

GOOD WORK BY CANADIANS

Ottawa, Ont., Aug. 11—Canadian field headquarters, Aug. 10—(Via London, Aug. 11)—During the past week the weather was particularly fine. Good progress was made in the improvement and consolidation of our defenses. Our artillery maintained its activity and carried out frequent systematic shoots upon selected sections of the German front line. Enemy trench mortar and machine gun emplacements were bombarded and hostile batteries engaged with marked success. On more than one occasion the German guns were silenced by our fire. Numerous enemy working parties were dispersed by our field and machine guns.

Indirect fire by our machine guns was also constantly employed upon points in rear of the German position. One machine gun company in one night fired over seven thousand rounds in this manner. The enemy exposed themselves more than usually, and our snipers accounted for a considerable number. Hostile retaliation for our bombardment and other activities was weak. An aerial combat took place over our lines. The British plane drove the German to the ground behind the German trenches, following it down to within four hundred feet of the earth.

BRITISH DRIVE LIKE CLOCKWORK

Preparations Had Been Extraordinarily Thorough

NOTHING LEFT UNDONE

Correspondent Tells of Visit to British Front Before and During the Great Drive

On the British Southern Front, July 26—(Correspondence of the A. P.)—One of the most striking features of the great British drive north of the Somme was the extraordinarily thorough preparation before the offensive was begun. Long before the attack was launched the British staff was busy building up a vast organization which should be complete to the most minute detail. Military experts declare that the degree of preparation achieved was unprecedented. Seemingly nothing that could be done was left undone, and when a representative of the Associated Press visited this section of the British front to see the captured territory and watch the assault proceed, the various activities were being conducted with such coordination that they appeared to be done by clock-work.

The collection of huge stores of ammunition, the assembling of artillery and the concentration of troops were but one phase of the preparation. Bases for various supplies were prepared where they would be most easily accessible when the advance began. Emergency hospitals were constructed and enclosures were built for the reception of prisoners. Great numbers of extra motor lorries were provided for transport work over roads which were continually being improved by myriads of workmen, and Red Cross motor ambulances were made ready for the speedy handling of large numbers of wounded, both British and German.

But it was not only for work in the British-occupied territory that plans were laid. Provisions were made for the troops when once they had forced their way into German ground. The Royal Engineers worked out an elaborate scheme whereby water for the use of the men should follow them into the German trenches all along the line. It is not permitted to say how this was accomplished, but it is stated that it has been done successfully.

Gun emplacements back of the German front lines were worked out in advance, and routes of least resistance for reaching these points were decided upon. Plans for the consolidation of captured territory were elaborately considered and provision was made for the immediate clearing away of the great quantity of debris of every description that always attends a battle field. In fact every scheme possible was applied in order that there should be no loss of time or energy when once the offensive had begun.

Now that the attack is under way there is less use but methodical activity for miles behind the part of the front. Motor lorries flow in steady streams back and forth along the roads, bringing supplies to the front. The wounded are being moved swiftly but with great care to the base hospitals many miles away after treatment in the emergency stations. And all along the line scores of thousands of soldiers are busy handling supplies, making provision for calls from the extreme front and clearing and consolidating the ground taken.

STADILY IMPROVING  
Claudius Perry, assistant engineer on board the tug Champion, who was so severely burned last Tuesday when a gasoline blow torch exploded in his hands, is progressing very favorably in the General Public Hospital and is steadily improving.

NOTICES OF BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS. 50c.

DEATHS

SULLIVAN—At Moncton, Aug. 10, Mary, wife of the late Cornelius Sullivan, formerly of St. John, leaving two daughters to mourn.  
Funeral Saturday, 2.30 p.m., from the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Joseph Higgins, 51 Murray street. Friends invited.  
DUNN—In this city, on the 10th inst., Charles D. Dunn, leaving his wife, one son and two daughters to mourn. (Boston and Portland, Maine, papers please copy).  
Funeral on Saturday morning at 8.30 o'clock from his late residence, 604 Main street, to St. Peter's church for solemn high mass of requiem. Friends invited to attend.  
SIMPSON—In this city, on the 10th inst., Mrs. Emily Simpson, widow of Robert Simpson, in the 69th year of her age, leaving one brother and two daughters to mourn.  
Funeral from her late residence, 216 Prince street, West End, on Saturday at 2.30 p.m.  
TRAYNOR—Suddenly, in this city, on the 10th inst., Harold Sarto Traynor, eldest son of the late Edward Traynor, aged 18 years, leaving his mother, two brothers and two sisters to mourn.  
Funeral tomorrow, Saturday, afternoon, at 2.30 from the residence of his step-father, Leonard Smith, 6 Marsh road.  
BARTEAUX—In this city, on the 10th inst., Daisy Marguerite Kennedy, daughter of the late Duncan P. Bartheaux, aged eight years.  
(Nova Scotia papers please copy).  
Funeral from her late residence, Mrs. Fred Pagton, 17 Camden street, Saturday at 2.30 p.m.

