



RETREAT OF GERMAN ARMY FROM FRANCE BELIEVED UNDER WAY AS ALLIES PUSH THROUGH CRUMBLING DEFENSIVE LINES

FOCH WINNING ONE OF WAR'S BIG VICTORIES

St. Quentin Taken From Germany and the Kaiser's War System Shakes on French Battle Ground

GERMAN WAR SYSTEM SHAKES

Paris, Oct. 2.—St. Quentin is taken and the cornerstone of the Hindenburg system has fallen. Belgian forces, strongly opposed, are making headway toward Roulers and Menin. The Germans are preparing to evacuate the Lille region. British armies around Cambrai are successfully fighting one of the fiercest battles of the war. General Berthelot is driving the enemy back between Rheims and the Aisne, and General Gouraud has reached Challerange, the important railroad center at the western opening of Grandpre gap. St. Quentin's fall shakes the whole German system. The first logical result must be the retreat of the enemy from the Laonnois and Champagne sectors to escape disaster.

By Associated Press

London, Oct. 2.—Damascus, the capital of Syria, was occupied by General Allenby's forces on Tuesday morning, according to an official statement issued to-day by the British war office.

Paris, Oct. 2.—The Germans are moving their heavy artillery away from the Belgian coast, according to reports here to-day.

The Belgian army, co-operating with the British army of General Plumer and the French army of General Degoutte, successfully renewed to-day their heavy attacks on the Flanders front.

PARIS, Oct. 2.—St. Quentin is burning at several points, according to Premier Clemenceau, who informed Marcel Hutin, of the Echo de Paris, to-day that French aviators have great difficulty in flying over the city because of the smoke arising from it.

PARIS, Oct. 2.—French troops now have passed beyond St. Quentin, northeast, east and southeast of the town, according to the Havas Agency. They hold a line running along the Somme from Tronquoy to Rouvrois and then along the St. Quentin-La Fere road to the river Oise, at Vendeuil.

ALONG the road running east and northeast from the St. Quentin-Cambrai line in northeastern France long trains of transports are moving back toward the Belgian frontier. Allied aviators have reported this first indication that the defeated enemy has begun to retreat before the rush of the British, French and Americans. The battle still rages fiercely, however.

Whole German Line in Peril

Military observers expect, now that a retirement actually is in progress, that the whole German line will crumble as the Teutonic armies fall back to other positions.

It appears that the allied successes at St. Quentin and Cambrai endanger the enemy's line north and south of these cities. St. Quentin and Cambrai are in flames and the fall of the latter probably will mean the abandonment of the Douai by the enemy. La Fere, south of St. Quentin, seems in peril and if that city is taken by the Allies, the Germans probably will be forced to retire from the St. Gobain forest and Laon. When this occurs the backbone of the German line in northeastern France will be broken.

Complete Withdrawal Is Near

Germany's defenses between Cambrai and St. Quentin are crumbling under the determined blows of Marshal Foch and the time of the expected German withdrawal from France and Belgium apparently is drawing appreciably nearer.

Under the attacks of British, French and American troops the Hindenburg system from the Scarpe to the Oise, a distance of fifty miles, is being overrun. In the north the valuable network of railroads in Flanders rapidly is becoming useless and in the south the French are pressing vigorously their advance west and north of Rheims.

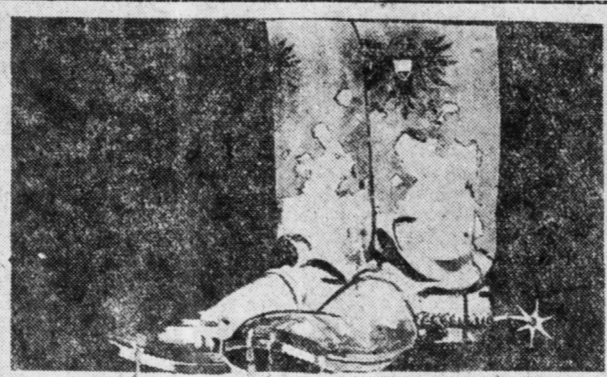
Big Gap Torn in Foe's Lines

Northeast of St. Quentin the British advanced more than five miles eastward from the front line of the Hindenburg positions. A salient, most dangerous to the enemy, has been driven in between St. Quentin and Le Catelet and the British are advancing through a big gap in the enemy line across important roads and railways toward La Cateau, one of the most important traffic centers west of the German border.

