

left banks of the river. The German line of advance appears to be Venteuil on the northern bank, and Ceuilly on the southern. -

The Germans desire by this movement evidently to turn the strong position formed by the forest and mountain of Rheims from the south, as an effort at a frontal attack would probably lead to disaster. The general impression tonight was that the position was favorable for the Allies, whose tenacity and preparedness unquestionably surprised the Germans, upsetting their plans for a rapid initial success.

## WITTILY PUT

PARIS, July 17.—"The German inoffensive of-fensive" is how a witty writer, Gustave Thiery, describes the latest effort of General Ludendorff, and the advices from the front seem to justify this para-dox. If the fighting has not resulted in a French victory, it has at least been a serious failure for the Germans.

DRIVEN BACK Washington, July 17.— The following dispatch has been re-ceived: "East of Chateau Thierry, where the enemy succeeded this morning in crossing on our front and gaining some ground, our troops counter attacked and drove the enemy back to the the Vosges, Five trench raids at-tempted by the enemy, broke



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LATEST BOMBARDING

OF A HOSPITAL

By Courier Leased Wire

By Courier Leased Wire Paris, July 17.-Two German Amsterdam, July 17.-Premier airplanes took part in the deliberate Lenine is about to break off diplobombing of the American Red Cross hospital at Jouy late Monday night. matic relations with Great Britain and any other Entente power con-nected with the landing of armed forces on the Murman coast, accord-ing to news said to have been re-ceived from Moscow by Berlin news-papers. Inospital at Jouy late Monday night. An investigation of the affair has been made by Daniel T. Pierce of the committee on public information. The reports show that four bombs were dropped at 11 o'clock at night. Two fell squarely on tents, one fell seven feet from another tent and the fourth failed to explode.

A despatch received in London Monday from Moscow by way of Amsterdam reported that British and American troops had occupied the entire Murman coast in north-orn Pussie American troops had occupied the entire Murman coast in norththe entire Murman coast in north-ern Russia. An earlier despatch on the same date said the Russian For-eign Office had sent to Great Britain a demand that British datachmenta eigh Office hat sent to offer the several times. They then shut off on the Murman coast be re-embark-ed without delay.

on the Murman coast be re-embark-ed without delay. The Allied troops on the Murman coast are there at the express re-quest of the Russian citizens there. The local population has been aid-ing the troops in defending the ice-free harbors and the railway run-ning south toward Petrograd. Ger-man and Finnish forces have been renorted to be threatening the Murreported to be threatening the Mur-man railway near Kem. man railway near Kem.

surgeon with great difficulty was able to give the patient temporary assistance. Another piece of bomb tore open the chest of an orderly as he was raising a patient to give him WEATHER BULLETIN Toronto, July 17.—The trough of low pressure now extends from the Gulf of St. Lawrence to the middle of Atlantic States and from Lake Wurd, the haro-meter is fairly high. Heavy showers have LWISHT YOU WOULDN'T SET OUTE SO CLOSE TO ME ZHAME! LIZZIE YOU'LL BOON SE SETTIM LIKE A MUNI-TION PACTORY AND IL HWE TO SET A PASS TO COME WITHIN A HUNDARED YARDS OF DU AV. 000 showers have his men. occurred in On-COLORA IN CONSE

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"Zimmie" Lario and Que-bec, but else-where in Can-ada, the weather since yesterday West of Chateau Thierry, the American troops around Veux have repulsed a strong German local at-

morning has been fine. Forecasts. Moderate winds, fair. Thursday -Light winds, joint and warm. Hepuised a strong cernaal local at victor tack. Except for an increase in German artillery fire on some sec-tors of the British front there has been no other activity in France. The City Council at Victor withdrawn its prosecution Cameron Lumber Company the smoke nuisance by-law.

tempted by the enemy, broke With the French Army in France, Tuesday, July 16.— (Night).—(By The Associated Press).—The stoppage of the general German attack appears to have been the feature of to-day's fighting. The enemy is resorting momentarily at lenst, to local actions, supported by strong artillery. strong artillery. South of the Marne the Ger-

South of the Marne the Ger-mans were turned out of St. Aganon and Chapel Monthodon by a counter-attack, which en-abled the Frenth and Americans to regain heights overlooking a nortion of the course of the Marne.

BRITISH RAIDS.

BRITISH RAIDS. London, July 17.—Raids carried out last night by the British in the Amiens, east of Villers-Bretonneux, and in the neighborhood of Hulluch, on the front to the north, resulted in taking of prisoners, the War Office announced to-day. In the Somme and Ancre sec-tors, to the northeast of Amiens and in the Arras region, north of the Scarpe, the enemy artil-

of the Scarpe, the enemy artil-lery was active last night. Similar activity was displayed by the German guns in Flanders, in the district northeast of Bethune, and to the north of Baillenl.

FAVORABLE OUTCOME. Paris, July 17.—No French troops from other points on the western front were sent to the present fighting line, says a re-

present fighting line, says a re-view issued by the Havas Agency. Only the troops in the line and their reserve bore and countered the shock of the Ger-man attack. All circumstances, it is added, noint to a favorable outcome of the battle. On the northern bank of the Marne the German position at present is difficult. The French artillery and aerial forces are working actively to prevent the enemy from being reinforced and to hamper his supply lines. The solirit of the French troops remains strong.

