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BRITISH, FRENCH AND AMERICAN FORCES KE KEEPING UP THEIR OFFENSIVE WITHOUT ABATEMENT

Intimation of An Attempt To Stand.

AMERICANS AID FRENCH

They Have Captured the Town of Chavigny, Which Lies North of Soissons.

Advance Line in the Lys Salient.

(By The Associated Press.) There has been no abatement in the

turn about and face their Not alone have the allied troops all

ver the battlefront from Arras to Sois ns gained further important terrain. sector-and apparently

eral sector north of Soissons. The Cuffies, a mile and a half north of

These victories, gained only after the ardest kind of fighting, make more seure the allied line running northard and outflanking the Aisne and the

the region north of Noyon the American front. ces and advancing materially in the

t banks of the Somme where the the destruction of the bridges by

pressing eastward ghways, carrying the Gerable and infantry units. Combles hands and east of Marshal Haig's men all along the Bapaumeabrai road toward Le Bacquiere. To orth of this region, Bullecourt and court on the old Hindenburg line were captured, but the Germans ient counter-attack forced back itish to their western outskirts. at last accounts occupying an rman trench system, the Ger-

y a step away from the famous urt-Queant switch line, one of the the enemy's fortified posiis said to be filled with

ig and are being closely folintention to blot and straighten their from Ypres. It is a r, that is greatly lessenhe chance of a drive during the

guns sent far in the rear of the ennemy's artillery activity ges region. Several patrol attacks le Germans have been stopped by

WELRY STORE USED TO

possession on the change in direction. a cash and giving notes at stipulated dates. The ised as a camouflage. Ared in landing loot valued at ting of lockets, chains, obtaining them from a

as located in the mountains laton, Va., and arrested.

Many State Banks Enrolled. on, Aug. 30.-Seven hundred the Reserve board.

Germans Still Have Given No British Advance In Face Of Stiff Hun Resistance

Hindenburg Line South Of Bullecourt Crossed By the Troops of Haig

London, Aug. 30, 7:30 p. m .-Troops of Field Marshal Haig crossed the Hindenburg line to the south of Bullecourt.

In the Lys salient the British are reported to have taken Noote Boom. three miles south of Bailleul. The Germans have retreated from

AMERICANS PUNISH HUNS WITH SHELLS

Thousands of Rounds of High **Explosives Dropped On** the Enemy.

GAIN IN JUVIGNY REGION

Stubbornness and Skill Being Displaythe Americans on the Scene Wednesday.

ther victories achieved in Friday's Aug. 30, 8 p. m .- (By The Associated Press.)-While the French troops on the right and left of the Americans on uest French official communication the front north of Soissons struggled ords the capture by the French here forward today, the Americans sent thousands of rounds of high explosive assons and the entry into the out- shells and shrapnel into the German positions. They made little effort to advance their line.

Late this afternoon some progress was made by the Americans in the region of Juvigny.

Although the day was not marked by any spectacular advance, there was far from a lull in the activities on the

Since the Americans appeared on Wednesday the Germans have displayed stubbornness and skill. They have good positions and are defending them the contest seems to have narrowed down to one of comparative merits of officers and men of the two organiza-

ments which appeared to indicate a regrouping and perhaps retirement.

The orders to the Americans were to maintain a harrassing fire throughout the day and even the minor attack of one flank was decided upon only after the advance made by the French indicated its advisability.

Over the field the American infantry remained in the positions they had held fast night. Dug in behind almost every little rise on the plateau and on the sillside, they awaited the order to attack. Closer to the German positions scores of shell-holes sheltered the men from the sweeping machine gun fire, while further to the rear there were companies waiting to be called

The artillery went into the action early in the morning, not in barrage ground foot by foot. but firing first at one point in the German lines and then at another, in accordance with reports indicating places where the Germans were mobilizing or where there might be danger of a concentration. Rarely, if ever, have the American troops delivered over such a period so continuous a fire. It was of a punishing character that tion and probably much demoralization. The lines are close together and great with those of the lighter character, while the big, long range American

observers in the aerial service. The American infantry between the lines was forced to become a part of the action today by the determined shock troops. Germans whose long line of machine gun emplacements was supplemented greater resistance today along the line CAMOUFLAGE LARCENY SCHEME by groups of infantry who fired at of the Somme and the canal Du Nord. every appearance of the Americans. It The German opposition was particularwas a day of sniping for them, espe- ly stout in the region of Nesles, where York are expected here cially the machine gunners. Their fire it was necessary to have artillery to back John Henry Ar- did not rise in most cases ten inches reduce some positions. above the ground. One gunner had the ogton county, N. Y., for trick of holding the trigger until just Grand and Rouy Le Petit, east of

ground sweeping fire were wounded in Somme, the Germans launched a coun- the bill.

