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New Attack Between Soissons and Marne French Hurl Back Assaults of Hun Hosts

Invincible French Army Defeats Terrific and Repeated Attacks

Battle Raged all Night With Undiminished Violence—
French Yesterday Regained Important Positions
Which Were Held Through the Night—Germans
Make Tremendous New Effort This Morning Be-
tween Soissons and the Aisne—Americans Captured
Prisoners and Guns Yesterday—British Transport
"Ansonia" Sunk in Mid-Ocean.

FRENCH HOLD THEIR OWN IN GREAT BATTLE

(Special 4 p.m. Despatch to "Ontario" by Canadian Press Ltd.)

PARIS, June 12.—The battle continued during last night on the front between Montdidier and the River Oise, without great changes in the situation, the war office announced today. On the French left additional progress was made by French troops in the region east of Mery and Gellis Wood. Near the center along the Aronde front, in region of St. Maur, the Loge Farm and Antheuil, the French repulsed violent attacks by the enemy. Despite repeated efforts the Germans on the French right were not able to debouch on the south bank of the Matz River. The French are holding in that part of the battle area south of Chevreaucourt and Marest Sur Matz.

South of the Aisne on the front between Soissons and the Marne the German attacked this morning. Fighting is going on between the River and Villers Cotterets. Violent combats are being fought on the front of Domniers, Cury and South of Ambleay.

ENEMY RAIDERS REPULSED.

(Special 4 p.m. Despatch to "Ontario" by Canadian Press Ltd.)

LONDON, June 12.—An enemy raiding party last night attacked a British post in Aveluy Wood but was repulsed, the war office announced today. The British carried out a successful raid in the Boyelles region, capturing a few prisoners. There was sporadic activity by the enemy artillery during the night in the region west of Lens.

BRITISH DESTROY 21 HUN PLANES ON ITALIAN FRONT.

(Special 4 p.m. Despatch to "Ontario" by Canadian Press Ltd.)

LONDON, June 12.—Twenty-one enemy airplanes have been destroyed on the Italian front by British air forces operating there, according to today's war office statement, reporting on British operations in this area.

MANUFACTURERS THE FOOTBALL OF POLITICIANS

Says President of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association at
Convention in Montreal — "Abuse Has Gone Too Far" —
Time Manufacturers Should Begin to Look Out for Their
Own Interests — Pooling of Resources Recommended

(Special 4 p.m. Despatch to "Ontario" by Canadian Press Ltd.)

MONTREAL, June 12.—Pooling resources between the United States and Canada is recommended by the tariff committee which reported to the Canadian Manufacturers' Association at the opening of the session today in the Windsor Hotel here. The committee complains that behind the embargoes placed on certain raw materials by the United States Government, American manufacturers are able to dominate and undersell Canadians in Dominion market. The committee alludes to legislation passed at Ottawa last year, as representing the opposite of protection and the stifling of domestic industry while encouraging importation of foreign manufactures. The president's address, delivered this afternoon said the time had arrived when the government and members of parliament and the people of Canada must be fair to manufacturers and not consider their interests a foot-ball to be kicked about by politicians and other or national interests are sure to be adversely affected. "The tirade of abuse has already gone too far" said the president.

FRENCH CARRY OUT BRILLIANT COUNTER-ATTACK

(Morning Despatches from Canadian Press Ltd.)

PARIS, June 12.—The French in their counter-attack yesterday on a seven and a half mile front, between Rubescourt and St. Maur, recaptured Belloy, Genles Wood and heights between Courcelles and Mortemer, taking over a thousand prisoners and some guns. Negro troops played an important part.

AMERICANS TOOK OVER 300 PRISONERS

(Morning Despatches from Canadian Press Ltd.)

PARIS, June 12.—The Americans in recapturing Belleau Wood yesterday took over 300 prisoners and a few guns.

WHOLESALE PRICES TO BE FIXED ALSO

(Morning Despatches from Canadian Press Ltd.)

OTTAWA, June 12.—The Canadian Food Board will fix the prices of wholesale produce dealers.

CANADIAN HOSPITAL BOMBED AT MIDNIGHT

(Morning Despatches from Canadian Press Ltd.)

LONDON, June 12.—The Canadian Stationary Hospital under Colonel Reason was bombed in the middle of the night. A number of nursing sisters and officers were wounded.

BRITISH TRANSPORT SUNK IN MID-OCEAN

(Morning Despatches from Canadian Press Ltd.)

