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Ground Won From Enemy Yesterday of Greatest Strategical Importance

Gives Allies Command of Wide Blaze at Torryburn Interrupted A Fight and Broke up Early Stretch of Country Morning Gathering — Hostelery Stretch of Country

Emphasizes Extraordinary Change in the War Situation During Last Month—Capture of Meuniere Wood Gives Allies Possession of Keystone to Whole German Line in the Centre-Winning **Fierce Combat**

The ground won yesterday north of the Ource has considerable value. It is a long spur about 600 feet high forming the water-shed between the Crise and the Ource, and is a valuable observation point. From it the Germans prevented the Allies from seeing the Crise, while they overlooked the ground won from them on the Ource. The Allies stormed not only the summit, but the northern slopes of this terrain.

As a consequence they can now manoeuvre safely in the Ource region. In addition they have a view behind the great Hartennes Plateau where the enemy still clings along the Soissons-Chateau Thierry road and that strong position, dittioult of attack frontally, can now be turned from the north through Villemontoire and from the south by way of Hill 206.

The Allies also gained an important advantage on the left in the capture of Meuneere Wood by the Americans, giving them a position which according to Henri Bideou, is the keystone of the whole German line in the centre.

With the French Army, Aug. 1—(By the Associated Press)—General Magin, with the French and British troops of his command, is fighting a severe battle north of the Ourcq River, and is making considerable progress.

After taking the village of Grand Rozoy, northwest of Fere-En-Tardinois, the Allied troops advanced to the Plessiere Wood, where the combatants are in the closest of grips and the combat is extraordinarily fierce. The heights north of Grand Rozoy have fallen into the hands of the Allies and at several points the Allied troops have approached within five miles of the railroad leading to Bazoches, which is the only railroad that can be used by the Germans

BRITISH PENETRATE THREE MILES.

London, Aug. 2—Yesterday's Franco-British attack on the westerly side of the Marne salient was on a front of five miles and penetrated to a maximum depth of three miles, according to news received today. It resulted in the capture of the entire ridge which forms the water-shed between the Ourcq and

MOST IMPORTANT ADVANCE

The French also captured the entire Meuniere Wood, on the line to the west of Goussantcourt, at about the centre of the salient. The advance by the Allies along the western side of the salient is described as extremely important—possibly the most important thing the Allies have accomplished since the Germans retired from the Marne.

Allied positions command the whole area to the northward and takes in flank and rear of the entire western gate through which the Germans have been retiring. This area is a nest of German reserves and field artillery.

court itself has been taken by the French, the advices add. The capture of the important ground on the heights to the westerly side of the line also means that the Germans will not be able to retire in an ordinarily leisurely way, and that they probably will have to go beyond the River Vesle in their re-

The situation is considered as extraordinarily good, being described in the advices as the turning point of the summer campaign and possibly of the whole

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A GERMAN BRIBE FOR FINLAND SAYS KING LUDWIG

"'NOT OUR FAULT,"

Amsterdam, Aug. 2—King Ludwig of tablishment of a monarchy Germany has offered Finland to use its offices to obtain the cossion by Russia of Eastern Kerelia on the principle of self-determination, but the Landtag which has been summoned to meet August, must decide immediately, according to a despatch to the Times from Stockholm. Every effort, the despatch adds, is being made to win over the eighteen members of the Landtag who oppose the monarchical plan and thus prevent it from getting the necessary two-thirds majority.

OFFICIAL STATEMENTS

Amsterdam, Aug. 2—King Ludwig of Bavaria, in a proclamation on the opening of the fifth year of the war, published in the Zeitung of Frankfurt, refers to the exemplary bravery and achievements of the German armies.

"It is not our fault that we are entering the fifth year of fighting," he adds. "Our opponents still regard the crushing of Germany as their aim. No German, however, thinks of a shameful peace. We must, therefore, continue the struggle and continue to shoulder all troubles and hardships in sure confidence that God will lead our just cause to victory."

Washington, Aug. I—Imports in the fiscal year ending last June 30 were \$2,946,059,402, an increase of \$287,000,000 over the previous year, figures issued today by the department of commerce show.

BATTLED WHILE BUILDING BURNED

Amsterdam, Aug. 2-King Ludwig of Kay, property in oRthesay.
G. H. White to Laura M. Morrison,

The Soldiers' Journey To The Battle Line

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perial war cabinet and may be regarded as a question of domestic policy. G. H. MacAulay, Glace Bay, N. S.

BIG WAGE INCREASES

OFFICIAL STATEMENTS

London, Aug. 2—The official statement follows:

"A few prisoners were captured by our patrols yesterday in the neighbor-hood of Pestubert.
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STORM THREATENS OVER LLOYD GEORGE SPEECH

Use of Economic Weapon After the War Is Questioned; Balfour Replies to Labor Member in Commons; Newspapers Divide on Political Lines; America Will Not Support Him, Liberal Papers Say

FRANCE CALLS UP

J. B. LAMBKIN DEAD

MOUNTED RIFLES, d to Have Died.

Warman, Moulies River, N. B. FORESTRY CORPS.

London, Aug. 1—(Canadian Associated Press)—The following particulars are available concerning the award of the military cross to Lieut. Joseph Patrick Connolly, M.G.C., Halifax.

His positions were heavily bombarded, three guns were put out of action and the crews became casualties. He at once re-organized his batteries in a most skilful manner and continued his barrage fire.

Glensfalls, N. Y., Aug. 2—The Union Bag & Paper Corporation suffered a loss of more than \$750,000 in pulpwood as a result of a fire which broke out yesterday afternoon and which was still burning early this morning. In addition to the wood, eighteen freight cars of the Delaware & Hudson Railway, loaded with freight, were destroyed by the blaze.

OPERATIONS DISCHARGED; PROTESTS TO PRESIDENT