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BRITISH CAPTURE THE LEUZE WOOD IN BRILLIANT ACTION

Desperate Battle Now Going On in Somme Region—French Hold All Gains and Repel all German Counter-Attacks at the Somme and Defeat Infantry Charges at Verdun—Roumanians Have Driven Off the German and Bulgarian Invaders.

BRITISH CAPTURE WHOLE OF LEUZE WOOD.

LONDON, Sept. 6.—A despatch from General Haig says that the British captured the whole of Leuze Wood near Comblies in heavy fighting last night. The despatch adds that desperate fighting is now going on between Comblies and Ginchy.

GERMAN COUNTER-ATTACKS OF NO AVAIL.

PARIS, Sept. 6.—The French War Office reports that repeated German attacks against the newly-won positions south of the Somme were broken up by French barrage fire. The assaults were delivered in the region of Denicourt and Berny.

In the Verdun sector the Germans yesterday evening directed an intense bombardment against Fleury but the French quick-firers prevented the German infantry from advancing.

ARTILLERY ACTIVE ON MACEDONIAN FRONT.

PARIS, Sept. 6.—Violent artillery actions are in progress along the whole Macedonian front.

BULGARIAN INVADERS EXPELLED FROM ROUMANIA.

BUCHAREST, Sept. 6.—The Roumanian War Office announce that the attempts of the Germans and Bulgarians to invade Eastern Roumania have been defeated and declares the Roumanians are in possession of all the Dobruja frontier between Bulgaria and Roumania east of the Danube.

GERMAN WAR LOAN FAILURE.

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 6.—Subscriptions to the German War Loan during the first two days indicate that the loan is a failure according to reports from Berlin.

GERMAN PROPAGANDIST WILL LEAVE GREECE.

ATHENS, Sept. 6.—Baron von Schenk, chief director of the German Propaganda in Greece who was arrested last week was released today and will be permitted to leave Greece tomorrow. Provision has been made for his safe conduct.

TO RAISE MILITARY AGE LIMIT IN BRITAIN.

NEW YORK, Sept. 6.—According to a London cable to the Times reports are current that the Government intends soon to raise the military age limit to 45 years.

ALLIES TO RETALIATE ON UNITED STATES.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 6.—It is the belief here as a result of the retaliatory measures incorporated in the revenue bill passed by the Senate last night, the allied government, probably led by Great Britain will promptly begin shipping counter-retaliation.

VIENNA ADMITS LOSS OF ORSOVA.

LONDON, Sept. 6.—The Roumanians have captured Orsova and Herkulesferde, in Transylvania, according to Vienna advices to the Exchange Telegraph Company.

FRENCH ARMY CAPTURES 7650 OF ENEMY FORCES.

LONDON, Sept. 6.—With unflinching vigor the Franco-British forces on the Somme today continued their new drive, and despite the reappearance of hampering rains both Gen. Foch and Sir Douglas Haig added to their gains of yesterday and Sunday. Since Sunday morning the French and British have taken a total of about 7,650 prisoners. The British have taken in the fighting over 1,000 prisoners. The total taken by the French numbers 6,550. Gen. Foch has captured thirty-six guns since the "big push" has been resumed.

South of the Somme the French captured by storm the village of Omécourt, southeast of Chaules, their chief objective. This latter town is now in Gen. Foch's grip from three sides, and its fall is believed near. With its capture he will have removed the "index finger" of the ugly salient whose arm was crushed by yesterday's sweeping advance.

In addition to this important strategic success, which means a big step in the clearing of the French path to the fortress of Peronne, Gen. Foch's troops made considerable headway north of the Somme in the encircling of Comblies, the railway town indispensable to the Germans on their present defence line. Hospital Farm, partly taken yesterday, Rainette Wood and part of Marrieres Wood fell to the French in today's push. All Teuton counter-blows, struck with particular vigor between Comblies and Le Forest, broke down under the French shell curtain, and every inch of ground won in the last sixty hours was firmly held up to the issuance of tonight's official communique.

The British on their part struck out from Guilleumont village, captured Sunday night, and pushed their lines nearly a mile eastward, seizing most of Leuze Woods, and clearing the whole area between the Fallemont Farm and Leuze Wood, as well as between that wood and Ginchy village, of defenders.

Thus the entire German system of second line defence between the Mougnet Farm and the point where the French and British join is now in the hands of Sir Douglas' troops. Violent counter-attacks were repulsed everywhere.

BEATON INQUEST JURY'S FINDING

Medical Testimony Given at Kingston—Pte. Beaton Was Fine Bomber.

