Secretary of Navy Has Conference With King.

London, July 29.-Franklin D. Roosevelt, assistant secretary of the American navy, had a long interview with King George this morning.

Germany's Food Shortage. New York, July 26 .- Secty. Steg-

erwold of the German War Food Board announced in a meeting in Dresden raids, that Germany's supply of potatoes was not quite sufficient to last until the next harvest, according to the

AMERICAN ARMY GROWS.

ING IN ITALY.

France-Americans on Battle Front of Chateau-Thierry Still Hammering Retreating Germans.

Washington, July 27.-Trained combatant American troops from France

Two additional American army corps have been organized in France,

The allied position on the flanks On the extreme wings of the grad- of the salient near Soissons and

and Rheims-the enemy, heavily re- The German withdrawal from inforced is holding tenaciously to his Chateau-Thierry continues. The al-Gen. March said, was by the British In addition to the large number of just west of Rheims. The German attroops for reinforcements that have tack at Epieds only delayed the Amerbeen thrown on these two sectors the icans and they are again moving

BUY NO FIREWORKS.

Merchants Advised That Sale Will Probably be Prohibited.

Columbia, July 26 .- This is the seathe point south of Chateau-Thierry son when merchants who deal in firewhere the Allied troops locked the works usually buy their supplies for door to Paris against the enemy July the Christmas trade. This year, how-18 and themselves became the aggres- ever, when the government is making Pershing's Men Go Forward Under Franco-American Forces Contend sors in what has turned out to be one every effort to eliminate waste, although no official order has been is-The crossing of the Ourca, even if sued forbidding the use of fireworks, only by advanced elements of the Al- it is felt in many quarters that the With the American Army on the lied forces, presages a general cross- sale should be absolutely eliminated. Aisne-Marne Front, July 28 (By the ing later on. The French official com- It is really left for the merchants of Associated Press).—The German line Associated Press).—The "Battle of the munications thus far during the bat- South Carolina to say whether this that the enemy has made up his mind length to explain to his German read- is again north of the Ource and Fere- Woods' has ended and the Germans the have been remarkably conservative shall be done, or if they decline, as on the day after the allied offensive ers that this means nothing serious began to undertake a retirement to a and if any ground is yielded, it is of by French troops, is at the mercy of Fere and Ris. Towards the last of this daily have been made and it is indi
none will be available at Christmas cated in unofficial dispatches that al- time, and the money that would be flanks holds promise that the retreat can advance became so rapid that the lied troops are considerably in ad- uselessly spent burning up gun powvance of the line as announced offi- der, will be used for other purposes. Furthermore, it is believed by many Where the Germans are in retreat that a government order may later be from the south, the cavalry has been issued, in which event, merchants who brought into the fighting and numer- have stocked up on fireworks would be

MUST WORK OR FIGHT.

to Strikers.

London, July 26 .- Premier Lloyd George tonight announced in behalf of the line in the densely congested area. the government that all men who are wilfully absent from work on or after Monday next will be deemed to have voluntarily placed themselves outside and Rheims are able to keep well open the munitions industries. Protection certificates will cease to have effect the Germans are falling back, it is and the men will become liable to the provisions of the military service act.

the premier added. line where it is intended for them to tain workers had quit their jobs in The statement pointed out that cerdisregard of their leaders and remained idle aginst the advice of the un-

"They have ceased work," the statetroops opposing the enemy, and there trade dispute, but in an endeavor to have as yet been no signs of a let up force the government to change a natin the retrograde movement. If, as ional policy essential to the prosecu-

"While millions of their fellow counagainst the British in France and death for their country, the men on Flanders, as a diversion against the strike have been granted exemptions big battle now in progress, no signs from these perils only because their of it are apparent at present. What services are considered more valulittle fighing has been going on in able to the state in the worshops than

SUMMONS COUNTY OFFICIALS.

Failure in Duty Alleged by Tax Commission.

Columbia, July 27.-For having sued by the South Carolina tax commission, Gov. Manning yesterday summoned H. A. Townes, auditor for Pickens county, and E. P. Furtick, auditor for Calhoun county, to appear before him next Monday morned in America There Would Be No ing to show cause why they should not be suspended from office. The governor's wire to the county officials

"The South Carolina tax commisall towns and villages of Bavaria, di- sion reports you have failed or rerecting that "every person capable of fused to execute orders issued by work, irrespective of rank, age or them under the statutes. I hereby sex, shall be compelled to aid in the summon you to appear before me at harvest on the order of the local au- my office Monday, July 29 at 10 a. m., to show cause why you should not be removed from office."

MORE HUN CUSSEDNESS.

American Prisoners Lodged in Place of Danger to Prevent Air Raids,

Geneve, Sunday, July 28 .- Thirtytwo Americans, including some officers recently captured by the Germans have been lodged near the railroad station at Mannheim in Baden on the Rhine. According to a report received at Basel, the Americans have been placed in this position to prevent air

ENGLISH STRIKE ENDED.

faithfully on these pledges, and it is which time all candidates must have in Germany giving it as his opinion of Seringes-et-Nesles, Sergy, Ronch- it is proposed to restrict tourists in work immediately. At Pirmingham Bayarian communities, says the Tages, the strikers returned to their places hoped that no one will forget or negfiled their pledges and paid their asthat revolt was imminent unless the eres, beyond the Ourcq is also anBavarian communities, says the Tag>- the strikers returned to their places this morning.