



GERMANS FLEEING BEFORE RUSS AFTER TRIPLE DEFEAT

IN RETREAT ALL ALONG LINE FROM RIGA TO VOLHYNIA

Teuton Forces Blasted in Riga, Kolki and Baranovich Sectors; Lose More Than 7,500 Prisoners, Half Dozen Cannon and Machine Guns; Great Battle Raging Along Whole Front of British Offensive in France; Launch New Drive East of Albert and Take Trench Half Mile Long

EFFORTS OF KAISER TO REGAIN GROUND LOST WITHOUT SUCCESS

Unable to Break Allied Lines; French Rest on Their Arms, Confident They Can March Into Peronne Whenever Ready; Intense Bombardment Along Battle Line in Northern France Ushers in Second Line of Offensive; Violent Artillery Actions Around Verdun

A German retreat all along the line of the front in Russia from Riga to Volhynia is reported to-day.

The unofficial news to this effect comes from Petrograd through Rome. It declares that a triple defeat for the Germans in the Riga, Kolki and Baranovich sectors caused them to begin a movement of their whole front westward.

Petrograd has recently announced successes in the regions mentioned in the Rome advices. The last report from the vicinity of Kolki, in the crucial Volhynia sector, recorded the capture by the Russians of more than 7500 prisoners, half a dozen cannon and 23 machine guns.

A great battle is raging along virtually the entire front of the British offensive in Northern France.

At daybreak the British launched a new drive east of Albert. Important tactical successes were gained in several sectors, London announces.

The Germans simultaneously attacked in force near the river Ancre and north of Fricourt. They succeeded in temporarily occupying two or three hundred yards of ground lost in the earlier British drive.

Advantages gained by the British were in the vicinity of Oulliers, Contalmaison and La Boisselle. Near the last named place in an engagement last night a German trench more than a half mile in length was captured.

Meanwhile the French, both north and south of the Somme in the field of the great allied offensive, are resting on the ground won in their notable advances of the last week. Efforts of the Germans to break the line now held by the French before Peronne, at one point with 2 1/2 miles of that city, have been futile according to Paris.

There is a comparative lull in the fighting about Verdun so far as the infantry is concerned, but artillery actions on the right bank of the Meuse, north of the citadel, are still violent.

Berlin, July 7, via London.—A salient of the German line in Volhynia projecting towards Czartorysk has been abandoned under superior pressure by the Russians and a new line of defense selected, it was announced to-day by the war office.

The repulse of Russian attacks on both sides of Sokul, in the Volhynian region is reported.

Heavy attacks by the Russians against Field Marshall Von Hindenburg's forces south of Lake Narocz were beaten off.

Russians Take 10,000 Prisoners and Quantities of Supplies in Fighting

Petrograd, July 7.—The following official statement was issued last night by the War Office: "The number of prisoners we took on July 4 and 5 during the fighting which still is going on west of the line of the Syr and below the town of Kolki, totals more than 10,000 officers and 7,415 men, mostly unarmored. We also captured six guns, 23 machine guns, several thousand rifles.