The jury which inquired into the death of Pte. John Y. Beaton of the 155th Battalion, who was found dead on Sunday morning on the G.T.R. tracks a short distance below the outer station at Kingston, found that he came to his death while trespassing on the G.T.R. highway.

Lt.-Col. R. J. Gardiner, A.D.M.S. in his evidence said that the man had apparently come to his death as the result of a fractured skull on the right side above the ear. On the other side of the man's head there was an indentation. His left leg had been either crushed or cut and was practically severed.

The evidence of Capt. Norwell, A. D.A.A., Q.M.S., enlightened the jury on the system of passes issued at the camp. On the deceased was found a pass that permitted him to be in the city from three o'clock on the afternoon of September 2, until midnight. Capt. Norwell said that men are stationed at the railway stations to see that no members of the C.E.F. board trains without the proper authority.

According to the evidence of L. G. Dolron, acting agent at the outer station, Conductor Spence, of a special freight train, reported at eight o'clock on Sunday morning that a body had been passed some two miles below the station. The remains were lying alongside the tracks.

Serjt. L. Jones, C.M.P., told of finding the body at the place reported by the conductor and of taking from the remains the pass, \$3.70 and a departmental cheque. The soldier was lying near the tracks, with one foot severed above the ankle.

The jury's finding did not attach any blame to anyone. From the condition of the body it was thought that Beaton had either fallen from a train or had been thrown when he tried to board it.

The death of Beaton is generally regretted in the lines of the 155th Battalion where he had many friends. He was a good soldier and was considered one of the best bomb-throwers in the battalion.

MILITARY NOTES

Capt. Doyle, of the 155th battalion, has been out of the hospital since last Friday and his brother officers were pleased to see him in the mess on Sunday last. Capt. Doyle was thrown from his horse while on parade some time ago, and was compelled to undergo an operation in the Hotel Dieu. Mrs. Doyle remained with her husband at the hospital, and speaks in the highest terms of the kindness of the staff of the hospital during the time Capt. Doyle and herself were in the institution.

Lieut. Adams, son of Lieut.-Col. Adams, of the 155th battalion, will return to England some time next week, to report for duty again at the front. Lieut. Adams was given two months' leave of absence, and since he came to Barrieffield camp has worked hard every day at the School of Signalling, and the trench and general school.

Lieut.-Col. Putman, of the 155th, got a kick from a horse on returning from the bivouac on Saturday and has suffered considerably ever since.

Some of the boys of the 155th Battalion have made a large kite and find much amusement in flying it from the line. On Sunday the kite attracted much attention, and there was considerable speculation as to the height reached. The kite would make good practice for the machine gun section, and train them for Zeppelin and aeroplane raids.

Mrs. Adams, Mrs. Putman and Mrs. Doyle took dinner with the officers of the 155th on Sunday last.

The band of the 155th battalion played an excellent program on Sunday last during the mess hour.

LATE HAZEL J. ANDERSON

The funeral of the late Hazel J. Anderson, five year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Anderson took place yesterday afternoon from the family residence, 84 Geddes street, J. V. N. Clarr, of Holloway Street, Methodist church, officiating. There were many floral tributes, marking the public's sympathy in the bereavement which the family has sustained. The burial was made in the Belleville cemetery.

Captain Henderson of the S.S. Scandinavian has been spending a few days in town the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Elliott, Commercial St. On Monday evening Capt. Henderson was very pleasantly entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. O'Flynn, Bridge St. East. The Scandinavian and crew have been "doing their bit" in the war. Since the beginning of the war the Scandinavian has transported 20,000 troops across the Atlantic.

Social and Personal

Every reader of The Ontario is invited to contribute news of personal and social interest to this column. Let us know by phone or otherwise about the arrival and departure of friends and masters of that nature and help us to make this column bright, reliable and interesting. There is, of course, no charge except for formal announcements as of receptions, engagements, etc.

Armourer Sergeant Garnett Ballantyne, 155th, is in town.

Sergeant Harry Burke and Serjt. Chas. Asselstine, 155th Battalion are in the city.

Mr. Harry Brusseau of Regina, a former Belleville printer is in the city on a visit.

Mrs. (Dr.) Webster of Hamilton, and children are the guests of Miss Ponton, Sidney Cottage.

Mr. John Heigate and his son Mr. Thomas Holgate, of Bowmanville, were in the city yesterday.

Mr. D. M. Clarke of Belleville High School staff and his bride have taken up their residence at 222 Albert St.

Judge and Mrs. G. E. Deroche and family have returned home after a couple of months spent at Bon Echo, Lake Massanoga.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. O'Flynn have returned from camp at Presque-Isle. Captain O'Flynn will remain there another week.

Major R. D. Ponton entertained Lieut. Harry Alford to a camp-fire and corn-roast on Monday evening at Sidney Cottage.