to the fire of the American guns but the canal du Nord where their resisto a supplemental raking from the tance is stiffening. French. It is impossible to ascertain the German casualties, but it is certain troops advanced eastward to the

that they were heavy. The big gun fire reached the maximum of intensity. The roar of the ar- "BRITISH ATTACKS FAILED" the banks or trust companies tillery rose in a great crescendo. The System, it was announced today Germans did, however, but in slightly "Great British attacks on a wide front, invested capital for which the taxable many different places, but the reluc- of the house which had been his home invested capital for which the taxable many different places, but the reluc- of the house which had been his home invested capital for which the taxable many different places, but the reluc- of the house which had been his home (Continued on Page Two). smaller quantities than usual.

Several Villages and Hundreds Of Prisoners Taken In Bapaume Region.

FRENCH TAKE CHAVIGNY

Canal Du Nord Is Crossed By Petain's Men at Two Different Points.

FRESH HUN TROOPS USED

Make Determined Effort to Hold Soissons Plateau.

London, August 30 .- "East and north of Bapaume our operations are proceeding satisfactorily in spite of hostile resistance," says the official statement from Field Marshal Haig's headquarters in France tonight. fighting occurred on the greater part of this front and a number of heavy my." The statement continues:

"Our troops entered Riencourt-Leshave been actively engaged with the With the American Army in France, enemy throughout the day. They captured Fremicourt and Vaulx-Vraucourt taking prisoners and have reached the western outskirts of Beaugny.

"At Ecoust-St. Mein the enemy is still maintaining an obstinate defense closely pressed by our troops who have taken a number of prisoners in this "At Bullecourt and Hendecourt, hos-

tile counter-attacks delivered with much determination by strong forces compelled our troops to fall back to the western outskirts of these villages and to a German trench system beween them wherethe enemy's attacks were stoped by our fire. North of these villages an attack launched this morn ing by Canadian troops astride the Arras-Cambrai road has been success-

"The enemy defenses between Henlecourt and Haucourt have been captured, together with the latter village and several hundred prisoners. South of Bapaume our troops have maintained vigorous pressure upon the enemy

and have gained ground. "We have made progress east and northeast of Clery and in this sector have taken 300 prisoners. In the Lys sector the enemy is continuing his withdrawal, closely followed by our troops. Bailleul is again in our pos-

CHAVIGNY AND CUFFLES ARE

TAKEN BY FRANCO-AMERICANS Paris, August 30 .- North of Soissons where the Americans are fighting with the French the villages of Chavigny and Cuffies have been captured and the allied line advanced to the west of Crouy according to the official communication issued tonight. Northwest of Noyon the Canal du Nord has been crossed by the French at Catigny and

GERMANS MAKING SUPREME

With the French Army in France, Thursday, Aug. 29 .- The Germans are making a supreme effort to maintain Soissons. They are throwing fresh troops against both the French and Americans and are disputing

After the unsuccessful enemy tempts a few days ago to retake the heights west of the Soissons-Coucy-Le-Chateau road, known as the Orme de Montecourve, prisoners taken by one French division included men from three different divisions of infantry and two battalions of crack mountain

The loss of this fight and a further advance made it all the more necessary for the Germans to prevent the shells from teh howitzers were mixed allies from gaining ground on the plaare the last heights defending the valley of the Ailette, where it runs eastemy lines shells to places indicated by ward before turning southward again toward the Chemin Des Dames. The enemy has reinforced his line there with some of his best divisions of

The French third army met

Tonight the villages of Rouy ingenious scheme of lar- three shots were fired. All day long Mesles, are in the hands of the French is charged with having his gun gave forth its "tat-tat-tat," while south along the canal they have welry store in Granville, every burst being followed by a slight breuil, Moyencourt, and La Panneterie. A large part o fthose caught in the bert's troops also are approaching the States is reached by the provisions of torneys. The same setting and the boy to seek his fortune in America. ter attack against Morehain without Rates of existing tax laws in the The Germans in front of the Ameri- success. The Germans appear to be main are doubled. A distinctly was cans at times were subjected not only strongly reinforced by artillery along profits tax as an alternative to the ex-

After the capture of Noyon French southern slopes of Mont St. Simeon.

