## "WORK OR FIGHT TACKED ON HOUSE MAN-POWER BILI

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Senate Committee Substitutes House Measure, With Rejected Feature

CLEAR DECKS FOR VOTE

Prohibition Bill Sidetracked. Reclassification Clause Dropped by Framers

By the Associated Press Washington, Aug. 26. A clear track was given in the Senate today to the man-power bill, passed Saturday by the House, broadening the army draft age limits to

eighteen and forty-five years. When the Senate convened under a long-standing agreement to take up war-time prohibition, Senator Shep pard, of Texas, prohibition advocate, moved to temporarily lay that measure aside. It was agreed to and debate on amendments to the man-power bill was resumed, with passage late today or tomorrow expected.

House Bill Substituted

To expedite and simplify procedure the House bill was substituted for the draft bill, which has been pending in the Senate. The Senate Military Affairs Committee met before the Senate convened and reported the House bill, with minor amendments, after adding the Senate amendments including the "work-or-figth" proposal.

The Senate Committee struck out amendment of Representative Treadway, of Massachusetts, adopted by the House, providing for appointment of special examiners by the ceived word from the War Department, Provost Marshal General to reclassify or other sources, that these men are men in existing deferred classes. This amendment, the committee agreed, would cripple authority of State draft boards and is unnecessary because General Crowder already has power to make any reclassification deemed de-

### To Employ Married Women

After attempts to modify it had falled, the Senate accepted, without a record vote, the committee amendment providing that the wife of a soldier or milor shall not be disqualified for any cause she is married.

enator Shields, of Tennessee, pro-ed a substitute, in effect waiving the civil service laws in so far as they

rould affect such women. This was speed by a vote of 40 to 30.

Another committee amendment lopted provides that men under twenty-one shall not be denied commissions or entrance to officers' training camps cause of their youth.

The amendment proposing free edu-cation of not more than two years for men enlisted or drafted under twentycaused considerable discussion tor Smoot objected that no edu-nal plan had been worked out and North no cost estimate given, Senator Borah replied that it was not a question of dollars and cents; that the Govern-ment could not make a better invest-ment and that the boys were entitled the education because they would fighting when they otherwise would

Reed Amendment Adopted

By a vote of 53 to 13, the Senate siso accepted the committee amend-ment presented by Senator Reed, of Missouri, providing for the education after the war at Government expense of boys under twenty-one years of age who either enlist or are drafted into

the military service or naval service.

The provision permits such boys as desire to attend approved educational institutions for a period equivalent to that of their service, providing it does not exceed two years. Those voting against it were Senators Brandegee, France, Frelinghuysen, Kellogg, Lodge, McCumber, Nelson, Smoot, Townsend, Wadsworth, Warren and Weeks, Republicans, and Thomas, Democrat

An amendment by Senator Smith, of Georgia, providing for purchase from the Government at cost by navy and marine corps officer

## **VARE CONSTABLE HELD**

Abrams Accused of Extortion and False Pretenses Constable Edward Abrams, connected

with Magistrate Harry Imber's office, was held in \$600 bail this afternoon for a hearing Wednesday. He surrendered when he heard he was to be arrested on the charges of obtaining money under false pretenses and extortion.

James Good, 403 South Fifteenth street, declared Abrams obtained \$10 from him by false pretenses. Abrams refused to make any statement today, except that the charge was the result of his releasing a man because of political friendship.

of all friendship.

During the Fifth Ward trial, Abrams
was mentioned as being affiliated with
Isaac Deutsch, Vare leader of the ward.

HORSES TRAPPED BY CAVE-IN

Animals Escape Serious Injury

When Street Collapses

Two horses aftached to a wagon of the Coles Lumber Company. Front street and Kaighn avenue, Camden, narrowly escaped death this afternoon when the street at Webster street and Ferry road collapsed, throwing the team into the copening.

Policemen and agents of the Camden Society for Prevention of Cruelty to the opening.

