by the French and further nd has been gained by them north to St. Claude farm. (L'Econvillon out three and a half miles south of Lassigny and virtually on the

French are working around it, and now hold high ground wooded area around Des Loges,

of Roye, was captured by the

rench last night, but a German counter-attack drove them back.

The enemy is reported destroying villages in his rear. The ruins of Peronne are reported to be burning. Fires have been observed by Allied airmen at various points.

So far thirty-three German divisions have been identified in the fighting. The indications are that the enemy's reserves are gradually being exhausted

es are gradually being exhausted nd he is drawing troops out of the ne to extend his flanks and cover gaps. This is an operation, how which can only be carried out

a limited degree. Bailly, where the Germans have retreated, is a village situated on the east bank of the Oise about a mile and three-quarters east of Ribecourt. It is near the southern end of Ours-Forest, a wooded section, which is of great strategic value in that part of the battlefield. It lies between the and the Aisne, eight miles southwest of Noyon, and is in the German

British troops have gained additional ground north of Roye and on the north bank of the Somme, says statement from Field Marshal Haig today.

The Germans last night attacked the British positions in the Merris' sector in the Lys salient in Flanders. They The Germans delivered a local at

tack near Fouquescort, on the line between Roye and Chaulnes. It was Close to German Base

The gain north of Roye brings the Allies closer to that important German se and road center. The British are striking from the north and French have been attacking from the movement.

American troops are participating the advance north of the Sommthat river. The Americans helped the English capture Morlancourt and Cho-pilly and have been engaged in heavy aghting on the outskirts of Bray-surnme in a drive toward Peronne.

By the Associated Press

Paris, Aug. 13 .- The Allied forces in Picardy made a heavy attack today along the entire front from Chaulnes southward in a determined effort to break the resistance of the enemy.

The Allies threaten to outflank Roye may have been enveloped and fallen. The Allied artillery now has full control of the converging roads in and out of Noyon, near the southern end of the line, notably that running toward Ham to the north. The difficulty of the enemy in carrying out a retrograde AND NOYON EXPE movement is thus increased

BOMBING SQUADRONS

By the Associated Press

With the French Army in France, ug. 13.—During the battles of the last aways the aerial service, particularly ombarding squadrons, has been playing most important role. The bombing a most important role. The bombing planes have virtually replaced the heavy artillery, which the Allies were not able to bring up fast enough to keep pace fell

The work of these airplanes is so organized that they immediately attack roups of infantry, convoys and supply strains when they receive signals from reconnoitering planes. In this their work is very similar to that of the heavy artillery in its co-ordination with the aerial service.

Bombarding squadrons are kent ready.

nbarding squadrons are kept ready for instant service at airdromes, so that they may take the air at the instant a call is received from signal planes.

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With the French Armies, Aug. 13.—
A study of the reconquered ground proves that General Humbert's attack on Saturday morning without artillery preparation but accompanied by tanks and a rolling barrage, was both unexpected by the enemy and a surprise to him.

crystal vase which contained three red

be every bit of cover with the skill of bushmen. Despite the fact that some of the divisions which attacked have been holding the sector for several weeks, and that the men who were fishing have correctly slept since Thursday night, their pift continues admirable.

They opposed steady resistance to the tesh divisions which were thrown the season of the exploration of the

U. S. TROOPS STORM

By the Associated Press the Somme, improved their positions, at off a few feeble counter-attacks of increased the number of their honers last night and this morning. In the meantime the enemy appears be moving in a considerable number treous. Outle heavy movements.

Official War Reports

BRITISH London, Aug. 13. On the battlefront our troops ef-

on the north bank of the Somme, and captured additional prisoners.

A local attack made by the enemy in the neighborhood of Fouquescourt was repulsed.

night in patrol encounters south of the Scarpe (Arras front) and in the neighborhood of Vieux-Berquin (Flan-A hostile attack against our posi-

We captured a few prisoners last

tions in the Morris sector (Flanders) was repulsed after sharp fighting.

