

BRITISH AND FRENCH SMASH GERMAN LINES Twelve Towns And 50 Square Miles Already Captured

Great Allied Victory on French Front

Long Expected Franco-British Offensive
Has in Two Days Resulted in the Capture
of Twelve Villages, Fifty Square Miles
of Territory and 10,000 Prisoners.

BRITISH PENETRATION POSITIONS TANCY MILITARY

LONDON, July 3.—The British offensive was launched on Saturday morning on both the Somme and Arras fronts. The British army, which had been preparing for some time, struck with a force of about 25 divisions. The first line of German positions was captured in a matter of hours. The British then pushed forward, capturing a series of villages and towns. The German army was forced to retreat in a disorderly fashion, leaving behind a trail of destruction. The British are now in a position to capture the entire German line in the region.

The fighting has been a long and hard one. The British have suffered heavy losses, but they have also captured a large number of prisoners. The German army has been forced to retreat in a disorderly fashion, leaving behind a trail of destruction. The British are now in a position to capture the entire German line in the region.

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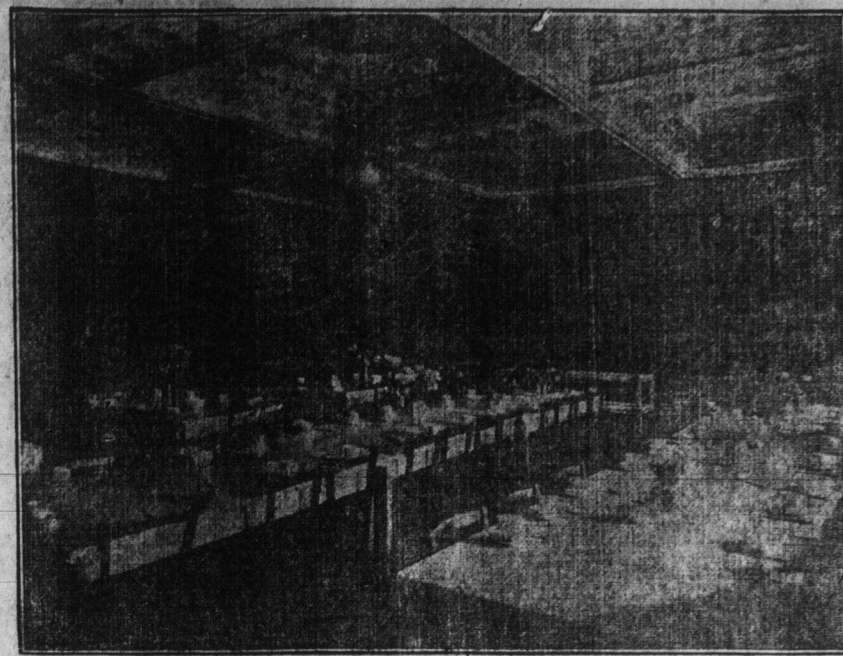
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DINING ROOM OF CANADIAN CONVALESCENT HOME. Dining Room of the Convalescent Canadian soldiers maintained by the Massey-Harris Company at Dulwich England. It is an example of the luxurious surroundings of our wounded men.

Public Petition French Army is Successful To Provincial Government in all Recent Engagements

Ask That No Action
Be Taken Until
New Year's

Thousands Of Signatures
Have Been Obtained

MUCH INTEREST DEVELOPING

A petition is being circulated among the ratepayers of Berlin, and largely signed, praying the Provincial Government to withhold assent to the change of name until next January.

Thirty-two petitions are out and may be seen and signed at various places.

A copy of this petition has been left at the Record office where it may be signed by all desiring to do so.

Thousands are signing.

Mrs. E. Donohue Passed Away

The sad intelligence was received by citizens yesterday that Mrs. E. Donohue, wife of Mr. E. Donohue, of the faculty of St. Jerome's College, had passed away. Her demise was sudden and occurred at the Berlin and Waterloo Hospital yesterday noon.

Mrs. Donohue had been laid up with an affliction of appendicitis, and had undergone an operation at the hospital, to which she was removed about two weeks ago. She was on the road to a rapid recovery and showed no signs which might cause apprehension.

Immediately before her death she was as bright and conversant as could be expected, when the fatal affliction suddenly set in.

The deceased, before her marriage was Catherine A. Garrigan, being a native of Syracuse, N. Y. Two and a half years ago she was married to Mr. Edward Donohue in Utica, N. Y., who, with a nine months' old child, survives her. There are no brothers or sisters.

