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London, Aug. 9.—The Anglo-French advance is proceeding just at the place most desirable from their standpoint—in the centre—and is considered by some military men as a definite "break thru." The Germans were able to save their wings to some extent by their success on the Ancre and the Aves, but their centre remained exposed and they were quite taken by surprise with the result that their flanks have been gone to pieces. It is believed this penetration into the German centre will before long exert an influence on the enemy positions north to Albert and south to Montdidier.

Thus far the news received in London tells only of events up to last evening; but if the infantry has caught up with the tanks, armored cars and cavalry the important junction of Chaulnes should be threatened if not taken, which certainly would make the evacuation of Montdidier necessary.

FARMERS LEAVE CAMP TO HELP IN HARVEST

Many on Guard of Honor to Prince
Arthur Decide to Remain Till
Visit is Over.

Niagara Falls, Aug. 9.—The harvest leave in accordance with a recent order of the militia department at Niagara, which grants farmers and farm boys who have reported for military duty leave of absence up to a period of six weeks for farm work, started here tonight. Many of those entitled to leave have signified their willingness to remain in camp until after the visit of Prince Arthur of Connaught on Tuesday in order that they may serve on the guard of honor to which they had been assigned before the order was made public. It is anticipated that between 200 and 300 men will go from Niagara camp to assist in farm work.

ITALIAN AIRMEN FLY OVER AUSTRIAN CAPITAL

Squadron Commanded by Captain
D'Annunzio Drops Manifestos
in Vienna.

Rome, Aug. 9.—A squadron of Italian airplanes, commanded by Capt. Gabriele D'Annunzio, have flown over Vienna and dropped manifestos. The airplanes were not molested.

WAR SUMMARY

THE DAY'S EVENTS REVIEWED

In the great Picardy battle yesterday, the French and the British narrowed their attack to the front south of the Somme and advanced their lines a further two to four miles. On their right, French troops extended the attack southward, capturing Pierrepont Village and a wood to the north, then proceeding northward they advanced a distance of over four miles during the day. In the centre and left of the allied attack, Australians and Canadians, fighting with admirable dash, recaptured about twenty miles broad at the base, and to the west of the base, and the apex, it so twists the German alignment that if the allies consolidate their captured ground, it will follow a direct frontal attack, the only way to counter it would be the launching of a flank attack against the German rear. This would be difficult, for the allied centre is protected by the Somme River and the allied right, the driven back a little at one point, presents an easy curve not sharp enough to guarantee the success of a counter-attack. The German left flank lies in particular danger from envelopment. Thereafter to the German general staff the way to safety lies in hasty flight, and this accounts for the immense destruction of ammunition and stores in the enemy lines. He has lost all his war materials collected for a renewal of the offensive on Amiens.

In the north, between La Bassée and Ypres, the German lines in the salient of the River Lys are falling in. The British advance over a front of 1000 yards between Ypres and Mount Kemmel and over a front of 12,000 yards in the region of La Bassée and the River Lys. Thus the enemy has flung his lines too far to permit him to hold them in time of adversity. It is a question whether General Plummer and his army will not forestall a further German retirement by an attack towards Lille. If this is not attempted it will probably be because the French Government hesitates to be the indirect cause of a billion dollar destruction of property.

In a decree promulgated at Murmansk, Archangel and Vladivostok, the British Government announces its policy towards Russia and definitely undertakes the task of rescuing the Russian peoples from their present chaos. The British policy towards Russia is as follows: Expulsion of Germans, economic relief, stimulation of agriculture, restoration of trade and commerce, development and not exploitation of Russia's natural resources. Britain intends to make Russia strong and free; then to retire and watch the Russian people work out their own destiny. After this promulgation the allied peoples will expect strong and vigorous action in the eastern field. In this eastern campaign much depends on the speed of the allied advance. The Germans have watched the Russian people work out their own destiny. The allies then have next winter almost an open country for their work.

