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Battle All Night Long

Attempts Of Germans To Advance Farther Stayed  
Fail To Break Through Defences In Soissons Region And All Is Held Northwest of Rheims—Reserves Reach Line

Paris, May 30.—The battle along the fighting front continued all night, with the French maintaining the western outlets of Soissons. The war office so announced today. Northwest of Rheims the Franco-British forces broke all the German assaults and maintained the defensive positions.

French reserves are continuing to arrive on the front and the German advance is being resisted with great tenacity.

The Germans made repeated attempts to break through the defence in the Soissons region, but were each time held up by the determined French resistance.

In the centre of the German advance fighting is taking place in the neighbourhood of Vesilly (approximately eighteen miles south of the Chemin des Dames, where the German attack was launched on Monday).

ALLIES RESERVES IN LINE  
With the French Army in France, May 29.—(Wednesday evening, by the Associated Press)—Allied reserves are now taking up positions in the battle line. They are being thrown in to strengthen the defending forces where they are weakest, in preparation for the placing of a barrier to a further German advance.

Fresh enemy divisions have been brought forward hastily to take the places of those exhausted by the advance of the last three days and continue the pressure on the Allies.

The territory south of the Vesle River, which the Germans have crossed at several points, is more difficult for the attack.

FAIL NEAR FEUTUBERT.  
London, May 30.—A German attack on a strong Allied position in Flanders, northwest of Feutubert, has been repulsed completely. This is officially announced in Flanders.

With the British Army in France, May 30.—(By the Associated Press)—Last night produced no big infantry action along the British front in Flanders. By a minor operation west of Merris, the British advanced a section of their line about 300 yards. Beyond this there was little to record.

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ENEMY SEEKS MARNE VALLEY

Reason For the Vigorous Push Southward

A SECOND OBJECTIVE

Crown Prince Fights to Broaden Salient to Westward and Approach Nearer Paris by Direct Route—Advance Slower on Thursday

Paris, May 30.—As the battle proceeds the enemy's purpose becomes plain. It is to take the Marne valley.

First of all, eighteen miles south of the Vesle flows the Marne, which forms, with the Oise, one of the great avenues of approach to Paris. Along its course runs the Châlons railroad, the main eastern artery. To gain a footing in the Marne Valley, or even to approach within artillery range of it, would be an appreciable result.

Heavy fighting still lies ahead for the Allies, but most competent to expect an opinion are now satisfied that the German drive will be stopped in the near future.

The enemy is still pushing on with every atom of strength to obtain possession of as much territory as possible before the Allied reserves come up in full force and annihilate them.

The German Crown Prince, who previously has met with invariable defeat, may claim his primary success on this occasion. However, no breach has been made in the Allies' line, which has merely been pressed back to a less favorable position, and has maintained complete cohesion.

FRENCH AND BRITISH GO SINGING INTO BATTLE  
Clemenceau, at Front. Wins From Death by Only Three Minutes

Paris, May 29.—(By the Agency Havas)—Premier Clemenceau, who has just returned from the battle front, declared that the morale of the French soldiers was admirable. French and British soldiers, the premier said, went singing into battle. He paid a high tribute to the Allies' commanders, who, he said, were worthy of all praise.

During his trip the premier went near a cross road over which the premier had passed only three minutes before.

FEAST DAY MAKES NO DIFFERENCE TO HUNS; PARIS BOMBARDED

Paris, May 30.—Although the British government has proclaimed today as feast of Corpus Christi—on German cities which are not in the vicinity of the front, the German long range gun resumed the bombardment of Paris this morning. The firing began at an earlier hour than is usual.

THE MATTER OF MONTREAL STREET RAILWAY WAGES

Montreal, May 30.—A resolution passed unanimously in two great mass meetings of the Montreal street railway's employees states that the counter offer of the company was not complete and the employees desired to ask the executive committee to see the management of the company in an endeavor to secure a readjustment of the scale of wages offered, in a manner which would make it acceptable to both sides.

DEEPER MEANING TO MEMORIAL DAY

Washington, May 30.—Memorial Day, this year carrying a deeper meaning because of the fuller participation of the United States in the war and more significant because of the new American graves in France, was observed today by the American people as a "day of public humiliation, prayer and fasting," in accordance with a proclamation of President Wilson.

Both Houses of Congress stood adjourned to permit members to observe the day. Practically all the government departments and bureaus were closed.



"Is your excellency satisfied?" Not at all. Not only have you delivered France, England and Italy; you have not even given up all Russia."—Le Rixe, Paris.

Paris Says German Flood Soon Dammed

Paris, May 30.—The German flood will soon be dammed, says a semi-official note issued today summarizing the situation between Rheims and Soissons. The note says—

"The Germans again progressed yesterday, but while, on one hand, they failed to pierce our line, on the other it is comforting to observe that their march was slackened considerably by the arrival of our reserves. As these come into play the balance will gradually be restored, and soon the German flood will be dammed."

"The French command retains undiminished confidence based as it is, on the power of our reserves and the incomparable valor of our soldiers."

