The Evening Times ★ Star

FRENCH WIN GROUND ON BOTH BANKS OF THE SOMME

Also Victorious in Fighting on Verdun Front—Big Battle Developing in the Carpathians — Russian Success in Caucasus

Paris, July 20 (noon)—French attacks in the Somme region were delivered last night on both sides of the river. On the north bank trenches in the Hardecourt sector were taken, while south of the river all the German front line trenches between Barleux and Soyecourt fell into French hands. Announcement of the French successes is made in this afternoon's war office bulletin.

The trenches captured on the north bank run from Hardecourt-Mamelon to the east of Hardecourt, run along the railway from Combles to Clery. Four hundred prisoners were captured in this operation.

In the Verdun region there was a continuous bombardment of the Avocourt and Chattancourt sectors on the left bank of the Meuse, with a grenade engagement to the northeast of Hill 304.

On the east coast of the Meuse the French progressed west of the Thiaumont earthworks, while to the south of Fleury they took a strongly fortified German fort together with 100 prisoners. A German aeroplane was brought down in the Somme region east of Ferronne.
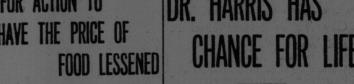
BIG BATTLE IN CARPATHIANS

London, July 20—A wireless despatch from Rome says it is reported from Petrograd that a great battle is devel ping at Jablonitza, the results of which thus far have been favorable to the Rus......

In addition to the heavy fighting in the Carpathians, the despatch says, the Russian offensive has been resumed before Kovel and Vladimir-Volynski and in the Riga area.

Jablonitza is in the Carpathians south of Kolomea, near the northern end of one of the mountain passes leading to Hungary.

Petrograd, July 20—The war office announced today that Kugio, an important point in the Caucasus was occupied by the Russians on Tuesday. Kugio is a junction point of high roads in the Erzerum district.

Austrian Report

Berlin, July 20—Hurling stones down the mountain sides, the Austrians repulsed three strong Italian attacks near Borcola Pass, says an official statement issued yesterday at Vienna. The announcement follows:—"After heavy artillery preparation, strong Italian forces attacked three times our positions south and east of Borcola Pass.

They were repulsed with hand grenades, machine guns and avalanches of stones. There was heavy artillery fighting. At Fella Raibler we captured a machine gun. Tarves was shelled by the enemy."

The Austrian official statement of July 18 reported increased artillery fire between Borcola Pass and the Astach Valley and in various sectors of the Dolomites; artillery duels in the Fella and Raibler sectors, and a nocturnal bombardment of Malborgeth by Italian artillery, which also showed increased activity on the Isonzo front, especially at Goriza Bridgeheads.

An attack upon Thurwiesrjoch was repulsed, says the statement, which also contains the following:—"In a trench northwest of Ponteoba (Carnic Alps) loud sounds of combat were heard. Austro-Hungarian troops were not engaged at the place mentioned."

Excessively Hot

London, July 20—The following official report from the British expeditionary force in Mesopotamia was given out today:—"Since the last communique, that of the 18th, nothing interesting has been reported. The heat has been excessive. For some days the temperature in the shade has been over 120 degrees.

Turkish Report

Con...stantinople, via London, July 20 —Turkish victories in Persia and the Caucasus were announced today by the War Office. The statement follows:— "East of Sinch (Persia), Russian forces which attacked our detachments were driven off. They left behind great numbers of dead. In the Caucasus on our right wing our advanced posts made successful surprise attacks.

The Balkans

Berlin, July 20—The Vossische Zeitung says that after the demobilization of the Greek army the Bulgarian government permitted 1,000 Greek reservists to cross Bulgarian territory, for the purpose of returning to Roumania.

REPORT ON KYTE CHARGES READY

Signed Today But Date For Publication Not Decided

Ottawa, July 20—The finding of the Meredith-Duff royal commission into the fuse charges made in the House of Commons by G. W. Kyte, M.P. for Richmond, N.S., will be in the hands of the government some time today or tomorrow. It was signed by the commissioners this morning and was at once sent to the king's printer to be bound into book form. With the finding in its possession, the government will decide upon a date for publication which, it is believed, will not be long delayed.

SO SAYS BERLIN

Berlin, July 20—The Dutch shipping council has completed its investigation of the explosion which damaged the Holland-American freighter Eemdijk last April. It has decided, the overseas news agency says, the explosion was caused by a torpedo of unknown origin.

