



ALLIES PLAN TO CLEAR TEUTONS FROM FLANDERS

BIGGEST BATTLE OF WAR EXPECTED TO LAST FOR MONTHS

British and French Troops Work in Great Storm to Consolidate Wide Stretches of Territory Gained as Result of Great New Drive on Teuton Positions; German Counterattacks Are Repulsed During the Night; Ten Towns Formerly Held by Kaiser's Forces Are Taken in the Advance Believed to Be Prelude to Great Summer Offensive

By Associated Press

Paris, Aug. 1.—The battle of Flanders has begun and the indications are that it will be the biggest battle of the war. The offensive of the French and British allies had been expected for some weeks past for although the French and British official communications gave no inkling of it the German reports showed clearly a large scale operation was preparing.

It is thoroughly recognized here that the operation is only the beginning of a battle that will last weeks, perhaps months, but it is also hoped and believed that its effect will be in proportion to the extraordinary care and vast scale on which it has been prepared.

The first part of the program has been carried out with complete success and in a way which augurs well for its accomplishment as a whole. A glance at the map is sufficient to show the importance of the operations now underway. What has been effected fully justifies the German apprehensions and the French jubilation. French military observers say it is not too much to hope that the Germans may soon be cleared out of French and Belgian Flanders if things continue to go as well as they did yesterday.

BRITISH FIGHT BRILLIANTLY IN FACE OF ENEMY

Defending Germans Have Advantage of Broken Ground and Marshes

British front in France and Belgium, Aug. 1.—Welsh troops yesterday added a new star to their crowns for it fell to one of their regiments to administer a crushing defeat, in General Haig's great offensive, on the third battalion of infantry guards, which was Emperor William's crack body of troops. The terrain in this new battle zone presented tremendous difficulty for the attacking troops. Between Dixmude and the point where the Ypres-Comines canal crosses the lines on the lower part of the Ypres salient, two great forces had been inched for three years and this portion of the line had come to be looked upon as impregnable for either side.

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UTAH "BONE DRY"

Salt Lake City, Aug. 1.—The "bone dry" prohibition law went into effect in Utah at midnight. The new law is one of the most drastic adopted by any state in the Union and carries penalties for the sale, giving away or possession of intoxicating liquors. Any person who drinks in a public place, on the streets, or is intoxicated will be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

DRAFTED, KILLS WIFE AND SELF

Nashville, Ga., Aug. 1.—William Tyson, a young farmer, killed his wife and then committed suicide yesterday after he had received a summons from the local exemption board to appear for the military draft.

THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Generally fair and continued warm tonight and probably Thursday.

For Eastern Pennsylvania: Mostly fair and continued warm tonight and probably Thursday; light southwest to west winds.

River: The main river will probably rise somewhat. All tributaries will fall or remain nearly stationary. A stage of about 4.5 feet is indicated for Harrisburg Thursday morning.

General Conditions: Showers fell generally over the Missouri and Upper Mississippi valleys and along the northwestern border of the Great Lakes and locally in Eastern Tennessee and Eastern Pennsylvania within the last twenty-four hours.

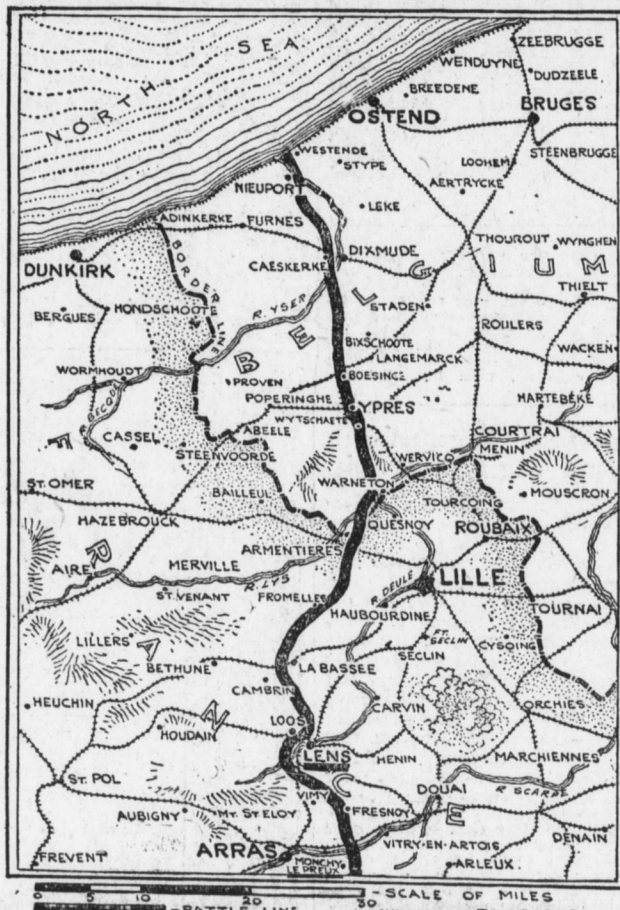
No important changes in temperature have occurred over the eastern part of the country.