FRENCH

Paris, Aug. 13 There was no important event ing the night.
In the Vosges and upper Alsace enemy raids were unsuccessful.

GERMAN

Berlin, Aug. 12 (delayed-. Between the Yser and the Ancre partial enemy thrusts frequently broke down before our lines. North of the Lys we heat back a strong British attack. The enemy in the early morning launched violent at-tacks north of the Somme and be tween the Somme and Lihons. They were repulsed chiefly by our fire and sometimes by our counter-attacks. In the fighting around Lihons the enemy advanced beyond that place toward the east. Our counter-attack threw bim back to the northern and castern edges of the village.

There have been violent partial gasements between Libens and the vre. Southwest of Chaulnes we attacked the every and took Halla. On both sides of the Auteus-Roye road we pulsed every attacks. Between the Avre and the Oise,

strong enemy attacks continued until nightfall. They were completely re-The French suffered especially heavy losses near Tilloley. By advancing their artillery, which followed closely after their tanks, they tried to effect a break through here. Our infantry and artillery shot the enemy to pieces

captive balloons were shot down yes-terday. In July 516 enemy airplanes were shot down by our airmen on the German front and sixty-nine by our antiaircraft guns. Thirty-six captive balloons also were shot down. hundred and thirty-nine of these air-planes are in our possession and the others were seen to fall inside the enemy's position. We lost 129 airplanes and sixty-three captive balloons in battle during the same period.

their position on the spur between The announcement means that Etinchem and Bray. There the British America new has in the field her first and Americans improved their positions along the whole length of the spur by sterming and capturing enemy defenses, size may not be given, it may be said

AND NOYON EXPECTED

Parts, Aug. 13 - (Havas Agency) .-Germans continued to launch yesterday REPLACE HEAVY GUNS are attributed here to their imperative

amount to a disaster to them.

The German resistance along this line is compared by commentators to that offered by the enemy in his retirement from the Marne, when he based his intermediate defense upon Oulchy and Fere-en-Tardenois. When these two centers were broken the entire front fell in and the Germans were compelled to evacuate the packet and withdraw to the Vesle. The same effect is looked for here when, as anticipated, Chaulnes and Noyon fall. The Germans then will have to retreat across the upper Somme.

FOE'S WAR MATERIAL TAKEN FROM PERONNE It

DEFINES SABOTAGE

Haywood

crystal vase which contained three red roses.

In another dugout was found an unsent letter in which the writer said:

"French shells have killed a horse. What luck for us. We ate it, but since then we have had no more meat."

The German rearguard actions were fought, as usual, by machine gunners, who frequently defended themselves with great bravery, but the French are slowing themselves fully equal to the boches at the game of infiltration. Whenever they meet with serious resistance they meet with serious resistance they meet with serious resistance they are of the l. W. W., at today's session of the sorganization, charged with violations of the organization, charged with violations of the explonage act.

American and the largest army no largest, if not the largest, if not the total of an American army, the recent announcement from Washing-ton that 1,300,000 troops were in France would provide for virtually four armies, allowing for noncombations at the game of infiltration. Whenever they meet with serious resistance they meet the total of an American army, the recent announcement from Washing-ton that 1,300,000 troops were in France would provide for virtually four the total of an American army in the total of a

of 150 of the big dailles, but that it was und that twenty-five newspapers were that were necessary to dominate SOMME POSITIONS all that were necessary to public opinion.

Advocating Government ownership of industries, the witness said under Gov-With the British Army in France, ernment control copper could be pro-us. 12.—Allied forces holding their duced for thirteen cents a pound instead by lines gained in the second battle of thirty-three, the prevailing price last summer.