That Admiralty announced on April 15 that the Eemdijk, while on passage from Baltimore to Rotterdam with the Dutch colors painted on her sides, had been torpedoed by "an enemy submarine."

DEUTCHLAND IS THERE YET

Bit of a Mystery Story Today— Waiting Warships Driven Out to Sea by Storm

Norfolk, Va., July 20 (Toronto Globe) —Foreign warships which have been waiting off the Virginia Capes for the Deutschland were obliged to go out for to sea yesterday when a northeast gale made it dangerous for them to lay too close to the shore. High seas and a sixty mile gale at Cape Henry drove the foreign ships to seek safety in deep water, probably ten miles off shore.

Baltimore, M. D., July 20—At dawn today the screen of tugs and barges was drawn about the Deutschland, indicating that she would not leave here for several hours at least. To all appearances she was ready to start on her return voyage to Germany last night. This morning, just before she was hidden from view it was observed that she was submerged to about the same depth as when she came into this port with a full cargo. Yesterday a force of mechanics was sent aboard to help the crew's mechanical gang overhaul several engine parts, one of which was later dismounted and buried in an automobile to a local shop for re-finishing. It is thought possible that further testing of the machinery will be necessary before the vessel takes her departure.

All through the night the tug Timmins played its searchlight ceaselessly over the land and water practically covering all approaches to the pier where the Deutschland is berthed.

Toward midnight the vigilance of the German guards about the pier tightened. At one time he served from the field digging trenches and examining those already constructed. The work was found very interesting as well as instructive.

Lieutenant J. G. Stones of the 115th, has been permitted to resign his appointment in that unit.

132nd Battalion.

The 182nd Battalion spent the day on the rifle range and good scores were registered. Lieutenant Frederick Allan Reid of the 74th, has been appointed to the 182nd.

145th Battalion.

Today was pay day for the 145th and this morning the men were marched to the bank to cash their checks. Lieutenant Steven has been granted leave of absence for a few days and will leave tomorrow for Moncton.

General Notes.

Lieutenant-Colonel D'Aigle returned today from Aldershot Camp, where he was taking a course of instruction. Lieutenant E. T. LeBlanc has been permitted to resign his appointment in this battalion. Lieutenant Gallant has been granted leave of absence for a few days.

When not engaged in actual work the New Brunswick Brigade proceeds to the spot daily a course of instruction. They are carried out their physical training and they spend their entire day there. At noon, hot tea is served from the field kitchens, and the men toll around in the shade of the woods for an hour and a half. At one o'clock the officers of the battalions assemble in the grove, where a lecture is delivered by staff officers for an hour.

Chief Justice McLeod is presiding at an adjourned sitting of the Chancery Court here today. Arguments of counsel in the case of The John Palmer Company vs. The Palmer Meridian Shoe Pack Company is being heard.

BAND CONCERT TONIGHT BY THE 115TH; PLANS FOR REST OF SUMMER

In addition to the concert this afternoon, the citizens of St. John will have tonight a concert programme this evening when they will play in the King square bandstand. As a result of this arrangement, Commissioner Fisher has arranged for the postponement of the concert by the Temple Band, which was scheduled for this evening. The commissioner has also made arrangements for a weekly concert each Tuesday night by the City Cornet Band and another each Thursday night by the Temple Band, this arrangement to continue until about the middle of September.

TODAY'S BALL GAMES.

National League—New York at Chicago, cloudy, 3 p. m.; Brooklyn at Pittsburg, clear, 3.30 p. m.; Philadelphia at Cincinnati, clear, two games, first at 1.30 p. m.; Boston at St. Louis, clear, 3.30 p. m.

American League—Cleveland at Philadelphia, cloudy, two games, first at 1.45 p. m.; St. Louis at New York, cloudy, 3 p. m.; Chicago at Washington, cloudy, two games, first at 2 p. m.; Detroit at Boston, clear, 3.15 p. m.

International League—Baltimore at Newark, cloudy, 4 p. m.; Richmond at Providence, clear, 3.30 p. m.; Toronto at Rochester, partly cloudy, 3 p. m.; Montreal at Buffalo, clear, 3.45 p. m.

BELIEVE 200 LOST IN STORM OFF CEYLON

London, July 20—Two hundred fishermen are believed to have lost their lives in a monsoon off the coast of Colombo, Ceylon, according to a despatch received by the Exchange Telegraph Company. A large fishing fleet was caught by the storm and more than 100 boats have failed to return.