Field Marshal Haig has taken important heights south of Cambrai and east of the Scheldt canal, thus drawing closer the net about the town. The French met with spirited resistance in entering St. Quentin but succeeded in throwing the enemy beyond

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Delay Is Dangerous



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THOUSANDS VIEW WAR TROPHIES IN DRIVE

Men and Women of Central Pennsylvania Alive to Necessity of Buying Liberty Bonds of Fourth Issue

GETTING READY FOR BIG HOME CAMPAIGN

When announcement was made several days ago by Chairman Maxwell Manbeck, of Juniata county, that a Liberty Loan mass meeting would be held in the courthouse at Mifflintown Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock it was declared by many that Mr. Manbeck wouldn't have a corporal's guard on hand to hear his speakers. But when 2 o'clock came yesterday there were 900 persons in the courtroom and a crowd of 500 outside, so that it was necessary to hold an overflow meeting. Juniata county is strong for the Liberty Loan.

This information was gleaned yesterday by Chairman Donald McCormick of the Harrisburg district, who went with the war trophy train through Juniata and Perry counties. Everywhere, said Mr. McCormick,

EVANS' LAWYERS ASK THIRD TRIAL IN MURDER CASE

Declare Action of Assistant District Attorney Was Prejudicial

Alleging the jury may have been prejudiced by the statement and actions of Assistant District Attorney Frank B. Wickersham when William Evans, colored, was not sent to the witness stand in his own defense when on trial for murder, William H. Earnest and Thomas C. McCormick, his attorneys, have asked the court to grant him a new trial.

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Another Harrisburg Boy Is Killed in Action

Word has just been received in Harrisburg of the death of "Ed" Pettrow, in action overseas. As a player in the Allison Hill League and a football player of prominence, Pettrow was widely known here. He was employed as a cutter for the Harrisburg Shoe Manufacturing Company, and lived at 229 South Fifteenth street.

According to dispatches received here, Pettrow was wounded in action and died as a result of the wounds. He left Harrisburg in the middle of June and a few weeks later arrived in France, ready to do his part in the great smash.

AMERICANS MOVE RAPIDLY ACROSS HOT WAR SECTOR

Illinois Men Beat Schedule in Advancing on Enemy in Verdun Sector

20. WOUNDED MEN KILLED BY HUNS

With the American Army Northwest of Verdun, Oct. 2.—Twenty patients, many of them already suffering from wounds received in battle, were killed when a German shell struck an American hospital several nights ago. The hospital was only a short distance behind the fighting line. It is possible that it was a stray shell, but it appears probable that a deliberate attempt was made to attack the hospital.

With the American Army in France, Oct. 2.—It was reported late last night that the Americans on the front between the Meuse and the Argonne again had moved forward over one of the most hotly contested sectors of their advance, the ground north and west of Montfaouan.

Illinois troops taking part in the offensive between the Meuse and Argonne advanced more than six miles on the first day of the attack, the unit reaching its objective hours ahead of time.

The Illinois men pushed forward just to the west of the Meuse. Starting from the neighborhood of Dead Man's Hill, they headed directly north until half way to their destination and then turned to the northeast. They advanced so rapidly that in the region of Gercourt-et-Drillancourt they came upon a party of Germans just about to sit down to a luncheon in their dugout. The party was overcome and a German colonel, who was one of the group, was shot in the heel as he was attempting to escape.

The Illinois men had dinner and went to bed in the positions that had been occupied that morning by the enemy. During the afternoon American aviators dropped newspapers and cartridges for the men, who had been occupied that morning by the enemy beyond Gercourt and consolidated their positions before dark.