By advancing to Roosters, an important road centre, the British also make the German positions north of the Somme River precarious. When the advance began the British swung on their left pivot near Malancourt, inducing the enemy to believe that their main object was to roll up the German line towards Arras. This caused the enemy last night to mass his reserves north of the Somme in a faulty attempt of the situation. The British and French, however, had outwitted him, for at dawn, they swung round on

AIR FORCE ACQUIRES KING STREET BUILDING

Repair Park to be Moved From Atlantic Avenue to Old Quarters of Stone, Ltd.

Acquisition of the large building at 455-467 West King street, formerly occupied by Stone, Ltd., lithographers, by the Royal Air Force, became known yesterday. At the headquarters of the Royal Air Force, Church street, it was stated that the building would be used for workshops by the repair park of the R.A.F. The unit at present is on Atlantic avenue. Sufficient alterations and preparations will probably be completed in three weeks' time, it was stated, to permit moving into the new quarters to commence.

TELEPHONE GIRLS ARE ORGANIZING

Will Meet on Monday to Consider
New Schedule to Present to the
Company.

Ten per cent. of the 3000 employees of the Bell Telephone Company held an organization meeting at the Labor Temple last night. It was stated that they organized because their supervisors had told them that if they attended the meeting they would be summarily dismissed. They will hold another meeting on Monday night at which they will adopt a schedule which will be presented to the Bell Telephone Company at once. If the company refuses to grant the demands considered in the schedule the girls will ask for a board of conciliation under the Lemieux Act.

The girls are asking for an advance which represents \$2 on the present minimum of \$8 and \$2 on the maximum which is now \$12. They are also asking for the time limit for the maximum wage to be reduced from six to four years.

FOCH UNDERESTIMATED, ENEMY OFFICER WROTE

Washington, Aug. 9.—In a communication received last night, General Foch's report on the situation along the Vesle was unchanged. The communique quotes from a letter from the American general staff to a German lieutenant, who was later killed, by his father, the writer's experience in the Chateau Thierry sector. "The American attack on the entire line. Never have I seen such a thing. Nobody could have withstood the American attack. The letter further described the enemy fire as terrible."

AMERICAN SCHOONER SUNK BY SUBMARINE

Newport News, Va., Aug. 9.—The American schooner Stanley, 560 tons, bound for Newport News to a foreign port, was sunk last Monday, 110 miles east of Cape Hatteras by a German submarine. The schooner was carrying a crew of eight men and a cargo of coal. The submarine was sighted by the schooner's crew and fired upon. The schooner was sunk by a single torpedo. The crew was rescued by a British submarine.

TREATMENT DISCOVERED OF NEW LUNG TROUBLE

Washington, Aug. 9.—The cause of emphysema, the disease of the lungs which assumed the proportions of a pandemic in the training camps and cantonments last winter with a large number of deaths, has been ascertained at the best methods of treatment established. Surgeon-General Gorgas tonight announced, "Next winter or at any other time, if a similar epidemic should attack the men in training or overseas," the announcement said, "it is certain that the surgeon-general will be able to prevent a serious spread and will be able to root out the disease of its greatest danger."

NEWFOUNDLANDERS AT HOME ON LEAVE

St. John's, Nfld., Aug. 9.—The second party of Newfoundland soldiers who crossed with original Canadian contingent in October, 1914, returned today to enjoy their first home leave. The party, accompanied by Minister of Militia Bennett, who went to England on public business early in May. In an interview with the local press he expressed his opinion, as a result of his visit to the western front, that the situation was better than most people thought and that as the American armies increased in number and equipment, the task of the allies of crushing the Germans would be greatly expedited.

BRITISH AVIATORS CHASE ZEPPELIN

Admiralty Describes Work of
Naval Department in
North Sea.

London, Aug. 9.—The admiralty communication dealing with aviation, issued this evening, says: "A large amount of work has been done by the Royal Air Force contingents working with the navy during the period from Aug. 1 to Aug. 7. On Monday last, as previously reported, our aircraft successfully attacked hostile zeppelins, one of which was destroyed and another damaged."

