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Allies Are Still Nearer To Fere En Tardenois

French and Americans Have the Enemy Nearly Out of Wooded Area—Artillery Fire Today Vigorously Punishing Huns—British Successes

With the American Army on the Aime-Marne Front, July 27—(By the Associated Press.)—The Franco-American forces on the front northeast of Chateau Thierry have driven the Germans almost entirely out of the wooded area which they have so stubbornly defended. The Allied pressure is being constantly maintained, and early today the punishment of the Franco-American troops again began crawling forward.

French Gain More. Paris, July 27—Further advances were recorded by the French last night in the region immediately to the north of the Marne in the district where the Germans have been clinging to the river.

The war office announced today that the French lines were advanced to the north of the Marne. On the Champagne front the French carried out a local operation in the region south of the mountain without a name, as a front of approximately two miles. The French took 200 prisoners in this operation.

ON BRITISH FRONT. London, July 27—The German artillery was active last night in the angle between the Somme and Ancre rivers, northeast of Amiens, today's report announces. Both the British and the enemy artillery displayed activity farther north in the sector of La Bassée Canal.

A BREATHING SPELL. London, July 27—Activity at points occupied by the American troops slackened considerably on Friday, says the Daily Mail correspondent with the American troops in France. Time for a breathing spell has arrived, he adds, and both sides are recovering from the exhaustion of their fiercest efforts. In the Fere and Ris forests, north of the Marne, the Germans seem to be blowing up considerable quantities of munitions and supplies.

Have Captured 30,000. Paris, July 27—The number of German prisoners captured by the Allies since the beginning of the counter-offensive is placed at 300,000 by the Havas Agency.

American troops have discovered at Brocy, north of Chateau Thierry, emplacements of German super-cannons which bombarded towns behind the front and, perhaps, Paris.

The British Statement. London, July 27—The text of the British official statement follows: "During the night our raiding parties entered the enemy's lines in the neighborhood of Sully-Laurette, Neville-Vivasse, Aulx-en-Gohelle and Lens and brought back several prisoners.

"The hostile artillery was active last night between the Somme and Ancre rivers, and there was some activity on the part of both artilleries in the La Bassée Canal sector.

A Caustic Word. London, July 27—Discussing the latest operations and the German position within the Marne salient, Reuters's correspondent with the American troops in France under date of Friday, says it is well to remember that the Germans still hold the north bank of the Marne for some eight miles from Vignelles to Neuilly. This has not yet been disputed.

"This alone, he adds, is proof that the enemy is not in a very desperate hurry to withdraw from the salient, if it is not a hint that he has a large accumulation of stores near the river which it is difficult to remove.

"The French guns in this sector," the correspondent continues, "continually are exploding great dumps of ammunition, which reveals how thick they are. The early success of the French counter-attack has bred a disposition to expect further rapid advances and perhaps huge captures, but the fighting in the salient offers to the aggressor only the advantage obtainable from the enemy's congested condition and even that cuts both ways, as it leaves masses of men to oppose us.

"Our progress in the last week gave the enemy ample time to begin re-organization outside the salient. We are not likely to go much farther without discovering a disposition to withstand us. We may regard with some suspicion the enemy's intentions along the river front. His position may not be an enviable one, but there are points in it not unfavorable to an attack."

ALIENS AND THE ARMY. The military department at Ottawa has issued instructions to the various military districts throughout Canada to the effect that aliens who were erroneously drafted under the military service act, are to be struck off the strength of the army. They must prove to the satisfaction of the general officer commanding the district in which they were drafted that they are aliens.

Mitkofski Expelled. Amsterdam, July 27—Prof. Paul M. Mitkofski, the leader of the constitutional democrats in Russia, has been expelled from Kiev by the Ukrainian government, according to the Vorwärts. The reason is that his presence there hindered the conclusion of the peace treaty between Russia and the Ukraine.

Deny Valcartier Report. Montreal, July 27—Yesterday's announcement that Valcartier's camp will be broken up next week was given a straight denial by military headquarters last night.

WORSE FOR THE GERMANS THAN FIRST THOUGHT

Attempt Against British Yesterday Had Disastrous Results

Troops Honored for Service in Italy Sent Against Haig's Men and Are Badly Beaten—Australians' Effective Work

With the British Army in France, July 26—(By the Associated Press.)—The German attack this morning near Metzen had even more disastrous results for the enemy than was first believed. It proved a complete failure.