BEGINNING OF END IN SIGHT

London, Oct. 2.—The loss of the Bulgarians by the Central Alliance is regarded by London morning papers as foreshadowing the end of the great four years' tragedy. The editorial writers for the most part do not see how Turkey can avoid following the Bulgarians into the same some believe that Austria-Hungary must do the same.

For Germany, it is held that the surrender spells ruin to her people in the east and her aspirations of world empire.

SECOND SON OF WEST FAIRVIEW FAMILY IS KILLED IN ACTION

Charles H. Carroll Follows Brother in Death While Serving Nation on the Battlefields of France

MOTHER PROSTRATED BY THE SAD NEWS

Charles H. Carroll, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Carroll, West Fairview, was killed in action in France, July 18, during the second battle of the Marne, in which American troops distinguished themselves so brilliantly. The War Department announced the death from Washington last night.

The parents of the dead hero received the news of their son's death only eight days after they were notified that a younger son, Owen M. Carroll, had been killed in action. Mrs. Carroll was ill in bed when she received news of the second son's death.

The two brothers are the only West Fairview boys who have been reported killed in the war. Both young men enlisted at the Harrisburg recruiting station.

Charles H. Carroll, the older boy, reported killed in action by the War Department last night, was the first West Fairview boy to leave his town for Army service. He enlisted in April, 1917, soon after war was declared, and for a while served on recruiting duty at the Harrisburg recruiting station. Later he was transferred to Fort Benjamin Harrison, where he remained until he was sent overseas. He was a member of Company H, 28th Regiment. He sailed overseas last October.

Carroll served a previous enlistment in the Regular Army, and saw service on the Mexican border, where he received his honorable discharge after three years' service in the Army. He was employed by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company in Harrisburg when war broke out with Germany.

Carroll saw such active service before he finally was killed in action. In a letter received by his parents some time ago, he describes the fierce fighting in which he took part. The letter said: "I have been over the top and through a three days' battle since I wrote to you last and came through without a scratch. I was with the first Americans that went over the top and got into a real battle of our own. I guess the great God that watches over us and gave us victory made it possible for the majority of us to live through it."

A memorial service for Owen M. Carroll, the lad reported last week as killed in action, had been planned to take place in the Methodist Church at West Fairview Sunday afternoon at 2.30. The memorial service will be held at that time as a tribute to both of the heroic brothers who sacrificed their lives almost within a week of each other.

The thorough service flag at West Fairview now will have two gold stars.

Owen was 25 years old and Charles was 31 years of age.

Candidates Named For Directing Board of Chamber of Commerce

The names of ten candidates, five of whom are to be elected, at the annual meeting of the Harrisburg Chamber of Commerce, to-day were announced by the nominating committee of which Ex-Mayor J. Robert Bowman is chairman. The election will take place at a date yet to be named. A speaker of international reputation will be secured to speak at the meeting.

The ten candidates are Frank A. Robbins Jr., E. R. Eckenrode, John S. Musser, Al. K. Thomas, E. M. Singer, John C. Motter, Robert H. Irons, Simon Michlovitz, William Jennings and E. J. Stackpole. The retiring directors are Andrew S. Patterson, president of the chamber; E. Z. Walloway, Robert McCormick, A. Carson Stamm and Arthur D. Bacon.

WAR STAMPS ARE LITTLE SISTERS OF LIBERTY BONDS

They're a Great Family, Too

THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Generally cloudy and warmer tonight, with lowest temperature about 55 degrees; Thursday partly cloudy.

Temperature 8 a. m. 48. River Stage 4.6 feet above low-water mark.

Yesterday's Weather: Highest temperature, 61. Lowest temperature, 45. Mean temperature, 53. Normal temperature, 60.



CHARLES H. CARROLL

PRISONERS PUT TO WORK ON THE STATE ROADS

Eleven Men Serving Short Sentences in County Jail Given Jobs

25 NOW AT SOME WORK

Nominal Pay Given by Highway Department For Manual Labor

For the first time since an act of the Legislature was passed last year giving the State Highway Department authority to employ prisoners on road work, advantage has been taken of the law, eleven men from the Dauphin county prison going to work this morning on a stretch of new road being built at Speeceville. The men are under guard and eight more will be furnished to-morrow, the entire force working until the road is finished. Simon Kopenhagen, of Millersburg, is the guard in charge. About a month ago the State Highway Department asked the

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RED CROSS NEEDS MEN

AND WOMEN IN FRANCE

Calls are open for 2,756 men and 2,015 women, making a total of 4,771 workers needed for overseas service in France, according to an official statement just made by the Harrisburg Chapter, American Red Cross.