Policemen and agents of the Camden
Society for Prevention of Crueity to
Animals rescued the horses with ropes.
The animals were only slightly injured.
The street's collapse is believed to
have been due to heavy rains.

WHETHER-WHYS! Generally cloudy and unsettled,

Washington, Aug. 26.—Six members of the crew are believed to have been drowned or killed by the torpedo explosion, and nine members of the crew and one member of the naval armed guard are still missing as the result of the sinking of the American steamer Lake Eden in foreign waters August 21. Yep, the sceather surely has us nettled. But, of course. Clouds today—tomorrow 'trell be

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SENATE PROVIDES EDUCATION

FOR BOYS ENTERING SERVICE

Washington, Aug. 26 (By I. N. S.).-Under an amendment to the

man-power bill adopted in the Senate by a vote of 53 to 13 this afternoon, the United States will embark on an after-the-war policy of

educating all men under twenty-one, who either enlist or are drafted

into the military or naval service for a period equal to that of their

tional period exceed two years, and that application for the educational

privileges shall be made within six months of the discharge of the

applicant from the army.

7 CITY SOLDIERS

ing and One a Pris-

in Today's Death List

Private George M. Taylor, 5116

Private Walter F. Smith, 2335

Private Clarence Jacobson, 912

Private John A. Dougherty, 243

H. S. Hood, no residence address

A. Dunn, no residence addres

Corporal Charles E. Kenworthy

167 Gray street, accidentally killed.

August 26, 1918

The Evening Public Ledger will be glad to publish sketches and photographs of service men whose families have re-

[The full list of today's casualties, as as announced by the War Department, is printed on page 11.]

The names of twenty-three Philadel-phia soldiers appear in today's casualty lists, six having been killed in action,

nine wounded, two being missing and one a prisoner. In addition, the accidental

death of a seventh soldier is reported.

Five names of men among the casualties have been published before.

but are given on the official list for the first time today.

The names of eight men from nearby

one hundred casualties from this city were reported last week, the majority having occurred during the heavy fight-ing along the Marne from July 15 to 21. The official list released for the morn-

ing papers today contains 183 names, including four Philadelphians and twen-

ity-eight from the State at large. The list released for the afternoon papers contains 213 names, including nine Phil-adelphians and thirty-eight from the

State at large, making a total of 396

for the day.

The list of wounded, missing and pris-

WOUNDED

ported killed in action).

Sergeant Ardo C. Smith, 712 Union

Lieutenant Leon F. Roemer, 1719

Sergeant Robert Fisher, 3804 North

Corporal S. C. Brown, 6330 Gray's

Private Harry 5. Weber, 5832 Vine

MISSING

Corporal Maurice P. Singer, 512 South

Fourth street. Private Edward J. Sparks, 1846 South

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DRYS CLAIM WILSON BACKING

Leaders of War Prohibition Bill

Extend Date to July 1

By the Associated Press

TWO WOMEN HIT BY TRUCK

injured When Driver Goes on

Sidewalk to Avoid Collision

Ten Others Missing When U. S.

Steamship Is Sunk

By the Associated Press

Fifty-fourth street

Newkirk street (previously re

numbered among the casualties.

Philadelphia Soldiers

North Sixteenth street.

North Fifty-eighth street.

Tacony street.

Penn street.

The amendment provides, however, that in no case shall the educa-

KILLED, 9 HURT | AS TRUCK UPSETS

Two More From Here Miss- Child Killed by Shock After

GIRL DIES, 8 HURT

Seeing Boys and Men

Hurt

One girl is dead and six boys and

two men injured as the result of an ac-

jured in jumping to the street.

Indiana avenue.

tile Thrust

**Back Beyond Their** 

Starting Point

OCCUPIED BY DEBENEY

Petain's Troops Press North-

ward and Eastward in

Oise Salient

Prepare for Decisive Blow at

Novon—Outflank Enemy

at Coucy

By the Associated Press

The Germans today attempted a

counter-offensive on a large scale

against the right wing of General

Mangin's army in the region between

Vailly and Soissons. The attack

General Mangin's army repulsed

the German onslaughts everywhere

The French flung back the attacking

troops even beyond their starting

A dispatch from the Oise front says: "Violent counter-attacks launched

by the Germans this morning between

the River Ailette, at Mont Saint Mard

and Juvigny, north of Solssons, were

completely smashed by the French.

