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CAPTURE OF WHOLE MARNE SALIENT BY ALLIES ONLY MATTER OF HOURS; AMERICAN ARMY ROLLS BACK ENEMY

FOCH'S GUNS SWEEP EVERY POSITION IN HANDS OF TEUTONS

With the French Army in France, July 26.—The entire German position within the Marne salient is such that it may fall at any instant as the result of some sharp forward move by the allies affecting a vital part.

Further Withdrawal Indicated Along American Front Where Huns Leave Artillery and Machine Guns

INFANTRY WITHDRAWN FROM THE FRONT LINE

Allied Shells Pepper Lines For Miles Around as Troops Clear Out Woods of Men Detailed to Retard Advance

With the American Army on the Aisne-Marne Front, July 26.—The Franco-American push northeast of Chateau Thierry has resolved itself into a battle of the woods, which abound in this region.

The Germans are fighting a rear guard action with their artillery and machine guns, retiring gradually before the allied forces. The German infantry is not in evidence.

The indications early to-day were that the enemy was making preparations for a further withdrawal. He has been struggling to hold the northern half of the forest of Fere and of the forest of Ris, but the allies are making progress in the work of ousting him from the remainder of these woods.

WE ARE GOING TO PULVERIZE THE HUN But it will take more time unless you come across for W.S.S. Dollars Will Win the War

THE WEATHER For Harrisburg and vicinity: Partly cloudy to-night and Saturday; not much change in temperature. For Eastern Pennsylvania: Partly cloudy to-night and Saturday; gentle to moderate east and southeast winds.

AMERICAN VALOR SEEMS RECKLESS TO FRENCH POILU

COMPARING the work of the French and American troops in the battle now going on, the Reuter's correspondent at American headquarters writes: "The French have had four years of hard study and the lesson most laid to heart is the value to France of live Frenchmen and dead Germans."

297 SELECTED MEN LEAVE FOR CAMP TONIGHT

Local Draft Boards Give New Soldiers Final Instructions

Two hundred and ninety-seven selectives from Dauphin county and Harrisburg will leave the city at 10.15 to-night on their trip to Camp Lee, Petersburg, Va., for service in the National Army.

The men were assembled for final instructions at their local boards this morning at 10 o'clock. Their entrainment and camp papers were finally filled out, and they were put in readiness by their boards for their entrance into military life.

Auto Truck Driver Killed When Machine Falls Over Bank Near Verbeke Street

Daniel Dudley, 1109 Cameron, who drives a truck for Samuel Fishman, was instantly killed about 9.30 o'clock this morning when his truck plunged over the bank of the creek at Cameron and Verbeke streets, pinning him under the shallow water in the creek.

Dudley, it was learned at the office of Mr. Fishman, was taking a load of dirt from the building operations of Mr. Fishman at the north end of the Mulberry street bridge to a dumping place when the accident happened.

Employees of the Harrisburg Pipe and Pipe Bending Company heard the cries of the men in the truck and rushed to their assistance. The employees had to work the truck off Dudley before he could be extricated. The assistance was too late to save his life.

Uncle Sam's Artillery Blasts Village Off the Earth to Dislodge Last of Enemy Who Three Times Took It

NOT ENOUGH LEFT OF GERMANS EVEN TO BURY

Tremendous Combat Ends When Americans Creep Indian Fashion Around Foe's Guns and Silence Them

London, July 26.—American troops met and conquered the enemy in a tremendous combat in the region of Epiels and Trugny, says Reuter's correspondent with the American troops in France. Germany infantry which had been pushed back from the Marne was hurried forward to check the Franco-American thrust toward Fere-en-Tardenois from the southwest.

The Germans fought well and checked the advance for some thirty-six hours and three times wrested the village of Epiels from their determined American opponents. In the meantime, the village grew constantly smaller under the ceaseless bombardment from both sides and finally disappeared, not even a large pile of bricks being left behind.

When the village disappeared the Germans were in possession. The Americans, tired of the ceaseless ebb and flow of the fighting there, had taken the slope on their flank and forced the Germans to make their final massed attack into the ruins of the village.

