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GENERAL HAIG'S TROOPS SMASH HUN ARMIES; 14,000 PRISONERS CAPTURED

BRITISH PROGRESS RAPID IN PICARDY AND ARTOIS

Advancing Tommies Now Closing In On Bapaume, Famous in War News, and Its Capture Is Imminent—Official Report Shows 14,000 Prisoners Have Been Taken

By the Associated Press. The British are advancing at a remarkably rapid rate. Their capture of Albert region was commensurate with the progress of the battle front. Official reports received from the British have shown that the British have advanced to the town of St. Leu. The British are said to be in possession of the 87 positions between Arras and Bapaume. The fall of this region is of great importance. It is stated in reports that small battalions of British troops have been taken. The British are operating in the area of Bapaume. German troops have been captured. The British are now closing in on Bapaume. The British are now closing in on Bapaume. The British are now closing in on Bapaume.

TOTAL AMERICAN LOSSES ARE 20,444

Washington, Aug. 24.—A total of 20,444 casualties were reported by the war department today, the figures including the casualty list issued for publication this afternoon. The total shows: Killed in action (including 291 at sea) 4,212; Died of wounds 1,260; Died of disease 1,594; Died of accidents and other causes 715; Wounded in action 10,476; Missing in action, including prisoners 2,187. Total to date 20,444. The second section of the casualty list today shows: Killed in action 7; wounded severely, 56; died of wounds, 8; total, 71. The list includes two from North Carolina: Privates Benaga G. Carawan of Lowland, and Wiley G. Sheetz of Idlewild, both wounded severely. The first section contained 53 names. Private James Clarence Brown of Kannapolis died of disease.

REPUBLICANS HOLD CONFERENCE HERE

Republican candidates for vice and a number of Republicans who are not candidates met here yesterday afternoon to discuss the coming campaign and to make arrangements for reaching the soldiers in the training camps and in France. There was a large crowd in the Academy of Music, which has been leased by the Hickory township Republican club until after the November elections, and a number of Catawba Republicans were in attendance. No public notice was given of the meeting. Among those in attendance were John F. Morehead of Charlotte, candidate for United States senator; F. A. Linney of Boone, candidate for congress in the eighth district; John W. Kurfess of Germantown, candidate from the fifth district; Dr. Clegg of Liberty, seventh; Chas. A. Jonas of Lincoln, ninth; James J. Britt of Asheville, tenth. In addition W. G. Grahman of Durham, Editor Frank Stroud of Mocksville and several local Republicans were present.

Foch's Aim Is Under Debate

By the Associated Press. The ultimate aim of General Foch is working out the best of battles is causing some speculation among French and British military experts. Some believe that Marshal Foch has the object of weakening the enemy numerically and in position and morale for some absolute victory at a new front. Others think that the general is attempting to reap the rich fruit of the great demoralization he has caused in enemy ranks.

NOYON IS EXPECTED TO FALL ANY TIME

By the Associated Press. London, Aug. 24.—Noyon is expected to fall at any moment, according to advices today from the front. Mr. E. W. Reynolds returned this morning from a trip to Kentucky where he went to look after some timber for airplane and gunstock factories. He reported a rough country, but obtained results.

FRENCH FRONT IS QUIETER THIS MORNING

By the Associated Press. Paris, Aug. 24.—French troops on the southern part of the battle line apparently are taking a breathing spell after days of intensive fighting under the broiling sun, leaving the British to go ahead with the offensive movement. This is in accordance with the Foch system of striking at one point at a time. The Germans on the part of the front along the Divette between Lassigny and the Oise seem to be putting up stout resistance. General Humbert will need time to perfect arrangements for overcoming German artiller yin this sector. The German guns thundered all day Friday, but did not prevent the capture of Evricourt.

