surrounding and reducing each it separately and successively. To easy task, because the enemy at his positions long ago, so he to defend them with groups of machine gunners who have --which they invariably obey to ter--to resist until killed. equently every inch of ground

BRITISH

being heavily assailed. "Twelve of our airplanes, including one night-bombing plane, are missing."

FRENCH

Between the Avre and the Oise there s great activity by both artilleries, specially in the Roye-sur-Matz and

On the Vesle enemy raids were un-successful. Prisoners were taken in a French raid in the Mesnil-les-Hurles

GERMAN

South of Ypres early in the morn-ing there was violent artillery fighting.

Under our fire enemy attacks were un-

able to develop. South of Merris fre-quently repeated English partial at-tacks were repulsed. There was fore-field fighting on both sides of La Basse Canal and between the Scarpe

Between Tilloloy and Canny and

Berlin, Aug. 13 (delayed).

onchy-les-Pots sectors.

egion (Champagne front).

Paris, Aug. 14.

Oil Decree

ASSERTS SOVEREIGNTY

By the Associated Press

Replying to a protest from Great Brit

ain against the provisions of the oil

decree of February 22, which was de

clared to be confiscatory and in viola-

tion of the rights of English companies

holding oil claims, the Mexican Government has declared that it does not recog-

nize the right of any foreign govern-

ment to protest against decrees of this

nature. It holds that by virtue of its

sovereign rights the Mexican Govern-

ment is free to adopt such fiscal legisla tion as is necessary. It suggests that re

ourse to the courts would be the proper method of determining whether the oil

land decree is unjust and confiscatory

Iand decree is unjust and confiscatory. The Mexican reply follows: ""Without judging the exactness or in-exactness of the qualifications of estab-lished taxes, the Mexican Government, can only express the surprise caused by the note and the protest of his Britannic Majesty. for. in the capacity of an in-

dependent nation in the legitimate exer-cise of her sovereignty, Mexico issued a decree against which the only recourse

that Mexican laws concede is when they

judge onerous and confiscatory taves decreed by public power. "The surprise of the Mexican Govern-

ment is legitimate, as would be that of any other Government of a free country.

including that of his Britannic Majesty

and foreigners regarding contributio

decreed in its territory, because it i

deemed that conceding the preference

which all diplomatic intervention

tends, such a decision is fair to Mexico

Courts the Proper Recourse

"The course to be taken by foreigners and nationals alike to free themselve

from impositions which are deemed con

before tribunals, which are always fou

scatory consists in submitting the cas-

"The Mexican Government has a firm

arpose in respect to foreign interes

program can only be realized through

equal preference over Mexican nation-

The reply is signed by General Can

dide Aguilar, Minister of Foreign Af-

Founder of French Theatre Dead

By the Associated Press

of diving English citizens un-

upon foreigners alike.

Mexico City, Mex., Aug. 14.

There was no infantry action

Kemmel.

east of Meteren.

anacquently every inch of ground uires not only great determination overcoming, but experienced skill. Uesday's fighting put the French to than a mile north of Cambronne, to to Attiche and Carmoy farms, ch are two big machine-gun nests.

#### By the Associated Press

by the Associate Fresh endon, Aug. 14.—British troops of gained further ground at the apex the Lys salient in Flanders, says official statement from Field Mar-i Haig today. East of Meteren line was advanced slightly, while t of Vieux-Berquin, south of Me-en, patrols established a new line. there was no infantry fighting dur-the night on the British sector of Picardy battlefront, says the state-The German artillery was ac-

sday the British threw back Gern local attacks on the northern side ana local attacks on the northern side
the Lys salient. Last night the german artillery was very active in his region.
By the Associated Press
With the British Army in France, and in the neighborhood of Vieux-Berquin.
"The number of prisoners captured by the French First Army and the British Fourth Army since the morning of the 8th Instant exceeds 28,000. Among the state of the s this region.