Temperature: 8 a. m., 78 degrees. Temperature: 1 p. m., 85 degrees. Sun rises, 5:57 a. m. Moon: Full moon, to-morrow night.

River Stage: 4.3 feet.

Yesterday's Weather: Highest temperature, 106. Lowest temperature, 77. Mean temperature, 88. Normal temperature, 74.

SCENE OF BATTLE IN BELGIUM



Artillery fire of the most intense kind has prevailed for several days along the Belgian and British sections of the allied line. This is believed to presage a new great offensive.

HAIG RETAKES TEN VILLAGES FROM GERMANS

Allied Line in Flanders Is Advanced Two and a Half Miles

By Associated Press

With a wide stretch of territory and more than 3,500 prisoners in their hands as the result of the first day's fighting in their new offensive, the British and French troops in Flanders spent last night consolidating their gains and repulsing the inevitable German counterattacks. The new line which along the greater part of its stretch is two miles to two and one-half miles in advance of the old and includes ten captured towns within its limits, has been firmly held along the entire front. The consolidating process is being carried out under a torrential rain which is hampering further operations.

Decision Yet to Come

The extent of the permanent advantage gained by the smashing of the German lines in this important section of the front will have to be judged by further developments. Definite objectives were assigned to the various allied units for attainment in the first day's stroke and it appears to have been gained almost in its entirety.

The logical supposition with the history of the Somme and Arras operations, particularly the former in which the drive will be renewed as soon as the heavy guns are moved up, in pursuit of the plan of driving a wedge into the German lines by successive strokes until a point is reached when the falling

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Russian Army Stiffens Its Defense in Galicia

Copenhagen, Aug. 1.—A dispatch to the Berlin Vossische Zeitung says that Russian resistance for the defense of Cernovitz is increasing. Fresh troops are fighting with great energy and without faltering in strenuously opposing the Austro-German advance on Kiriliba. Fighting is most sanguinary but the defenders are unable to prevent the Austro-Germans occupying positions favorable for further operations, including Kinelup. The writer predicts the Russians will be soon forced to abandon Cernovitz.

American Steamship Is Sunk by Submarine

London, Aug. 1.—The American steamship Motano, of 2,730 tons gross, was sunk by a Teuton submarine on July 31. Twenty-two survivors have been landed.

New York, Aug. 1.—The Motano sailed from New York July 2, for Queenstown, Ireland. The vessel was in command of Captain L. S. Stratton and carried a crew of thirty-four men, of whom fifteen claimed American citizenship when signed here before the United States commissioner of shipping. The Motano was built in 1890 at Newcastle, England.

SOUTHERNERS TO ENTERTAIN THE PENNA. TROOPS

Augusta, Ga., Is Making Extensive Preparations to Receive Guardsmen

Extensive preparations are well under way at Augusta, Ga., according to reports from there, for the encampment of the Pennsylvania National Guards.

The city municipal organizations and many civic, charitable and religious organizations are making every effort to provide proper equipment for the entertainment and social welfare of the troops.

One of the features of the move which has been started there is the announcement by the Augusta Herald that an entire floor in the large newspaper publishing building will be turned over to the soldiers for reading and restrooms when the troops are on duty. It will be practically a club for the enlisted men offering them accommodations for writing, smoking and reading. In fitting up the rooms the Herald is planning to keep as many Pennsylvania papers as possible on file in the rooms.

