

GERMANS' FLIGHT IS HURRIED AMERICAN CASUALTIES IN BIG BATTLE 12000

Germans Headed For Aisne; They Burn Vesle Bridges as They Flee

ALONG WIDENED FRONT AMERICANS AND FRENCH ARE HOT ON HEELS OF GROWN PRINCE'S RETREATING TROOPS; FIRES

Fourteen Bridges Seen in Rear of Retiring Forces—
French Cavalry at the Vesle—Fismes Soon Will Be in
Hands of Attackers, Following Capture of Soissons—
Dumb-Stricken Boches Were Surprised; Did Not Have
Time to Destroy Town—German Retirement in Vicinity
of Albert—Fall Back Along Front of Three Miles—
Kaiser's Boosted Legions Quitting "Pocket" With "In-
creased Momentum"

(By the United Press)

London, Aug. 3 (1:25 p. m.)—The French have progressed along the south bank of the Aisne River between Summers and Venizel, it is learned authoritatively this afternoon. Allied troops have advanced along the northern edge of the plateau from Monvazel to Braine. Further east the Allied advance continues. Dormans wood has been occupied.

With the Americans in France, Aug. 3 (1:20 p. m.)—Fismes has been brought within range of the American artillery. Chamey, where Quentin Roosevelt fell to his death, according to German statements, is in the hands of American troops. The Americans are searching for Roosevelt's grave.

Cavalry at the Vesle.

London, Aug. 3 (1:27 p. m.)—French cavalry is reported to have reached the south bank of the Vesle River at Jonchery and Champigny. All bridges across the Vesle have been destroyed. The Germans are burning villages north of the river in their flight. Fourteen large fires have been observed in that region, it is reported.

Retreating Elsewhere.

London, Aug. 3 (1:31 p. m.)—German troops are reported to be retreating to the east bank of the Aisne River between Avesnes wood and Albert, according to battle front dispatches. This represents a retirement on a front of about three miles.

Advancing On Wider Front

Paris, Aug. 3 (10:55 p. m.)—The German retreat is gaining in momentum as the Allies push forward on the whole 45-mile front from west of Soissons to Rheims. In the center American troops are driving toward the Aisne, up Dorillon valley, and are within six miles of the important enemy base of Fismes. Copan, reported captured in an earlier dispatch, is the same distance south of Fismes. West of Rheims advanced elements have reached several points on the Vesle River (which flows from Rheims almost due west through Fismes.) East of Soissons many Germans are retreating northward along the Launcy Aux Choux road. French patrols have reached the Aisne near Venizel. The enemy seemed surprised at Soissons. He had no time to set fire to the town.

Pushing in Flanks.

Paris, Aug. 3 (12 m.)—Allied forces are pushing inward on both flanks of the Soissons-Rheims salient, the French war office announces.

Americans in Center.

With the American Armies in France, Aug. 3 (7:55 a. m.)—The Americans continue to advance along the center of the Soissons-Rheims salient. Copan and other towns and villages in that region are in our hands. A heavily destructive artill-

Trade in Richmond District Fair Now; Failures Very Few

(Special to The Free Press)
Richmond, Aug. 3.—Bradstreet's will say for Richmond and vicinity: Trade, as a whole has been of fair volume, though industries engaged in the production and distribution of military equipment take front rank. Retarded deliveries of freight continue a deterrent feature, though some improvement is noted in this direction.

Wholesale trade in shoes, hats and dry goods has been fair. Groceries and provisions in wholesale are in good demand.

Retail trade is quiet in most lines, particularly in clothing and in non-essential lines.

Manufacturing is practically all lines is active, though some curtailment has been made necessary by lack of supplies and scarcity of labor.

Collections are generally good and failures at almost a minimum in this district. Money is in good demand and sustained activity is reflected in increasing bank clearings.

Crops are generally in good condition, the corn crop particularly. Tobacco is late. Cotton is developing a good growth. Vegetables are scarce. The apple crop will be an average one.