Shirt Workers Get Bonus

the meantime the enemy appears a moving in a considerable number roops. Quite heavy movements ward are reported by aerial obcrs. but no really great force reavailable for Crown Prince Rupting him was being a partial of the lattic without the

AMERICAN SOLDIERS NOW PLAY BALL IN GAS MASKS



Even the rigors of war cannot make these exuberant American fighters forget the fun of baseball and they have grown quite accustomed to playing the national game in gas masks. This form of relaxation has been made regular feature of the drill at camp

U. S. FIELD ARMY FOCH DELIVERING JUNKERS ADMIT FIRST OF MANY LIGHTNING BLOWS

Six May Be Ready for Al-Strategy of Great Soldier Picardy Battle Regarded lied Offensive Next Spring

By EDWIN L. JAMES Special Cable to Evening Public Ledger

Copyright, 1918, by New York Times Co. With the American Army in France, Aug. 13. The announcement of the organiza tion of the first American field army marks a milestone in the military

effort of the United States, Therwill soon be other milestones passed The announcement means that to number more than 300,000 men Heretofore the largest American unit in operation has been an army corps.

In one sense, the organization of the first American army means that the American military effort has "arrived" in a large way. Heretofore the Ameri The furious counter-attacks which the Now enough divisions and corps have been graduated from the school of exneed of holding the Chaulnes-Roye. perience to make an army, which Novon line, the loss of which would stands independent of the tutors and amount to a disaster to them. ready to perform any tasks laid upon

Foreshadowing the announcement of the first American army, these dis-patches recently told the successive steps by which American units from companies up to corps cast off their swaddling clothes and became self-sup-

Each American division consists of 30,000 men. Each corps comprises two or more divisions, and an army a number of corps. The corps commanders who have been named for manders who have been named for CEDMANC AD

preparation but accompanied by tanks and a rolling barrage, was both unexpected by the enemy and a surprise to him.

That it had not been expected is proved by the fact that one German officer had, indeed, remained until the last minute, but had then fied precipitately, leaving on a table a tall crystal vase which contained them.

000 men. In addition there are auxiliary troops, air squads, tank service, heavy artillery, and so on.

This makes it certain that the first American army will be one of the largest, if not the largest army numerically in France. With 300,000 as the total of an American army, the recent announcement from Washington that 1,300,000 troops were in

The first army and other American armies, as they are formed, will, of course, be under the command of Gen-eral Pershing, who in turn will be re-sponsible to Marshal Foch as com-mander of the Allied forces, just as the British army operates under General Haig, who is responsible to Foch, and as the French, under General Pearly and the French and the French and the French are Aller and the French are a first and the French tain, who answers to the Allied chief-

when our troops first came to France the soldiers went in with the French in small units, getting a primary training. Gradually regiments came to function under French division commanders. Then divisions were formed and trained under French formed for sion commanders. Then divisions were stored and trained under French formed and trained under French corps commanders. Next, and only to hold the people down by force of recently. American corps began to op-erate under French army command-will soon call, if it has not already, for

erate under French army commanders.

In time America will have a group of armies. Should there be 2,000,000 troops here in time for the spring of fensive there may be siz or seven fensive there may be size or seven fensive the may be size

Has Wrought Marvels on the Most Serious Reverse All Fronts

EACH WITH 300,000 MEN PARIS AT APEX OF HOPE GERMANS IN DISORDER

Rapierlike Thrusts by Allied High Command a Revelation of Military Genius

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serious that it was thought Foch might decide the moment has come for another of his lightning blows at an-other part of the front. It is realized here that a momentary slowing down of the Allied advance is inevitable. The is undoubtedly attempting to e-establish his defensive line, while the Allies are under the necessity at the same time of bringing forward helr front bases and organizing a

slight progress of late between the Avre and the Somme, and this is regarded here as evidence that the enemy s making a desperate effort to pin lown and wear out the British divi-lons in this region as much as possible, while he collects such reserves

Continued possession of Roye is now vital to the Germans. Between it and Noyon run the only roads along which they can retreat to the northeast, but

falling back was suspected. Today the Allies are driving them back in heaps, with enormous loss of life, and capturing millions of shells, thousands of prisoners