General Mangin's army is still men-

acing the German communications be-

tween the River Aisne and the Sois-

Somme, General Debeny's French

Paris, Aug. 26.-The battle was

resumed on a large scale between the

The French are pressing northward

and eastward in the Allette salient to

force the defenses east of Noyon and

to opening the way for a decisive drive toward the Somme in the Ham-

dmon region.
Strong forces have pushed across

strong forces have pushed across
the Allette, and Coucy-le-Chateau is
already outflanked from the north.
The Germans are now resisting
energetically along the ridge and
forest north of Coucy.
East of Bagneux French troops
have passed eastward beyond the

have passed eastward beyond the

Soissons-Chauny railway.

The Germans have fortified the north bank of the Oise from Noyon to

In the Roye region and between the Allette and the Alsne there was sharp artillery fighting last night, today's

MACKMEN EARLY LEAD

Tally Run in Second and

Third Frame Off Pitcher

Bagby

By ROBERT W. MAXWELL

Shibe Park, Aug. 26 .- The Athletics

again took the lead on the Indians, tally-

gles by Gardner, Perkins and Dykes sen

Gardner home with the initial run. A triple by Acosta and Burns's single gave the Macks another in the third.

5 to 2. Coumbs outpitching "Wild" Bi

Munch in the second inning, and Perry was on the hill at the start of the third inning. Bagby labored for the In-

The Indians took the first game by

Johnson gave way to Pinch Hitter

Bescher walked. Chapman sacrificed

Burns to Dykes. Speaker was thrown out. Burns to Johnson, and when

SECOND INNING

runs, no hits, no errors.

ing a run in the second frame of second game here this afternoon.

War Office statement says,

Oise and the Aisne today.

In the battle area south

sons and Laon region."

utterly failed.

AILETTE RIVER

Paris, Aug. 26.

AT ALL POINTS

FOE IS BEATEN

# IN RAILWAY YARD

Consecrated Now to Americans as Well as French Heroes

By CHARLES H. GRASTY Special Cable to Evening Public Ledger Copyright, 1918, by New York Times Co

Paris, Aug. 26. The most intensely interesting area in the world to the Americans is that IN FIGHT ON MARNE PLUNGES INTO STORE of the second and third battles of the Marne, to which I have just made a

When one takes a map of France

As I traveled through it I recalled the invader.

the store was injured, but the building was badly damaged. resence of death.

Between the Ourcq and Paris, they The boys in the coaltruck, which belonged to Fleming & Bates, of Twenty-sixth and Sedgley avenue, were scattered in all directions and several were intold me then, there were seventeen lines of trenches and wire which had been prepared to make sure of de-fending the capital against any pos-Seven of the injured were taken to the Samaritan Hospital. They are Elmer Wilson, negro, 2420 West York street, sible return of the enemy.

Greater Menace on Return fractured skull; James Robinson, negro. 2405 Gordon street, bruises; Robert Sellers, Twenty-fifth street and Sedgley Within three years they came back enace than ever. This and in some instances gained ground. avenue, bruises; James Wingart, 2625 Gordon street, bruises; Hugh Henry, 2711 York street, bruises; J. Verrill, 2308 time no detail was lacking in their

Von Kluck's advance had been com-North Twenty-fifth street, bruises, and Bonsall, 5114 Harlan street, driver of the Supplea truck. Bonsall was arrested. At the Woman's Homeopathic Hospital is Arthur McGettigan, driver of the flank was exposed. Joffre and Foch, to advance alongside of him and his flank was exposed. Joffre and Foch, as much by good luck as good man-agement, jabbed the keen French sword into that flank and miraculously coal truck, bruises.