It appears that the Germans intended to reach the Giza road, south of Metz, from where they could menace the town. Accordingly they sent over two companies from each regiment of the 15th division, which just replaced other troops who had been badly mauled during the month. The 12th division came up from Italy. One regiment was sent against Haig's men and were badly beaten—Australians' Effective Work.

Their shells have done very little damage to the cross roads, dunes and other targets within range. The shells for the last few days have made the ground very soft and muddy. The Germans have planned an attack to the north it will not require much more rain to require a change in time.

LIEUTENANT J. A. CYR IS MISSING. Ottawa, July 27—Today's list of eighty-two casualties includes two killed in action, two accidentally killed, three died of wounds, eight missing, four prisoners of war, fifty-four wounded, one gassed and eight ill. Those from the maritime provinces follow: INFANTRY. Accidentally Killed. Lieut. R. M. Scovill, St. Stephen, N. B. (Previously announced). Died. J. C. Stewart, Malagash, N. S.; C. J. Watson, address not stated.

Wounded. Lieut. J. A. Cyr, St. Hilare, N. B. ARTILLERY. Found. F. J. Coughlan, South Nelson, N. B. Gassed. J. Watson, address not stated. Ill. G. Watters, Fairville, N. B. RAILWAY TROOPS. Wounded. N. Johnson, address not stated; W. Boutillier, 974 Barrington street, Halifax.

CETEWAYO'S SON DIES IN CANADA. Negro Prince Had Remarkable Career If Stories Confirmed. Brockville, Ont., July 27—Far from his native South African kruska, Charles Cetewayo, mining engineer, who claimed to be a prince of the royal Zulu blood, the son of the late King Cetewayo, of Zululand, and the protégé of Queen Victoria, died in the Brockville General Hospital to which he was admitted on July 8 suffering from an incurable disease.

Physicians and others who have become interested in Cetewayo's case since his arrival here for treatment have no doubt that he was, if not a son at least a relative of the Zulu chieftain, who caused so much trouble to the British in Natal in the mid-Victorian era.

Charles Cetewayo, as the hospital attendant knew him, was between fifty and sixty years of age and was a mining engineer and expert. Cetewayo had been engaged in observation of mica properties in the vicinity of Westport, Ont., when admitted to the hospital. From details that have been gathered from different persons who conversed with him, it is learned that Cetewayo held claim to be the son of the late King Cetewayo upon whose death he was taken to England at the instigation of Queen Victoria, and there educated under her direction. After a ten year military career he entered the British army and served in the South African war where he was wounded and received a pension. He was apparently well read and professed to be a Christian.

Martial Law in Roumania. London, July 27—A despatch to the Exchange Telegraph from Amsterdam says the Weser Zeitung, of Bremen, learns from Bucharest that the King of Roumania has been ordered to place all Roumanian territory under martial law.



Cobb Holds the Lead

Drops Four Points But Still Leads

Also Best Run-Maker in American League—Wheat Climbs to Second Place in the National

Chicago, July 27—Ty Cobb continued to lead American League batters during the last week. He played in but four games from July 24, and although he dropped four points he still is far in the lead, hitting within seventeen points of the 400 mark. The fleet-footed Detroit outfielder failed to register a run during the week, but his max, headed by sacrifice and a quartet of sacrifices to his string and by any more home runs but his eleven remain high. Sheen, of Boston, added a quartet of sacrifices to his string and that department of St. Louis remains high with thirty-two.

St. Louis, with two regulars in the 300 class, leads the league in team batting with 268. Boston leads in club batting with 372. Leading batters are Grob, Detroit, 282; Burns, Philadelphia, 289; Siler, St. Louis, 289; Demmitt, St. Louis, 300; Ruth, Boston, 314. The Nationals.

Wheat, Brooklyn outfielder, made the best showing of National League batters. He climbed from eighth place to second, boosting his average from .306 to .321. Grob, Cincinnati, continued at the head of the list with an average of .350, which is a drop of sixteen points since last week.