ig. 14.—There was no change in the uation on the new Somme battlealtuation on the new Somme battle hont this morning except for the fact that a considerably increased artillery fire indicates that the enemy has final-ity decided to bring up more of his by decided to bring up more of his guns. Allied guns have replied vigor- sand machine guns, and also numerous

Various small artillery concentracounted tions have sprung up during the last few hours and are new active in firing oints within the British lines h as Vauvillers, Framerville, Proy-"Work in the air was actively carried on in all its branches August 12. On the battlefronts our badoons were pushed forward close behind the line and sent down much useful information. Our ar-tillery and reconnaissance machines were busily occupied all day. "Enemy airplanes were active and there was much air fighting. Thirty hostile machines were brought down and seven driven out of control. One Gerart, Lihons, Dernancourt and the for-ward areas south of the Villers-Bret-

ward areas south of the villers bret-onneux-Chaulnes railway. The Germans have also subjected the valley north of Morlancourt to heavy gas shelling and have similarly treated Harbonnieres and the Gres-reles wood resider. saire wood region. American troops are in the Gressaire wood area. By the Unued Press Parts Aug. 14.

Paris, Aug. 14.

While the Germans have regained heir equilibrium in Picardy, at least emporarily, and apparently are determined to make a stand on the Bray-Roye-Lassigny-Noyon line, they abowing unusual jumpiness on whole front. A gun duel has been The Germans have used 135,000 re-serves in the Picardy battle.

### FRENCH MARKING TIME **BRINGING UP SUPPORTS**

ecial Cable to Evening Public Ledger Copyright, 1918, by New York Times Co.

With the French Armies, Aug. 14. As indicated by the communique, the stile has entered a new phase, a phase German resistance, and the French, some extent, are marking time to en-ble supplies and supports to be brought

and Ancre Rivers. On the battlefield between the Ancre and the Avre the morning was quieter. South of the Somme, the enemy attacked in the afternoon on both sides of the Roman road running from Foucancourt to Villers-Bretonneaux. He was repulsed.

North of the Amiens-Roye road we drove back strong enemy attacks in the evening. Between the Avre and the Oise there was violent fighting during the day with partially fresh brought the day with partially fresh brought-up French divisions. Strong forces at-tacked in the morning south of the Avre, as well as between Tilloloy and north of Elincourt. They collapsed before our line. At isolated points we repulsed them by counter-thrusts.

west and southwest of Lassigny, the enemy continued his attacks until late in the evening. South of Tilloloy on five occasions weak forces were thrust

tor and hole to the out particular 1915 line. There is one well marked and very encoursging feature in which for the most part is a stabilized situation. In the Thiescourt sector the line runs to the west of the St. Claude farm and around the Belle Assisse farm. At the St. Claude farm the Thiescourt position is seriously compromised on the west, for the farm is forward from the region of the Matz. We drove the enemy back and very frequently his attacks were held up by our concentrated artillery fire. Yesterday twenty-nine enemy air-

planes were shot down.



Sister Chaules, an American nurse, who has been at the front for three years, being showered with garlands of roses by wounded British officers at the Royal Free Hospital in London

# **MEXICO REJECTS** AMERICAN WOUNDED NEGLECTED **BY GERMANS, WHO LACK SUPPLIES BRITISH PROTEST**

Britisher, Who Escaped From Boche Prison Camp, Gives Denies Right of That Gov-Vivid Description of Treatment by Foe-Now Safe ernment to Object to in American Lines

#### By EDWIN L. JAMES

Special Cabletto Evening Public Ledger road system built by the Germans in the Soissons-Rheims salient was constructed Convright, 1918. by New York Times Co. With the American Army in France, Aug. 14. While the German Imperial propa-

gandists are spreading lies alleging mis-treatment of captured German wounded I asked Purvis to tell me exact I asked Purvis to tell me exactly what

treatment of captured German wounded by the Americans, I got some first-hand information today about how the Ger-clock in the morning, when they started Mana treat American wounded. My information comes from Corporal M. P. Purvis, of the British army, who to work, they received one pint of "cof