Mrs. Lazier, widow of the late Judge T. A. Lazier and her daughter Miss Rose Lazier are the guests of Miss Pitecahy, Foster Ave.

Mrs. Geo. Moran, Commercial St. was taken suddenly and seriously ill last night with summer gripe and heart trouble. She is somewhat better today.

Mrs. S. C. Andrews left for her home in Hamilton today after spending the holiday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Evans, West Bridge St. of this city.

Dr. and Mrs. Kerr of Bradford, Pa. have left for home after a few days' visit with Doctor Kerr's mother, Mrs. Kerr, and his brother Rev. A. S. Kerr, George Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Templeton and Miss Templeton returned home last evening after several weeks varying pleasantly spent at Rideau Ferry, the picturesque resort on Rideau lakes.

Rev. Dr. M. McGillivray of Kingston, late Moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian church was in the city yesterday attending the meeting of the Kingston Presbytery.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hutchinson Sarnia, were week-end visitors at the John St. manse, the guests of Rev. and Mrs. E. C. Currie. Mr. and Mrs. Hutchinson came all the way by motor and visited friends at Brighton on route, Brighton having been their former home.

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Helen Donovan, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Donovan, Pine St. has returned fully recovered from St. Vincent de Paul Hospital, Brockville, where she has been for the past three months. Her cousin Miss Hamilton, nurse-in-training at that institution accompanied her to Belleville.

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GIFTS FROM CITY SCHOLARS

War Contingent Association Expresses Gratitude For Games Sent to Soldiers.

GIFTS FROM Miss Minnie Fleming, 68 1/2 Cedar Street, has received from Mrs. McLaren Brown of London, England, Honorary Secretary of the Ladies' Committee of the Canadian War Contingent Association, the following letter:—

Miss Minnie Fleming, 68 1/2 Cedar Street, Belleville, Ont. Dear Madam,

In a consignment recently received through Miss Falkiner was a case containing 31 packs of cards, 60 games and 1 mouthorgan, contributed by some of the Belleville school children.

I am directed to convey through you most grateful thanks for this very welcome contribution. The children possibly would be pleased to know that we are asked for large numbers of games, mouthorgans and cards by men at the front. By sending such things as the children collected, they can rest assured that their kindness and thoughtfulness will help cheer many a Canadian "somewhere in France."

With grateful thanks, Sincerely yours, Eleanor McLaren Brown, Hon. Sec. Ladies' Com. C. W. C. A.

RED CROSS PENNY BAG COLLECTION FOR AUGUST

While for the month of August, Murney ward again leads the wards in the amount given, to Baldwin ward really being the palm. It is the only ward showing an increase over its giving, during the three preceding months since this method was adopted for adding to the Red Cross funds.

No better situation could be desired. It is high, dry with plenty of fall for drainage.

Since the property was purchased a large deposit of fine builders' gravel has been discovered, and running

Those in charge of the Red Cross Penny Bag Collections regret to announce a decrease in every ward, but Baldwin ward, and a total decrease of more than twenty dollars on the money collected in July.

We are convinced that this is because of no lack of interest or desire to help on the part of our citizens, but on account of the absence from the city, of so many of our collectors and givers.

Can we not this month make up this deficit, and rise again beyond the two hundred dollar mark?

Remember, Every Penny Helps; and there can be no easier way of giving than by dropping an occasional penny in the Red Cross Penny Bags.

Following are the receipts according to wards:

Murney Ward \$34 05
Samson ward 31 67
Baldwin ward 28 80
Ketheson ward 26 39
Jeecker ward 18 71
Coleman ward 16 90
Foster ward 13 62

Total \$170 14

NEW C. P. R. DOCK.

A new dock along the water front at Trenton on the east side of river is being built by the Canadian Pacific Railway, adjacent to their freight sheds, for the purpose of handling through package freight by water, also to handle the Prince Edward crops to any point desired on C. P. R. lines. The Trent Navigation Co., are bringing across this week from Harry Dempsey's, to points west, two boat loads of apples.—Courier.

CASE ENLARGED

The case against Mrs. Margaret Murray, who is accused by her daughter Myrtle with assault, was up for hearing before Judge Deroche this morning but was further enlarged to Oct. 16. Wm. Carnew for the crown; W. D. Mikel, for private prosecutor; W. D. M. Shorey for the defence.

FUNERAL OF MISS E. PIERSON

The funeral of the late Miss Emma Pierson, who died at Barrie on Sunday, took place yesterday, Rev. A. S. Kerr, M.A., officiated at the service at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, in this city, after which the remains were taken to Belleville Cemetery. The bearers were Col. S. Lazier, Col. Thos. Stewart, R. Tanahill, Alfred O'Brien, A. R. Walker and E. Mallory.