Fatten Poultry to Market It; Quickly and Cheaply Done

(Special to The Free Press)
West Raleigh, Aug. 3.—Poor cattle or poor hogs sent to the market will make a very poor impression on the buyer, if they are not fattened altogether. To properly market animals they must be fat.

A. G. Oliver, who trains over the State in poultry club work, states that he finds most of the poultry sold comes from the open range, and is sold or shipped without being fattened. In this way an inferior product is put on the market, and considerable money is lost to the seller.

Open range birds will put on 23 per cent. of their body weight in from 12 to 14 days. To do this it will take about 3 1/2 pounds of grain for each pound of flesh gained.

Asks Politicians to Endorse League Enforce World Peace

New York, Aug. 3.—The League to Enforce Peace addressed a letter to Democratic and Republican leaders in North Carolina urging that the political conventions held this summer and fall pay attention not only to winning the war and making the world safe, but to keeping the world safe by shackling German military despotism forever. It was the insertion in every convention platform of a plank favoring the League of Nations to Safeguard Fruits of Victory.

MAKING GREEK CHEESE AT WISCONSIN FACTORY.

Washington, Aug. 3.—For some weeks a creamery at Snywano, Wis., has been experimenting in the making of Greek cheese. An expert maker was brought up from Chicago, and he has been trying out the quality of the milk for making this style of cheese. It is plain that the work has passed the experimental stage, and the product is now on the market. There are two varieties made, Feta and Myzothra. There are only two other factories making these two kinds of cheese, one at Massville and the other at Milwaukee, Wis.

(BUY WAR-SAVING STAMPS)

SEVERAL MEN FROM THIS STATE KILLED FIGHTING GERMANS

Three of Marine Casualties From North Carolina. Pershing's List Totals 206—112 Army Men Killed in Action

(By the United Press)
Washington, Aug. 3.—Eleven marine casualties were reported—four killed in action and five severely wounded, two slightly.

Gunnery Sergeant G. A. Williams, Alhaskil, N. C., was killed in action. O. E. Martin, East Bend, N. C., was wounded severely.

J. A. Madison Webster, N. C., was wounded slightly.

Army List Losses.

Washington, Aug. 3.—Two hundred and six army casualties are listed—112 killed in action, 11 dead from wounds, 11 from disease, five from accidents and other causes, 56 wounded severely, two to degrees undetermined, nine missing.

Lieut. R. O. Brady, Jr., Sumter, S. C.; Corp. W. B. Sawyer, Piney Creek, N. C.; J. T. Moore, Page, N. C.; J. L. Vellines, Combs, Va.; G. W. Waldrop, Spartanburg, S. C., were killed in action.

Sergt. J. T. Chandler, Church View, Va., died from accidents and other causes.

Corp. J. Spaw, Cedar Bluff, Va., was severely wounded.

BULLETINS

(By the United Press)

SUBS. STILL HERE.
Washington, Aug. 3.—The sinking of a schooner 35 miles off Briar Island, Nova Scotia coast, was reported today when nine men in glory landed at Jannet Rock Light, on the Maine coast, the Navy Department announces.

HOOVER'S NARROW ESCAPE.

Paris, Aug. 3.—It is reported that Herbert Hoover, American food administrator, and party had a narrow escape in a German air raid on Cologne when a bomb blew in windows of their private car.

TRAVIS IN WRONG WITH GOVERNMENT

Washington, Aug. 3.—Charged with conspiring to obstruct the operation of the draft, Edward Llewellyn Travis, Halifax, N. C., former chairman of the Corporation Commission of North Carolina; Selim Barrett Joseph, Chicago, and Lewis Myer Green, magazine writer, New York, formerly of North Carolina, are held under \$5,000 bail each by a United States commissioner.

COTTON

Futures quotations Saturday were:

	Open.	Close.
January	26.20	26.92
March	26.28	26.80
August	26.80	26.08
October	26.40	27.50
December	26.95	27.05

WELCOME TO OUR CITY; WELL THEY ISN'T CHINA.

Born, Saturday, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Scott, a 10-year-old girl. She is doing nicely.
Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Pearson are proud of a new daughter, two or three days old.
Both promise to help the bonbon business.