The injured boys were on the way to North Philadelphia station to give a Local Draft Board No. 38, who left for

the Allies of the immediate fruits from Vessels Sent Down Off

> this year, was carefully prepared and left nothing to chance. It opened with perhaps the most brilliant success of Mangin's army also has made a slight the war. The strongest positions on advance between the Ailette and the western front, the Chemin-des Aisne. Four hundred pris

# **30,000 GERMANS**

**U-BOAT SINKS FISHING FLEET** 

Coast of Holland

Ymulden, Helland, Aug. 26.—Seven fishing boats have just been sunk by the same submarine. Three of them were of Dutch registry. The crews of the destroyed boats have been landed here. The craft were fishing a few miles outside of what has been known as the

Nearly 500 Guns Captured Observers Believe Fighting west of Coucy-le-Chateau, preparatory by Haig's Men Since Private Robert Kane, 720 E Willard August 8

By HENRY D. NEVINSON Copyright, 1918, by New York Times Co.

With the British Armies, Aug. 26. The line of our general advance is still changing so rapidly that it is useless to do more than add a few details to the official bulletins. Rough-By the Associated Press

Washington, Aug. 26.—President Wilson, Senate prohibition leaders declared today, is not opposed to legislation pending in the Senate proposing national prohibition during the war, but has suggested that the proposed time for its becoming effective—January 1 next—be extended.

After much cloakroom negotiations, leaders said the prohibition supporters had agreed to fix July 1, 1919, instead of January 1 of next year as the date when prohibition would become effective. Although some of the bill's opponents were demanding a longer extension, representatives of both factions said it appeared probable that July 1 finally would be agreed to. close to the old Hindenburg line, about nine miles southeast of Arras, and through Croiselles, west of St. Leger, Mory and Sapignies, where the fighting is particularly severe, to a point between Grevillers and Bapaume. Thence the line inclines southwest, but I believe it includes Warlencourt and its famous butte upon the Albert-Basaume coad, Martinuch the Bois. Bapaume road; Martinpuch, the Bois-des-Foureaux, part of Mametz Wood, Fricourt, Bray and the loop of the Somme almost to Suzanne.

South of the Somme the Australians pushed gradually forward from Cappy and Chuignes, but always in conformity with the northern advance. South of the Fourth Army come the French. The Fourth Army, containing Australian, Canadian and British troops, had Saturday taken more than 30,000 prisoners and nearly 500 guns since the beginning of the push on

In my tour of the field between Thiepval and Pozieres Saturday I found almost every kind of equipment left behind in the German dugouts and trenches, including trench mortars and Brothers, was arrested. The prisoner, Edward Evans, negro, was said to have been driving at an excessive rate. He said he drove up on the sidewalk to avoid a collision with another truck.

TORPEDO EXPLOSION KILLS SIX

Ten Others Missing When U. S. The retreat had evidently been anticipated at this point by all but the infantry battalions. Among the prisoners were Alsatians, who were particularly loud in their expressions of joy at being captured. They say that families of Alsatian

deserters are very harshly treated, even the girls being compelled to work at trench digging.

Miraumont was captured only Sat-Miraumont was captured only Sat-urday morning after a severe conflict. Reports of the splendid success of the tanks and the armored cars which co-operated with them continue to reach us. Work on the tanks in ac-tion is extremely exacting, and I hear that some covered 400 miles since Au-gust 8. Many have been smashed by directs hits, but nearly all are capable

## U. S. LIEUTENANT **KILLS 100 BOCHES**

Catches Group in Open and Sprays Them With Machine Gun

MARNE GROUND SACRED Crushes Heavy Hos-

of War

FRESNOY, ABOVE ROYE, cident caused today when the drivers sons, thence to Fismes along the Vesle of two motortrucks tried to avoid a col- south to Dormans, and thence along the Marne to Meaux, he finds the territory inclosed is the most conse-The girl was Sophie Kassner, 2436 crated in all the history of the war,

