

AROUND THE WORLD WITH HERALD PHOTOGRAPHERS

Through an association with a number of other American newspapers The Roanoke Rapids Herald is represented throughout the world by some two hundred photographers, more than one hundred of them being with the armies and navies of the various warring nations. A number of the best and most interesting of the pictures taken by these photographers will be reproduced on this page each week for the benefit of readers of The Herald.

REACH MARNE BANK ON 10-MILE FRONT

RATE OF SPEED OF THE ADVANCE IS, HOWEVER, SLOWED DOWN SOME—RHEIMS LOST.

CHATEAU THEY IS OCCUPIED

Allied Forces Vastly Outnumbered Reserves Have Nowhere as Yet Been Brought into Action.

Plunging southward, with its momentum still unspent, the German war machine has driven its wedge into the allied lines along the front until its apex has reached the Marne river south of Poret-Tardenois. The desperate efforts of the French and British to stem the tide against the invaders have served only to slow down the rate of speed of the German advance; the defenders of the heights north of the Marne seem to have been swept aside in the rush of late enemy toward the road to Paris.

Aside from the movement of the German armies southward, two other significant incidents of the tremendous battle have occurred. One is that the Germans have extended their attack to the northwest along the Ailette river, from which the French have fallen back for some distance. The other is that the battle has extended to the east of Rheims, which city, during the first few days of the battle formed the extreme eastern end of the line of battle.

Along the sides of the salient formed by the rapid German advance to the Marne the French and British have been holding their positions gallantly. South of Soissons, the French have defended their line with such vigor that the Germans have not made much impression upon it. On the other side of the battle area, the British are still holding the forts of Rheims and positions just west of that war-stricken city.

Between the extreme sides of the salient the front sags toward the south, the line from Rheims to the Marne running to the southwest at a gentle angle, while the French are holding a front at right angles to the direction of the German advance.

GERMAN AIRMEN BOMB BIG CANADIAN HOSPITAL

German airmen have bombed another hospital—this time a Canadian institution—and exacted a considerable toll of casualties. Among those killed by the explosion of flames was an American medical officer who was administering an anaesthetic to a British officer in the operating room when that part of the hospital was demolished. The raid occurred at 12:30 o'clock in the morning.

The hospital attacked was a large one. It had been in existence since the early days of the war and was marked by huge Red Cross signs. The German airmen, working partly by the light of the moon, dropped four bombs near the hospital and then not apparently able to see exactly where they were hitting, lighted a brilliant flare which was let fall to illuminate the surroundings.

As the place was lit up by the flare, they released another bomb or two which dropped squarely on a large wing of the hospital. In the wing there were three floors, on the bottom one of which was the operating room. On the story above were the office and patients' room and above them were members of the hospital personnel. Part of the wing was demolished by the terrific explosion and many unfortunate persons were killed and wounded when the building collapsed and buried them.

The surgeons were just about to operate on an aviation officer and the American medical officer was standing by with the anaesthetic when the crash came. All those in that room were buried under an avalanche of brick and woodwork. The demolished wing caught fire and burned fiercely with many victims still pinned in the wreckage.

ATTACKS ON FRENCH POSITIONS REPULSED

Paris.—German attacks on French positions on the right bank of the Ailette river have been repulsed.

The Germans have reached the Marne, light detachments having penetrated as far as the river between Chartres and Jaugonne.

On the right flank of the battle the situation is unchanged which also is the condition west and north of Rheims, according to the official statement issued by the war office.

TO FACILITATE SHIPMENT OF COTTON TO ITALY

Washington.—To facilitate the shipment of raw cotton to Italy and to strengthen the Italian government's control of imports, the war trade board has advanced by 20 days the effective date on which individual licenses for cotton exports now in effect to Italy will be required. Special licenses now in effect will be withdrawn June 10 instead of June 30, after which individual licenses will be necessary.

NO SIGN OF RELAXATION IN GERMAN PRESSURE

London.—Ruter's correspondent at French headquarters telegraphing Friday says:

"There is no sign of relaxation in the German pressure. On his right, in spite of gallant resistance, the enemy has been able to push out his line north and south of Soissons on both sides of the Ailette. In the center his advanced parties are still progress-

AMERICAN MARINES SENDING MESSAGES IN FRANCE



Members of the United States Marine corps in France sending messages to comrades.

ITALIAN INFANTRY REST WHILE CAVALRY MOVE ON



Tired from the strenuousness of the battle, these Italian infantrymen threw themselves on the ground, wrapped themselves in blankets and overcoats and fell asleep immediately. While these men are resting the cavalrymen come up from behind and still keep moving on. The photograph presents a most unusual sight.

RUSSIAN HEROINE HERE



Mme. Leonida Botchkareva, founder and leader of the famous Russian women's Battalion of Death, who arrived at a Pacific port en route to France, where she will offer her services to the allies. At the time of the downfall of Kerensky Mme. Botchkareva was smuggled out of Moscow and taken to Vladivostok, where she took refuge on a British war vessel.

At the Depot.

"Charley, dear," said young Mrs. Torkins, "that young man in the bureau of information wouldn't answer a single question I asked him this morning."

"Whaddidly ask him?"