(Continued on Page Two).



MAP SHOWING THE ENORMOUS GAINS MADE BY THE ALLIES.

AMERICANS IN LINE REPULSE GERMANS

SHADED AREA SHOWS ALLIES ADVANCE ** SHOWS THE ALLIES GAINS UP TO TUESDAY ... SHOWS THE OLD HINDENBURG LINE The above map shows to advantage the present battlefield. The shaded portion is the territory taken in one day's advance. Since the map was drawn Bapaume and Noyon have been captured.

COMPLEGNE AHRE

REVENUE BILL IS NOW COMPLETED

Eight Billion Dollar Measure Will Be Reported to the House Monday.

INCOME TAX INCREASED

Six Per Cent. On Incomes Below \$4,000 and Above the Exemption Limits. Outstanding Features of the Bill.

Washington, Aug. 30.-Completing its task of framing the eight billion EFFORT TO HOLD PLATEAU dollar war revenue bill, the house ways report the measure to the house Monday. It carried greatly increased income taxes beginning with a normal tax of six per cent. on all below \$4,000 a year and above the exemption lim-

> To reach war profits a flat war profan alternative plan of excess profits taxes ranging from 35 to 70 per cent. The minimum surtax of incomes is raised to 65 per cent. and the normal tax on all incomes over \$4,000 is made

> 12 per cent. The bill which will affect either di rectly or indirectly every person and business concern in the United States, probably will be taken in the house for consideration next Thursday, with prospects that it can be disposed of within

week or ten days. Treasury experts have estimated, Chairman Kitchin stated, that the bill as finally agreed upon, will produce an annual revenue of between \$8,100 .-000,000 and \$8,200,000,000, thus making the measure by far the greatest revenue producing proposal which congress has ever been called upon to en-

The outstanding features of the completed bill are: or a higher tariff.

cess profits tax, embodied in the pres- ago ent law, is levied. The war profits tax is a flat 80 per cent. of the net income above a specific exemption of \$3,000 and deduction of 10 per cent, of invested capital added or withdrawn since

TWELVE HUNDRED GERMAN **MUTINEERS JOIN PEASANTS** AGAINST HUNS IN UKRAINE

London, August 30 .- Twelve hundred the peasants is spreading. The dis-German mutineers have joined forces with an armed peasant body and attaked the German forces in the region of Dymera, 24 miles from Kiev, according to a Russian wireless receiv-

ed here today from Moscow. Fierce fighting has taken place between the Germans an dthe peasants and there have been heavy losses on both sides.

The dispatch follows: "A resolute struggle is going on against the white guards. The organizer of the recently discovered conspiracy at Moscow, named Marqulias, has been shot. Near the church of Christ the Saviour, and a band of The author,

"In the Ukraine the unrest among ing."

from Kiev, has been declared by the German army commander to be in a state of siege. All persons were forbidden to be in the streets after 7 p. m. and all movements to and from

the town were prohibited. the town and the commander asked for reinforcements from Kiev. After two hours an airplane appeared over the town and announced that two steamers with soldiers and guns had been despatched against the peasant forces.

"Mutineers numbering about 1,200 men, with ten machine guns and sevwhite guards was captured during the eral other guns, joined the peasants Peschechnoff and fierce fighting took place between (formerly editor of a newspaper at these forces and the Germans. There Petrograd) has been set free at Mos- were many losses on both sides.

"The population of Kiev is stary

NOTHING NEW SHOWS GOMPERS VISITS **BOYHOOD SCENES** ABERNETHY CASE

How Much Is Mystery.

Mr. Abernethy Again On Stand Answers in the Eternal Negative All Questions Propounded Unto Him. Answer in Wake Court.

(Special Star Telegram.) stenographers were on the job, as was

the close of the pre-war period. The represented him. The testimony as was scenes of his boyhood. BERLIN REPORTS AS USUAL war profits tax is not to exceed 35 per given in, goes to show that a great cent. in the case of corporations, the deal of money has changed hands, in much," he said, as he stood in front S. Mansfield, of Atlanta.