Marston street, a pedestrian. She died this afternoon at the Woman's Homeo- another visit in July, 1915, When I pathic Hospital as the result of shock. saw it smiling in the sunshine. It The trucks belonged to the Supplee never occurred to me that it would Ice Cream Company and Flemings Bates, again suffer the devastating touch of coal dealers, Twenty-sixth street and

Within a few miles of Soissons the Supplee truck was coming east French were busy then mending the on Indiana avenue. On seeing a crash was inevitable, George Bonsall, the driver, attempted to turn into Twentyruins of the fight for the Marne. One heard the noise of many hammers fourth street, but the truck went on and saws in every village. Ripening the sidewalk and plunged through the wall of the H. F. Kerns grocery on the fields of grain contrasted with the hundreds of crosses, white for the French southeast corner of Twenty-fourth street and Indiana avenue. No one in and English and black for the Germans, which the natives had erected with characteristic reverence in the

preparations.

sword into that hank and miraculously saved Paris.

The enemy executed what has been called the greatest retreat in history, and put his armies in position behind the Alsne, from which they were not dislodged for two years, thus depriving the Allies of the immediate fruits from

the Marne victory.

But the second Marne battle by the Germans, which began on May 20 of about three miles north of Roye, ac-Continued on Page Four. Column Three taken by this army yesterday.

## **ALLIED VICTORIES** avenue. Private Julio Merela, 1815 South Hicks street. Private N. S. Lomas, 504 East Johnson street.

Now Preliminary to Foch's Decisive Drive

RAPID FRONT CHANGES WONDERFUL FIVE WEEKS

By G. H. PERRIS Private Alban Lewis, of the Marine Special Cable to Evening Public Ledger Special Cable to Evening Public Ledger Copyright, 1918, by New York Times Co.

With the French Armies on the Oise, While there is no great change to

report on the new French front along details to the official bulletins. Roughly, I may say that, according to the
information available about noon yesterday, the line of the Third and
Fourth Armies then apparently ran
from near Fontaine-Les-Croiselles,
close to the old Hindenburg line, about
nine miles southeast of Arras, and pressure upon the enemy is being BUNCHED HITS GIVE three streams. Noyon, once more in the southwestern corner of the German front, is threatened on both sides and between the Allette and Aisne, north of Soissons, the French are nearly approaching the ancient hinge of the Hindenburg line.

One now meets experienced soldiers who think a decisive victory will be obtained this year. Others more con servative are anxious that the public the character of the present Allied attacks should not be exaggerated. We have had a wonderful five weeks

in which the armies of Mangin, De Goutte, Berthelot and De Mitry, then of Rawlinson and Debeny, and again of Mangin and Humbert, with the aid of American, British and Italian divi-sions, have shared the honors of an unbroken course of victory, now being carried forward by fresh troops. But to careful staff observers, to whom I have referred, these are only the preliminaries to a general and decisive offensive of the Allies.

Two Important Circumstances They have been effected while yet we have had a very slight superiority of power—that is their promising aspect—but they have been aided, at least south of the Somme, by two important circumstances.

First is the character of open movement given to the way liket to the west liket.

out, Burns to Johnson, and when Bescher tried to score he was doubled up, Johnson to Perkins. No runs, no hits, no errors.

Bagby tossed out Jamieson. Kopp fanned. Acosta filed to Bescher. No runs po hits, no errors. ment given to the war last spring by the enemy when he became certain of success, owing to the Russian collapse. Second is the fact that when strick-| fanned.