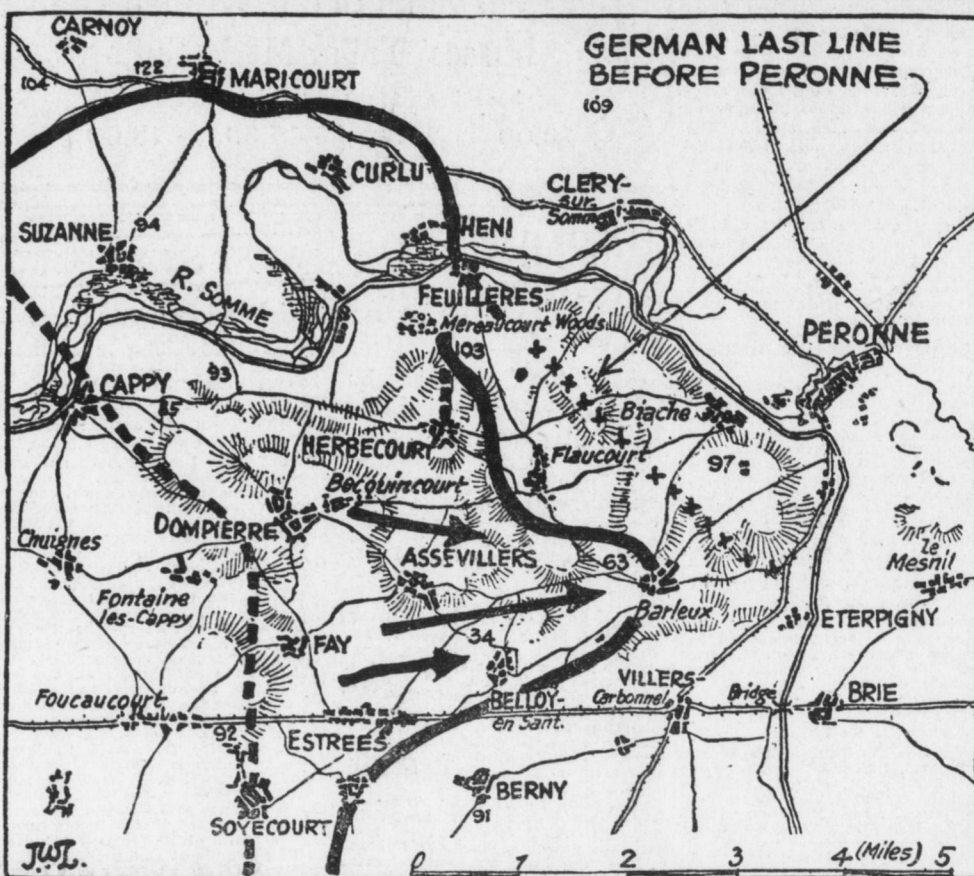
What York Has Done Harrisburg Can Do; Who Will Start Move?

This is what York did. What is Harrisburg going to do? York, Pa., July 6.—Plans for raising \$1,000 a week to provide for families of York soldiers of Companies A and K, Eighth Regiment, while in Federal service, were tentatively shaped at a conference here to-day of the Bureau of Municipal Research and the York Branch of the Women's Preparedness League. A schedule of assistance was prepared, contemplating payment to dependents of a certain percentage of the salaries formerly earned by the men on the way to the front. The manufacturers, it is announced, will share the burden of expense, a number having already agreed to contribute a sum equivalent to 1 per cent., or a fraction of 1 per cent., of their weekly payrolls. Recruiting to fill the big gaps torn in the two York companies by the rejection of fifty-five men on account of physical defects proceeded slowly to-day, only five being accepted. The ladies in charge of the work here need money. Is the public going to respond or is Harrisburg to be the only city in Pennsylvania that declines to take care of the families of its soldiers?

THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Fair to-night; Saturday partly cloudy; not much change in temperature; For Eastern Pennsylvania: Fair to-night; Saturday partly cloudy; gentle, shifting winds. River The Susquehanna river and probably all its tributaries will continue to fall slowly. A stage of about 4.0 feet is indicated for Harrisburg Saturday morning. Temperature 8 a. m., 75. Sun: Rises, 4:44 a. m.; sets, 7:35 p. m. Moon: First quarter, July 8, 6:55 a. m. River Stage: 4.1 feet above low-water mark. Yesterday's Weather Highest temperature, 85. Lowest temperature, 58. Mean temperature, 72. Normal temperature, 74.

WHERE BIG ALLIED DRIVE IN WEST IS PROGRESSING



SCENE WHERE FRENCH HAVE BROKEN THROUGH GERMAN LINE IN PERONNE SECTOR. (→) OLD LINE.

Nearer and nearer draws the French attack to Peronne, which is said to be one of the objectives of the present campaign of the French. Before Peronne falls the French must carry behind La Maisonette. To the north the British are also making great advances.

U. S. REPLY TO CARRANZA'S NOTE GOES FORWARD

Wilson Formally Agrees to Direct Negotiations With Mexico

VILLA BAND DEFEATED

De Facto Troops Warn Border Patrols to Keep Careful Watch For Survivors

Washington, July 7.—A note formally accepting General Carranza's proposal that differences between the United States and the de facto government of Mexico be settled by direct negotiations was handed to-day to Eliseo Arredondo, the Mexican ambassador-designate. Secretary Lansing took a draft of the note to to-day's Cabinet meeting and had it delivered promptly after the cabinet adjourned. The course to be pursued already had been agreed upon by President Wilson and his advisers.

The proposed exchange of views probably will be carried on through informal conversations between Mr. Arredondo and Counselor Folk who will act as Secretary of State during the next month. Secretary Lansing leaves to-day to spend his vacation at [Continued on Page 13]

Large Villa Band Routed; Carranza Warns U. S. to Watch Out For Bandits

Washington, July 7.—On instructions from General Carranza the Mexican embassy to-day advised the State Department of the virtual destruction of a de facto government force Wednesday by a large Villa band at Carrizales, Chihuahua, and suggested that the American border patrol exercise all possible vigilance to prevent the outlaws from raiding into the United States.