ALL PRISONERS NOW NUMBER 100,000

By the Associated Press. London, Aug. 24.—1 P. M.—Field Marshal Haig's forces are fighting on the slopes of Thiépval and along the eastern bank of the Ancre river, north of Albert, where British patrols have entered the town of Miraumont. From the latter the British line runs to Bihucourt, thence to Ervillers, which is in British hands, and thence to Boyelle and Bory-Bequerelle, adjoining the line at Miraumont. There is no doubt that prior to the British attack the Germans contemplated a retirement, but they intended to take their time. British attacks have prevented the enemy from carrying out their plans. This has been proved by the large number of prisoners captured. No report has been yet made of the total number of prisoners taken by the French, but the estimate of Anglo-French captures since July 18 confirms earlier reports from Paris placing them well over 100,000.

GERMANS TRYING TO STOP BRITISH HERE

By the Associated Press. With the British Army, Aug. 24.—At Thiécourt the Germans are desperately trying to hold up the British from the ruins of a large sugar factory. The British are fighting in the vicinity of Mory on the Arras-Bapaume road as well as at St. Leger, just to the northward. The area behind the German lines is jammed with transports, indicating confusion.

SHOWERS ARE FORECAST FOR COMING WEEK

By the Associated Press. Washington, Aug. 24.—Probable showers Monday, with seasonable temperatures, are forecast for the south Atlantic states for the week beginning tomorrow.

GERMANY PROTESTS OVER SHIP MATTER

By the Associated Press. Amsterdam, Aug. 24.—Germany has energetically protested against the intention of Spain to replace sunken Spanish tonnage by German submarines with German ships.

REGISTRARS IN SEPTEMBER NAMED

The following is a list of registrars for the registration which will be held sometime in the early part of September. These men are requested to appear before a member of the local board or a notary public and be sworn, as soon as it is convenient for them to do so. Eubert Lyerly, chief registrar, Hickory. Gordon Wilfong, assistant chief registrar, Newton. North Hickory Precinct: Geo. R. Wootten, chief registrar; J. W. Espey, A. G. Kirkpatrick, P. M. Johnson, J. W. Warlick. Geo. Bailey. South Hickory Precinct: W. H. Payne, chief registrar. F. P. Johnson, A. K. Joy, W. A. Rudisill, W. L. Mitchell, H. G. Stephens, H. W. Hayes, Jas. E. Abee, W. B. Southerland, J. L. Cilley, A. O. Mitchell. Cooks Precinct: Evrekte Carpenter, chief registrar, Henry; J. A. Wright, Henry. A. F. Wood, chief registrar, Hickory, R-1; Ed Bloodsoe, Route 1. Shuford's Precinct: M. L. Sites, chief registrar, Newton, R-1; C. E. Finger, Hickory, R-1. Conover Precinct: A. L. Shuford, chief registrar, Conover; Tom Hewitt, Conover. Piney Grove Precinct: A. V. Rockett, chief registrar, Conover, Route 3; Jas. Fulbright, Claremont. Mt. Pleasant Precinct: D. A. Gilleland, Denver. Sherrills Ford Precinct: T. F. Connor, chief registrar, Terrell; R. E. Gabriel, Terrell. Claremont Precinct: C. C. Hewitt, chief registrar, Claremont; Ed Little, Claremont. Monogram Precinct: C. L. Plaster, chief registrar, Monbo. Catawba Precinct: Oscar Sherrill, chief registrar, Catawba; Ed Carpenter, Catawba; Chas. Little, Catawba. Maiden Precinct: G. E. Maunty, chief registrar, Maiden; Frank Carpenter, Maiden. Early Grock Precinct: Garland Cloninger, Newton. Olivers Precinct: Sam Jones, chief registrar, Newton. R. F. D.; Robert Keener, Maiden. Newton Precinct: Clarence Camp, chief registrar; R. P. Caldwell, I.omis Klutz, H. H. Sigmon, Tom Clifton, Cleveland Little, L. F. Long.