GOOD THINGS COMING TO THEATRES OF ST. JOHN

WINNING PROGRAMME GEM TONIGHT, SATURDAY  
Owen Moore and Dorothy Gish have stellar roles in a superb five reel play, "When Susan Rocks the Boat," which will be shown tonight and tomorrow. A gripping picture under an odd name. "Bathub Perils" is a two-reel comedy and is a triumph in the use of mechanical effects in fun making. A great hit.

AUSTRIANS TRY TO JUSTIFY THEIR RECENT SUBMARINE PIRACY

Amsterdam, Holland, Aug. 11—(Via London)—A semi-official account of the sinking by a submarine recently of the Italian mail steamship Lathrop, received here today from Vienna, says the Italians fired on the submarine with two guns, and that there were troops on board.  
"After the submarine had fired a warning shot at a distance of 5,000 metres," the statement says, "the vessel opened fire from two guns at the stern and attempted to escape by zig-zagging. The submarine pursued the steamship, replying to the fire without hitting the vessel which had shown no flag."  
Later boats were lowered from the steamer. After ascertaining that no one remained on board, the steamship was sunk by the submarine.

"Approaching the boats, the submarine ascertaining that of thirty persons in one boat twenty were in khaki, which confirmed the suspicion of the submarine commander that he had before him a vessel with troops aboard."

TO TAKE HER TO WOODSTOCK

Chief Kelly, of Woodstock, is expected here this evening to take back with him tomorrow Mrs. Monahan, who is wanted in Woodstock for the alleged theft of clothing.

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LOCAL NEWS

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HARD TIMES, DON'T MISS THIS  
Be sure and find W. C. Fowler's, 100 Brussels street, Grocery, cash advertisement in Saturday's Times, before purchasing your Sunday supplies.

Whitewear specials at Amdur's Dept. store, W. E., at bargain prices all this week.  
Don't listen to us—Don't listen to others—Come—Take a look yourself. Wiesel's Cash Stores, Union Street.

J. Gluck, the ladies' tailor, 104 King street, has a reputation for good work.  
NEW FALL FASHIONS  
Now ready at J. Gluck, the ladies' tailor, 104 King street. Order now to ensure prompt delivery. Fine stock of good honest blue serges.  
A dollar is not any bigger here than elsewhere. It simply looks bigger because it buys more shoes—Wiesel's Cash Stores, Union Street.

MONEY SAVING  
We can save you from 25 to 50 per cent. by replacing your old silverware, and give it a new lease of life. Try it at Grindline, the Plate.

Our store will be open this evening, closed tomorrow at 1 p.m.—Open Saturday evening from 7 to 11—Hunt's Busy Up-Town Clothing Store, 17-19 Charlotte Street.

Mrs. R. L. Smith and Miss McLean of M. R. A.'s retail millinery department, left last night for New York to study the new styles for fall and attend the millinery openings.

TRADES AND LABOR COUNCIL  
A meeting of importance Friday evening, August 11th.

KING EDWARD LODGE NO. 30  
Meet at their hall on Sunday, 1.30 o'clock to attend Annual Decoration Service. Full regalia. Order of W. M.

SPECIAL CROCKERY SALE  
In order to bring our stock of crockery and glassware up to date we will dispose of present stock at less than cost. Amdur's for bargains, 238 King Street, W. E.

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Fire in Bridgetown  
Bridgetown, N.S., Aug. 11—A fire which started in the barn of Mrs. J. E. Burns, right in the centre of the town at one o'clock this morning, spread to the Burns residence. The barn was destroyed and the scene of the residence badly gutted. Insurance on the barn is \$3,000; on the house \$1,000.