"I asked him how long the government will operate the railroads and whether trains will run any faster and fares be any cheaper. All he would say was that he didn't know. I believe that young man is being censored."

Boasts Herd of Trained Cattle.

The versatility of cattle is being demonstrated by a farmer in West Brookfield, Mass., who is said to get entertainment as well as profit from his Guernsey herd. The farmer has taught his herd to do various tricks such as rolling a barrel around the barnyard and the like, and he has a special wooden platform whereon the cattle have their particular pieces and performances.

RESTING AMONG DEADLY BOMBS

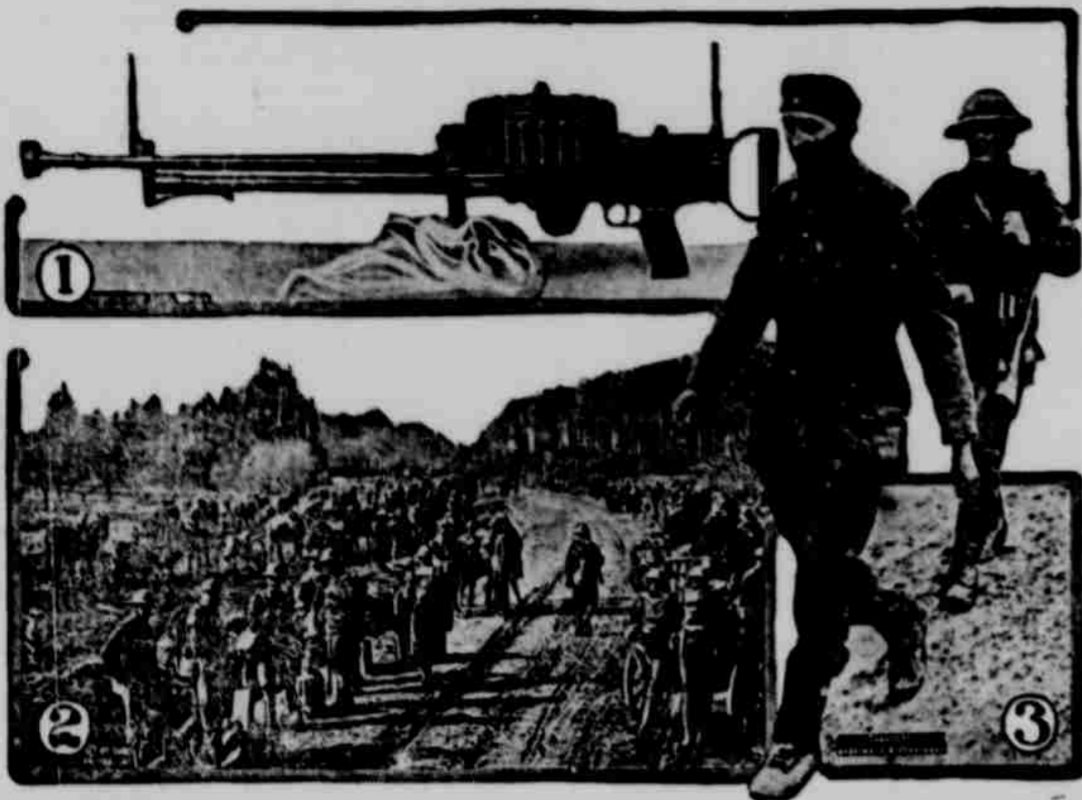


British Tommies take possession of a German hand grenade dump after a counter-attack in Picardy. They are shown resting at ease among the death-dealing bombs.

AMERICAN SOUP KITCHEN IN ITALY



The canteen service of the American Red Cross has given a number of portable kitchen trucks to the Italian government. The photograph shows one of the new trucks.



1—First photograph of the new Lewis machine gun for use on American airplanes. 2—American marines concentrated on the west front for advance to the firing line. 3—A sturdy little British soldier bringing in his private Hun prisoner.

DISMOUNTED BRITISH CAVALRY HURRY TO HELP INFANTRY



British cavalry has played a big part in stopping the rush of the Huns in Picardy. This photograph shows a party of cavalrymen dismounting and going to the aid of a hard-pressed infantry regiment.

FRENCH AND AMERICANS IN GRENADE ATTACK THEIR BRAVERY REWARDED



Frenchmen and Americans are advancing across No Man's Land, somewhere on the front in France. They are moving cautiously, ready to use the grenades they are carrying in the sacks slung over their shoulders.



General Gaucher of the French army decorating an American officer and an American soldier for bravery in a recent bombardment.

U. S. ENGINEERS EXTEND TRENCH LINES



American engineers are doing splendid work in extending and perfecting the trench system in the American sector in France. Demolished walls and ruined buildings are considered especially valuable for the establishment of intermediate depots and posts. This American engineer is converting a tunnel into a post command by the quick methods known to army constructors.

ACTRESS HELD AS A SPY



Mile. Suzy Detsy, one of the most beautiful women on the Parisian stage, is now being held in France as a spy. She is formally charged with maintaining relations with the enemy. Her husband, Emil Guiller, former manager of the American prize fighter Sam McVey, is also under arrest on an espionage charge. Mile. Detsy became noted for her beauty while playing minor roles at the Theatre Sarah Bernhardt in Paris.