

everywhere. The battle was fought under a scorching sun, the men fighting over the muddy, shell-churned ground, open-shirted, without stippling down their half-naked bodies. At many places, the German dead, mowed down by the British fire, lay baking in the sun, along with the usual debris which covers a battlefield. Efforts are always made by the burial parties to clear away the dead, but within the zone of a roaring battle it is often impossible to accomplish this task.

**Three Thousand Prisoners.**  
The total number of prisoners taken is uncertain, but it is known that at least 3,000 have been captured. In comparison with those taken yesterday, the prisoners today were tired, dirty, hungry and thirsty. Among them was an Austrian artillery officer, who arrived at the usual surroundings of Emperor Charles' army. He had his soldier's servant with him, but the soldier was lost in the mixup, and much to the annoyance of both man and master, they were put in the cage with all the other prisoners. Incidentally, the German prisoners took occasion to make fun of the Austrian soldier, but many of their remarks showed clearly their contempt for the Austrians. The Austrian officer said he had been at this front for a month with a battery of Austrian guns. In response to questions, he declared that he did not dislike the Germans.

"You may think it queer of me, but I managed to get along all right with them," he remarked.

**Brigadier Captured.**  
Among other prisoners was a brigadier commander, who was captured about telephone cables and an artillery support. Just at that moment a stocky British soldier put his head in the door and asked the commander if he was a prisoner.

Later on, after the commander had reached the prisoners' cage, one by one his officers began to arrive at the same place.

The commander stood at the gate, and with a smile and a handshake, welcomed each newcomer.

From Arras to the Somme, the British and the enemy guns are roaring away this afternoon on either side of the line, as the British continue to hammer the enemy and the enemy stoutly resists. British airplanes are sailing thru perfectly clear skies and raining down tons of explosives on the heads of the Boches. Fast tanks, wherever possible, dash thru and round up the enemy's machine guns.

The British cannons are drenching the enemy with steel from the front and flanking. The Hun is getting it from all sides, and from the air as well.

The British losses so far have been extraordinary. Light tank casualties have been few also.

The German guns are very active, hurling everything, including gas, at the British.

## SITUATION IS WORST ENEMY EVER FACED

Paris, Aug. 22.—Never has the situation of the Germans been so serious as at present, which augurs well for the future, says a French official in discussing the results of Wednesday's fighting.

The Germans have been deprived of all hopes of making a lasting stand on their present front, and the allied offensive is costing them dearly. The Franco says the battle of July 18, 1918, but the battle of Marston, Le Mans, to whose will all events appear to be subject.

**WAR SUMMARY**  
THE DAY'S EVENTS REVIEWED

Foch, by his strategy of alternate concentric flank attacks, has obtained military results of capital importance in the past 24 hours. On his extreme left wing north of the Somme, he has thru the British captured Albert and badly shaken the German lines up to Arras. On his extreme right wing in the south he has thru the French driven the Germans in flight from their line of balloon batteries the Metz and Aisne Rivers. General Mangin in the south has restored open warfare, is advancing with great rapidity, covering over 50 miles from morning till noon, and has sent his cavalry forward at a gallop, his tanks forward at a fast step, and his ponderous artillery forward at a steady trot. Thus the allies have inflicted a heavy and they are on the way to inflicting a heavy disaster on them in the north.

As the French advance between the Metz and the Aisne Rivers had come dangerously close in the centre to the German communications between Lassigny and the Vesle, the Germans had to begin their retreat on a front of 20 miles yesterday morning. The enemy continued his withdrawal part orderly and part disorderly all day while the French continued their general advance between Lassigny and Pommieres. The loss of Lassigny deprived the enemy of his south-western pillar of defence; the fall of neighboring and dominating heights deprived the enemy of all chances for recovering Lassigny by counter-attacks. In the centre the French had reached the Oise and occupied a considerable stretch of its south bank about midway between Noyon and Chauny. As the German line of retreat from Noyon and Chauny had become unworkable, the Germans were driven to the Oise thru Chauny, the French thrust to the enemy communications from the Vesle bank had become formidable and the already threatened occupation of Chauny across the Ailette would intercept the retreat of many German divisions.

In this fighting the enemy appears to have committed the blunder of holding on to Lassigny and Noyon too long, for the French on the south bank of the Oise, west of Noyon, can bring the road in his rear under a heavy artillery fire at a range of probably 4,000 yards. The French spearhead also advanced a considerable distance north of the Ailette, and, unless the enemy withdraws rapidly, the French have a fighting chance of shortening the front by cutting off of the German retreat, or of tearing a gap in the German front, and of having an opportunity for a clear field for a march between St. Quentin and La Fere, turning the Hindenburg line. It is uncertain, however, whether the plan is fully mature for this thrust. In

## BRITISH AIRCRAFT DESTROYED BRIDGE

Flying Men Broke Down Structure at Aubigny-au-Bac.