J. L. HAMME CHOSEN CHIEF CLERK LOCAL EXEMPTION BOARD

Lawyer Succeeds H. C. V. Peebles—Bumps for Many in Reclassified List Announced by Draft Officials Here

J. L. Hamme has been elected secretary to the local exemption board to succeed H. C. V. Peebles, resigned. It is expected that the board's office will be returned to the Hunter Building, where it was first located. It has been at Mr. Peebles' residence for some months.

Cards are going out notifying reclassified registrants of the board's action in their cases. Class 1 is enlarged by more than a hundred as a result of the changing of the other classes. Some persons are drawing surprises in the mails. A number will find themselves better employed as soldiers of Uncle Sam. The list follows:

The following registrants have been reclassified and placed in class one—having been married since May, 1917, and having no children:

Edwin F. Cavanaugh, Oscar Byrd, Jacob Julius Baker, John Beasley, colored, Erin L. Bell, D. D. Basden, colored, Noah Craft, Casper High Dalton, Henry Blount, colored, E. S. Colwell, Charles K. Hall, W. C. Con-

way, Asa Lister, Isaac Lane, colored, Robert C. Corrett, Elijah B. Daugherty, Silley D. Rust, colored, Esapie F. Menius, Ernest Miles, colored, David Moorin, colored, Dock Bizzell, colored, Charlie Moore, Archie Murvin, General Pearson, colored, Beyern Lawcer, colored, Hardy Clove, James Holmes, colored, Jesse Kinsey Heath, Burton Monte Register, Roscoe Byrd Rayner, Coy Hill, Geo. S. Taylor, Heler Smith, Moses Station, Walter Jenkins, colored, Rowland Shepherd, Charles Herman Savage, Ransom Stanford, colored, Henry Isler, colored, Jone J. Jenson, colored, Lefe Strand, Roland P. Tyndall, Wm. B. Smith, Shade Smith, colored, Edward Currie Smith, Roland Kenneth Vase, Ben. Franklin Whitfield, colored, James Sanderson, Wiley Hardy, Frank William, colored, Chas. Needham White, Paul Wallace.

Wheat to Be Higher in North Carolina, Says Administration

(Special to The Free Press)
Raleigh, Aug. 3.—North Carolina farmers will receive from 15 to 20 cents per bushel more for this year's crop of wheat than they did for last year's crop, according to a statement from Food Administration officials today.

According to the permanent plan of the Grain Corporation the average "fair price" for wheat in North Carolina is approximately \$2.20 per bushel on a basis of No. 1 hard winter wheat. The price for No. 2 wheat would be \$2.41 and the price for No. 3, into which most of the wheat in North Carolina this year will fall, would be approximately \$2.38, with poorer grades ranging lower.

The following, who registered in 1917, are placed in class 2:
Jno. Barron, Geo. B. Bess, Jno. Martin Baker, Kerbey King, Sam Hardy, Chas. Rouse, Hallie R. Rouse.

The following, placed in class 3, disqualified for general service, have been reclassified and placed in class 1, qualified for limited service under the new physical examination standard:

Charlie Coleman, James Parker, Horace L. Sutton, Horace Newey, colored, Wm. Edward Barney, Robert Franklyn Bland, Nathan Lee Whitehurst, William Daniel Hays, Charlie Loftin, colored, Fred Ashard, colored, Ray McLeon, Adam George Journey Bailey, Emmett Bailey, Phillip A. Moore, James Logan, J. C. Jackson, Guy Arthur Johnson, Hartford H. Ivey, Daniel Allen Herring, Frank Hay, Hamp Hargis, James (Arthur) Howard, Grover Cleveland Hill, Marion Larchon Hays, Alonza Howard, H. L. Hawkins, Will Gorham, colored, Jno. Singletary, colored, Jack Saunders, colored, Carl Sutton, Faison Shaw, colored, John Kelley Rodgers, Ralph Preston Rouse, Carl Williams, colored, Les Whitfield, colored, Isaac Wootton, Arthur Whitfield, colored, Robert W. Spear, Horace Greeley Tyndal, Carl Taylor, Leon Stanton, Zebulon B. Price, Will Porter, Eborn S. Pittman, Ment Northern, Glennie Daniel, colored, David Watson, colored, Harry L. Walters, William Henry West, Demsey Wood, colored, Joe Willingham, colored, Richard H. Sampson.

