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GENERALLY FAIR

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FRENCH FORCES CHECK THE ENEMY BY POURING IN TERRIFIC GUN FIRE

OFFENSIVE OF ENEMY DYING DOWN SOME

For Time Being French and Allies Have Checked Huns At All Points.

SUCCESSFUL COUNTER ATTACKS BY ALLIES

Enemy Meeting With Unexpected Resistance South of Montdidier.

A FRENCH VICTORY IN MACEDONIA

Their Troops Capture Eleven Villages and Much Territory.

The offensive movements of the Germans between Montdidier and Noyon and from south of the Oise River to the eastern fringe of the forest of Villers-Cotterets apparently are on the wane. In the former region the fierce resistance of the French and the allied forces, for the time being at least, have checked the enemy at all points and on some sectors the allies have even turned vigorously upon the foe and forced him to cease ground he had gained.

Only one attempt apparently was made by the enemy Thursday to better his positions near Montdidier. Here he has driven a wedge-shaped break from Courcierres to the north of Merly, a front of about a mile and a half, but was badly cut up by the fire of the allies' guns and forced to retreat, leaving numerous dead and wounded on the field.

Unexpected Opposition.

Likewise south of the Aisne the invaders are meeting with unexpected opposition and notwithstanding the large numbers of men they have thrown into the battle their gains have been materially checked. Some have been repulsed to the village of Lavergne, but were unable to advance on any of the sectors, although at one time north of Courcy French trenches were entered under the force of the impact. A counter-attack resulted in the trenches being recaptured almost immediately.

The sole result of the enemy's attack on the Montdidier-Noyon line up to the present is that he has by the violence of his attacks east of the Oise and the forced retreat of the French from the region west of the stream, blotted out the nasty Noyon salient and brought the battle front more into direct alignment with that beginning at the Aisne.

A Terrible Price.

He paid a terrible price for this recapture of the line.

Whether the Germans are prepared again to offer huge sacrifices in bending back the other salient from the Aisne to Villers-Cotterets and bring the Picardy and Aisne battlefields into a more continuous front remains to be seen.

In addition to the large number of prisoners taken by the allied forces, ten cannon, four of them heavy weapons, and a large number of machine guns have fallen into their hands.

The German war office admits the losses of some German guns but asserts that the enemy has taken at least 150 allied guns and more than 15,000 prisoners.

After Americans.

The Germans again have endeavored to force a breakthrough in the fortifications captured northwest of Chateau Thierry, but again met with defeat and the loss of numerous men. The attack was delivered between Bourges and the Bois le Roi Wood, but nowhere was the enemy able to gain his objectives.

American officers and men to the number of one hundred and eight fighting, including some who had been awarded the French War Cross for bravery and fidelity.

In Macedonia the French troops have captured territory to a depth of nearly nine and a half miles over an eleven mile front, occupied eleven villages and taken 310 of the enemy prisoners.

BRITISH SHIP SUNK

London, June 13.—A British boarding vessel was sunk by a French submarine on June 5, according to an official statement issued tonight by the Admiralty.

Seven British sailors are missing.

GERMANS PLAN TO SOW MINES UP THIS WAY

London, June 13.—The German admiralty intends to declare the eastern coast of the United States from Mexico to Canadian waters a danger zone and will warn neutral shipping, says a despatch to the Exchange Telegraph from Amsterdam quoting reports received from Berlin.

Wellington, N. Z., June 13.—Two enemy mines have been destroyed off North Cape, the northern extremity of New Zealand, according to an announcement made here.

It is most likely the mines found floating off the north coast of New Zealand were laid by a German commerce raider. They probably were sown by the raider Sea Adler formerly the American ship Pass of Balmaha, which, after roaming the Pacific coast for seven months, preying on American and Allied shipping, was stranded on one of the Society Islands.

THE GOVERNMENT WON'T CONSCRIPT CANADIAN LABOR

Montreal, June 13.—Senator G. D. Robertson, president of the national registration committee, has written to J. T. Gaignon, Sainte Scholastique, Que., stating that the government of Canada has no intention of conscripting labor in any manner, masculine or feminine, for the time being at least.

Mr. Gaignon wrote the senator and put a question in reference to the possibility of labor being conscripted after the registration to him.

London, June 13.—(Via Houter's Telegram.)—At the imperial conference the following resolution of loyalty was moved by Sir Robert Borden, premier of Canada, and seconded by Hon. W. A. Massey, premier of New Zealand and carried unanimously:

"The imperial conference, at its first meeting and as their first act, do hereby declare that henceforth we, Your Majesty and all your subjects of Your Majesty's Empire here represented,"

HUNS LOSE U-BOATS

London, June 13.—(British Admiralty via Wireless Press).—In an interview with the London correspondent of the Petit Parisian, Sir Eric Geddes, First Lord of the Admiralty, had the following to say with regard to submarine:

"The allied navies continue to sink more German submarines than the enemy can build. It is certainly a fact that since January we have sunk more submarines than they have built."

An example of the routine work carried out by the British Admiralty during the three and a half years of war is shown in the region of the Ouse River, near Charnwood and Pompey.

Quiet prevailed on the rest of the front.

"On June 12 our bombing planes dropped in the battle zone sixteen tons of projectiles, and 25 tons on cantons, ships and marching troops behind the enemy front, which were bombed, as well, the villages of Reumont-Sur-Roye and Guignicourt. Several fires were observed. The same day seven enemy airplanes were brought down and nine were put out of action.

"In the first week of June thirteen enemy aircrafts were brought down by anti-aircraft guns."

VON SEYDLER QUILTS

London, June 13.—A despatch to the Exchange Telegraph from Amsterdam reports that Dr. Von Seydl, Imperial Minister, tendered his resignation to Emperor Charles on Wednesday. The Emperor has not accepted it yet.

POPE COMPLAINS OF MISJUDGMENT

World Passing Through a Sad Period and Pontiff Is Greatly Afflicted--Efforts To Bring About Peace Misunderstood.

Rome, June 13.—The Observatore Romano, the Vatican organ, publishes a Papal autograph, sent in answer to an address received by the Pontiff from the episcopacy of Lombardy.

The Pope, in his address, says that the world is going through a time of trials and afflictions from "the bottom of an abyss, but also by an insidious and a skilful campaign of calumnies and hatred against the person of the Pontiff and his work."

The Pope's Critics.

The Pope, in a recapitulation of his action since the beginning of the

THE GERMAN ARMY FAILS ONCE MORE

Concentrated Fire From French Guns Catches Powerful Enemy Attacking Forces.

ADVANCING WAVES SEVERELY RIDDLED

Important Counter Attack Withers Under Heavy French Gunfire.

THE GERMANS CAPTURE LAVERNE VILLAGE

Practically All of the Hun Attacks in Montdidier Sector Fail.

Paris, June 13.—A concentrated fire from the French guns caught powerful German waves of attack, but failed to stop the counter-attack.

The Germans gained a footing in the village of Lavergne, but other attacks were repelled.

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