Capture All Guns. Meanwhile the allied guns had been brought up beyond the crest of the hill and as soon as the Germans took possession of the village they concentrated a terrific fire upon it until the place smoked with its own red dust as though afire.

At the edge of the wood beyond Trugny, the correspondent adds, the German machine guns stationed ten yards apart held up the advance a little longer. Making a feint frontal attack, however, the Americans crept Indian-fashion around the flanks and captured all the guns. Afterward the pace of the advance quickened. All the high ground north of Epiels was taken and the line carried beyond Courpail.

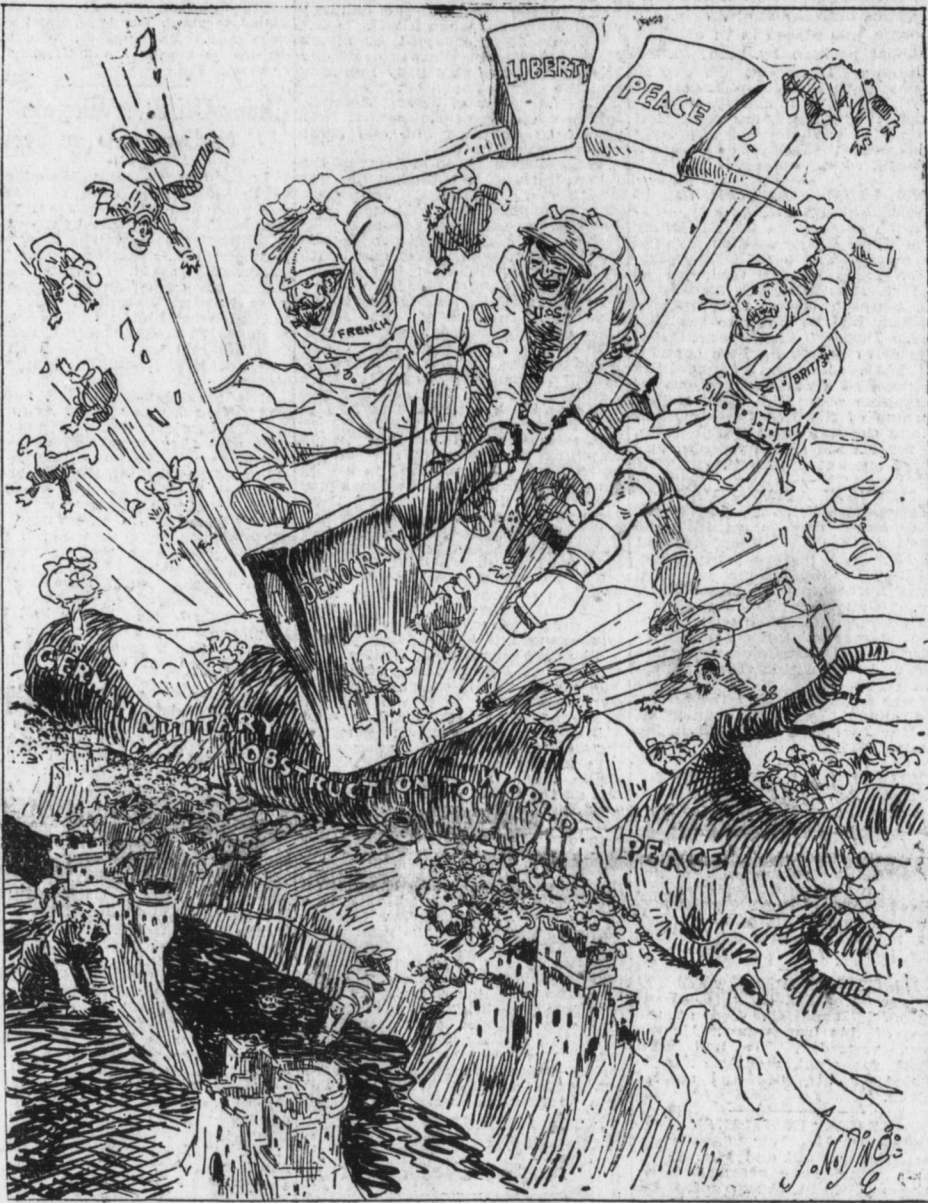
Fifth Member of Keffer Family Under Surgeon's Knife For Appendicitis