The camp where the troops will be located is on a high and well-drained sandy plateau near the city, and the civic organizations are planning to make it the best site in the country.

TEN DEATHS FROM HEAT

Detroit, Mich., Aug. 1.—Ten deaths and nineteen prostrations in the last twenty-four hours is the toll attributed to the heat wave that has prevailed here for several days. There was no indication of a letup in the hot spell.

COTTON UNDER NORMAL

Washington, Aug. 1.—The year's cotton crop was forecast today at 11,949,000, equivalent to 100-pound bales, by the Department of Agriculture, which based its estimate on the condition of the crop, which was announced as 70.3 per cent of a normal.

AMMUNITION SUPPLY COMPANY WANTS ALL MANNER OF RECORDS

The Ammunition Supply Company of Harrisburg, Lieutenant Harry A. Souder commanding, has received the gift of a Victoria, which will be stowed away on one of its motor trucks for duty in the training camps and, perhaps, in the permanent base of the organization in France. But the company has no records. The members have asked the HARRISBURG TELEGRAPH to let the public know of this and to announce that any records new or old, which the people of the hometown care to give will be gratefully received. They may be left at or sent to the office of the HARRISBURG TELEGRAPH, in Federal Square.

HEAVY CLOUDS FURNISH RELIEF FROM HEAT WAVE

Mercury Will Take Another Jump Upward This Evening; Cooler Tomorrow

MANY WERE PROSTRATED

Hospital Gets Many Cases, While Restrooms of Factories Are Filled

Dense, low hanging clouds provided a natural awning from the searing rays of the sun to-day and afforded a welcome respite from the abnormally high temperatures which have gripped the city for the last week.

The temperature to-day is only between four and six degrees lower than yesterday and according to Forecaster Demain it will rise again during the night. To-morrow evening it is believed that the mercury will take a fair to the east wind which are producing a cooling effect on the city to-day are scheduled to shift to south or west this evening, and cause the temperature to rise. Thunder showers this morning afforded a temporary relief from the heat, and the only other section of the country to have such relief, Tennessee and the New England states.

Reaches 100

The highest official temperature reached yesterday was 100 degrees during the afternoon. In every big manufacturing plant, steel mill, office or building in the city work was slackened yesterday to reduce the number of heat prostrations among the employees. Three deaths were reported in addition to numerous prostrations. The victims are: Mrs. Mary A. Leedy, 422 Kelker street, died Monday; Mark Mason, colored, found in the park opposite the Federal Printing and Engraving Co., 1432 North Fourth street, employed at the Harrisburg Pipe and Pipe Bending Company, died in the Harrisburg Hospital last night.

John Battis, aged 67, a janitor at the Courthouse, 712 Susquehanna street was admitted to the hospital suffering from heat stroke and Roy Berry, 6 North Fifth street, was another of the heat prostration victims.

Sleep Is Elusive

The mercury seemed loathe to drop last night after it had reached a hundred degrees late in the afternoon and all night long Harrisburg and Central Pennsylvania sweltered in a temperature far above normal. It was not until early this morning that the sleep came to many weary sufferers and the majority had had a few hours before it was time to get up and start another day.

If the forecaster's predictions hold true, to-night will be just as hot, although some relief is afforded by his announcement that it will be cooler to-morrow night.

Women Turn in Names of Hundreds of Slackers Who Refused to Register

Washington, Aug. 1.—Letters pouring into the Department of Justice from every section of the country at the rate of 10 a day are reporting men who failed to register for the draft.

A special corps of investigators and clerks is handing the reports and being placed on the proper officials throughout the country and recording the results.

Thus far it has been found that the information in a large percentage of the letters has been correct and as a result of such voluntary aid to the government hundreds of slackers have been placed on the registration rolls. The letters come from all classes of persons, some of them anonymously and a large percentage being from women.

Tells Police Her Husband Was Compelled to Mount Motorcycle at Gun's Point

Very much excited over what she considers a bold attempt to kidnap her husband, Mrs. Mary Gilbert, 1747 North Twelfth street, in the report sobbed out to Captain Thompson what seemed to her to be a very realistic move on the part of two bad men to separate her from her husband. According to the story told the Captain two men drove up to her home last evening and compelled her husband to mount a motorcycle and accompany them. When he at first refused one of the men drew a revolver and pointed it at him.