The funeral will be held at ten o'clock on Tuesday morning at St. Mary's R. C. Church, interment will take place in the R. C. Cemetery.

Samuel Jackson Citizen Passes Away

SON OF PROMINENT RAILWAY BUILDER OF G. T. R. IS DEAD

Was Prominent in Chicago Legal Circles. Will Be Interred At Brookville.

The intelligence of the death of Mr. Samuel Ward Jackson at Chicago on Saturday evening was received with regret by many Berlin citizens and friends.

French Army is Successful in all Recent Engagements

Two Lines of Trenches of Second German Positions Taken. Thirty Nine German Battalions Lose Heavily And Are Completely Disorganized.

COMPLETE SUCCESS OF FRENCH ARMY

PARIS, July 3.—Afternoon statements—North of the river Somme the enemy last night made no attack upon the positions conquered by us, and which are now being organized south of the river Somme the fight continued with complete success for our army.

SECOND LINE GERMAN POSITIONS TAKEN

Yesterday evening and last night we entirely occupied—along a front of more than three miles—the two lines of trenches of second German positions from Marcourt Wood, which is in our possession as far as the edge of Assevaliers. Between these two points we took possession, as a result of a brilliant engagement, of the village of Herbecourt which had been defensively organized by the enemy.

FRENCH PROGRESS AT OTHER POINTS

Further to the south we have made progress in the direction of Assevaliers, the northern and western boundaries of which are in our hands. To the north of the village of Estres, and between Estres and Assevaliers our troops have made perceptible progress. More prisoners and more pieces of heavy artillery, the counting of which has not yet been completed, were captured by us during these recent actions.

THIRTY-NINE GERMAN BATTALIONS ENGAGED

According to information to hand it is estimated that more than 39 German battalions participated in the attack along the French front on July first. According to the statements of prisoners, thirty-one of these battalions suffered very heavy losses and are at present completely disorganized.

MOST OF PRISONERS ARE VERY YOUNG.

Most of the prisoners taken by us on July first and second are very young. As a result of the questioning of these men in our hands it has been learned that the preparatory fire of our artillery was very efficacious, not only in annihilating defensive organizations, but in rendering impossible the bringing up of provisions. At the same time our artillery fire made it impossible for the enemy to transmit orders to the troops engaged in the operations.

BRITISH BIG GUNS OUTCLASS THOSE OF ENEMY

LONDON, July 3.—The Daily Telegraph's correspondent at Paris says:—"I am credibly informed that the British heavy guns now absolutely outclass the German or Austrian 42-centimetre guns which the Germans sprang as a surprise at the outbreak of war."

AN ABUNDANCE OF MUNITIONS

The British supplies of munitions are so great that in the present offensive the question of economy of shells does not enter into account.

BRITISH GAS IS DEADLY.

The French people have heard with pardonable satisfaction that the British asphyxiating gas has proved deadlier than any the Germans have invented.

practised his profession in Montreal.

For over twenty years he has been practicing in Chicago, and was prominently identified with the legal fraternity in that city, and for a time president of its law association.

His ability in the profession was widely recognized and won for him a lucrative practice.

The energy and aggressiveness of his father, who was a pioneer town-builder, was evident in the son. His father was a prominent G. T. R. railway contractor, having built a stretch of the line passing through the city and he was the first president of the Economical Fire Insurance Company. The residence at the northeast corner of King and Water streets was built by him and the triangular shaped property between King, Water and Francis owned by him.

The deceased son was not married. Surviving him are an elder brother, Henry A. of Chicago, and three sisters of this city, who are the Misses Fannie E. and Geneva Jackson, and Mrs. P. D. Hayward.

The Masonic Lodge, of which he was a member will have charge of the services at Chicago. The body is being brought from that city to place tomorrow in the cemetery containing his parents.

ARRIVED IN QUEBEC

QUEBEC, July 3.—W. S. McIntosh of Peterboro and J. Sullivan of Guelph are among a party of sixty-six invalid soldiers who arrived at Quebec yesterday.

ACTIVITIES ON VERDUN FRONT

PARIS, July 3.—A surprise attack

Russian Troops Moving on For City of Lemberg

Plan Capture of Stanislaw, Which Would
Force German Retreat. Fortified Posts
in the Carpathians Stormed and Taken.
Teuton Army in Peril.