Cruise of St. Louis, with his six home runs, remained high man in that department, and Rensch of Cincinnati, with nineteen sacrifices, headed the sacrifice list. Carey of Pittsburgh, retains the stolen base honors with forty-one thefts, and Burns of New York, tops the list with sixty-one runs scored. New York's mark of 971 remained high in club batting and Cincinnati's 271 average continued high for team batting.

Leading batters—Grob, Cincinnati, 372; Wheat, Brooklyn, 321; J. C. Smith, Boston, 320; Daubert, Brooklyn, 317. NO SUNDAY WORK FOR SYDNEY STEEL MEN. Sydney, N.S., July 27—The local steel workers, who have been negotiating with the Dominion Iron and Steel Company for some days regarding a further readjustment of wages, have proclaimed Sunday a "holiday" and have given notice that they will not work from seven on Sunday morning till seven on Monday morning. This action the men's representatives say is taken as a protest against what they consider to be the unsatisfactory manner in which the company is conducting the negotiations.

EX-EMPEROR OF RUSSIA ASKS PERMISSION TO ENTER CONVENT. London, July 27—Berlin newspapers publish a telegram from Moscow saying that the former Russian emperor has asked the Lenin government permission to enter a convent in Sweden and take with her her daughters. Permission has been withheld for the time being.

FIRE IN PRESTON. Preston, Ont., July 27—Loss estimated at \$30,000 was caused by a fire to-day in the Nisipel Block, King street, yesterday. The situation for a time looked so serious that the Galt fire department was called in.

Western Union Indicted. New York, July 27—The Western Union Telegraph Company was indicted by a federal grand jury here yesterday on charges of having transmitted messages by mail instead of by wire.

Twelve Deaths on C. G. R. Twelve deaths occurred among the C. G. R. employes in the Employers' Relief and Insurance Association during the month ending July 25.

BRITISH STRIKERS HAVE TELL

Brought Down 4,106 Enemy Planes in Year

Request for Every Motor They Can Send Across—Germans Hard Hit in The Air Work of Last Week

AN APPEAL TO STATES

New York, July 27—An appeal from Lord West, head of the air board in London, for the United States to send the British air forces "every motor you can," was read by Major Gen. W. S. Brannan, controller general of equipment in the British Air Council, at a luncheon given in the general's honor yesterday. Referring to the fact that the British had brought down 4,106 enemy planes in the last twelve months against a loss of 1,217 British machines, Lord West said that the ratio of British superiority is growing very fast in all directions of air activity.

London, July 27—The official communication issued by the air ministry 26-28 successful attacks were carried out on the station and factory at Forchheim (Baden), the factory at Baden and the house at Osnabrück. Four hostile aircraft were bombed and attacked with machine gun fire and hand-grenades were fired upon with machine guns. All our machines returned.

London, July 26—Throughout the week the fighting has been a violent character. From a trustworthy source it is learned that during the week the British destroyed sixty-six enemy machines and drove down fifteen out of control. Fifty-one British machines are missing. One hundred and fifty-four tons of bombs were dropped. The week's record for long distance bombing attacks was that, with the exception of the night of July 25, raids were made into Germany's territory. Thionville was bombed four times, and ers had proved themselves among the best.

Senator Philippe Roy, Canadian commissioner-general to France, entertained the editors later at the Paris home of Dr. Henri De Rollich, which has been donated to the Allied officers of a clubhouse.

President Poincaré received the party this afternoon.

TORONTO ANNOYED BY FREIGHT RATE INCREASE. Toronto, July 27—There is widespread discontent in commercial circles here over an Ottawa announcement of an increase in freight rates which amounts to approximately twenty per cent over all.

"Putting the matter humanely and in a few words, I think that it is a crying shame the way this has been done," declared T. Marshall, traffic expert of the board of trade. "I think that Sir Henry Drayton might have had the decency at least to hold a session over the matter. Ultimately, only the consumers must pay. The surprising thing of all is that apparently the railway commission has evidently not taken the shipping houses or the general public into consideration at all."

GERMANY SWINGS BIG STICK OVER AUSTRIA. Zurich, Switzerland, July 26—Concurrently with the resignation of the Austrian cabinet, the German censorship has allowed the Berlin correspondent of the Basel Nachrichten to forward to his paper a delayed telegram which states that, as a result of recent conferences at army headquarters, the Austrian government has been notified that Germany's objection to the so-called Austro-Polish settlement are insuperable.