Wood flied to Dugan. Dugan threw out Johnston. Turner singled to left. Turner died stealing, Perkins to Dugan Second is the race that when stricken between Solssons and ChateauThierry and Ludendorff realized that
to Marshal Foch's maneuvering skill
was added the power of the American- contingent—when he realized,
that is to say, the day of German
offensives was over—the grand staff

Wood flied to Dugan. Dugan threw
out Johnston. Turner singled to left.
Turner died stealing, Perkins to Dugan.
No runs, no hits, no errors.
Burns lined to Speaker. Gardner singled to right. Perkins bounced a single
off Bagby's leg. Dykes singled to left, Continued on Page Twelve, Column Flye Centinued on Page Two, Calumn Que

## Mangin's Right Wing Angry Teutons Trample on Pictures of Kaiser

PLUNGE INTO HINDENBURG LINE;

FRENCH SMASH COUNTER-BLOW

Entered as Second-Class Matter at the Postoffice at Philadelphia, Pa.

BRITISH IN NEW ARRAS ATTACK

Berlin Crowds Tear Down Lithographs and Throw Them in the Street at News of Raising Military Age Limit

Amsterdam, Aug. 26.

A remarkable demonstration is reported to have taken place in Berlin when a report was spread that the military authorities intended to raise he military age limit.

This started trouble in the poorer quarters, and particularly in the Moa-bit district, for in this district, which might be called the Tower Hamlets, or Bermondsey, of Berlin, had been cir-culated a report that the older classes

would be released from service. Reports of the contrary decision were received with anger and dismay. Crowds, mostly of women and old men. assembled in the streets and noisily discussed the matter. Under the eyes of the police, however, the crowds melted away and the people returned to their homes or went to the cages. But at the former places pictures of the Kaiser, the Crown Prince. Hinden-burg and Ludendorff were taken from the walls and thrown into the streets. For some minutes there was a rain

Attacking Germans Pushed Special Cable to Evening Public Ledger of pictures of Germany's military great ones pouring from Berlin's private an public houses. Out of doors the people gave vent to their feelings by trampling the pictures under foot. who lingered rather too long at this business were arrested. For an hour street cleaners were busy sweeping up the tatters of thousands of the gaudy lithographs, a spectacle which was en joyed by onlookers from many a win dow in Berlin.

Life-and-Death Fight Now

"It is now a life-and-death struggle Not for matters such as Belgium and Alsace-Lorraine are we fighting. We must recognize that it is our all which is at stake." So shouts the Cologne Volks Zeitung in calling upon the peo-pic to show themselves possessed of Hindenburg nerve. The paper rails against the defeatists, declaring "We shall soon settle scores with the for-eign foes if the enemy at home does not stab us in the back."

Allies Surrounding Bapaume The same journal regards the fight-

ing which is now proceeding as a

BRITISH CAPTURE THREE MORE TOWNS LONDON. Aug. 23 .\_\_ Suzanne and Cappy, towns north and south of the Somme, respectively, were captured today by Field Marshal Haig's forces, according to reports received here this evening from the British battle front. The British also took Avesnes les Bapaume, a suburb of the town of Bapaume. British troops also reached the western outskirts of Thilloy, south of

## TWO AMERICANS KILLED IN SEAPLANE ACCIDENT

Bapaume. An unconfirmed report states that Monttauban and

the outskirts of Longueval also were reached by the British.

British froops today also captured the town of St. Leger.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 26 .- Dale Vern Campbell, Portland, Ore., and Lester Achan Barnett, Mount Pleasant, Tenn., navy quartermasters, were killed August 22 in a seaplane accident in

## WILSON SEES HOOVER AT WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON, Aug. 26.—President Wilson this afternoon received first-hand information on food conditions in Europe. Food Administrator Hoover, who recently returned from a visit to the Allied countries, was received at the White House for the first time since his arrival from abroad and spent more than an hour in conference with the President.

## FORD MOTOR COMPANY TURNS PLANTS OVER TO U. S.

DETROIT, Aug. 26 .- The Ford Motor Company has offered its thirty-one assembling and service plants in various parts of the country to the Government. One of the eastern plants already has been accepted and is being used in the production of

## BASEBALL SCORES

CLEVE.... 0 0 0 0 3 0 2 0 0-511 2 ATH (1g)...0 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 0-211 1 Coumbe-O'Neill; Adams-McAvoy; umpires, Connolly-Nallin.