My information comes from Corporal M. P. Purvis, of the British army, who was captured at Craonne on May 27 and who, escaping, entered the American lines near Fismes Monday. The prison camp in which he was held is at Ram-court, thirty-five kilometers northwest of Fismes and near the main railroad

court, thirty-five kilometers northwest of Fismes and near the main railroad which ran from the German Solssons-Rheims sallent. The work he did took "The boche is in a terrible predicament," he said. "They use substitutes for all foods and for everything except Purvis onto this railroad. He said he saw American wounded men on flat cars, They told Purvis they had been wounded three things-men, guns and ammuni-tion. Thank God, they can't get a substitute for these." seven days before. Purvis said (150 words deleted here).

Purvis said that the morale of most of The Germans were very short of medical supplies, and all they had were used for their own soldiers. There were no anesthetics for the wounded prison-ers. They hays almost no cloth bandages, but paper ones are used instead, even for their own wounded the also said that the success of the Exciting Time in Escaping Purvis and his partner had an exciting time escaping. On August 7, when they

for their own wounded.

Purvis and his partner had an exciting time escaping. On August 7, when they started out to work, it was not yet ded American prisoners also light He and White slipped into are treated terribly, as are the English. That night they walked toward the south. They kept this up until Monday Around the prison camps he had seen a number of signs "Gott Strafe England." After the Americans helped to drive south. back the Germans from the Marne, some morning, when they got in front of the American lines of these were changed to "Gott Strafe

Dressed in dirty German prison garb, they looked in the early morning light like German infantrymen. An American Corporal Purvis was a bank clerk he-

TIOGA BUSINESS MEN

ner Breaks Arm

with

CAPTIVE OFFICERS SAY OVER ROYE ROAD "Can't Win Now," Shows Depression Caused by Germans Make Obstinate Defeat-Transport Is Foe's

# **Big Problem**

"GERMAN GAME IS UP,"

#### By WALTER DURANTY

pecial Cable to Evening Public Ledger | are inevitable when any extensive transport operation is in progress. Al-lied airmen are ever on the watch and the moment a tie-up occurs it is sig-naled to the airdrome and bombing squadrons assail the point immedi-ately. No discipline can face a mass attack from the air and the resultant confusion often blocks important Copyright, 1918, by New York Times Co. With the French Armies, Aug. 14. the advance is less rapid, that does not mean that the Allied pressure is reconfusion often blocks important junctions of railroads or highways for several hours.

There are several features which warrant high hopes for the future. Perhaps the most important is the unexampled depression in the enemy ranks caused by the dramatic change from success to disaster. For the first time since the war

axing.

began German officers say freely: "We can't win now," or "the German game is up," or "the best thing we can do s to make peace as soon as possible." Here or there one is found who cher-shes the dream that Hindenburg may

yet rescue the situation by a stroke of genius, but the tone in which the suggestion is proffered shows that it is hope against hope, like a condemned man praying for an impossible rerieve. Secondly, the Germans are suffer-

ing terribly, not only from appalling losses in men, but the vast quantities of guns and material abandoned in the ast month. The life of their cannon ast month. The life of their cannon is already greatly shortened by the shortage of certain elements, such as manganese in the composition of steel. The Allied capture of not far short of 1200 pieces since the whole counter-offensive began must increase this difficulty enormously.

Germans Lack Transport

Doubtless munitions, machine guns and artillery can be replaced, and to a less extent, men also, but the need to do so multiplies ten-fold what perhaps is the most serious German em I mean the question of transport. The Germans are already faced by a shortage of rolling stock, horses and grease for trucks and wagons, and hampered by the impaired quality of their ralld beds and material.

The enemy is now compelled to put an entirely disproportionate burden on his communication service, long ago strained to the utmost. Even far nis communication service, long ago strained to the utmost. Even far behind the front, the problem is a very grave one, but as the firing line is approached it is veritably agoniz-

the western crest Even in favorable conditions tie-ups which it is the key.