GERMANS ARE WARNED BRITISH SAILORS SING AGAINST REVOLUTION

mitted With Threats of Severe Punishment

Copyright, 1918, by New York Times Co. London, Aug. 13. The Munich Post publishes an en-

work to provoke great political scandals. The journal asserts, with the
of enemy seaplanes, said to have numof charge in the fifteen-yard-wide Avre

By the Associated Press

London, Aug. 13.-Germany, in the London, Aug. 13.—Germany, in the bitterest hour of defeat in the west she ships were engaged in divine service has yet known, is menaced in the east not only by the advance of the Allied been more apt than the signal flashed expeditions, but by the perpetually growform the flagship, "Hymn 224, verse ing movement of unorganized resistance" 7." which read as follows:

All the ships companies joyfully took up the singing of the hymn.

of the War

By GEORGE RENWICK Special Cable to Evening Public Ledger Copyright, 1918, by New York Times Co.

Amsterdam, Aug. 13. "The most serious reverse of the war" so says the Pan-German Deutsche Zeltung. It declares further that the British and French succeeded in effecting a surprise which threw the German The city is on the tiptoe of expec-tation today. The German situation in the bend of the Somme had become the losses in prisoners are not inconsiderable

The German defense, it goes on to say, was not so successful as was to be expected, and "as we have become accustomed to."

That wild jingo paper turns this black description to account, and puts the whole blame for the reverse on those prolongation of the battlefront which who politically do not see eye to eye has taken place.

with the Pan-German extremista It will with the Pan-German extremists. It will The Allies have made only a very have it that the anger aroused at headquarters by Von Kuchlmann's declaration that the war could not be brought to an end only by the sword has its counterpart in the depression which the statement aroused in the ranks of the as are still available, and especially army. It hopes, therefore, that the guns to replace the short losses. "bitter experience of Thursday" will "bitter experience of Thursday" will have the effect of bringing about a state of affairs in which politicians will not agitate against the supreme command.

It was explained how at first the smaller units served under their own commanders, under French commanders, under German views and hints at the entrance of the town I passed at the entrance of the town I passed the eye caught the region to the eye caught the region and twisted iron—all that was left of the station nothing, saye the chaos of shattered timbers and unders.

It is exceedingly angry with those of non-Pan-German views and hints at the advisability of a sort of pogrom against the pacification of that the entrance of the town I passed what seemed to be a cross road, until the eye caught the region to a twisted iron—all that was left of the eye caught the fregment of a twisted iron—all that was left of the eye caught the fregment of a twisted iron—all that was left of the eye caught the prome twith the

to terminate the second of the first American and supply trains. Alripianes to the number of 121 few to the spot and supply trains. Alripianes to the number of 121 few to the spot and twenty-one tons of bombs were dropped at the same trains of the first American and supply trains. Alripianes to the number of 121 few to the spot and twenty-one tons of bombs were dropped at the same of 121 few to the spot and twenty-one tons of bombs were dropped at the same trains of the first American and the first American trains of the first American trains of the first American and the first American trains of the first American and the first American trains of the first American trains of the first American and the first American trains of the first American trains of the first American trains of the first American and the first American trains of the first things worse than war.

AS ZEPPELIN FALLS

Secret Organization Is Ad- Great Airship Drops Into Sea in Fight Near Dutch Coast

Special Cable to Evening Public Ledger | Special Cable to Evening Public Ledger Copyright, 1818, by New York Times Co. An East Coast Port in England, Aug. 13. The brilliant exploit of air forces, co-

two of the German coast, opening out full blast.

The men on board some of the war-

Oh happy hand of pligrims, Look upward to the skies, Where such a light affliction Shall win so great a prize.

Plan to Meet German Competition Special Cable to Evening Public Ledger Copyright, 1918, by New York Times Co.