CLEVE.... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 7 1 ATH (2g)... 0 1 1 0 0 1 0 1 x-4 10 2

Bagby-O'Neill; Johnson-Perry-Perkins.

ST. LOUIS, A. L.... 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 1-2 7 0 NEW YORK, A. L.... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 - 0 4 1 Davenport-Severeid; Keating-Hannah.

DETROIT, A.L.... 0 1 0 3 0 0 0 2 0-6 11 1 BOSTON, A. L...... 2 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 3 5 2 Cunningham-Spencer; Mays-Schang.

CHICAGO, A. L..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 2-2 19 1 WASH'GT'N, A. L.... 1 0 0 2 2 0 0 7 X-12 17 1

Cicotte-Devormer; Horlik-Picinich. NEW YORK, N. L... 0 0 0 1 0 0 1 0 0- 2 12 0 ST. L., N. L. (1stg.). 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 5 0 Perritt-Rariden; Ames-Gonzales.

NEW YORK, N. L... 0 0 0 1 ST. L., N. L. (2d g.) . . 0 0 0 0 Toney-Rariden; Packard-Brock.

NO OTHER MAJOR LEAGUE GAMES PLAYED

Haig Extends Drive to North and Gains Two Miles

## STRONG GERMAN TOWNS TAKEN

Monchy, Guemappe and Wancourt Wrested From Teutons

OTHER PLACES SEIZED AS FOCH PRESSES ON

English Dash Forward on Both Sides of Somme

CAPTIVES REACH 20,000

and Patrols Enter Key City

By the Associated Press With the British Forces in France, Aug. 26.

Everywhere from the river Scarpe o Lihons, south of the Somme, the battle contnues today, and the British are making progress notwithstanding a stiff resistance from the German machine gunners. Astride the river Somme the British have materially advanced their lines.

By the Associated Press

London, Aug. 26. Attacking on a four-mile front between the heights northeast of Neuville-Vitasse, on the Cojuel River, and Fampoux, on the north bank of the Scarpe, in an extension of their big drive, the British today drove the enemy back two miles and pierced the Wotan section of the Hindenburg line. The gain was made in a few hours.

Monchy-le-Preux. Guemappe and Wancourt, four miles southeast of Arras, which were on the Hindenburg line as it stood prior to March 21, were quickly captured by the British in their onrush today.

In this secto ahead slightly in March, but were held up after the second day of the fighting and were unable to get nearer

Launched by Fresh Troops

The battle this morning, which extended the active front to the northward, was made by fresh British forces from what heretofore had been the left bank of the battle line. Everywhere the German line is reported to have been beaten in as the British troops pushed forward. With the customary "crash" bombardment the British went over the top.

Fighting is reported proceeding at Heninel (between Arras and Croisilles). General Byng's troops in their new drive on the Arras front are also reported to have captured Orange Hill and Carnov. The British success this morning in

pushing back the German line southeast of Arras considerably relieves the position of that city. The War Office announcement of

the new blow says that the attack began at 3 o'clock this morning and is progressing favorably.
South of the line of the new attack

the British have captured Mory and progressed to the southeast of the village. The British positions west of Croiselles, in the same region, between Agras and Bapaume, have been improved in spite of a heavy rain which is falling on the battlefield.

## Favreuil Captured

Favreuil, a mile and a half northeast of Bapaume, has been captured and the British have advanced beyond the village, the British War Office statement says. Strong German counter-attacks north

and south of Bapaume have been repulsed by the British. The Germans are making great ef-

forts to hold Bapaume, but the town is gradually being surrounded. According to a report from the front

lines the British have reached the Bapaume-Beugnatre road and have established themselves there. The British lines have been a

vanced slightly astride the Somme and progress has been made in the direction of Maricourt, four miles northeast of Bray, today's War Office statement says. British troops are reported

reached the outskirts of Suza miles east of Bray sur Som be near Cappy. slightly less miles southeast of Bray of bank of the Somme.

The British Third Armies suffered casus at about 22,500 batw and August 25, according