STRAGGLE INTO YANKEES TO SURRENDER

With the American Army Northwest of Verdun—Many Germans straggled in yesterday and gave themselves up. They deliberately sought some one to whom they could surrender. At one point seventy-five Germans were captured when a small American detachment appeared in front of them.

SHOE PRICES FIXED BY U. S.

Washington—Maximum and minimum retail prices for shoes as agreed to by the industry and ranging from \$3 to \$12 for men and women were announced to-day by the War Industries Board. Shoes are grouped in three classes as follows: Class A, from \$9 to \$12; Class B, \$6 to \$8.50; Class C, \$3 to \$5.50.

BRITISH ON EVE OF BIG VICTORY

British Headquarters in France—The long, bitter battle still is raging, but it has turned so definitely in favor of the British that it is scarcely even now premature to hail it as a great victory.

AIR SERVICE LEADER IS KILLED

Miscela, N. Y.—Major Whitten J. East, commander of Mitchell Field, an army training ground for aviators, at Garden City, was instantly killed to-day when his automobile overturned while he was en route to the field. Major R. O. Gousins, of Washington, D. C., commander of Hazelhurst field, adjoining Mitchell Field, was seriously injured. Major East had seen service overseas and was considered an expert flier.

CHOLERA BREAKS OUT IN VIENNA

Madrid—Several cases of Asiatic cholera have been discovered in Vienna and deaths have occurred from that disease there, according to official news received here from the Austrian capital.

PENNA. MEN HURT IN WAR

Ottawa—M. Ales, of Nanticoke, Pa., and N. Matheson, of Philadelphia, have been wounded, according to to-day's Canadian overseas casualty list.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Eston J. Klager, Klingersburg, and Esther M. Radle, Lykens township; Henry J. Brandt, Barr, Bradford county, and Olive T. Hefflek, Greensburg; Norman D. Bishop, and Currie L. Bushong, Oberlin; Richard E. Fowler and Ethel K. Hargrett, Hanover; Ralph L. Wolfersburger, Swatara township, and Eva M. Deimler, Hockersburg.

LIBERTY BONDS ARRIVE HERE

PERSONS who do not care to buy Liberty Bonds either on the so-much-a-week plan or the Government's 10 per cent. down plan need not wait any longer to get their full supply of Fourth-issue bonds. Every bank in the city to-day receives a consignment of the new bonds.

Many banks put the bonds on display in their windows; and thousands of dollars worth of the securities had been disposed of before the institutions closed at 3 o'clock to-day.

No formality is required when cash is being paid. All that is necessary is to say "Liberty Bonds" to the man back of the window and push the money under the grill.

The greatest interest is being taken in the Loan. Thousands of people saw the war trophies. At Mifflintown 2,500 persons went through the train; at Port Royal, four miles from Mifflintown, nearly 700 were

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Save Coal

Open the shutters—Raise the blinds—the sun's heat is free

Fuel Committee Chamber of Commerce

Mr. Davis said there was a shortage of men due to illness, and that this condition is not unusual, owing to the prevalence of grip and Spanish influenza. He said men from the specialties which take men to work in early morning runs were put on the lines which started out short-handed this morning.

Mr. Davis said not a man has resigned because of the increased work entailed in the issuance of rebate slips and the six-cent fare.

Less than the usual number of cars were started out on the Reservoir, Race and Vine and Capital street lines of the Harrisburg Railways Company this morning, owing to shortage of men. By 9 o'clock, according to Mr. Davis, superintendent of these lines was resumed and the usual number of cars were operating.

Mr. Davis denied the story that the shortage of cars was due to the number of conductors who had resigned because of the increased work entailed in the issuance of rebate slips and the six-cent fare.

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