**MUCH NIGHT BOMBING**  
General Byng Receives Assistance by Air on Battlefield.

London, Aug. 22.—The official announcement on aerial operations issued tonight says: "The thick mist which prevailed during the early morning of Aug. 21 prevented our airplanes from taking part in the battle at the opening of the attack north of the Aisne. As the morning advanced, the sky grew clearer and for the rest of the day our airmen were active."

"Some machines devoted themselves to the work of contact patrol and reported the position of our rear lines to their headquarters from time to time. Other machines attacked hostile troops and transport from low altitudes, with bombs and machine gun fire, scattering and destroying a number of wagons on the march.

**MUTINY BREAKS OUT IN RUSSIAN GARRISON**  
Amsterdam, Aug. 22.—Soldiers on the Russian garrison at Krivanoye-Selo, a summer resort eighteen miles southeast of Petrograd, have mutinied, according to the Vostochnye Zeitung of Berlin. The mutiny broke out on the morning of the 22nd, and the commander, Colonel Maren, fled to the city. The mutineers are demanding the release of prisoners of war.

**AUSTRIAN LOSSES**  
London, Aug. 22.—Austrian losses in the British front in Italy between June 15 and August 15 were 29,900, according to figures received here. British casualties in the same period totalled 39,000, it is said.

Their operations yesterday the French threw the weight of their attacks against their right flank, northwest of Pommieres, and cleared the Germans out of seven villages, including Pommieres. The effect of this is to sharpen the salient in the German line, formed by the line Pommieres-Somme-Rheims. This work gives them the required conditions for another German attack in order to throw the German back to the banks of the Chemin des Dames, or, correctly translated, Dames or Princesses' road. In the north two days' fighting the French took many guns, of which they have already counted more than 200.

Long before nightfall yesterday the French reached points away north of Lassigny, and then, in a wide arc, they swung round the bank of the Divette River, had turned the position of Noyon, had approached the French front, had crossed the Ailette, a tributary to the Oise, on a widening front, and they were all day long fighting their attacks against the Pommeries-Somme-Rheims salient. At this rate the allies will soon set in motion again the Germans on the line of the Vesle.

On the left wing, the British attacked the Germans yesterday on a six-mile front between Bray-sur-Somme and Albert, north of the Somme, and advanced to a depth of two miles, reaching all their objectives. They also captured Albert, apparently surrounding it, for they took there about 1,400 prisoners. A short distance northwest of Albert, on the northern bank of the Angre, where Sir Julian Byng's army was engaged with his third army the preceding day, he contented himself yesterday with holding on, for they took there about 1400 prisoners. The British have gained here the Arras-Albert railway embankment, which gives them observation for miles ahead of them far into German territory. They have also caught the Germans with their backs to the Aisne in the region of Miraumont. In the intervening enclave between the wedge of Sir Julian Byng north of the Aisne and the British wedge south of Albert, the Germans are preparing to retreat across the old Somme battlefield. In the two days' fighting the British have counted more than 500 prisoners.

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## AISNE-VESE LINE MAY BREAK NEXT

Advance of General Mangin Presents Serious Menace to Enemy.

**General Humbert's Army Achieves Splendid Success on Lassigny Front.**

London, Aug. 22.—The intensely interesting battle situation continues the one great topic. Events are moving so fast that it is difficult to keep pace with them, but a summary of the week's happenings may be useful.

Chaunés and Roye are as yet unoccupied, but they are closely invested by the combined operations of General Byng's fourth army, General Debensy's first French army, and General Humbert's third French army. Between Thursday and Friday of last week these Franco-British forces advanced astride the Amiens-Roye road to the western outskirts of Roye, while the important key position of Lassigny on Lassigny Massif was captured by Gen. Humbert after a strenuous struggle.

The second battle position between Matz and the Aves developed. The Germans stubbornly resisted the French offensive on Sunday and Monday of this week, and prevented the French from making much progress. This was exactly what Marshal Foch aimed at, as it fixed the enemy's attention on this part of the field while a new development materialized elsewhere. This new development was the hammer blow by Gen. Mangin's tenth French army, which began on Sunday of this week on a front of about ten miles, and has swept forward irresistibly as far as the Ailette.

**COLLINGWOOD WOMAN FINED IN COUNTY COURT**  
In the county court yesterday, Magistrate Brunton fined Maria T. Scott, a Collingwood woman, \$20 for returning to the scene of an accident caused by her motor car and not giving the right of way to a horse-drawn cart. The woman was fined \$20 for returning to the scene of an accident caused by her motor car and not giving the right of way to a horse-drawn cart.

