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" ALL THE NEWS IN A NUT SHELL "

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# ROYE TAKEN AND BAPAUME SURROUNDED

## NO GERMANS NOW IN BAPAUME CITY

**BRITISH LAUNCH NEW ATTACK SOUTH OF BAPAUME & LITERALLY SURROUND THE CITY AND COMMAND EASTWARD.**

## GERMANS HAVE USED SEVENTY DIVISIONS

(By United Press)  
With the American armies in France Aug 27.—(Noon).—The British launched new attacks south of Bapaume at 4:45 this morning, with every prospect of making the situation below that city more precarious than above, where the line is actually beyond the city. The New Zealanders are on the northern outskirts of Bapaume, having taken Beaunatre during the night. They captured prisoners from three battalions, including the battalion commander. At the same time the British soldiers are moving eastward along the Scarpe highland on the north and the Canadians on the south are taking advantage of yesterday gains.

Paris Aug 27.—Le Matin declares at noon today that not a Hun line is remaining in Bapaume.

London Aug 27.—Since August 8 the Germans have used seventy divisions on the west front between the Scarpe and the Aisne, according to a dispatch received from the British front.

**Canadians Advance on Guemappe**  
London Aug 27.—The Canadians troops after capturing Wancourt, took their line east of Guemappe, General Haig reports.

Heavy counter attacks forced the British back from Longueville to Bazentin le Grand and High wood. These counter attacks were broken up at that point and the British positions restored east of High wood.

## WORKMEN CLASH WITH BOLSHEVIKI

Amsterdam Aug 27.—Serious counter revolutionary disorders have broken out near Moscow, according to a dispatch from that city dated Sunday and received via Berlin. The decision to support the counter revolution has been reached at many labor meetings, the dispatch states. The clash resulted between the workmen and Bolsheviki over a trooper of the latter setting fire to a number of villages near Moscow where the counter revolutionaries had taken refuge.

## NORWAY MAY SEIZE INTERNED GERMAN SHIPS

(By United Press)  
Christiana Aug 27.—Replying to Norway's protest against sinking of her ships outside the danger zone Germany offers compensation where that the ship was sunk without warning. Norwegian newspapers advocate the seizure of equivalent German tonnage such as Spain forced upon Germany.

## SAY THE WAR DEPT. HOLDS INFORMATION

(By United Press)  
Washington Aug 27.—Republican senators charge the administration with trying to keep certain information from all the American people, and that the war department is seeking to run the war in executive sessions.

## "WILL MAKE WAR TO THE DEATH"

(By United Press)  
Rome Aug 27.—The recent Austro-German conference at general headquarters to decide upon peace efforts is useless unless the Central Powers acknowledge defeat, according to a report from Austrian sources received by the E-poca. The conference thereupon declared in favor of more intensified warfare on all fronts and upon land and sea, and further agreed that no concessions be made to the allies. "We will make war to the death", is the statement accredited to high German officials, "We will conquer or perish together". Golden wheat and golden glow and golden sunsets are the order of the day.

## HUN BATTALION REFUSES ORDERS

(By United Press)  
Amsterdam Aug 27.—A German battalion, ordered to the front, unaimously refused to go, according to dispatches from the front and published in the Telegraph. Every tenth man was shot and the remainder surrendered.

## MISTAKE PATROL FOR SUBMARINE

(By United Press)  
At an Atlantic seaport Aug 27. The American patrol boat No 209 was fired on and sunk today by a Merchant vessel which mistook her for a submarine, it was reported here this afternoon when a destroyer brought eight of the rescued crew into port.

## SEVEN N. C. MEN IN CASUALTIES

(By United Press)  
Washington Aug 27.—The North Carolina toll of the 341 losses issued today by the war and navy department was seven men from widely scattered parts of the state three of whom were killed in action these being Lieut Paul C. Venable of Durham; Sergt Karl M. Hooker of Salisbury and Private Roman Morgan of Andrews. Private Carson B Chason of Lumberton Bridge died of wounds while the following three were severely wounded: Privates Curtis H. Page of Wade and Linzie R Pate of Rockingham and mechanic John D. Adams of Wilson. No North Carolinians were included in the marine casualties which numbered 34. In total 91 were killed in action 35 are missing in action, 173 severely wounded, 24 died of wounds, 9 wounded to a degree undetermined 4 died of accident and other causes three died of disease, one died from aeroplane accident and wounded slightly.

## SPAIN WINS OVER GERMANY

(By United Press)  
Santander, Spain Aug 27.—Germany accepts all condition contained in the Spanish note regarding submarine warfare. German shipping interned in Spanish ports will be voluntarily turned over to Spain to replace any further losses from U-boats.

## BIG MERCHANT IS BLACKLISTED

(By United Press)  
Raleigh Aug 27.—Because it had greatly profited by charging a margin of forty to sixty per cent on flour, meat lard compound and molasses, J. L. Thompson Company of Dunn, has been severely censured by state food administrator and put out of business, insofar as the handling of food and feedstuffs is concerned for the duration of the war. Mr J L Thompson representing the company, was given a hearing before Mr. Page several days ago, and Mr. Page's decision was announced today.

## FRENCH HAVE BROKEN GERMAN DEFENSE

**BIG DRIVE HAS STARTED ALONG THE ENTIRE WESTERN FRONT, ALL THE ALLIES PRESSING THE ENEMY CLOSE**

## MANGIN WINS COMMANDING POSITIONS

(By United Press)  
Cologne Newspapers Declares for Freedom  
Zurich Aug 27.—"We now fight for life and death", declared the Cologne Volks Zeitung. "The war will determine the future existence of Germany, and the question is to know whether our people can have political economy and freedom."  
ARMY OFFICER ARRESTED IN SUPPLY SCANDAL CHARGE



French Gain Commanding Position  
Paris Aug 27.—(10:00 A. M.).—General Mangin has won possession of the high ground south of Crecy-aumont, from where the Hun positions, north and east of Soissons are being heavily shelled. The positions are subject to a doubt fire as they are also being shelled from the French line along the Aisne, east of Soissons. Along the whole of the active front the French continue to secure jumping off places for future operations. French Took 1100 Hun Prisoners  
Paris Aug 27.—"The French troops are advancing toward Roye this morning after repulsing several counter-attacks in that region the war office announces. The French advanced three quarters of a mile east of Bagneux yesterday, repulsing all counter-attacks west of Chavigny. Artillery fighting continued last night between the Aisne and Ailette. The French took eleven hundred prisoners yesterday. South of the Aisne this morning the French accentuated British progress in the region of St Mard after several German counter-attacks were repulsed."

## TOBACCO SELLS HIGHER NOW

The opening of the tobacco markets of Enfield and Taboro last week naturally incline some to think that on opening days the prices would be higher than later on, but this has not been the case, for when Mr. P. E. Powell, of the Enfield Warehouse, was in town yesterday he made the following statement. "Tobacco sold between \$2 and \$3 per hundred higher today on my warehouse floor than it did last week. Most of the farmers with good grades of tobacco are averaging \$2 to \$45 per hundred." This proves that it is not necessary to carry tobacco to Rocky Mount to get good prices. These new markets are doing all for the farmers that the old ones can do, and perhaps, because they are new and striving for your business, are doing better for you than Rocky Mount has done.

## SACRIFICING YOUTH TO SAVE KAISERISM