Stand in Woods With **Machine Guns** BRIDGES ARE DESTROYED Foe's Resistance Stiffening,

FIERCE STRUGGLE

but Allies Are Gradually Improving Positions

By HENRY W. NEVINSON

Special Cable to Evening Public Ledger It is essential unless the morale of It is essential unless the morals of an army is to crack completely that the wounded be evacuated from the danger zone without delay. Nothing depresses soldiers so much as the sight of injured comrades uncared for or in pitiable circumstances, for each man thinks that may be his fate be-fore long. Imagine the task of re-moving 10,000 wounded along a bom-barded transport system! Copyright, 1918, by New York Times C With the British Armies, Aug. 14. I again made a long journey through miens, down the straight road that leads to Roye, though one still has to stop some miles short of the town because the enemy holds the ridge and the wood commanding it.

It appears to me that for distinc-New Forces Are Needed Meanwhile, new forces of resistanc tion the recent push of four days should be called the battle of Roye

must be grouped in the rear to meet the unremitting pressure on the bat-tlefront. That sums up the tactical position at this moment. The enemy Road, for, although the southern boundary of the Fourth Army's action had been in the neighborhood of that is clinging desperately to ground with every available man, gun and machine gun to give himself time to offer more road, yet the co-operation of the French beyond, and as far as Montsolid resistance later, probably furdidier, makes the road a kind of centher back. The Allies in return are occupied tral radius to the great arc from Dernancourt, on the Ancre, southward.

barded transport system!

in reducing the front-line positions as rapidly and inexpensively as possible. The battle for Thiescourt Wood Mos-sif, called little Switzerland, which is now in progress is a most salient example. This Massif defends the Roye and Lassigny line in the cen-

The first move of the French was sistance was hardening and that his to advance along the Matz Valley, north of the Massif to Canny-Sur-Matz, which is dominated by the Loges artillery or machine guns commanded the main approach. This warning was soon justified. Wood, Here the Germans launched wood. Here the German's latenties furious counter-attack Monday after-noon, accompanied by a very heavy bombardment, in which gas predomi-nated. The French managed to retain A series of overgrown trenches crosses the road, marking the Allied lines after the battle of the Somme. Standing in old No Man's Land, some distance in front of last year's their hold on the greater part of the wood, but further progress was slowed up for the time being by the enemy's trenches and about four miles fro Rovet, one could understand the situ-ation fairly well. Close at hand upon the eft or north of the road ware

superiority in numbers and weight of superiority in numbers and artillery. Further south the French took Gury and held it against strong attacks. Its occupation gave a flank protection for the next move, an attack on the Saint Claude Farm, on the edge of the western crest of the Massif, to

ter of machine-gun fire in our dire tion. almost omniously deserted. The soli-tack from Parvillers toward Lesquo-noy, which lies barely a mile west of it, but, as a soldier coming out from the line remarked to me, "He wasn't no good against our barrage."

some small woods that conceal the villages of Parvillers and Damery; and that the enemy still occupied both

was evident from an occasional sput

When I passed over it the road was quieter, and for the last few miles,

from about Quesnel onward, it was

almost ominously descried. The soll-

tude warned one that the enemy's re-

## DEATHS

COCKROFT.—Aug. 13, MARTHA, widow of William Cockroft, formerly of 3860 Mana-yunk ave. Relatives and friends invited to foneral services Fri. 10 o'clock a. m. 1530 Fairmount ave. Remains may be viswed Thurs eve. 7:30 to 9:30. Int. private. SMYTH.—At residence. 216 S. 20th at., Aug. 13, WILLIAM J. SMYTH. Notice of funeral later.

HELP WANTED-FEMALE

By EDWIN L. JAMES Special Cable to Evening Public Ledger Copyright, 1918, by New York Times Co

With the American Army in France Aug. 14. With the evident desire to maintain their front along the Vesle, perhaps more for propaganda purposes than strategical reasons, the Germans Mon-

it was before. One hundred and nine-

ty-two dead Germans were counted in

a small region where temporarily they

forced their way into our front line.

we started from. The Germans kept

up their artillery work on a large

scale until 10 o'clock, when they

The enemy kept up a harassing ar-tillery fire all day, which continued Monday night. Considerable gas was

sent over. German aerial activity continues marked. With an apparently limitless supply of planes they for the time have

air superiority over the Americans on the Vesle front.