FOE BRINGS RESERVES TO HALT TURNING MOVE

Battle One of Maneuver Now Instead of Frontal Attack. Von Hutier Outgeneraled by Foch-Further Retreat Likely

By WALTER DURANTY

time the thud of an explosion told of

The shellholes along the road, and

whose colonel told me how they

charged yesterday along the road at

carrying machine guns, with the in-fentry and cavalry in skirmishing or-

Germans Caught on Jump

There, in a sentence, is the secret of the Allied victory—the Germans

were caught on the jump and have

been jumping-backward-ever since.

A mile further on a talked with a captain of a famous Chasseur regi-

ment, himself still in the front line

after the amputation of his left arm a year ago, and wearing the cross of

the Legion of Honor and a war cross

with four palms, which bears the Military Medal and should strap, and

who had just won the fifth citation

"The British are magnificent," he

New Tanks Worry Germans

ittle tanks came along and the boches

Everywhere I heard the same story

guit. These new tanks seem to have

responsible, but the dash of the French troops, and above all, the accuracy of their artillery, contributed

A German colonel was penned in the deep cellar until the arrival of

French troops, who captured him jus

along the roads that were pitted wit

shell holes, and in the neighboring village of Mezieres, where a group of

determined machine gunners offered obstinate resistance until they were

annihilated by one well-aimed eight inch shell. It had scarcely a hou

Two New Dry Zones

Announcement to this effect was made

"That is a matter entirely with the

Needless, Says Bonner

"We are gathering data to prove tha

the dry zone is unnecessary," said Neil Bonner, president of the Retail Liquor Dealers' Association, this morning.

Dealers' Association, this morning.
"When the data is in shape for pres-

Aithough Bonner declined to discuss

Establishment of a dry zone in the

as an outlet was being dug via well

other two battalions even less.

ot them rattled,"

left standing.

declared.

never was able to get a breath."

der on either side.

as now.

Special Cable to Evening Public Ledger bish heap. In Moreull itself houses Copyright, 1918, by New York Times Co. were still burning and from time to

With the French Armies, Aug. 13. tionary, so the Germans are throwing munitions. in reserves and the French repairing roads and bridges and bringing up literally every five yards along the city. Liquor men fear this action and guns and supplies. The main enemy guns and supplies. The main enemy hillside, bore eloquent witness of the effort to prove that Mr. Kane is "exeffort is directed toward checking the hell of destruction that had preceded ceeding his authority.

Lassigny.
Nothing emphasizes better changed character of the fighting, which has become essentially an affair that very point in armored camions f maneuver as contrasted with the front assaults of trench warfare. Thus Montdidier fell like a ripe plum consequence of the French advance to the north and south of that town. A similar maneuver is now in prog-ress against the Roye and the Massif of Lassigny—the former the main

bulwark of Von Hutier's center. Franco-British progress beyond and south of Chaulnes would inevitably turn his flank and roll back his whole this region were compelled to retire in the last week of March. The desire to avoid such a contingentcy is the explanation of the bitter German counter-attacks against the British right.

Similarly, Humbert's left is encountering strong resistance in its progress in army orders. along the Matz, where villages in Allied hands were heavily bombarded Allied hands were heavy, the adavnce yesterday morning. If the adavnce along this valley goes only a little further it will turn the Lassigny massif from the northwest and force the enemy's retirement by overthrowing to pay the score with the boche for what happened in March. I fought beside them on the Somme in 1916, but beside them on the Somme in 1916, but

trench lines and deep wire entanglements, some dating from the fi rench fighting of the fall of 1914.

To sum the situation up, the enemy is pursuing exactly the same tactics as in the Marne salient. He realizes that a further retreat is likely to be imperative, though he is doing his utmost to avert the necessity, and i lesperately to permit the evacuation of his vast stores and artillery. As in the salient, the work of the

Allied airmen is of inestimable value, Between 1500 and 2000 bombs were dropped Sunday on the knot of roads dropped Sunday on the knot of roads in the center of Lassigny—an area of demoralization than ever before. The perhaps half a mile or more through effects of surprise and the weakness which the retiring columns, convoys of his artillery doubtless are largely in the center of Lassigny—an area of perhaps half a mile or more through and artillery camions had to pass.

such bomb sweep an area of 100 yards in circumference

A Ruin Incredible Montdidier itself was a ruin incredible. At first sight of the hill, 100 feet in the garden.
above the Avre, which formerly Equal accuracy of fire was evident above the Avre, which formerly crowned the prosperous township of thousand inhabitants, would have thought it merely a chalk slope, unusually scarred by shellfire. Whitish stones lay piled in heaps from the crest down to the river, but never was there a wall or roof that might indicate a human dwelling. A closer view showed individual mounds

sonry, remained.