Paris, May 29.—(By the Havas Agency)—All critics assert that the German drive is not yet completely stopped, but nowhere were our lines broken. All parts of the front remain solid and the Germans have obtained nothing to compare with what took place in the first days of the March offensive.

The Temps says that in the face of the formidable and tragic battle, France has no fear for the future, and stands erect in the confidence that the Allied cause will triumph over the methods of terrorism of an enemy devoid of nobility of soul. Weariness cannot turn the nation away from its sacred duty.

WILL GIVE 200,000 MORE MEN FOR THE FIRING LINE

Washington, May 30.—Two hundred thousand men of draft age, who because of minor physical defects have been held by examining surgeons all over the country for limited military service, are to be employed in producing or handling equipment for the army and thus release fighting men for the front line.

COMPROMISE ON PRUSSIAN REFORM IS REPORTED

Copenhagen, May 30.—The Berlin Tageliche Rundschau says it learns from a reliable source that a compromise has been reached on the Prussian franchise reform measure. It contemplates general direct and equal franchise, except that one additional vote is to be granted electors over forty years of age and a second additional vote for those having their own business, that is to say, excluding all persons who are in the employ of another. The newspaper asserts that the passage of the measure in this form are believed to be assured.

WEATHER REPORT

Issued by Authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stewart, director of meteorological service.

Synopsis—Few light scattered showers, but a shower or two in the afternoon. Otherwise the weather has been generally fine in Canada and warmer in the west.

Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay, Ontario, Upper and Lower St. Lawrence Valleys, Gulf and North Shore—Light to moderate winds, fair today and on Friday with stationary or a little higher temperature. Fine; warmer.

Maritime—Light to moderate winds, fine today and on Friday with a little higher temperature. Lake Superior—Light to moderate winds, fair and moderately warm today and on Friday.

Manitoba and Saskatchewan—A few scattered showers, but generally fine and warm today and on Friday.

Alberta—A few scattered showers but generally fine and warm. Washington, May 30.—Forecast: New England, partly cloudy tonight and Friday; moderate east and southeast winds.

PLACE CITY TAX ON VEHICLES OF ALL KINDS

Twenty-Five Cents Per Cwt. on Automobiles

\$2 AND \$3 ON OTHERS

Everything on Wheels but Baby-Carriages Must Pay—Higher Rates for Pool Rooms Licenses—More Pay for Public Works Laborers—Wharf Repairs Ordered

When the meeting opened the mayor explained that the committee recommend to council an amendment to the vehicles by-law, provide for a license fee of twenty-five cents per hundred pounds on all motor vehicles, with a minimum charge of \$8, and for taxes of \$2 on all single horse-drawn vehicles and \$3 on double teams, the tax to be imposed on vehicles, whether for hire or for private use.

To Commissioner Fisher, the mayor explained that this would do away with special privileges enjoyed at present by licensed taximeters and that all vehicles would be taxed on the same basis.

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Mayor Hayes then moved that the license fee for pool and billiard rooms be changed to \$40 for the first table, \$20 for the second, \$10 for the third and \$5 for each additional table. The rates now are \$25 for the first table and \$5 for each additional table.

Commissioner Fisher said that he had been interested in a pool room, as a landlord, and that he would have any tendency to elevate the pool rooms. Mayor Hayes—"If the pool rooms need elevating, the police will attend to them."

The motion carried.

Mayor Hayes referred to the request of the taximeters for permission to charge higher rates and said that, since they had not shown enough interest to appear before the council, the matter could stand over.

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BURNING RAILWAY MEN ARE SUFFERERS

Feared That One Lodger Lost His Life—Several Jump From the Windows

Sherbrooke, Que., May 30.—The Y. M. C. A. building at Island Pond, Vt., was destroyed by fire this morning, and the fifteen people in it, mostly railway men, had a narrow escape. Five men were injured when they jumped from upper story windows to escape the flames as the fire raged furiously.

A train named Davidson was brought to Sherbrooke today and its condition is critical.

Later particulars are that one life is supposed to have been lost and two men so critically burned that their recovery is doubtful. The supposed victim is believed to have arrived at the building late last night and his name is unknown. Search is now being made. The injured are: Harold Davis, Norton Mills, arm and leg fractured, badly burned about the body, condition critical; John Allan, Montreal, customs officer, burned about the hands and face; Thomas Paige, Desautels, Windsor Mills, badly burned on arms and hands.

HOME FROM BOSTON

Dr. J. M. Smith, of this city, who has been in Boston for the last few months, returned to the city today. Dr. Smith has been in Boston in connection with the incorporation of a company to put on the market his invention of a fire and police signal. He died yesterday at the Touraine Hotel in Boston with Lieutenant-Colonel J. L. McAvity arrives to assume command.

DEATH OF CHILD

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Bellingfield of 91 Harvey street, mourn the death of their only son, Reginald Lawrence, aged nine months, who died yesterday. They have the sympathy of friends in their bereavement.

MURDERERS AGAIN BOMB HOSPITALS; FRENCH NURSE KILLED

With the American Army on the French front, May 29.—(By the Associated Press)—German airmen last night deliberately dropped bombs on hospitals in the neighbourhood of Arras, in the north of France, which were within a few miles of the front. Some Americans were slightly injured by flying glass. One French nurse was killed and another injured, probably fatally. Several civilians died of wounds.