Mass for Dead Hero

Mass for Dead Hero Solemn requiem high mass was cele-brated this morning at the Church of the Transfiguration, Fifty-fifth street and Cedar avenue, for Private Stephen Ryan, 524 South Fifty-seventh street, whose death in France was reported a few days ago. Father McGettigan, rec-tor of the church, was the celebrant.

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**British Sovereign Decorates Generals Pershing and Bliss and 19 Others** 

doughboy rushed at Purvis

UNPRECEDENTED EVENT With the British Army on the Picardy

KING PINS MEDALS U.S. TROOPS HOLD **ON OUR FIGHTERS** 

Battlefront, Aug. 18 (delayed). For the first time in history United States soldiers were personally decorated by the King of England today.

Honors were conferred upon General diers, amid impressive ceremonies.

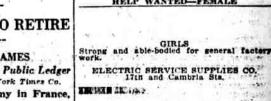
John J. Pershing, the American commander-in-chief; General Tasker H. Bliss, four lieutenants and fifteen sol-

The decorations were in recognition of Fismes. One of these attacks met an attack which was being made by the British ad with you. including that of his Britannic Majesty. Corporal Purvis was a bank clerk be-fore the war and is an intelligent man. I believe the utmost reliance can be tributions were called into question by tributions were called into question by Americans and bloody fighting fol-

LINES ON VESLE Beat Off Foe in Six-Hour **Fight When Two Attacks** Meet

ONCE FORCED TO RETIRE

THE BEAR DESIGNED



Bella Assisse farm the French have suc-caded in obtaining a considerable foot-ing on the southern portion of the moun-tamous mass of Thiescourt.

#### **AMERICANS FOIL**

#### By the Associated Press

ris, Aug. 14.—Along, the Vesle, e French and American troops are oned, the Germans have made vain t, the War Office today reports. The ch took prisoners in a raid in Cham-

With the American Army on the Alene-Veale Front, Aug. 14-(By I. N. S.)-German artillery has been extreme-by active against the American bridge-hand position north of the Vesle River. The Prussian Guard division facing the Americans has not been transferred from the Vesle front, despite the activities in the Montidiler region. Aerial observers report that the en-emy is establishing barbed-wire entan-riements and organizing surong and elaborate defensive positions. German batteries emplaced north of the Aisne River are now registering the new Amer-ican positions.

an positions. Despite violent fire from German changle guns, American airmen have

bendle violent he from German beeded in making numerous photo-aphs of the enemy positions. German hting planes tried unsuccessfully to we away the American observers. igh-angle

### FOE HURLS 135,000 **RESERVES IN BATTLE**

#### By the United Press

with the British Armies in France, ug. 14.—Crown Prince Rupprecht's old on the west side of the Somme and

Inically practicable from a military point of view." Mystery surrounding the new pro-visional government in the northern provinces was cleared by Staal. N. V. Tchaikovsky, a Liberal leader nationally known in Russia, is president. Other members of the government are former delegates to the constituent assembly, who were elected last November under universal suffrage and, therefore, ac-cording to Staal represent virtually all classes of the Russian people. Tchaikocsky, who is nearly seventy, has been a lifelong leader in movements of the Russian people and was one of the fathers of the revolution. He is a friend of Kropotkin, the famous Russian radi-cal, and also of Kerensky, who is soon to go to Archangel to help establish the The Nesle-Noyon Canal remains y uncomfortable. The British Fourth and the French h First and Third Armies maintain their neavy pressure from Albert to Ribecourt, and although General yon der Marwitz and General yon Hutler are profiting to the fullest possible extent from the old Gomme lines, along which parts of the external new run, their armies are go to Archangel to help establish the

front now run, their armies are amilten by the Allies' heavy artil-

imost a third of the thirty German islons identified on this front are General von Ludendorff's precious uarded reserves. (Thirty divisions) the Kerensky regime.