The following named registrants who registered June 5, 1918, have been reclassified and placed in class 1 as having married since May 7, 1917, there being no children of the marriage:
James Thomas Toler, Rosco Robinson, Ammons Niles, Willie Morgan.

The following in class 2, having a child born or born under bulletin 298:
Frank Turnage, colored, Garrett Whitaker, colored, Chas. Raymond

PERSHING ESTIMATES UNITED STATES' DEAD, WOUNDED AND MISSING AT 20 A THOUSAND; NO DEFINITE FIGURES YET

Increase From 10 Per Thousand to a Score—American Forces Overseas Now Number Nearly Million and Third. Chief of Staff Tells Senate Military Committee Members—Sammy's Hurrying Across to Follow Up Success of Their Fellows in Great Drive—Columbia to the Front!—Believed at Washington Draft Age Maximum Will Be Between 35 and 40

(By the United Press)

Washington, Aug. 3.—Eighteen to 45 will be the draft age limits fixed in the new manpower bill to be introduced in the Senate Monday by Senator Chamberlain. The President will be given discretion to call those below 21 for training purposes in this country or call them at last, if it becomes necessary, to use them overseas.

Washington, Aug. 3.—General Pershing estimates American casualties in the present drive at 12,000. General March today told members of the Senate Military Committee. General March made it clear, however, that this is only an estimate.

Pershing estimated that the casualties had increased from 17 per thousand to 20 per thousand. General March also stated that American troops overseas number 1,300,000.

The question of changing the draft age was discussed. The indication is that the maximum age will be somewhere between 35 and 40 years.

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Special Efforts in Nine Counties to Fever; Lenoir Leads

(Special to The Free Press)

Raleigh, Aug. 3.—In addition to routine work the health departments of the nine counties which are cooperating with the State Board of Health during the week ending July 27 accomplished especially notable work in the campaign against typhoid fever. In these counties during the week there were 324 sanitary privies installed and 2,510 people were given the anti-typhoid treatment.

In Robeson, Nash, Lenoir, Northampton and Davidson counties dental clinics for the school children were being held during the same week, and 592 children were treated. Lenoir led the entire line in vaccinations.

Wooten, John Kennedy, colored, William Ellis Aaron, James Paul Casey, Geo. Franklin Anderson.

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Not Only Is It the Blood, It Is Bred in the Bone of Huns

(Written 70 Years Ago)

From the Opus Majus of Roger Bacon—

"Hence the Saracens and pagans in many parts of the world are becoming quite impossible to convert; and especially beyond the sea, and in Prussia, and the lands bordering on Germany, because the brethren of the German house (i. e., Teutonic knights) ruin all the ways of converting them owing to the wars which they are always stirring up, and because of their lust for domination. There is no doubt that the heathen nations beyond Germany would long ago have been converted but for the brutality of the brethren of the German house, because the pagan race has again and again been ready to receive the faith of peace through preaching. But the German house will not allow them, because they want to subjugate them and reduce them to slavery, and by subtle persuasions they have for many years deceived the Roman church. This is notorious, otherwise I would not make the charge."

Refused Take Anti- Typhoid Treatment, Victims to Disease

(Special to The Free Press)

Raleigh, Aug. 3.—Salemberg is a community in Sampson County. Some time ago it was organized as a model health community. A part of the work done was the immunization of the people against typhoid. Every individual in the community was given the anti-typhoid treatment save one, a negro. This summer there has been one case of the fever in the community and one death. The victim was the negro who refused to be vaccinated.

SUNDAY
OUT HERE
WHEATLESS
WE DO BREAK UP THE
HABIT OF THE AMERICAN
CONSUMING WHEAT