THREE MARINES ARE KILLED BY BANDITS

By the Associated Press. Washington, Aug. 24.—Three American marines were killed and one wounded in a bloody fight with bandits in the Seibo province of Santo Domingo on August 13. A report reaching marine corps headquarters here today said many of the bandits were killed or captured.

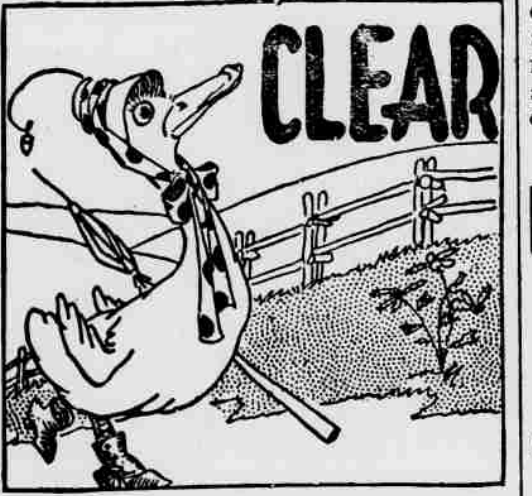
NEW YORK COTTON

By the Associated Press. New York, Aug. 24.—The extraordinary excitement and activity of yesterday was followed by lower prices in the cotton market yesterday. The weather map showed good rains in Texas. Before the end of the first hour active months showed net losses of 80 to 104 points. The close was easy.

	Open	Close
October	34.70	33.05
December	33.90	32.60
January	33.85	32.30
March	33.85	32.30
May	33.70	32.20

WEATHER FORECAST

For North Carolina: Fair tonight and Sunday, except rain on the east coast tonight, fresh possibly strong east to north winds on the coast this afternoon and tonight.



GERMAN RAIDERS BEATEN OFF DUNKIRK

By the Associated Press. London, Aug. 24.—German motor boats attempted a reconnaissance in the neighborhood of Dunkirk, France, yesterday. They were driven off by British and French destroyers. One enemy boat is believed to have been destroyed. The allies suffered no casualties. COLONEL FERGUSON MADE BRIGADE GENERAL. Col. Harley B. Ferguson of Waynesville, brother of Mrs. A. A. Shuford, Jr., of Hickory, has been recommended by the president for appointment as brigadier general for the period of the war. He commands the 105th regiment of engineers in France and his promotion will give him a brigade, or three regiments.

BRITISH FORCES TWO MILES BAPAUME

By the Associated Press. London, Aug. 24.—British forces are within two miles of Bapaume, it is officially announced. The British fourth army is on the outskirts of Bray.

HUNS GETTING DOSE FROM ALLIES, SAY SOLDIER

Mrs. H. F. Deitz received a letter this morning from her son, Private Clyde Deitz, of the 105th engineers. The letter which was written on July 26 spoke of the pleasure the mail just received from home had given and young Deitz expressed the wish that he could get a letter from home every day and that he could get some of the apples which are ripe over here just now. The young soldier said according to what the Huns were getting now they would soon have to give up.

ARBITRATION TREATY SIGNED WITH JAPAN

By the Associated Press. Washington, Aug. 24.—The arbitration treaty between Japan and the United States was extended for a term of five years today by the signatures of Secretary Lansing and the Japanese ambassador. Hickory Lodge 343 A. F. and A. M. will confer first degree Monday night at 8 o'clock. Full attendance is desired.

AMERICANS MAKE SUCCESSFUL RAID

By the Associated Press. Washington, Aug. 24.—Another successful American air raid by American aviators without the loss of a machine is announced in General Pershing's communique. It also says that an American outpost near Fismes having been captured in a small local attack, has been recaptured.

BRITISH THIRD ARMY ADVANCES RAPIDLY

By the Associated Press. London, Aug. 24.—The British third army is advancing very rapidly. It has gone forward in some places to a depth of four miles on a front of 12 miles.