ruarded reserves. (Thirty divisions prize 405,000 men. The reserves, refore, number 135,000.) Despite the command's recent order to conserve m-power to the limit, no alternative a open but to throw every available in including orderlies, cooks, and offi-servants into the line to slow down a Alles' advance or perish. But for the desperate measures ap-led to secure at least temporary re-far greater disaster would have end in upon the Germans and every-ing worst of the Somme and the Noyon that would have failen.

## Long Range Bombardment of Paris Believed Ended

"By the United Press Pairs, Aug. 14 .- The American d Cross has been notified from authoritative source that fear long-range bombardment of is need no longer be felt, acof to the Paris Journal, to

**Kaiser Orders Finns** to Fight Allies

Continued from Page One RAIDS ON THE VESLE authority over this Allies and beiligerent army.

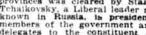
> DECLARES BOLSHEVIKI DECEIVED RUSSIANS

By the United Press

Washington, Aug. 14.—Bussian peas-ants are rapidly awakening to the danger of German aggression and will soon renew the war in the belief of leadcoming from the right to exercise interior sovereignty, and, in consequence cannot accept the responsibility which it is pretended will be charged to her ant as supposed damages as a con sequence of this legislation. "Such a decision is founded upon the equality which the Mexican Government desires should exist between Mexicans

soon renew the war in the belief of lead-ing Russians here, including Alexis F. Staal, prominent in the Kerensky gov-ernment, who has just escaped to Amer-lea after months in hiding from the Bolgheviki in Russia. "The Russian people are being unde-ceived as to the purposes of the Ger-mans in making the Brest-Litovsk treaty." Staal said today. "They were misinformed by the Bolsheviki at the time the treaty was signed and did not time the treaty was signed and did not realize that it was against their inter-

est. "When they are fuly awakened, as they probably will be by the new Gov-ernment, they will be glad to renew the fight against Germany if it seems tech-nically practicable from a military point



ready to administer justice, applying the against confiscation of property. Furth-ermore, it is generally admitted that diplomatic representation should be th

last recourse taken and only when the last resources have been exhausted. "If the provisions of the decree are openly against the laws and in viola-tion of contracts previously made, ac-cording to the concept of his Britannic Medicate such could not rationally con-Majesty, such could not rationally col an obstacle to the free develop

State.

effect

fairs.

in its strictest terms.

new government. Russians here expect Tchaikovsky's government to spread throughout Rus-sia. Kerensky is expected to lend his ment of Mexican property, and this de velopment can demand, as has happened ertain changes of legislation be

certain changes of legislation of the source of the country. This is evident when it is considered that the modern concept of Punta di Matteo spur, southeast of Cina-property is that it is a social function zigolon, taking more than a hundred pris-property of the property of the oners, in addition to machine guns and

## CALLS THRONE CRAZE A POLICY OF CRIME

## By the Associated Press

he laws and institutions of the republic by applying dispositions equally. "Esteeming that it is the best guar-antee it can impart, the Mexican Gov-Amsterdam, Aug. 14.—Discussing the machinations going on in Finland and the Ballic provinces to provide thrones for German princes, the Socialist newsernment cannot see a way to accept the diplomatic protests from his Brit-annic Majesty, which would have the Vorwaerts, of Berlin, gives out a

paper. Vorwaerts, of Berlin, gives out a note of warning. "The new thrones to be erected in the east are not only threatened from with-in, but from without." the newspaper says. "The world war is not yst ended. The new monarchies are based on the quicksands of the Brest-Litovsk peace and he who desires to make the Russian border provinces a branch establish-ment of the German dynasties must con-sequently acknowledge as their aim the military domination of the world by Germany.