She said her husband was a railroad man and knew that he was next on the list to be called. She also said that he was not a drinking man and never left home without telling her his destination and hour of return. The police are at a loss to know whether he was kidnaped or had previously planned the abduction party and he might not have to give an excuse for a stay away from home. At all events, Mr. Gilbert is still to be heard from.

TO GET BATTLE FACTS

Washington, Aug. 1.—The detailed report of Rear Admiral Gleaves respecting the submarine attack on the American transports of the first expedition to France was received today by Secretary Daniels and forwarded to Chairman Tillman, of the Senate Naval Affairs Committee. It probably will be made public later.

INTERN POLISH LEGIONS

Copenhagen, Aug. 1.—A dispatch from Berlin says the Polish legions have been disbanded and interned and that rigorous measures have been taken in Poland to prevent disorders.

CALLED TROOPS 'SCABS'; HANGED BY MASKED MOB

I. W. W. Leader Executed For Seditious Talk and Strike Instigations

A WARNING TO OTHERS

Attacked United States and Urged Workers to Shut Down Mines

Butte, Mont., Aug. 1.—Frank Little, executive committee member of the Brotherhood of I. W. W., and leader in labor troubles in Arizona, was taken from his lodging house early to-day by masked men and hanged to a railroad trestle on the outskirts of the city. The body was cut down at 8 o'clock in the morning by Chief of Police Jerry Murphy, who identified it. Little in a recent speech here referred to United States troops as "Uncle Sam's scabs in uniform."

Since his arrival in Butte recently from Globe, Ariz., Little had made a number of speeches to strikers, in all of which he had attacked the Government and urged the men to shut down the mines of the Butte district. He was bitter in his denunciation of the Government. His record was under investigation by the Federal authorities, whose attention had been called to his activities. On the other hand, Tennessee and the New England states.

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Entente Withdraws Its Army From Old Greece

Athens, July 30.—Withdrawal of the allied forces from Old Greece, Thessaly and Epirus, in accordance with the decision of the Balkan conference at Paris, is being rapidly carried out. The last Franco-British withdrawal from Corinth and other occupied points was previously executed. The Italians are still preparing to leave Janina and other strategic points, retaining only a small triangle near Avlona in Albania.

GUARD CAMP DELAYED

Washington, Aug. 1.—Delays in preparing National Guard mobilization camps, the War Department announced to-day will postpone their opening about two weeks.

BATTLE GROUND A SEA OF MUD

British front in France and Belgium, Aug. 1.—Heavy rain which continued in an unceasing downpour since last night, transforming the battle grounds in Flanders into a sea of mud, had forced a comparative lull in the operations this morning at most points within the zone of the entente allied offensive begun yesterday. The German artillery to-day actively shelled the trenches which were wrested from them yesterday in No Man's Land about the salient, and the British guns continued to pour a steady stream of shrapnel and high explosives into the positions to which the enemy had retired.

CONFEREES AGREE ON FOOD BILL

Washington, Aug. 1.—The deadlock of the conferees on the administration food control bill was broken to-day and complete agreement reached when the Senate conferees yielded and consented to strike out the amendment providing a congressional committee to supervise war expenditures which President Wilson has opposed.

WORK WAR REVENUE BILL

Washington, Aug. 1.—With the basic elements of new revenue levies decided, upon the senate finance committee revising the war tax bill to-day began the task of working out the details by which it is planned to increase the bill's total from \$1,670,000,000 to about \$2,000,000,000 chiefly through additional taxes on intoxicants and on personal and corporate incomes.

BERNSTORFF MEETS CHANCELLOR

Copenhagen, Aug. 1.—Count Von Bernstorff, former German ambassador to Washington, was among the few selected guests invited by Baron Von Treutler, Emperor William's diplomatic adviser and Prussian envoy to the court of Bavaria, to meet Chancellor Michaelis at tea on the occasion of the chancellor's visit to Munich.

NO RELIEF FROM WARM WAVE

Washington, Aug. 1.—Intense heat continued to-day over most of the country. Relief by rain in the west was promised but in the east little change was indicated.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Russel Howard Deardorff, Penbrook, and Fieta Emma Folk, Bressler.