

Stinging Defeat for Forces of Crown Prince Rupprecht

Canadians and British Strike Blow at Pride of Bavarian

Fierce Resistance Makes Casualty List Probably Lengthy One; A Vivid Picture of the Fighting; Dominion Troops Only 400 Yards From Passchendaele

British front in Belgium, Oct. 30.—(By Associated Press.)—The forces of Crown Prince Rupprecht of Bavaria today suffered another stinging defeat when the British reached out across a sea of mud and wrenched away still more of the few remaining defences in the enemy's Passchendaele system.

It has been another proud day for Canada. Her troops this afternoon were sitting almost at the gates of Passchendaele and from their positions astride the Broodseinde-Passchendaele highway along the ridge they could see only 400 yards away the great church which stands in the centre of the village.

While the Canadians were battling their way forward in the face of fierce resistance from the Bavarians, comrades of their left were hammering their way along the Meetele or Bellevue spur, to points which seem to have carried them well beyond the hamlet of Meetele and the numerous machine guns with which that elevation was covered.

Canadians Casualties

There was sanguinary fighting in both sections. The German losses were heavy and the men from overseas did not achieve their triumph without some cost in casualties.

Meanwhile British home troops on the left of the Canadians had undertaken the task of crossing the Padduck river and the morasses, in order to bring their line forward and protect the Canadian flank. The men from the British Isles knew that this must be done, and they did it. How they accompanied this drive through the clinging mud probably themselves could not tell.

One heavy counter-attack delivered by the Bavarians as early as 8:30 o'clock from Masselmarkt against the Canadians was caught by artillery and machine gun fire and smashed. The gain on the Canadian front averaged between 800 and 1,000 yards along most of it.

The Canadians encountered a stiff position early in the advance at Friesland Cope, a machine gun defence lying in the valley of the Ravebeck, which runs down the slopes at the junction of the Meetele spur and the Passchendaele Ridge. The enemy turned 400 heavy machine guns on the advancing troops and when they closed in, fought bitterly to retain a hold on their concrete defence. But Friesland Cope fell, and the Canadians pushed on up the slopes.

The infantry working eastward along the crest of Passchendaele Ridge toward the village progressed rapidly although they sustained a severe fire from many points.

Crest Farm, just north of the highway, put up strenuous resistance and a hard struggle was staged here. The farm was armed heavily with rapid fire guns and the Canadians attacked it with rifles and bombs.

Well Done Artillery

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Canadians' Work on Western Front — Nova Scotians in the Fighting — Conditions Never Worse in Whole History of War

Canadian Headquarters in France, via London, Oct. 30.—(By W. A. Williston, Special Correspondent of the Canadian Press.)—Satisfactory progress has been made by our forces all along the line in a day of desperate fighting. The Canadian infantry, by the latest reports, had taken both Crest Farm and Meetele, and, with the splendid support of our artillery, had repulsed two counter-attacks. Meetele was the enemy's last stronghold in front of Passchendaele.

Scrambling over hastily constructed trenches which marked the forward line reached by the second attack, the Canadians at dawn today pushed forward again along Bellevue and Passchendaele ridges in an advance which stretched from their way to the village of Meetele. A violent struggle occurred at close quarters among the cottages in this little place. Those of the enemy who were able to retreat went towards Masselmarkt, but at 8:30 o'clock the Bavarians marched out of Masselmarkt for a counter-attack.

The Canadians at Crest Farm, 1,000 yards south of Masselmarkt, were the first to see this threat developing against their comrades. Some captured enemy machine guns were brought into play against the advancing Bavarians with disastrous result. At almost the same time signals reached the British artillery and the enemy was caught in a swirl of gun fire that shattered the ranks badly, and caused a hasty retreat. Soon afterwards numbers of the enemy were seen running eastward from Masselmarkt, evidently having had too strong a taste of the barrage offered.

At the left, the Canadians and English pushed rapidly across the Padduck river and assaulted numerous enemy defences on the eastern bank. The ground was in very poor condition. Padduck was not in flood, but the whole country surrounding was a marsh in which the men foundered miserably. To add to their troubles, there were hundreds of great shell holes filled with water, into which they often plunged, and from which they were extricated with difficulty.

Such strongholds as Sourd Farm and Courie Farm maintained a heavy machine gun fire against them from the moment the advance began. In spite of these difficulties they pushed their line forward and established contact with the Canadians on their right.