The spirit of the French troops remains strong. By Courier Leased Wire. SATISFACTORY. London, July 17. (Offensive) —The position of the Allies at present stage of the German offensive in France, is said to be distinctly satisfactory, in advic-es received to-day. The French losses are stated to have been very small. They have lost no gains, the reports declare. Casualties sustained by the German troops in the offensive up to the present are estimated to number 100,000, according to news received in London to-day

news received in London to-day from the battle front in France. By Courier Leased Wire

The City Council at Victoria has withdrawn its prosecution of the Cameron Lumber Company under the under

Text of the French Official SUE AGAINST ALLIES Report is Reassuring But Have Not Yet Captured an Important Position-The

Allied Resistance is Greater Than They **Had Anticipated** 

Throwing new forces into the fray to maintain the strongest pressure against the Allies, the Germans have not yet captured important positions and on most of the front are being held in check. The heaviest fighting continues along the Marne, and on the plateau east of Rheims. Enemy progress on the Marne is slow, and Franco-American forces have recaptured two towns and heights commanding the bend in the river at Dormans as well as additional prisoners.

Apparently the Allied resistance Monday was greater than the German command had anticipated. The enemy has changed his tactics to strong local attacks at vital points, instead of continuing a general assault along the front from Chateau Thierry to near the Argonne.

In the region of Dormans and eastward along the Marne, the Germans have penetrated about five miles, and now hold both banks of the river for a stretch of about 14 miles. Strong and repeated attempts to enlarge their gains, north and south of the river have been repulsed. Unless they can en-large their hold on the river, the troops along the Marne are in a dangerous situation should an allied counter-attack begin.

Evidently the German purpose in striving to press forward astride the river to Epernay is to outflank the strong natural obstacle of the mountain of Rheims, which lies between the Marne and Rheims. Attacks against this height from the west have been stopped for the moment, and no effort has been made to attack Rheims frontally. Formidable attempts by the Germans to break the main French line at Prunay,

the Germans to break the main French line at Prunay, about eight miles east of Rheims, have been broken up by the stubborn resistance of the French, who hold a strong line along the Vesle river. The first lengthy German official statement on the new offensive did not mention any decided gains, and the statement of Tuesday night showed that the allied resistance was still strong, if not stronger. The latest German report says that the Allies delivered peu subulaed equipated and that the situation is unchanged east of Rheims. Aerial fighting has been intense. French. air-

Aerial fighting has been intense. French. airmen have accounted for 41 German machines and nine balloons, besides destroying five bridges across the Marne. Berlin claims the destruction of 31 airplanes and four balloons.

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By Courier Leased Wire By Courier Leased Wire London, July 17 .--- German news-Paris, July 17.-The German last night threw new forces into the papers given prominence to an in-battle on the front south of the teresting statement on Belgium hy teresting statement on Belgium by Marne and attacked the Allied lines Prof. Hans Delbrueck, in the Neues

battle on the front south of the Marne and attacked in the Allied lines north of St. Aganon, the War Office announced to-day. The enemy succeeded in penetrating into Bourdon nerie. The battle is continuing in the woods immediately to the south of this point.
On the front further to the east the French held the enemy in the southern outskirts of the Bourquieny Wood and at the village of Nesles. A powerful attack likewise was made by the Germans in the direction of Honvoisin, but they were driven back from this locality by a French counter-attack. On the front between the Marne and Rheims the fighting developed violently in the fourton Wood. The Germans attacked in the Vrigny region on this front, but their assault here broke down completely.
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down completely. Along the line to the east of Rheims the Germans delivered local attacks, notably in the Prunay re-gion. These efforts by the enemy were fruitless. In renewed assaults upon Beau-

mont the enemy suffered a sanguin- Validity of Order-in-Council ary repulse The French rositions throughout

the region to the east of Rheims were maintained intact.

The text of the statement reads: "South of the Marne, new Ger-man forces pushed forward and at-tacked yesterday and last evening the heights north of St. Agnan and La Chapelle Monthoden. The enemy succeeded in penetrating into the Hy Courier Leased Wire Ottawa, Ont., July 17.—Before the full bench of the Supreme Court to-morrow morning argument opens on the case, which is to decide the validity of the order-in-court succeeded in penetrating into the Bourdonnerie Farm and the battle continues with violence on the slopes and woods immediately south

slopes and woods immediately south of this point. "Further east, despite very vigor-ous attacks, the French held the enemy in the southern outskirts of Fourquigny Wood and at the village of Nesles. The Germans likewise launched a powerful attack in the direction of Monvolsin, on the south side of the Marne, southwest of Venteuil, but were thrown back from this locality by a powerful counter-

venterin, but were thrown back from this locality by a powerful counter-attack by the French. "Between the Marne and Rheims violent combats developed in Cour-ton Wood, A German attack in the region of Vrigny broke down com-pletely

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**Cancelling Exemptions** 

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on the case, which is to decide the validity of the order-in-council un-der which exemptions of men in class one, between twenty and twen-ty-two years of age, inclusive, wers cancelled. The case is a direct ap-plication to the Supreme Court of Canada for a writ of habeas corpus for Private George Edward Grey of Nipissing. Private Grey is now in detention for refusing to don a mili-tary uniform at Niagars Camp and for declining to be inoculated. Grey is a farmer and was granted exemption by the ruling of the central appeal judge. The appeal was still before the central appeal judge on April 20, when the order-in-council cancelling the exemptions mentioned was passed.