KAISER SPEAKS TRUTH FOR ONCE. The Hague, July 26—"The hardest part of the job is still before us. The enemy knows the war is about to reach the point of decision and is summing all his strength for a final defence and counter-offensive."

This was the observation of the German Emperor, recorded by Karl Rosner in the Berlin Lokal Anzeiger, and apparently made on the eve of General Foch's offensive.

IN THE MARKET. Berries on the local market this morning were rather scarce and the dealers who were fortunate enough to have some were very easily disposing of them at a high price. Blueberries and strawberries were selling at twenty cents a box, while raspberries were bringing twenty-five. Green peas and other green stuffs were in the market in abundance at good prices. Peas were selling for sixty cents a peck.

NEW TROUBLE BETWEEN GERMANY AND HOLLAND. London, July 26—A despatch to the Exchange Telegraph from Amsterdam says that fresh difficulties have arisen between Germany and Holland over economic questions. The shipment of potatoes to Germany has been stopped, and the urgent need in Holland, and coal shipments from Germany to Holland have ceased. Negotiations are proceeding slowly at the Hague.

DEFINITELY END MONTREAL STREET RAILWAY WAGES TROUBLE. Montreal, July 27—Last night the employees of the Montreal Street Railway accepted the terms offered by the company and agreed to forego a strike. They are to be paid back wages during the coming month covering the period during which they accrued, viz. June 1 to date, and to go on the new scale at once.

HE'S "OVER THERE" AND WANTS TO BE A KILTIE. Mrs. John Macaulay of Brooklyn, N. Y., is visiting her mother, Mrs. William Singlet, corner Princess and Pitt streets, after an absence of thirteen years from her home city. Mrs. Macaulay has several married sisters in town also, and a brother. Like many other ex-St. John brothers and fathers, the Brooklyn visitor has been in the military service. She gained her family consent to enlist and is now in England ready for service in the battle zone. In a recent letter Master Macaulay writes that his boyhood's fond ambition to become a kiltie may yet be realized, as he has posted his request for transfer to a Highland regiment as soon as possible. Doubtless this is the double-Scotch blood asserting itself, the Macaulay and Sinclair strains. Kenneth is the only son in the Macaulay household, a bright, stalwart Y. M. C. A. lad.

DEMANDS KING FOR FINLAND. Stockholm, July 27—The Nye Dagligt Allehanda says Germany has made serious representations amounting to an ultimatum to Finland to secure the establishment of a monarchy there. The newspaper's advice from Finland says that Finland has refused to accept the offer of safety and order in the country, which comes under the German sphere of influence and forms a link of Germanization and Germanic policy. Germany maintains that without a monarchy being officers in the counter-revolutionary White Guards and men leagued with the Czechs-Slovaks.

London, July 27—A Russian wireless despatch reports that as a result of the investigation of the mutiny at Jaroslavl many persons have been arrested, of whom 320 were shot, a majority of them being officers in the counter-revolutionary White Guards and men leagued with the Czechs-Slovaks.

AMSTERDAM, July 26—A despatch to the Cologne Volks Zeitung says the monarchist conference held at Kiev was attended by many leaders from throughout Russia. A majority desired the formation of an absolute monarchy or a military dictatorship in Russia.

Out of consideration for the opposition, namely the Octobrists and Nationalists, who advocated a constitutional monarchy, the congress passed a resolution demanding a form of government for Great Russia like that before the February revolution. The congress then adjourned.

FONCK GETS MORE HUN AIRPLANES; HIS RECORD NOW IS FIFTY-NINE. Paris, July 27—(Havas Agency.)—Three new aerial victories for Lieutenant Fonck, bringing his total to 59, are reported. The newspapers say that Adjutant Erlich has won ten aerial victories in twenty-five days.

WAR VETERANS' CONVENTION. Lieutenant H. B. Patchell, Harry Allingham and J. J. Barbour will leave this evening for Toronto to attend the second annual convention of the Great War Veterans' Association, which will open on July 29. Lieutenant S. C. Trippe, the provincial delegate, will not likely attend.

Bad Year for Austria. Amsterdam, July 26—The Weser Zeitung, of Bremen, discussing the situation in Austria, says the last year has been one of progressive internal dissolution.