ITALY HAS A NEW CABINET

Orlando Quickly Forms His Government

Strong Union Formed

Party Differences Wiped Out in Face of Attack by Enemy—Fighting Spirit of Italians More Pronounced Than Ever

Rome, Oct. 31.—King Victor Emmanuel yesterday received from Vittorio Orlando, minister of the interior in the Boselli government, who agreed to undertake the formation of a cabinet and took the oath as premier. The cabinet has been constituted as follows: Premier and minister of the interior, Vittorio Orlando; foreign affairs, Baron Sonnino; colonies, Signor Colosimo; justice, Signor Sacchi; finance, Signor Meda; treasury, Francesco Nitti; war, Gen. Alfieri; navy, Vice-Admiral Debono; munitions, Gen. Alfredo Dall'Olio; military and war pensions, Signor Dissalod; education, Signor Barenni; public works, Signor Bari; agriculture, Signor Milani; commerce and labor, Signor Giuffrè; posts, Signor Farini; transports, Signor Bianchi.

The wiping out of party differences and the strengthening of Italy's morale in the face of the present military effort by the Austro-German coalition is exemplified in the statements issued by two of the political parties, the Catholics and the official Socialists. The statements declare that no party sentiment must be recognized in this time of trial. One effect of the participation of the German troops in the offensive has been the elimination of the few remaining sympathizers with the Germans with the arousing of the fighting spirit of the Italian people in general.

A fair was opened last evening by the Newfoundland Society in Temperance hall, St. James street. Commissioner I. W. Wignmore and Frank L. Potts M. L. A. gave opening addresses. In spite of the cold of the fair, which will last until Saturday, will go to the widows of the soldier members of the society who have been killed at the front. The girls' bean toss prize was won by Mrs. Potts, as was also the air gun competition.

Miss Edith Miller presided at the meeting of the Veterans Chapter, I. O. E. held last night at the residence of Miss Gladys Dowling in Duke street. Seventy-five pairs of socks are the result of a faithful summer's work of the thirty members of the chapter. The sum of \$180 was handed in as a result of much personal effort and canvassing.

LOCAL NEWS

RECENT WEDDINGS

Campbell-Caldwell

On Wednesday, Oct. 24, a quiet wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Casper Caldwell, of Florenceville, when their daughter, Ella Edyth, became the bride of Russell Campbell, of Landdowne (N. B.). The ceremony was performed by Rev. M. H. Manuel. Only the immediate relatives of the bride were present. Mr. and Mrs. Campbell left by train that evening for a short wedding tour. The bride is very popular in Florenceville social circles and the groom is a prosperous farmer of Landowne.

McLaughlin-McLean

Grand Falls, Oct. 29.—The marriage took place at the R. C. church on Tuesday evening of Hecbert McLaughlin and Miss Greta McLean. The bride, who was attended by Miss Kathleen Duffy, wore a suit of dark blue cloth with hat to match. Arthur McCuskey was groomsmen. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Father Joyner. After the ceremony, lunch was served at the home of the bride's mother.

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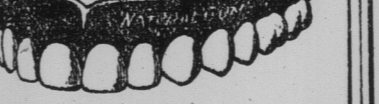
Piper Clinton Regan, of the 236th Battalion Band, who was unable to accompany them to Montreal because he was sick with typhoid fever, has now entirely recovered and hopes to leave to rejoin the regiment today.

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WHEN A TOWN BECOMES A CITY

(Maritime Merchant.)

When does a town become a city? A visitor asked Observer the question. "When does a town become a city?" Well, till then," answered Observer. "When does a town become a city?" "A town becomes a city," he replied, "when its commercial character is established on a permanent basis. It takes time, giving up to this purpose a matter of half an hour or very little more. Halifax and St. John," said he, "are not cities—they are only country towns. Why, you people down here now or less stop business for about an hour in the middle of the day. It is a fact! You do!"

"Well, it is true. The stores are open, but between 12 o'clock noon and 2 p. m. their staffs are about half depleted and it is more or less the same with offices. Perhaps," said Observer's friend, "some may argue that people are healthier, as a whole, if they get this time in the middle of the day. Perhaps some of them are, but not all. The clerk, particularly the female clerk, who has to tramp home a mile and a half or two miles, have a bite to eat and then tramp back again, may be physically benefited, but certainly for the moment she is more or less physically tired. Besides, she is taking time that might very much better be given to her at a different period of the day. If you are going to cut down the store hours, the time to do it is not when shopping is most active. It would be better to lose the hour between 5 and 6 rather than between 12 and 1; at least



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Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Walker, 280 Bridge street, will receive the sympathy of a large circle of friends on account of the death of their youngest daughter, Jennie Belle, aged three months, which occurred yesterday. Only two months ago another child died.

RECENT DEATHS

Mrs. Harriet E. Titus

Mrs. Harriet E. Titus passed away last evening at the residence of her son-in-law, Dr. G. O. Baxter, 105 Union street, after a short illness. The late Mrs. Titus, who formerly belonged to daughters, Mrs. G. O. Baxter, of this city, and Mrs. Rupert Harris, of Wolfville (N. S.), and one son, Charles Titus.

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