"On another occasion a formation of our large seaplanes in the North Sea sighted a zeppelin at about 4000 feet. They climbed to the attack and apparently were not at first seen by the enemy. The crew of the zeppelin evidently sighted our machines, for all its bombs were dropped and the water ballast was released, and the nose of the zeppelin put up into practically a vertical position. By these tactics the zeppelin was able to escape into the heavy clouds and was lost to sight. One of our machines was forced to land in Dutch waters. Just west of Spalding, a reconnaissance company known as Stone, Ltd., now a reorganization, Ralph, Clark, Stone, Ltd., has new quarters on Carlaw avenue."

SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDS AT QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY

Kingston, Aug. 9.—The following awards of scholarships at Queen's University have been made as a result of recent examination for matriculation: Sir Sanford Fleming \$100, awarded in mathematics, with free tuition, Frederick R. Banforth, Cobourg (with honor of the Ellen M. Nickle memorial); registrar \$100, awarded in Latin, English history, mathematics, and one of Greek, German, French, experimental science (chemistry and physics), with free tuition, Laura Anderson, Renfrew (with honor of Nicholson foundation No. 1); Malcolm \$100, awarded for the highest percentage in any four subjects, with free tuition, Margaret A. Gerrie, Ingersoll; Prince of Wales \$60, awarded in chemistry and physics, with free tuition, John R. Ford, Dutton; Williamson No. 1, \$60, awarded in English and history, with free tuition, Elizabeth M. Burnett, Ottawa; Williamson No. 2, \$60, awarded in German and French, with free tuition, Marion D. Laird, Toronto; Leitch memorial No. 1, \$60, awarded in English, chemistry and physics, with free tuition, Muriel E. Fetterly, Cornwall; Kingston Collegiate Institute, with free tuition, Edna Bailey, Kingston; Memorial \$60, awarded in mathematics, with free tuition, Arnold R. Richards, Renfrew; Nicholson Foundation No. 1, \$60, awarded in English, German or French, with free tuition, Ruth E. Mielon, Cornwall; Ellen M. Nickle Memorial \$60, awarded for the highest percentage in any four subjects, with free tuition, Harward B. Vincent, Picton; Forbes McHardy \$25, awarded for the highest percentage in any four subjects, with free tuition, Stanley M. Chown, Renfrew; Junior Matriculation Scholarship: McLennan Foundation \$100, awarded for general proficiency only to candidates from the County of Glengarry, with free tuition, Eunice E. Simpson, Alexandria; Margaret Grant Foundation No. 1, \$100, awarded for general proficiency only to candidates from the County of Glengarry, with free tuition, Eugene Deagle, Alexandria; Margaret Grant Foundation No. 2, \$100, awarded for general proficiency only to candidates from the high school of Glengarry, with free tuition, Margaret Grant, Alexandria.

FIRE STARTS IN CARGO OF SUPPLY STEAMER

New York, Aug. 9.—A mysterious fire in the cargo of a large steamship loaded with supplies for the allies was discovered today at the New York harbor. The fire started in the cargo hold of the ship, which was next to that in which the blaze started, and summoned a fire boat. The firemen directed their attention to keeping the flames away from a large quantity of benzol on board. The fire was extinguished by the fire boat. The cargo was being towed to place of safety. After a battle lasting more than two hours, the burning steamer was flooded and the burning cargo was being towed to place of safety. The damage was not estimated.

BOXING MATCH BARRED BY CHICAGO OFFICIALS

Chicago, Aug. 9.—The possibility of a Willard-Dempsey boxing match vanished tonight when it was announced that the boxing carnival scheduled for next week at the Exposition for the benefit of the Salvation Army overseas fund had been called off, as a result of the committee in charge failing to confer with Fort Sheridan officials, who in turn prohibited the match.