GERMANY TO MAKE RUBBER

London, July 20 (New York World cable)—The Germans will commence the manufacture of synthetic rubber on a large scale early next month, according to information received from authorities about neutral sources. The process of manufacture has been simplified so it can be produced for between $1.25 and $1.50 a pound. The subject had engaged the attention of some German expert chemists for months, and a big factory will be completed this month where the production of the rubber will be conducted.

Baron Newborough Dead

London, July 20 — William Charles Wynn, fourth Baron Newborough, died last night at his London residence, aged ....rty-three years.

LOVE'S LABORS LOST

"IT CAN'T BE DONE PAPA!"

THE VIKING FOR THE RIVER ROUTE?

There is a report current in Indiantown that the Viking, a steamer owned by the Deer Island, Campobello Steamship Company, has been purchased by St. John interests to be placed on the St. John river on the Fredericton route. This steamer is said to be adequately equipped for the service.

Another report is that the steamer Hampstead will be taken off the main river route and placed on the Fredericton, Gagetown route. This could not be confirmed as her owner, Joseph Williams, was out of the city today.

The steamer Elaine, which formerly operated on the St. John river, is in Halifax where extensive repairs are being made to her hull prior to her going on the North Shore.

BELGIANS TO JOIN THEIR RELATIVES IN NEW LAND

Arrangements Made by Father Deville of Chicago—Fifty Now on Way

Rotterdam, July 20—The Holland-American line steamer Noordam sailed for New York this morning. On board are about fifty Belgian women and children who are being sent to join relatives and friends in Canada and the United States under an arrangement made by the Rev. John B. Deville of Chicago. Father Deville returned to Belgium today for more refugees.

WM. J. GALBRAITH HURT

William J. Galbraith of Lorneville was severely injured about noon today when his horse suddenly bolted at the corner of Britain and Carmarthen streets, having taken fright at a street car. The injured man now is in the General Public Hospital in a rather serious condition. Mr. Galbraith was seated on a barrel, which he had in the wagon and, as the horse bolted the barrel toppled over and he was thrown forcibly to the ground. He was picked up and the ambulance was summoned and conveyed him to the hospital. He was quite badly cut about the head and face and it was feared that his shoulder was dislocated. Generally he received a bad shaking up and was unconscious for some time.

RECRUITING

Capt. L. P. D. Tilley, chief recruiting officer in New Brunswick, will leave this evening for St. Andrews-by-the-sea, where he will confer with the commanding officer of the 4th Pioneer Battalion concerning recruiting matters for the same unit.

WEATHER REPORT

Issued by Authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stupart, director of meterological service

Synopsis:—With the exception of a few local thunder storms near lakes Huron and Erie the weather since yesterday has been fine and from Ontario to the maritime provinces and very warm.

Fine and Warm.

Maritime—Fresh to moderate winds, fine and decidedly warm today and on Friday.

New England—Cloudy tonight and on Friday, probably rain; winds becoming northeast and increasing, probably reaching gale force tonight.

CITY TO VOTE GRANT FOR THE RELIEF FUND FOR BRITISH SEAMEN

Common Council Approves Suggestion and Will Fix Sum Later —New Water Main For Hanover Street—Tucker Park Survey to Cost $1,000

The claims of the British Seamen's Relief Fund were considered briefly at the noon committee meeting of the common council today, and the commissioners expressed their entire sympathy with the object of the fund. Other matters dealt with included plans for a new water main in Hanover street, expenditures for what repairs in West St. John, and the development of the Tucker Park, Mayor Hayes presiding.

Commissioner Wigmore asked authority to lay a new eight-inch water main to replace the present three-inch pipe in Hanover street, at a cost of $600, for the benefit of the water supply and fire protection. His motion carried.

Commissioner Russell reported that the necessary repairs to the city's wharves on the west side will cost $8,560. The money was voted, but the question of whether the work would be done by the city workmen or the C. P. R. was not decided today.

Commissioner Fisher reported that the city engineer had informed him that a proper survey of the Tucker Memorial Park involving a cost of $600, for the development and improvement of the park, and it was suggested that this fund might be drawn on for the survey. The commissioner of public works was asked to find out whether the money would be available for this purpose.

The mayor heartily supported the proposal, saying that this was not a matter that could wait and it was decided to deal with the matter at a later meeting.