Vienna Denies That Russian
Claim of Prisoners
is Correct.

LONDON, July 3.—The Russian offensive continues to make progress in Galicia. Petrograd claims the capture of several towns south of Kolomoia the important railway junction which is the key to Lemberg. It is also reported the occupation of fortified posts in the foothills of the Carpathians followed the repulse of the Austrian counter-attack north-west of Kimpolung. The capture of 14,574 more prisoners is recorded bringing the total number now up to 217,000.

Berlin claims that the battle in progress west of Lutsk for the last week is now developing favorably for the Germans. The capture of Russian positions on the Stry south-west of Sokul is also claimed. Troops of Cossacks already harassing the flank of Gen von Bohmer's army have been repulsed.

Semi-official reports from Vienna deny indignantly the Russian claims of the capture of 214,000 men and great numbers of cannon. They point out that had the losses been as Petrograd claims the Austrians would not have a single man left on the Galician front; death and wounds would have accounted for the rest.

Instead it is claimed that the Austrian losses amount to between 10 per cent 20 per cent instead of the 25 per cent which has been not an un-

usual figure in other operations of the war.

Getting Behind Teuton.

The advance of the Russians from Opatyn which was captured Friday indicates that their plan is to capture the important town of Stanislaw about fifteen miles west and slightly north of Thunau, and well behind the present Austro-German centre front on the Strypa. The capture of Stanislaw would mean that this army must either retreat rapidly or be surrounded when the Russians push northward cutting it off from its supports in the rear.

The fierceness of the Russian attacks near Thunau indicate that their objective is to force the retreat or secure the capture of this army, which has effectively barred the progress of the Russian forces further north toward Lemberg.

Further Russian repulses in the region of Lutsk south-east of Kovel are reported in the official German statement.

Russian.

Petrograd July 3.—War Office statement reads:

"Our left wing continues to drive back the enemy over a front situated south of the Dniester and has occupied many places to the south of Kolomoia."

"North-west of Kolomoia our troops after a violent engagement threw back the enemy in the direction of the heights near the village of Bresova."

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against the enemy's trenches at Verlot woods was successful. Another French patrol took some prisoners near Nerine in the Champagne district. One of our patrols took some prisoners near Prunty and brought back a rapid firing gun. On the left bank of the Meuse the night passed quietly except for a bombardment of our positions west of Hill 304. On the east bank, early this morning and after a violent bombardment, the Germans delivered a strong attack upon Damleuse woods of which they took possession, but a prompt counter attack by us drove them out and we regained possession.

Letter Carriers Had
Field Day at Guelph

Guelph Ont., July 2.—The letter carriers of western Ontario about 150 in number from Toronto, London, Stratford, Hamilton, Galt, Berlin and other places invaded Guelph on Dominion Day and were guests of the local posties who had made very elaborate preparations for their entertainment. Their wives and children accompanied them, and a most enjoyable day was spent. The gathering took place at Riverside Park where, an excellent program of sports was successfully carried out and a banquet followed. Mr. A. McMorris secretary treasurer of the Canadian Letter Carriers' Association was present during the day and was presented by the Guelph association with a handsome stick-pin as an expression of appreciation of his visit for the annual field day.

The following officers were elected: H. Winters chairman of western Ontario field day with the following associates: H. Bain president Guelph branch; J. Reeves president Toronto branch; H. Mills president Galt branch; M. Charters president Hamilton branch; A. S. Elbert president Berlin branch; C. Stipinski of Berlin was elected secretary treasurer for western Ontario.

Mr. Thomas Keith of Nansimo a British Columbia legislator is dead.

Answer to Nut No. 10: The Purchasing Question: \$8.75.

Nut No. 11: The Cat Question: If three cats can catch three rats in three minutes, how many cats can catch one hundred rats in one hundred minutes?

The Weather

Fresh to strong northwest winds, fair and warm. Tuesday, moderate winds, fine and warm.

A MERCHANT'S SLOGAN

"Don't stare up the steps. STEP UP THE STAIRS."

The dealer who backs up nationally made goods advertised in his own newspapers is saying to the people "Step up my stairs."

He is identifying his store in the public mind as one where good things are kept.

People will unconsciously link the personality of the store to the goods they see advertised.

The manufacturer's newspaper advertising will send people to the stores of the merchants who are alert enough to help draw it their way.

The linking of the manufacturer's pull with the merchant's push brings business all around.

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