Good Deal of Money Spent But | American Labor Leader is Now In England.

> ance of the Street in East London Through Which He Roamed 68 Years Ago.

London, Thursday, Aug. 29.—Samuel New Bern, Aug. 30 .- The Abernethy- Gompers, president of the American fore he regains his former physical Dortch hearing was resumed at the Federation of Labor today visited his endurance and is able to resume Arctic county courthouse here today, when boyhood home where he was born 68 explorations. Following his illness many witnesses were examined and years ago. It was an event of great schel Island last January he traveled be added that little information was London, known as Spittlegate. Mr. gained as a result of the persistent Gompers had only visited England once North of Nesles where General Hum- corporations operating in the United cross-fire questioning of the Dortch at- before since he had left England as a

Mr. Gompers was accompanied tobor mission. They went down in two feating E .V. Carter, also of Atlanta, Squire S. R. Street was the arbiter American automobiles and got out at in a hotly contested match at the and A. D. Ward was the representative the street corner. Mr. Gompers stop- Asheville Country club this afternoon. of Colonel Dortch, and D. E. Hender- ped when he alighted and standing in Mr. Smith was also winner in the mixson, the law partner of Mr. Abernethy, the middle of the street recalled many ed doubles, he, with Mrs. R. B. Ran-

SENATE ADOPTS REPORT ON THE MANPOWER BILL

New Draft Measure Will Be Sent to President For Signature Today.

SENATORS OPPOSE

Debate Centers About the Elimination of the "Work Or Fight" Plan.

Washington, Aug. 30 .- Congress failed again today to complete the manpower bill, extending the selective draft age limits to 18 and 45 years. Only the formality of the signing of the measure by the presiding officers of the senate and house remains and it was predicted tonight that the measure will be in President Wilson's nands soon after the noon convening hour. Its immediate approval by the executive is ex-

The conference report on the bill, approved yesterday by the house, was adopted late today by the senate by a yea and nay vote-with but feeble opposition of a few senators present. Senate debate on the "work or fight" amenment's excision was so protracted that the house adjourned before the bill could be returned there for the signature of the speaker. The rules require that signatures of the presiding officers be attached to the engrossed measure while the houses are in ses-

Senate debate today centered on the elimination of the "work or fight" Thomas of Colorado, author of the amendment, and McCumber of North the striking out of the provision which conference committee defended the achouse opposition, declaring that the enforced, meet the ends designed by the Thomas amendment. Alleged failure of the war department to enforce the law against union strikers was due to executive administration and not to lack of fiat from congress, Senator Chamberlain said.

Criticism of published plans of the war department for free technical and special education of drafted youths under 21 was expressed by several senators, denouncing the action of the war department in taking over schools and colleges as socialistic.

STABILIZE COTTON SEED ON BASIS OF \$70 A TON

This Proposition Submitted to Food Administration By State Directors of Markets.

Washington, August 30 .- A proposition to stabalize the price of cottonseed and its products on a basis of \$70 per ton, f. o. b. cars, for the seed, cultural commissioners of the cotton

"The effect of the proposal would be to make the price of seed vary from \$64 to \$72 in carload lots, depending upon the yield of oil," a food administration statement tonight said, "and \$57 per ton in Texas to \$53 for the eastern section. A meeting of cattle-

917 figures, it was said, and the object of fixing, if adopted, would be to protect "both the cattle feeder and the seed producer from the highly speculative market that now threatens the industry."

EXPLORER STEFFANSSON ARRIVES AT DAWSON

Outfits Himself With the First "Store Clothes" He Has Had In Five Years.

Dawson, Y. T., Aug. 30 .- En route to Esquimault, B. C., and thence to New York, via Ottawa, Vilhjalmur Stefansson, Arctic explorer, outfitted himself with "store clothes" here today, his first opportunity in five years. He arrived yesterday wearing moccasins

help the allied cause and believes he can do this best by giving lectures in the United States for the Red Cross. He expects it will be many months beered mountains, to Porcupine river and thence to Fort Yukon, where he took

treatment for 150 days. The explorer will leave here Sunday or Monday.

Smith Retains Tennis Title. Asheville, August 30.-Carlton dolph, of Asheville, defeating Miss "The old street has not changed Therese Chapman, of Aseville, and E.

Today's play in all the flights was unusually close,