In his dispatch to the embassy General Carranza said he feared the bandits had crossed the desert in an attempt to reach the border and cause further difficulties. He suggested that the American troops patrol carefully between Boquillas and Ojinaga and promised that every possible effort would be made by his forces to apprehend and destroy the bandits.

TROPICAL STORM ABATING; LOSS OF LIFE IS HEAVY

Seventeen Negroes Known to Have Been Killed; Property Loss in Millions

BLOWS 106 MILES AN HOUR

Working Toward Ohio Valley; Torrential Rains; Seven Ships Sunk

Washington, July 7.—The tropical storm which struck the Gulf coast Wednesday with an uncounted toll of lives and property is now over North Mississippi and moving north-eastward with diminished energy. The Weather Bureau to-day reported that the wind velocity at Mobile, Ala., during the height of the storm, was 101 miles an hour and at Pensacola, Fla. its velocity was 80 miles. High winds, the report says, were not reported from interior points but there [Continued on Page 15]

Committed Suicide After Shooting Girl

Elmer Devans, aged 28, of Fishkill Creek Valley, who shot his sweetheart, Violet Maugans, of Edgemont, last Tuesday night, was found dead yesterday afternoon with a bullet hole through his head. An automatic revolver was found by his side. The body was discovered by Eliza Behh Shoop, aged 10, who turned it over to C. E. Mauk undertaker, and shortly after Coroner Eckinger was notified. Owing to the decomposition of the body, Coroner Eckinger believes that the man committed suicide on the night of the shooting. Neighbors said that they heard three shots shortly after Devans shot the Maugans girls, who live in the Harrisburg hospital, recovering.

Several young men searched for Devans after the shooting in an effort to capture him and turn him over to the authorities, but they failed to locate the man, and thought that he escaped. The body was so badly decomposed that only one bullet hole could be found. Burial was made this afternoon. Devans was identified by some letters which were found in his pocket.

SIGN FAR EAST PEACE TREATY

Russia and Japan Agree to Take No Part in Combinations Against Each Other

Tokyo, July 7.—The Japanese foreign office to-day announced as the substance of the Russo-Japanese convention signed at Petrograd on July 3 the following: "First—Japan will take part in no arrangement or political combination [Continued on Page 12]

MORE QUAKE IN ITALY Naples, July 7.—Several strong earthquake shocks have occurred in the Neapolitan and Calabrian provinces. They are believed to have been connected with the Telluric movement which caused the disaster in the Sicilian sulphur mines.

SEIZE BRITISH STEAMER Berlin, July 7, via London.—Official announcement was made to-day that the British steamship Lestris was held up by German warships near the English coast and seized as a prize. The statement says the Lestris was held up by a portion of the German high sea fleet." [Continued on Page 15]

WOULD RESTRICT BIRD SEASON; EXTEND RABBIT

State Game Commission to Call Big Conference of Sportsmen

Restriction of the open season for game birds to November only instead of a period of six weeks, and the extension of the rabbit season from four weeks to eight weeks will be one of the important recommendations of the State Game Commission which will be considered at a conference of the 400 or more game associations of Pennsylvania during the Fall to codify all the game laws of the Commonwealth. The calling of the proposed conference was decided upon at the semi-annual meeting of the State Game Commission. That the various laws and their amendments covering a period of twenty years should be codified before the Legislature convenes this Fall is generally urged by sportsmen throughout the Commonwealth and the Commission decided [Continued on Page 15]

FAVOR CLOSING ON SATURDAYS

Merchants Discuss Possibility of Changing Holiday From Friday

The question of making Saturday instead of Friday a half holiday and closing the stores of the city at 1 o'clock on Saturday afternoons during the months of July and August was thoroughly discussed at a well-attended meeting of representative merchants and businessmen of the city at the offices of the Chamber of Commerce at 12:30 to-day. Approximately forty men were present at the informal meeting and each one was given the opportunity to present his views. Henderson Gil [Continued on Page 12]

FAVOR MILITARY TRAINING

New York, July 7.—The National Education Association went on record here to-day as assenting to military training in schools, providing that "military ends should not be permitted to pervert the educational purposes and practices of the school." This is a change of attitude. Last year the convention came out flat-footedly against such training.