NEW YORK, June 12.—British transport "Ansonia" sunk by a submarine in mid-ocean, forty of the crew are missing.

FRENCH GUNS CAUSE GREAT HAVOC

(Special 4 p.m. Despatch to "Ontario" by Canadian Press Ltd.)

With the French Army in France, June 12.—French cannon and machine guns have reaped a heavy toll since Sunday. An entire division of famous Jaegers was cut to pieces at Rezonansure Matz, while a Guards division lost great proportion of its effectives. Other divisions it is learned suffered equally during the preparation for attack and advance to narrow valley, all passes of which were dominated by Allied guns. Every prisoner taken seems horror stricken at slaughter of his comrades.

ENEMY LINES RAKED BY BRITISH AIRCRAFT

(Special 4 p.m. Despatch to "Ontario" by Canadian Press Ltd.)

LONDON, June 11.—The official statement on aerial operations tonight says:

"In spite of the cloudy weather yesterday our airmen on the French battle front worked early and late, dropping eight tons of bombs on enemy troops, transports and ammunition dumps, guns and trenches. Direct hits were obtained on the railway at Roye-sur-Matz and concentrations of infantry in the triangle comprising Montdidier, Biquebourg and Roye.

"Flying low, our machines attacked with machine gun fire every target that offered itself along the roads behind the fighting line, and an immense number of rounds were fired from the air with good effect.

"In this area we shot down six enemy airplanes and drove seven down out of control, we ourselves losing five machines.

"On the British front there was little aerial activity. One German airplane was destroyed and one was driven down out of control. We lost two machines.

"During Monday night we dropped seven tons of bombs on Cambrai and Bauprume. All our night bombers returned."

Damage by Electric Storm

FIRES IN DISTRICT — QUEER
BREAKS OF LIGHTNING
AT FRANKFORD

Last night's electric storm was one of the most severe in local experience. A number of fires are reported, all from the country, surrounding Belleville.

The storm set in about 9 o'clock then let up but came on again at 10.30. It was at this time that the great damage was done by lightning.

Freaks at Frankford

Lightning played unique tricks at Frankford. It was a mild thing to strike some poles on Mr. T. Sweatman's lot and tear down a panel fence. But Mr. D. Ketcheson, who operates the motor stage between Belleville and Frankford, had the most exciting experience of all. He and his family had retired and when the storm came up violently, he thought of getting up. Just then the house was struck, but fortunately did not take fire. Mr. and Mrs. Ketcheson and their son did not experience any shock but the havoc which the lightning caused made them get up. The storm was demolished, and the east wall ripped inside out. The bricks were flung about the garden and the clapboarding hurled, one piece being found across the lot near a fence. The lath was splintered and plaster showered upon the beds to which the household had retired. A window was completely wrecked, the frame being torn completely out. An oil lamp which had been left burning was extinguished and Mr. Ketcheson feared fire. He thought he saw a flickering near a window and tore away the curtains but there was no sign of fire to be found. The bolt of lightning passed down stairs, melted the mercury backing of the mirror of the buffet without breaking the glass and splintered one of the feet. A piece was broken out of the sewing machine and other damage was done to windows and so forth. On the opposite side of the house splinters were taken out of the screen door.

Mr. Ketcheson and his family are grateful for their escape. The damage to their residence is considerable.

The large barn on the property of Mr. Davidson, Ameliasburg, was destroyed by fire about eleven o'clock last night, the cause being lightning. The farm was previously owned by Mr. Shelley Anderson until about two years ago.

The streets of Belleville ran like rivers around midnight. Messrs. E. A. Thomas and Chas. Duesberry had a rough experience in last night's storm near Nigger Island. They had gone up the bay for a fishing trip in Mr. Duesberry's motor boat and had considerable luck. They weathered the first spell of bad weather but at 10.30 the electric storm made things very unpleasant. They started east for Belleville and it was with difficulty that they could keep the waves from putting out the engine. Finally they were forced to land on an island and take shelter in a hut for nearly three hours. Then the signs of storm being past, they set out again although the waves were high. Suddenly they noticed they were in the midst of a fog and all marks of direction were gone. They sailed on and after several hours of apparently aimless sailing went ashore. They were glad to find they were only a short distance from the bay bridge. It was three o'clock before they reached the city after their night's experience.

Unity of military command has been extended from Germany and Austria, to embrace Bulgaria and Turkey, the Deutsche Tages Zeitung of Berlin reports.

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