**THREE MOTORISTS IN COURT.**  
Three appeared in the county court yesterday before the magistrate on the charge of speeding and reckless driving. H. Hill, 260 West Richmond street, was fined \$10 for speeding \$2 and \$3 respectively for speeding on Dundas street, and A. Barker, who was charged with reckless driving and causing injury to Harry Brooks, was remanded for a week.

**FINED FOR STEALING APPLES.**  
Edward Clare, H. Marshall, and H. Bentley, who pleaded guilty to stealing apples from the orchard of G. Ward, Kellington, were each fined \$5 and costs, or else 30 days in jail. They were also charged with the cost of the apples, which was \$2.

**TORNADO SWEEPS MINNESOTA TOWN.**  
Tyler, Minn., Aug. 22.—Tyler tonight presents a scene of death and desolation as the result of the tornado which struck this little town last night. The death toll mounted to twenty-eight tonight, all of whom have been identified except one. Between fifty and sixty persons were injured. Some of whom are in an improvised hospital in the town of the new building. Thirty business houses and about as many residences were demolished. Eighteen and a half of five years of age died in Montreal during the week ended August 17. For the corresponding week in 1917 the infant mortality was 92. Of this 117, 91 deaths were caused by summer complaint or similar ailments.

## HAMILTON LAWYER EXPIRES SUDDENLY

John G. Farmer, K.C., Was One of Most Prominent Barristers of the City.

Hamilton, Aug. 22.—Collapse, due to the warm weather of the past few days following a sunstroke suffered a week ago, caused the death very suddenly at his home on upper John street yesterday afternoon of John G. Farmer, B.A., K.C., one of the city's most prominent barristers and most highly respected men.

He is survived by his wife, formerly Miss Mary J. Bull, daughter of the late Canon George A. Bull, of this city, and five small children. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard D. Farmer, of Ancaster, will be private on Friday at 2:30 p.m. to Ancaster Cemetery.

**SCHOOL WATER READY.**  
The installation of the new water system in Toronto avenue school, Wednesday afternoon, will be completed before the reopening next month. The system is the latest hydraulic "bubble" type and will supply water to the school buildings of 1,400. It is necessary to install a new water main and a 24-inch water main, which will supply the school buildings.

**THIEF ENTERS HOUSE WHILE WOMAN WORKS.**  
While Mrs. King, Sixth street, was working in her kitchen yesterday at 1 o'clock some unknown person entered the house by the side door, slipped into the bedroom and proceeded to turn things topsy-turvy. The bed in drawers turned over and the bureau drawers rifled, after which the thief departed triumphantly with \$12 taken from Mrs. King's purse.

**DEMONSTRATION RESULTS.**  
The committee in charge of the demonstration held in Brampton on Civic Holiday, Aug. 5, on behalf of the boys overboard, are handing over \$132 to the various patriotic organizations. The total receipts of the day were \$2200.

**SELLS FIRST WHEAT.**  
Albert Smith brought in the first load of this year's wheat today, and disposed of it to the Brampton Milling Co. The wheat was grown on the 100-acre seed wheat distributed among the farmers in the spring, and has proved very satisfactory. It has an average 63 pounds to the bush, Gilbert Neely had 62.2 cases of good wheat, and all reports of crops from this vicinity are highly satisfactory.

**BUS STRIKE OVER.**  
London, Aug. 22.—The London omnibus employees who have been on strike since Aug. 15, have decided to return to work Friday morning.

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The following are the awards: W. Wyatt 5 Danbury avenue, Todmorden; R. Taylor, Bee street, 97 points; N. Whitson, Gowan avenue, 97 points; J. Carter, 80; F. Hazelton, 80; F. Jenkin, 80; W. Rigbyway, 80.

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Branch Store: 1657 Dufferin St.

**CAPTURES PRISONERS FROM 26 DIVISIONS.**  
Fourth Army, With Which Canadians Are Incorporated, Makes a Big Bag.

With the Canadian Army in the Field, Morning of Aug. 22.—It is proper to make a brief record of the remarkable work being done by the intelligence branch of the Canadians.

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**ORDER TUE THIS WEEK**  
Saturday will be the last day for ordering a cord of O.R. No. 1 hardwood, which we have been selling direct from the bush to the householders.

**Earlourt**  
BOYS' BRASS BAND TO UNDERGO CHANGES

**VETERAN'S PICNIC DAY.**  
The Earlourt Great War Veterans, with the members of the (Brampton) auxiliary, leave by boat today on their annual picnic to Wabasso Park, Hamilton.

**NEW OR OLD RAGS GET MY PRICES**  
E. PULLAN TORONTO