AUSTRIANS GIVE UP ATTACKS IN ALBANIA

Paris, Aug. 9.—A French official communication, issued tonight, says: "Eastern line in the region of Vardar and the Vardar, in the region of Vardar, and east of the Cerna. In the region of Vardar, the Austrians have not renewed their attacks."

KILLED BY LIGHTNING

Palmerston, Ont., Aug. 9.—Edward Palmer, son of W. S. Con, 2, Maryboro, near Treacore Corners, was instantly killed by lightning last night when he was standing in a field. He was at the door of a stable when hit.

ENGLISH ROSES FROM MERRYWEATHER'S NURSERIES

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AMERICANS RUSH NORTHERN PART OF FISMES, ACROSS VESLE.

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Throughout the night and day the operations in the Soissons-Rheims sector were characterized mostly by artillery fire in which the Germans shifted their long range guns from time to time to reach villages and roads which they themselves traversed a week ago. Cloudiness continued to interfere with aerial operations, although both sides were busier than during the past few days. Two German planes were brought down by the Americans. The occupation of the northern suburb, separated from Fismes by the Vesle, took place after a terrific artillery bombardment which was begun yesterday. The village was virtually reduced when the order to advance was given today. It was there the hundreds of prisoners were taken. The Americans rushed over the river, leaping, running and crawling across on the debris of a heavy bridge which was blown up by the Germans, its piers and other timbers so falling, however, as to make the ruins available.

In the village a rather weak resistance was encountered. The German force which had been left there had been unable to retreat to their own lines because of the heavy artillery fire, and when brought into the American lines, the majority were wounded. A great many of the defending force were killed.

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TELEGRAPHERS TO STRIKE IN WESTERN UNION

Atlanta, Ga., Aug. 9.—The executive committee of the Western Union Telegraphers' Union, which is in a strike, announced today, has voted to call a strike of telegraphers employed by the Western Union Telegraph Company in the southeast at noon, Aug. 12, unless operators discharged by the company are reinstated. Copies of resolutions were sent to President Wilson, Postmaster-General Burleson and S. McAlister, according to a statement by the union's secretary, J. Joyner, chairman of the southeastern district.

PATRIOTIC MEETING IN TAMMANY HALL

New York, Aug. 9.—Members of the International Longshoremen's Association adopted resolutions at a patriotic meeting in Tammany Hall tonight pledging their aid in the prosecution of the war and urging fellow workers in the allied countries to devote themselves to supporting their great armies. Such resolutions were adopted after speakers told the waterfront workers that in loading supply ships for overseas "their hands are doing as much to put an end to the conflict as the soldiers' rifles in France."

TWO-YEAR SENTENCE

Windsor, Aug. 9.—Two years' imprisonment at the Ontario Reformatory was the sentence meted out to Ralph Vaughn, a 32-year-old colored youth, by the court today, for stealing \$30 worth of ice blocks from his employers, the Bell Ice Co. Vaughn pleaded to be allowed to enlist, but was informed by Magistrate Hays that "thieves are out of place in the British uniform."

CHARGE OF EMBEZZLEMENT

Windsor, Aug. 9.—Charged with embezzlement from the Windsor Reformatory last November, Harry Martin, manager of the Consumers' Association, was today charged by the American authorities. It is alleged Martin purchased an expensive diamond from a Detroit jeweler and failed to keep up his payments or to return the stone.

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NIAGARA FALLS PLANS GRAND RECEPTION

Niagara Falls, Ont., Aug. 9.—Eleven hundred members of the Society of Black Knights will arrive at Niagara Falls on Monday, Aug. 12. They will be joined by brethren from St. Catharines, Bridgeburg, Hamilton, Newmarket and Welland. Many distinguished men will be present, including H. C. Hocken, M.P., D. McKeown, provincial secretary, Dr. Charles Sheard, M.P., Thomas J. Connelley, M.P., and others. The committee of the Niagara Falls Grand Reception has arranged, including band music and a large number of other features. There will be races and other sports for children and grown-ups, with special prizes for returning soldiers. There has never been a more noted group of people in this city, and good crowds are expected.

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