When nine-year old Elizabeth Keffer, niece of John J. Keffer, 2238 North Fourth street, underwent an operation for appendicitis to-day at the Harrisburg Hospital, she was the fifth member of the family to have her appendix removed. Six years ago her father, Frank M. Keffer, underwent a similar operation, but died from complications. Last December an aunt, Miss Mary T. Keffer, had her appendix removed. Her uncle with whom she is living also has been operated upon for appendicitis and was under the surgeon's knife on three other occasions. Another uncle underwent an operation because of appendicitis.

Four Widows Claim One Man's Insurance

LANCASTER, Pa., July 26.—Four women have appeared as claimants to the insurance on the life of John Brobst, who recently was killed on Long Island. All of them have appeared at the local office of the insurance company and filed their claims. The case will be fought out in court, when the legitimate widow will be decided. All carry certificates of marriage.

Revised Motto: Hew to the Rhine, Let the Fritz Fall Where They May



JAPAN AND U. S. AGREE ON ACTION TO SAVE RUSSIA

Tokio Will Send Army to Safeguard Program of Economic Aid

London, July 26.—It is announced officially here that Japan has decided to accept the American proposal to assist the Czech-Slovak armies in Siberia.

Amsterdam, July 26.—Czech-Slovak troops have captured the important town of Simbirsk, about 600 miles east of Moscow, according to an official dispatch from Moscow received by way of Berlin. The Russian Soviet troops put up a desperate resistance.

"The Czechs declare they will hate and fight Austria forever and God willing, they will in the end destroy her completely, because Austria embodies a century-old crime against the liberty of mankind," said Deputy Stransky, a Czech Socialist, in moving in the Austrian lower house an indictment of the ministers for their decree ordering the partition of Bohemia.

"The highest national duty of the Czechs is to harm Austria wherever and whenever possible," continued Stransky. "This we owe to the Czech people and to our loyalty to the Bohemian crown, which loyalty can only be put in practice by betraying Austria. Therefore, we are determined to betray her whenever we can."

With the capture of Simbirsk, on the Volga, Czech-Slovak troops now control not only the left bank of the river, but part of the territory on the right bank.

The fall of Simbirsk, which is announced officially in a telegram from Moscow by way of Berlin, occurred after the Soviet troops had made a strong defense.

The Pravda, the official Soviet organ, commenting on the advance of the Czechs, says: "The rising is spreading like a patch of oil on water. May the capture of Simbirsk awaken the sleepers. Simbirsk was one of the bases of the council's power, and also the corn granary. The danger is growing."

CAPITAL THRILLS WITH NEWS OF WAR TRIUMPHS

Rumors of Decisive Victory Run Through Official Circles Like Wildfire

Washington, July 26.—With American, French and British forces pressing the enemy hard on all sides of the Aisne-Marne battlefield, the air of Washington was electric last night with a feeling of expectancy, as of great events impending. Rumors of decisive victory ran through official circles like wild fire.

Earlier in the day a press dispatch told of rumors in London that the British west of Rheims had scored a decided success and advanced toward Flammes, the German rail base, midway between Soissons and Rheims. Later reports confirmed this to the extent of a stride forward by British and French forces on a three-mile front just west of Rheims, throwing

British Repulse Strong Local Attack in Flanders

London, July 26.—The Germans this morning launched a local attack against the positions recently taken by the British in the Meteren sector of the Flanders front. The war office announces that the attack was repulsed after sharp fighting. Last night the Germans delivered an attack upon the new British positions in the Hebuterne sector, on the front between Albert and Arras. The enemy was driven off with severe losses, leaving prisoners in the hands of the British.