DOLLAR DAY, WEEKLY FEATURE

Merchants Joining Forces With Telegraph to Give Dollar Increased Purchasing Power

Harrisburg's merchants are answering the call. They are mobilizing for the general movement that will be made toward their various business houses next Monday. A great number of the city's leading merchants have signified their intention of joining the movement inaugurated last week by the Harrisburg Telegraph to set aside [Continued on Page 15]

EIGHTH NEARS WAR STRENGTH

Will Leave Sunday; Men From Short Companies Transferred; Sixth Will Go Tonight

Camp Hill, July 7.—While the Sixth regiment was being mustered into the Federal service to-day preparatory to leaving over the Pennsylvania Railroad for the border to-night, transfers of men to get short companies in the Eighth Regiment up to the minimum were begun. Further transfers will depend upon the success of the [Continued on Page 15]

LIMIT TRAINING SCHOOL ENTRIES

Hereafter Only 15 Pupils Will Be Admitted; Board Awards Contract

At the meeting of the School Board this afternoon, the teachers' committee recommended to the directors that hereafter only fifteen pupils be admitted to the Teachers' Training School in any one year, and that they be selected according to scholarship. The names of the following applicants were presented for admission to [Continued on Page 15]

SMALL CHANCE TO GET GERMAN DYES IN WAR

New York, July 7.—Users of German dyestuffs who had hoped to benefit by Germany's offer of 15,000 tons of the much-needed colors have been notified that the chance of getting supplies from this source during the continuance of the war is extremely slight, owing to Germany's failure to take action looking to permits for the safe conduct of the shipments.

NORWEGIAN TURNS BACK

New York, July 7.—The Norwegian steamer Jarvold, which left New York yesterday bound for Nantes, France, with a cargo of sugar, was back at her dock early to-day. When off Nantucket, smoke was discovered issuing from the vessel's forehold. The captain returned here with all speed but upon arrival no evidence of a fire could be found.

Flag He Loved Goes Into Grave With Camp Hill Boy

Camp Hill, July 7.—Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon for little Richard Sweeney, nine-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Sweeney, of this place, who was killed by a motor truck on a street near his home on the evening of the Fourth of July. The little fellow who was known to everybody and on good terms with hundreds who loved him for his happy disposition and his cheerful greeting. The flag with which he had been playing on the day of his death was draped across the flower-laden casket and was lowered into the grave with him. The services were conducted by the Rev. Dr. B. D. Weigle, pastor of Camp Hill Lutheran Church, and interment was made in Camp Hill cemetery.

VILLA TROOPS CAPTURE PAY TRAIN

El Paso, July 7.—During their raid on Jimenez, the Villa troops captured the Carranza pay train which was on its way north from Mexico City, filled with paper money for the army and civil government of Northern Mexico, said a mining man arriving from Chihuahua. While the Villa followers are rich in the new "uncounterfeitable paper," the military and civil employes must go without their June pay, he said.

GATHERING PENNSYLVANIA STEEL CO. STOCK

Philadelphia, July 7.—Notices will be mailed either to-night or to-morrow to all stockholders of the Pennsylvania Steel Company, it was announced to-day, to turn in their stock with the liquidation trustees of the company in this city. The prices are \$100 for the preferred and \$31.32 for the common shares.

N. Y. TROOPERS TAKE SWIM HERE

Harrisburg.—Almost 100 troopers from New York State enroute to the border, went to the Island for a swim in the river during their two-hour wait in this city while their horses were being watered. They said it was the first bath they had since they left camp.

NEW STEEL CO. TAKES OVER PENNA. HOLDINGS

Harrisburg.—A deed for the sale of the Pennsylvania Steel Company's holdings in Dauphin county to the Penn-Mary Steel Company, recently incorporated by the Schwab interests, was recorded in the Dauphin County Recorder's office this afternoon by a representative of Cravath & Henderson, New York attorneys. The consideration was given as \$10,167,297 and at the same time a mortgage for \$60,000,000 was filed against the properties. Revenue stamps to the extent of \$6,082 were attached.

GENERAL HUTCHISON NEAR DEATH

Chambersburg.—Brigadier-General Joseph B. Hutchison is slowly passing away here at the home of C. H. Nicklas, according to the latest report. His death is expected momentarily.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

George Lynn Barus and Allina Irene Walleit, Ickesburg. George Willis Hartman and Fanny Catherine Livingston, city.

UNARMED SHIP SUNK

London, July 7.—The British steamship Gannet of London has been sunk. She was unarmed.