"BUY IT NOW!"  
At Our Mid-Summer Furniture Sale

Just look around the house and see if there is not something needed in one of the rooms. Even if there is no present need, don't miss this opportunity of securing some of the great bargains we are offering you at

20 to 30 Per Cent Off  
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REMEMBER! This Sale closes August 15. Don't Delay! "Buy it Now!"  
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DELTA OF THE NIGER RIVER

The Niger is the third greatest river in Africa and the eleventh in rank in the world. How did it happen that for generations no one knew the place and the manner of its junction with the Atlantic? The problem was really a hard nut to crack, though with our present methods of African exploration and our knowledge of how to live in the deadly climate of the delta, the mystery would probably have been solved in a few months. The Niger delta, one of the largest in the world, stretches 250 miles along the coast. Most of its streams are small; and, skirting the coast, one can hardly observe them, so completely are they hidden in the dense region of mangrove swamps. Explorers soon found that they might struggle for weeks up a stream only to prove it a blind alley; by a peculiarity of the Niger is that not a few independent rivers form between the delta branches and have no connection with the Niger itself. Most of the delta is a network, difficult to enter or to retreat from.

All nature is hideous there. The brown waters, lashed by the exhalations of the slime and ooze; the repulsive animal life from crocodiles to pythons, lurking in the shadow for their prey; and a choice collection of insect plagues, including the anopheles mosquito and its poisonous sting, render the conditions, persisting for about forty miles inland, are then succeeded by solid earth, noble trees and sweet air; but the swamp region of the lower delta is one of the most forbidding parts of Africa—From "Mystery of the Niger River" by Cyrus C. Adams, in the American Review of Reviews for August, 1916.

PERSONALS

Premier Clark, who was in the city yesterday attending the meeting of the government, left for Fredericton last evening.  
Miss Margaret Duffy of Harrison street, left Wednesday evening for Montreal.  
Many friends of Miss Marie Strong, of the General Public Hospital nursing staff, will be pleased to learn that she is recovering from an operation for appendicitis, which she underwent last Tuesday.  
Mrs. Senior of Manawagonish road with friends toured to Moncton on Sunday and spent the day with L. M. Stone and daughter of Kansas City. The latter, before they return to their western home, expect to visit Mrs. Senior.  
Rev. Dr. Frank McBride, C.S.C., prefect of English studies at St. Joseph's College, is a visitor at the Bishop's palace in Waterloo street for the week end.  
Mrs. John Pratt, with her son Elston, returned last evening from Halifax where they have been visiting for the last two weeks.  
Conductor James McDonald and Mrs. McDonald of Truro are visiting Mr. McDonald's brother, George McDonald, of 48 Spring street.

While John W. Skinner, a farmer of Burton, Ia., was plowing his field recently, the blade of his plow struck an old iron box, which burst open, revealing more than \$1,000 in old silver coin. It is mostly of foreign mintage and some of the pieces are 180 years old.

A Franklin, N. H., owner of an automobile the radiator of which has a front fashioned like a beehive, has been annoyed by honey bees, which, mistaking the radiator for a beehive, have been attempting to use it for hive purposes.

PATRIOTIC CAUSES

The Conservation Committee of the local Red Cross have arranged to collect waste paper and old rubber. Those who have saved these articles for this committee are requested to place the collections in bags provided by the society or in neat parcels on their door-steps on Tuesday, Aug. 15, when the first collection will be made. Hereafter the collection will be weekly. Clean waste paper of all kinds is desired. Kindly place rubber in separate bundles. Bags can be obtained at the local Red Cross rooms.

Patriotic Picnic  
Grand Patriotic Picnic to be held at Ennisville station on the 29th of August. Proceeds are for to go toward the Red Cross and Canadian Patriotic funds. Nothing should prevent the attendance of a large gathering of people to enjoy a good day and make the picnic a success.

BIG RUN OF RIVER SALMON

Fredricton, Aug. 12—There has been a big run of salmon this week at Hart's Island pool on the St. John river at Kingsclear and local anglers are having great sport. Yesterday Harry E. Atterton and Charles Cremin killed the largest weighing twelve pounds. E. G. Chestnut killed six in one day this week; R. N. MacCann and J. S. Neill are among other successful anglers. Last contingent delegates to Odd Fellows' grand lodge left for Moncton morning well pleased with their sojourn here.

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