SMOOTHING THINGS OVER

Berlin, July 20—Via wireless to Sayville—Count Michael Karolyi, member of the Hungarian lower house of parliament, has been made president of a new independent party. In his opening speech, according to the Overseas News Agency, he said: "In order to avoid misunderstandings it is necessary to emphasize the fact that there are no differences of opinion in Hungary as to our sole duty, which is to defend the country without discussing reasons, inasmuch as it was attacked by the enemy."

It was reported from Budapest on July 18 that Count Karolyi had resigned the presidency of the Hungarian independent party and would form a new peace party which would demand immediate peace between Hungary and its enemies with or without the consent of Germany and Austria.

COLLISION OCCURS IN ST. LAWRENCE RIVER

Quebec, July 20—The local market steamer "Etoile" as an old paddle wheeler, was in collision today with the steam collier Hochelaga coming down from Montreal under Pilot C. Perron of Montreal.

The accident occurred near Platon, St. Nicholas. Although the Etoile was sinking rapidly she was driven ashore by the steel bow. There was no casualties. The weather was clear and calm.

ASK FOR ACTION TO HAVE THE PRICE OF FOOD LESSENED

Premier Asquith Tells Trades Union Delegates That Committee is Investigating—Taxes of the Well-to-do

London, July 20—Premier Asquith yesterday told a deputation from the Trades Union Congress, which wanted something done to lessen the price of food, that he was not disposed to advocate the introduction of maximum prices of foodstuffs in this country, and doubted whether the experiment had been successful in Germany. A committee was investigating the whole question, and the fruitful beneficial results would follow the completion of the committee's work.

Concerning the suggestion that wealth should be conscripted, Premier Asquith said that whereas an income of £500 before the war paid £18 income tax, it now paid £31 tax. The tax on an income of £1,000, he said, had risen from 28s to £189, and on an income of £5,000 from £292 to £1,502. He did not think any other country was imposing anything comparable to these contributions from the well-to-do classes, "and I do not know that the process has yet come to an end."

GOVERNMENT TO TAKE LARGE PART OF EXCESS PROFITS IN SHIPPING

London, July 19—In the House of Commons yesterday Chancellor of Exchequer Reginald McKinnon announced that the government had decided to take in taxation seventy-seven per cent of the excess profits of shipping firms.

COLORED BATTALION IS TO BE IN TRURO

Although it has been announced that there was to be a battalion composed of colored men, officered by whites, and to be known as the No. 2 Construction Battalion, yet it was not known just where the battalion would be stationed until today, when Captain Tilley was notified that the unit would be quartered in Pictou. Authorization for the recruiting of men for this battalion has also been received. It is to start immediately.

Pictou is the home of the commanding officer, Lieut.-Col. D. H. Sutherland, and he expects to have accommodation to handle the recruits on or about July 24. Lieut.-Col. Sutherland was late of McGill University, and now is a railway contractor.

This unit is authorized to secure recruits all through the dominion, and it is expected that it will fill up very quickly, as this is the first opportunity that the negroes have had to enlist in a battalion of their own.

BEGIN NEXT WEEK TO VACCINATE THE CHILDREN

The usual free vaccination of the school children will be commenced on next Monday, according to announcement of the Board of Health officials. The law gives power to the board to exercise their authority and thus force all children who enter school for the first time to become vaccinated. Parents may have the affair attended to privately, but Dr. G. G. Melvin, medical health officer, will attend to all those that call at the office of the Board of Health, commencing next week.

Indications at the present time are that the present epidemic of measles among children is on the increase. The number of reported cases this month will ...xceed previous records.

South African Troops Over-Brave and Tried To Accomplish Too Much

Felt They Could Hold Wood They Captured From Germans But Latter Sent Reinforcements; British Soon Regained Lost Ground

At the British Front, July 20—(Frederick Palmer in Toronto Mail and Empire)—What Trones Wood was after the British first advance, Delville Wood promises to become after the second, the Germans regarding it equally as vital to their present line of defence. The South Africans, including both the British and Boers, took it most gallantly after the British broke the German second line of defences last week, but they were over-brave, and inexperienced in this kind of warfare.

For the last twenty-four hours the Germans have been massing troops in the opening and making counter attacks with the result that there is the same desperate see-sawing, even the fallen tree trunks and branches, the undergrowth of shell craters. The enemy threw a division at the South Africans last night, aiming to recover both the woods and village of Longueval with the result that the South Africans, who insisted they could hold the woods without help, were outnumbered and had to give ground. The Germans got possession of a little more than half the woods and some houses on the village road alongside the wood.