GATHERING DATA FOR GOVERNMENT ON HOUSING HERE

Chamber of Commerce Hopes to Have Report Ready in Very Short Time

The Chamber of Commerce is gathering data on housing conditions in Harrisburg for the United States government and expects to have its report ready for submission within a few days. The appointment of this week of additional engineers to have charge of governmental housing developments leads to the hope that the scope of this work may be widened sufficiently to permit of relief for Harrisburg such as has been given to Philadelphia, Erie and other cities.

The investigators find that the housing problem in Harrisburg has two very distinct phases—actual shortage of any kind of houses and the use of many houses that are not fit for human habitation, for absurdly high rents.

Huns Resent Antwerp Outburst With Fine; Depose Devos, Rurel

Amsterdam, July 26.—Antwerp has been fined a million francs and Jan Devos, the burgomaster, has been deposed by the Germans because of recent happenings in the city, says the Belgique Dagblad. Activists celebrating the eleventh day of July were beaten and a number of Activist prisoners of war from Goettingen were half killed by inhabitants for carrying on anti-Belgian propaganda in the city. Doctors refused to attend the men whom they called "traitors" and were consequently deported to Germany.

YANKEES EJECT FOE FROM TOWN AT VITAL POINT

Fresh Successes Won by Poilus and Pershing's Veterans Put Crown Prince in Dangerous Position; Losses Heavy

Villemontoire, a little more than five miles south of Soissons, has been taken by the French and Americans, while, further south, they have captured Oulchy-le-Chateau and swept on to the eastward of the town.

Between the Ourcq and the Marne the Americans are pressing hard against the enemy's lines and have taken the southern half of La Fere forest, which brings them up to about four miles directly south of the vital town of Fere-en-Tardenois the center of the roads leading back out of the Marne salient and through which the German forces along the southwestern sectors of the line must retreat. Ris forest, further southeast toward the Marne, also is being emptied of the Germans.

The capture of Villemontoire and Oulchy-le-Chateau seems to show that General Mangin, while keeping up his pressure all along

ONE HARRISBURGER IN CASUALTIES

Washington—The Army casualty list to-day contained 98 names, divided as follows: Killed in action, 21; died of wounds, 4; died of disease, 6; wounded severely, 60; missing, 6; prisoners, 1. The Pennsylvanians named are the following: Died of disease: Private Forney S. Rupert, Bradford. Severely wounded: Sergeant James Whalen, Reading; Privates James Bloomenthal, 2347 Logan street, Harrisburg; Donato Di Desiderio, McKee's Rocks; William M. Jehanon, Oak Ridge; Thomas Jones, Philadelphia; John J. King, Chester; Albert A. Lykens, Chester; Charles P. Kleinhample and James D. Oliver, Pittsburgh; Albert K. Saylor, Monessen; Jerry D. Sullivan and Michael Vanish, Pottstown.

ROOSEVELT INSPECTS DESTROYER BASE

Queenstown—Franklin D. Roosevelt, Assistant Secretary of the Navy, to-day inspected the allied destroyer base with Sir Eric Geddes, first lord of the admiralty and during the day saw American bluejackets fitting out giant seaplanes.

ALLIED GUNS AND PLANES BOMBARD

With the French Army in France—Every line of communication within the German salient is under bombardment night and day either from the allied artillery or the airplanes, and all the while the enemy is suffering terrible privations, owing to the uncertainty of obtaining supplies. The German units, therefore, cannot be relieved even when they are sorely tried.

DIPLOMATS TO REMAIN AT VOLOGDA

Washington—The allied diplomats at Vologda will remain in that city, the American consul at Moscow to-day. The Bolsheviki has made efforts to prevail on them to go to Moscow.

PEASANTS KILL MANY GERMAN SOLDIERS

Washington—Rioting by the peasants in the occupied regions of White Russia is increasing and many German have been killed, said an official dispatch to-day from Stockholm.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

George C. F. Shurr, Harrisburg, and Nora T. Shipley, Enhant; Ralph N. Anderson and Beatrice Hawk, Middletown.