Germany. "This craze for thrones in the east shuts the door upon a peace by under-standing and stakes everything on a military decision. The question in evitably arises whether the situation in the west justifies such a policy." Elsewhere in this issue Verwastis breads the policy in question as 'n pol-

New York, Aug. 14.-Lucien L. Bon-heur, founder of the French Theatre in New York, died today at his home at Great Neck, L. I. He was fifty-four years old. Coming to this country thir-ty years ago, Mr. Bonheur was a leader among Prescheme here. Formerly he has vice president of as Allance -

the diplomatic protests of the countries roborated by Private Isaac White, of the White looking on, they rolled about in of subjects affected by the imposition. The Mexican Government is sure that British army, who escaped with Purvis. Purvis also revealed that while Gerthe Government of His Majesty would mans who were captured by the Rus- a German, for Purvis thought that after

not permit diplomatic protests against the high contributions that the war has sians are fighting for Germany in Russia, the Russians who were captured by German patrol, while the doughboy the Germans were kept in prison camps thought he was trying to repel a Gerwho were captured by caused him to decree in all his dominions, and which should weigh equally not only upon British subjects and suband used as laborers by the German man attack. When they recognized one

America."

Furvis said that the elaborate railjects of conquered nations, or those sub-

Russian Captives Not Freed

lected in any form to his dominion, but ITALIAN OFFENSIVE Denies Bight of Protest

"In virtue of its freedom of fiscal legislation, it is opportune to declare that the Mexican Government does not IN ALPS IMMINENT recognize the right of any foreign coun-try to protest against acts of this nature

**25-Mile Front** 

# By the United Press

Washington, Aug. 14.-An Italian of-fensive in the Alps appears mminent, according to a dispatch to General field day outing of the Tloga Business Emillo Guglielmotti, military attache of Men's Association this afternoon at William F. Linsky, Private Harry She the Italian embassy from the headquar-Hunting Park. ters of the Italian supreme command

The contestants were Thomas Bluett, Henry Wolfe and William Scargle. The Italians are reported to have

ed posts at

opened an intense artillery fire in the mountainous zone near the Swiss border for all. No one seemed to mind the heat, and many good records were made along a front of approximately twenty-

along a front of approximately twenty-five miles. The sector is the highest of the entire battleline and has been vir-tually free from fighting since the be-ginning of the war. The Italian attacks center against the enemy positions in the zone of Val-tellina, on the Tonale, and at the head waters of the Val di Genova. Alpine storm troops have taken Mount Man-tello and were reported as being ad-vancing up Mount Albiolo and in the regions of the headwaters of the Val di Genova.

Rome, .Aug. .14 .- Local operation nd artillery activity in various sector all along the Italian front were reported

ward and also to give them a good send-off when they leave for camp.

The committee in charge is composed Michael Walker, Edgar R. Hobson and John Shuster

"In the Tonale region, between th head of Noce Torrent and the head of

the Genova Valley our artillery was ef-fective, inflicting heavy losses on the "On the left bank of the Plave supply

depots were set afire by our intense aerial bombardment. At Fucino and

Val di Sole we effectively bombed hut nents, magazines an railway

Austrian forces on Tuesday evacuated all occupied points south of the Semeni River, in Albania, it was announced here

Italian and French troops cleared virtually the entire region south of the Semeni in their recent offensive.

by the War Office today.

other material," the statement said.

last night attacked advand

It gives them guarantees facilitating Payerioch and Konigspitze, but was re-their development and believes that its pulsed.

enemy.

lishments.