WORK COMMENCED TODAY ON BIG NEW RUBBER INDUSTRY

First Sod Turned This Morning and Fifty Men at Work Preparing for Foundation—Main Building Will Be Nearly 300 Feet Long and of Concrete and Steel Construction—Will Be Rushed Forward to Completion Before Cold Weather.

The energetic men behind Belleville's big new rubber industry have lost no time in getting to work. A representative of The Ontario visited the site of the proposed new plant this morning and was surprised to ascertain the size and extent of the buildings about to be erected. Fifty men were at work with plough, scraper, pick and shovel digging out the trenches for the foundations, which will necessarily have to be laid deep to carry the heavy weight of concrete and steel above.

The main building, for which the foundations are being prepared is well on to 300 feet in length, or to be exact, 281 feet 4 inches, with throughout of 62 feet, but with two large extensions or wings to the northward making the total width 125 feet. Besides this several subordinate buildings will be placed under construction as speedily as possible.

As our readers have already been informed, the factory is to be located on the property recently purchased from Mrs. Green, north of the Grand Trunk main line. It is being placed in the southwest angle alongside the tracks and the main road dividing Sidney and Thurlow townships.

No better situation could be desired. It is high, dry with plenty of fall for drainage.

Since the property was purchased a large deposit of fine builders' gravel has been discovered, and running

across is a rocky ridge where excellent hard limestone comes almost to the surface. The presence as close at hand of these two great essentials in construction will reduce the bill for the cost of the buildings by at least \$5000. The Grand Trunk officials have already visited the site and will forthwith commence the construction of a siding.

It is expected that about ten days will see the completion of the foundation, and then, work on the main building will be rushed forward, so as to complete it before the severe weather sets in.

Before many months have elapsed the completed Maple Leaf Tires will be on the market. At the outset, nearly 100 hands will be employed.

In a previous article we referred to the practically unlimited market for rubber products, particularly automobile tires. An article in the last issue of The Toronto Sunday World contains the information that the number of automobiles in use in the United States now has reached the incredible total of three millions.

This number of cars means more than twelve million tires. A proportionate number of tires are found in Canada, and to these a vast number of tires are every year imported.

Maple Leaf Tires Limited are therefore about to enter upon the manufacture of a product that knows practically no limit in the demand.

Granted capable, careful management; this new industry should speedily become much the biggest in the district.

COMMITMENTS FOR CONTEMPT

Division Court Before Judge Wills—Contract and Delivery Case.

Some men who were summoned on judgment summonses yesterday to division court did not appear and Judge Wills ordered 10 days' commitment in each case for contempt of court. In other cases of judgment summonses, defendants were ordered to make regular payments until their debts were wiped off.

There was one committal for forty days in the case of a man who did not pay as ordered by the court and thereby was guilty of contempt.

An interesting case was heard by Judge Wills. The plaintiff was a Stirling resident and the defendant a well known Belleville grocer. The former and latter had made an agreement over the telephone for butter to be sent from the former to the latter at 28c per pound. One hundred pounds was shipped to Belleville, but it did not turn out to be merchantable butter and the grocer having sold some of it before making the discovery of its quality, tendered a cheque for the amount thus sold and refusing to pay for the rest, shipped it back.

The Stirling man sued for the full amount, claiming that on inspection by himself the butter was found to be first-class. The difficulty arose over whether the butter received in Belleville was the butter tested. The seller testified that the butter had been shipped in one package, but that received in Belleville was in two packages and the Express Company's receipt verified this.

Judgment was given the plaintiff for \$7.14, the value of the amount sold, without costs.

ANKLE WAS INJURED

Wagon with Load of Hay Passed Over Five Year Old Boy's Foot.

On Tuesday afternoon the five year old son of Mr. R. Boulter, proprietor of Boulter's garage, 11 Moira St., had the misfortune to have his ankle injured near the upper bridge, when his foot was run over by a wagon on which was a load of hay. The little boy was playing on the road and apparently ran against the wagon without seeing it, until, too late, several bones in his ankle were fractured.

SPEDING OVER BRIDGE

An autoist was detected speeding over one of the city bridges last evening. He will face the cud for this infraction of the city laws.

FIGHTING ON STREET

Two men engaged in a fight on Front street near the city hall last evening and as a reward of the battle, one man walked away with a beautiful series of bloody decorations on his face and coat. Today he wears the marks of scratches and blows.

SECTION FOREMAN ENLISTS

Mr. Charles Walker, section foreman on the Canadian Pacific Railway has given up this position and yesterday enlisted in the 155th Battalion at the Belleville recruiting office.