British reinforcements coming, soon checked the attack, and at this writing had half the woods and all the village, which all say could be seen under heavy shell fire from German guns, indicating that the British had possession.

The Germans also shelled Montauban and made desperate see-sawing, while the British artillery was replying in a larger volume than the Germans.

DR. HARRIS HAS CHANCE FOR LIFE

First Degree Charge if He Dies— The Mystery of Girl Poisoning

Boston, July 20—Hospital physicians attending Dr. Wilfred N. Harris, president of the Massachusetts College of Osteopathy, said today that he had a fighting chance to recover from the three bullet wounds inflicted on Tuesday by Dr. Eldridge Atwood, also an osteopath. The physicians reported that Dr. Harris passed a fairly comfortable night, and that he probably would live unless peritonitis or other complications developed.

While the physicians were exerting every effort to save the life of the patient, the police were endeavoring to clear up the mystery surrounding the death, by poisoning, of Dr. Celia Adams Dr. Atwood's fiancee, which occurred a few hours before the shooting of Dr. Harris. The autopsy failed to reveal "when, where, and under what circumstances this poison was received."

Dr. Atwood is in jail on a charge of intent to kill, although the police have announced that, in the event of Dr. Harris' death, the charge would be changed to first degree murder.

ENGLISH WOMAN PLACED IN A GERMAN PRISON

London, July 20 (New York Times cable)—The Daily Mail publishes an account, by an English woman, Miss Robson, of imprisonment in Berlin. She was a governess in the family of Count Von Farstenstein and suffered no molestation until June 18, when she was ordered to report herself in Berlin, where she was placed in the women's prison. No reason was given, but the prison doctors said to her: "In England they are arresting our women and children. We have a right to arrest women and children here."

Miss Robson says her fellow prisoners included several American women. She applied to have her case put before the American authorities and on July 5 she was conducted to the American consulate, where she was informed she was not at liberty. The same day she was put aboard a train for Flushing, en route to England.

POLICE COURT

Three individuals, one woman, were before the police court this morning and all faced the charge of drunkenness. The men were told that in view of the circumstances surrounding the testimony of the policemen, that they would in all probability receive nine months in jail. One of the prisoners had enlisted yesterday and so he told the court he had just joined the army; ie, in turn, was informed that he would now "join the army." The woman was given nine months in jail. House of the Good Shepherd.

In the case of one of the offenders who was drunk and disorderly in the station, the fact was brought out that a drunken individual arrested in a railway station was liable to a fine of $20.

BURIED TODAY

The funeral of Henry Dymond took place this afternoon from his late residence, 94 Paradise Row, to Holy Trinity church where services were conducted by Very Rev. J. J. Walsh, V.G. Interment was made in the new Catholic cemetery.

The funeral of Patrick Pye took place this morning from his late residence, 20 Egbert street, to the Cathedral, where high mass of requiem was celebrated by Rev. Hector Belliveau. Interment was made in the new Catholic cemetery.

Many sympathizing friends gathered at the home of Rev. Gideon Swim, 48 Adelaide street, this afternoon to pay their last tribute of respect of Mrs. Swim, who died on Monday and whose funeral took place at 2.30 o'clock today. Services were conducted by Rev. B. H. Nobles and interment was made in Fernhill.

WIDOW OF FORMER MAYOR OF FREDERICTON DEAD

Mrs. Beckwith an Aunt of Hon. J. D. Hazen—Miss H. Lipsett Passes Away

Fredericton, N. B., July 20—In Canticook, N. H., yesterday, Mrs. Elizabeth Beckwith, widow of Harry Beckwith, former mayor of Fredericton, passed away. She was an aunt of Hon. J. D. Hazen. Mrs Beckwith was eighty-two years and leaves two daughters, Mrs Arthur M. Gibson, of this city, and Mrs. Frank A. Griffiths, of Canticook. The body will be brought here for interment.

Miss Hannah Lipsett, who for many years conducted a grocery store in this city, died at the home of her nephew, George Mitchell, of Lincoln, yesterday, aged seventy-eight years.

LOCAL SHIPPING

The tug Wasson left this morning for Port Greville, N.S., with the schooner Crescendo in tow. The latter will load at that place for a U. S. port.

Pilot T. Trainor left last evening for Boston to bring the schooner Samuel W. Hathaway to this port. The schooner is coming here light to load lumber.