FRENCH PREMIER NEARLY TAKEN BY THE GERMANS

Paris, May 30.—Premier Clemenceau had the narrowest possible escape from falling into German hands yesterday, according to the Petit Journal. He left certain points on the front only a few minutes before the arrival of a patrol of Uhlans.

When the Germans entered the little town, the premier had just left. They ordered a few of the French who had remained, including a general who had remaining positions, with a field glass. The general was killed in the encounter.

WISCONSIN STRIKE RESUMED

Winnipeg, May 30.—It was announced on Tuesday that the strike of the teamsters' union was settled, and that the men had returned to work but it transpired yesterday that the Manitoba Cartage Company, which handles the C. P. R. freight, refuses to recognize the union, and its drivers refuse to go back to work until the company recognizes their schedule. In consequence the freight handlers also have struck again, until an agreement has been reached.

WANTS NO EULOGY.

Ottawa, May 30.—Saying that it would haunt him on his dying bed to think that he was going to be "twisted and turned over and patted on the back at the succeeding annual conference," Rev. C. R. Kelly of Cataract, appealed to the ministerial meeting of the Montreal annual Methodist conference to abandon the practice of pronouncing eulogies after the reading of the obituaries of ministers who died during the previous year.

DEVON MAN PASSES AWAY IN CHICAGO

Frederickton, N. B., May 30.—Mrs. Horatio Prudham of Devon yesterday received a telegram from Chicago informing her of the death of her son, Dr. William Prudham, in that city after a lengthy illness. He was aged thirty-seven years and was a graduate of the U. N. B. in civil engineering, 1902. He practised in Pittsburg, Pa., and other places in the United States for some years and later studied osteopathy and massage and practised in Chicago. He was survived by his wife, his mother, one brother, Harry Prudham, with the G. C. R. at Devon, and two sisters, Mrs. Fred C. Parker of Sheffield, and Miss Louisa F. Prudham.

THE RIVER STEAMERS.

Repairs to the rudder of the river steamer Oceana have been completed and she was scheduled to sail from Indian town at 3 o'clock this afternoon for Wickham and intermediate points. The Premier is back on the Grand Lake route, having had her propeller, which was broken last Saturday while going through Salmon River, repaired.

SAVING BREAD CRUMBS FOR STARVING CHILDREN

London, May 19.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press)—Bread crumbs being collected by school children in certain parts of Austria to be sent to starving children in Croatia. A newspaper in Sarajevo reports that forty-eight boxes of bread crumbs were dispatched recently from the capital. The population of Herzegovina, mostly Slavs, is said to be starving as a result of the food shortage. Farmers in that region have received only four pounds of flour since Christmas.

PROVINCIAL APPOINTMENTS

Frederickton, May 30.—Gordon Robertson and Jas. Hawkins Lindsay, both of London, England, have been gazetted commissioners for taking affidavits in England to be read in the supreme court of New Brunswick.

The following provincial appointments have been gazetted: Kings county: Edwin O. McIntyre of Sussex and James W. Coates, Jr., to be justices of the peace; Harry J. Pearson, Sterling E. Keith and D. House, to be justices of the peace.

Rev. A. V. McLaren, Church of England clergyman at Upland, and Rev. Reginald Ernest Iles, Britton, Church of England clergyman at Grand Manan, have been registered to solemnize marriages.

Francis Gagnon, Jos. Chouinard, F. Phillip Gagnon, Ulric Gagnon, Jean B. Chouinard, Gaudios Chouinard, Emile Chouinard, Leon Belletre, Ferdinand Pelletier, all of Anderson, Gritman parish, Restigouche, have been incorporated as Syndicate Anderson Ltd., to carry on a general merchandise and trading business and also deal in lumber and similar commodities and carry on other lines of business. The total capital is \$25,000 and the head office is at Anderson.

Games Postponed

Detroit, May 30.—(American)—Detroit, St. Louis, morning game, postponed, wet grounds.

Philadelphia-New York, morning game postponed, rain.

International at Binghamton (First game)—Baltimore, 4, 7 0; Binghamton, 11, 9, 0.

International at Jersey City—Newark-Jersey City, early game, postponed, wet grounds.

At Rochester, first game—Syracuse, 2, 8, 4; Rochester, 4, 9, 0.

At Buffalo, first game—Toronto, 1, 4, 3; Buffalo, 9, 9, 1.

At Boston, morning game—Washington, 1, 4, 3; Boston, 9, 12, 0.

New York—Philadelphia-New York, postponed, wet grounds.

FUNERAL OF CADET HATCH

The funeral of Cadet Arthur Vernon Hatch took place this afternoon from his parents' residence, Paddock street, to Trinity church, where funeral services were conducted by Rev. Canon Armstrong. Interment was made in Fern Hill. Cadet Hatch was given a military funeral. The band from the Depot Battalion was present and also a firing squad from the Canadian Garrison Regiment, under the command of Lieutenant Cosman.