Under German camouflage screens, swaying gently in the breeze, I picked my way through a wilderness of mounds and hollows where one long piece of wall, rising, perhaps, fifteen feet above the surrounding wreckage, marked the site of the fine old church

center of the town on the main street. Now the whole region is as tranquil as though the war were a hundred miles away. Nothing save the muffled beat of a piledriver, where engineers are constructing solider bridges over the Avre, breaks the cleared silence. Yet the activity everywhere is incessant, as the roads are being cleared and reprepared for traffic, water mains re-established, and con-

voys brought up to supply the battle that is moving eastward

Despite the swiftness of the retreat

Mr. Kane's order.

Although Bonner declined to discuss the issues involved he made it plain that the ilguor men would test the legality of Mr. Kane's order.

Mr. Kane's order. the enemy found time to block the roads—already well-nigh impassable through abandoned material and num berless shell holes—with trees out down from the roadsides. All these obstacles must be dealt with before the forward move can go smoothly. Yet the latest information tells us of an Allied advance, hardly less rapid

Moreull Wrecked by Shells August 10. - Your correspondent quering French army through Moreuil, across the Avre and on toward the bat-

across the Avre and on toward the bat-tlefront to the point of the Anglo-French junction, where the famous British Colonial Corps is driving ever harder against the boches.

Of all the ruined towns I have yet seen Moreuil presents the most la-mentable spectacle. The wood framework of houses stands naked like a skeleton where the covering of tiles or plaster has been rent away by ergetic warning to workers, especially aperating with naval light forces off the shellfire. The effect of desolation in the those on farms, not to take part in Dutch coast, has given great satisfaction town, whereof not a single house esceptionally movements which are at here, although the loss of six motorboats is regretted. These exceptionally for the wholesale destruction

> on a bridge thrown up by the French The Zeppelin is believed to be one of Germany's latest airships. The British aircraft were not seen by the crews of the suburb of Moreuil west of the river, had ceased to exist. It was hardly possible to recognize the loca-tion of buildings in the enormous rub-

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INVESTORS & SPECULATORS

Allies, Since July 18, Win 70,000 Prisoners, 1000 Guns

By the Associated Press Paris, Aug. 13.—(Havas Agency.)

captured from the enemy.

Since the beginning of the Allied counter-offensive on July 18 the Allies have taken more than 70,000 prisoners and more than 100 guns, the Echo de Paris states today. In addition, it estimates more than 10,000 machine guns have been

For the moment the battle is sta-onary, so the Germans are throwing I reserves and the Breach repulsing

Allied turning movements from the northwest against Von Hutler's defensive line, which has been established approximately between Roye and Lassian Las within the category of a military pos

Zone for Every 250 Men "When I find," said Mr. Kane, "that there are 250 or more soldiers in train or on either side. | ing at an army post or camp I have
"The boche couldn't hold us at all." | the right to protect those men from the

"We hustled him so fast he liquor menace by creating a half-mile as able to get a breath." The arsenal has more than 250 men recognized as a military camp or post "Philadelphia armories, if they are beof troops, must be put in the same class, and if I find that any one of the city armories is housing more than 250 soldiers, I shall take steps to create a dry

RECRUIT PALS FOR A. E. F.

zone around that particular armory.

Battalion of "Wades" Formed for American Force

By the Associated Press London, Aug. 13.—Recruiting has begun for a "pai" battallon of the Women's Auxiliary Army Corps for service with the American Expeditionary



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