BRAY FALLS TO BRITISH; MANY PRISONERS TAKEN

General Byng's Men Continue to Smash Through the Germans, Towns and Villages Falling to Them in Giant Battle—Details of Battle to Record Direct From British Army

BAD MAN RAIDS CLARK CREEK SECTION

The unknown white man who has been operating in the Clark creek section, five miles southeast of Hickory, made another raid last night at the home of Mr. Jim Punch and cut collars and harness to pieces and then made off. For several days the prowler has been busy, most of the time during the day, and on Wednesday took the collars off horses in a field on Mr. Punch's place. A boy was plowing and when he reloaded repaired to the smoke house and the family went to the stockhouse and stole a ham from a 40 pound hog. The people of that community are very much aroused and are anxious to catch the wild man, or whatever he is. Deputy Sheriff Kennedy said today that the fellow would raid a watermelon patch one night, leave the melons until next night and then carry them off. Owners of the fruit were afraid to touch them, believing that they might be poisoned. Two months ago the same fellow, it is thought, was active in the Catawba Springs section and there stripped harness from horses in the fields and frightened boys. He also stole a side of meat from the smoke house of Mr. Carp Sigmon. The culprit visited a number of places, it is said, in the Catawba Springs neighborhood.

THREE HICKORY BOYS MADE TRUCK DRIVERS

Mrs. J. W. Shuford today received a letter from Private Donald Shuford, 105th engineers, dated July 28, in which he announces that Privates Charles Menzies, John Radisill and himself have passed the examination for motor truck drivers and in company with six other men are stationed some distance from the rest of the company. He is just as safe as he can be in France, he writes his mother, and more than that, he has the finest job he has had at all. The boys draw their rations from the Hickory company and have them prepared by a company closer by. They have been thrown with many of the finest soldiers in the world, Donald says, but he hands it to the Scotch lads, some of whom have been on the job since 1914. The Scotch are favorites with Mr. Shuford's crowd.

AUSTRO-GERMANS GAIN OVER ITALIANS

By the Associated Press. Rome, Aug. 24.—In Albania the forces of the central powers yesterday renewed their attacks from the Semeni river to the height of Mali Morices, it was announced today by the Italian war office. The enemy made progress to the north.

LODGE IS ELECTED REPUBLICAN LEADER

By the Associated Press. Washington, Aug. 24.—Senator Henry Cabot Lodge of Massachusetts, leading Republican in point of service and ranking minority member of the foreign relations committee, was elected unanimously floor leader by the Republicans in caucus today.

GERMANY'S COLONIES WON'T BE RESTORED, SAYS CECIL

By the Associated Press. With the British Army in France, August 24.—Bray is reported to have been captured by the British. Several thousand German prisoners have passed through the cages behind General Byng's third army today. No effort to count the prisoners has been made. The British were smashing through the Germans this morning all along the line. The British are reported to have captured Beccourt and to have reached the high ground southwest of Ercourt. The British have passed well beyond Bray.

MR. MILLER SAYS IT TO HUNS ARE GIVING IT TO HUNS

Mr. J. L. Miller has received a letter under date of July 28 from his son, Private E. L. Miller, 105th engineer train, in which the young man writes that the allies are giving the Huns that word made famous by a well known union commander. The young man was mused four inches by the shell that killed Sergeant Huffman, but he observed that those four inches were as good as a mile. He is in good health, has been in the trenches twice, and has plenty to do.

WANTED — Good second hand burp bags. Good price paid for same. Hickory Seed Co. 8 24 1t

March Denies Big Falsehood

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By the Associated Press. Washington, Aug. 24.—Members of the senate military committee were assured by General March at their weekly conference today that stories of great American casualties overseas are false and that all casualties are reported as rapidly as they can be transmitted by cable. The chief of staff, without discussing in detail the great allied movement well under way, said the situation continued favorable. Further improvement in the situation was noted and General March said the allies were in better position. (Continued on page 4)