"In the upper Zebru Valley the enemy

Standard Oil Magnate Dies Aurora, III., Aug. 14.-W. B. Cowan. president of the Standard Oil Company of Indiana, died at his home at Wheston, III., last night, according to word re-coived here today. He was ality years old. He become III during the presid

they helped the British capture Hamel the mud until their profamity caused (on the Picardy front) from the Ger-each to recognize that the other was not mans on July 4. lowed. The net results of six hours mans on July 4. of fighting leaves the line just where

A rousing reception was given to King his seven days' flight he had run into : George by the doughboys. There were flags, music and cheers and an imposing detachment of American soldiers and another the American escorted th officers stood by while the ceree two Tommies back to his mess and fed them,

We launched an attack of a local monies were in progress. The Americans stood in line while the nature just before dawn. Our force King fastened the medals upon the lahad moved forward about a kilomete pels of their coats, afterwards' shaking them heartily by the hand and conwhen at 5 o'clock they met a German gratulating them upon their bravery and attack in force which, as the artillery work gave evidence, had been prepared patriotism

HOLD ANNUAL PICNIC Nine of the honored Americans were before. The two forces met and before in the hospital where they received their superior numbers we retired to where

Artillery Fire Opened in Tub Race of Councilmen Afterward a number of the rank were decorated. The nineteen Americans of the rank The nineteen Americans of the rank of lieutenant and downward who were

launched an attack of a violent nature red were: Lieutenant Frank Schraw, Lieutenant Albert G, Jefferson, Second Lieutenant Harry Yagle, Second Lieutenant Michael against the line between the Bois du Diable and Fismette, using much gas and fiame projectors. The American had gotten up re-enforcements. The

A tub race between three Common Councilmen of the Forty-third Ward was one of the features of the patriotic Thomas A. Pope, Corporal Andrew C. German onslaught carried them a few yards inside our line, but they were repulsed with considerable losses and Shabinger, Corporal Lester C. Whitson Corporal Raymond H. Powell, Private we maintained our lines intact.

The Germans had been ordered to retake Fismes, orders which, of course, were not carried out. Some of their were not carried out. Some of their snipers, under cover of darkness, got across the Vesle into the outskirts of geant A. Erhard, Corporal H. Zyburt the town, but they were exterminated

DECLARES GERMANS RULE AIR Congressman, Back From France

GIRL FALLS TO HER DEATH

FALL FATAL TO WORKMAN

Fractured

"They are frankly critical of the fall-"They are frankly critical of the fall-ure to give them better aerial protec-tion. The commander of one sector told me he has only 'washed out' or discarded French machines with which to protect his men."

Tonight there will be a big Liberty sing as a concluding ceremony. his men

Crashes Through Skylight and **Head Hits Anvil** 

Health Conditions at Home and **Overseas Better Than Ever** 

Washington, Aug. 14-(By I. N. S.) .- ombined health reports from overseas forces and from companies and canton-

ments in this country show that the health records of American troops have never before been surpassed, so low is

the death rate, Surgeon General Gorgas innounced this afternoon.

The combined hospital death rate of forces here and overseas is 1.9 per 1000 men. The death rate of men of the same age in civil life is 6.7. These figures are based on a total of 2,000,000 Gus Angle Dies When Skull Is

Gus Angle, seventy-two years old, 1808 Chestnut street, died this afternoon in the Pennsylvania Hospital from a frac-ture of the skuid, received this morn-The death rate for the Mexican ' was 100 per 1606 men. Civil Was per 1609 mes and the Mexican ' Way 35 per 1606 men.

ly, Corporal Albert C. Painsipp, Private Fred E. Wilkins, Sergeant Frank A. Kosjane, Corporal John DeSmidt,

There were many other exciting events for all. No one seemed to mind the heat, and many good records were made

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Fell and broke her arm. She was taken to St. Luke's Hospital.
Several thousand residents of North Philadelphia attended the big picnic, and cach received a souvenir.
The souvenirs, contributed by the business men, included everything use-ful and ornamental.
The proceeds will be used to provide comfort kits for the soldiers of the send-off when the laws for the source of the source and source and source and source and source and source and the source and source and the source and source and the source and source and

ARMY DEATH RATE VERY LOW

Reba Nathanson, twenty years old, 2524 South Ninth street, was killed this afternoon when she fell from a second-story window in the National Label Company plant, 3343 North Carlisle street. The girl crashed through a skylight over the first floor and landed on a workbench. Her head struck an anvil.