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FAIR AND WARM.

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REACH HINDENBURG LINE

BOYS FROM DOMINION MAKE SEVERAL NOTABLE ADVANCES

Canadians South of the River Scarpe Occupy Cherisy, Vis-en-Artois and the Bois du Sart, Taking Many Prisoners — Our Boys Penetrate Deeply Into German Positions Again.

Canadians and Scottish Cross the Sensee and Seize Fontaine - les - Croiselles, Establishing Themselves on Slopes of Spur South of the Village and Capturing Many Additional Prisoners.

London, Aug. 27—Canadian troops made notable advances south of the Scarpe river today, according to Field Marshal Haig's report, occupying Cherisy, Vis-en-Artois and the Bois Du Sart and taking many prisoners. Scottish battalions also made excellent progress.

The statement reads: "This morning our troops operating astride the Scarpe, again attacked. Overcoming the resistance of the enemy in his old front line defenses held prior to his offensive of March 21, the Canadians penetrated deeply into the German positions between the Sensee and Scarpe rivers and captured Cherisy, Vis-en-Artois and Bois Du Sart, with many prisoners.

"On the right of the Canadians, Scottish troops crossed the Sensee and seized Fontaine-Les-Croiselles, establishing themselves on the slopes of the spur south of the village and taking several hundred prisoners.

The village of Neuville-Vitasse, the pivot point of the whole line, was taken today by a brilliantly conceived and executed turning movement on the part of a western battalion. The bridge is obliterated, not one stone stands upon another. Bearlines in a little better shape.

For a thousand yards in front of this village were our forward batteries brought up during the night, and were not more than a distance from the enemy's lines when they opened fire. Only a shallow valley lay between the opposing armies. A principal objective was the high plateau of Monchy-Le-Preux, dominating the surrounding terrain and a bar to an eastward advance from Vimy or Arras.

This stronghold was taken early in the forenoon by a successful turning movement and with a minimum

STRANGE LIGHTS UP THE BAY OF FUNDY

Some of the people living at a point opposite Advocate have been seeing mysterious lights and have called the attention of the authorities to them. A correspondent writes: "Now, that submarines have made their appearance on our coast a great many persons are wondering what may or may not be hid away up here in our bay.

"A performance on Sunday night last on the bay and adjoining the Cumberland county shore, which was observed and closely watched by a lot of the guests at Sea Side park, set them to guessing, and the ladies became alarmed. The performance was of such a character that it was decided to advise the Naval Authorities at Halifax, which was done as soon as connections could be established on Monday morning. Here is what all of us saw:

About 9.30 p. m., with the bay as calm as a piece of glass, there suddenly appeared a large bright light like a powerful automobile light, over towards and a little below West Advocate. This light gave three flashes at intervals of a few seconds, and was almost immediately answered from a point close down to water, about half

way across the bay, with three flashes of a very bright red light. Then all was darkness for exactly five minutes, when the light nearest the Cumberland County shore again flashed twice and was answered as before from the point on the water nearest us, with two quick flashes of a white light. Again all was darkness until shortly after 10 p. m., when exactly the same set of signals again appeared.

What Does It Mean? "Now what could it mean? Obviously, it was our duty to report the affair as a suspicious one, and as before stated we 'went to it.'

"Just the same, we have often wondered at the laxness displayed about the hidden possibilities of this Bay of ours, and its dreary and uninhabited shores; wondered at the laxness which permits schooners to run in and out and over the bay, without any rying supplies for these very submarines knowing what they are carrying or where they are bound for, as they do not trouble to either enter or clear when they do enter a port, and for all the authorities know, they may be carrying supplies for these very submarines and planting them in a convenient place around the Bay."

A STEAMER CAPSIZES IN MAINE RIVER

Nineteen Vacationists and Five of Crew Thrown Into the Water.

ENGINEER MISSING AND BELIEVED DEAD

Several Injured and Several Narrow Escapes When Crash Comes.

Damariscotta, Me., Aug. 27.—Nineteen passengers and five members of the crew of the river steamer Tourist were thrown into the Damariscotta river yesterday when the steamer was overturned here upon arrival from Christmas Cove. All were believed to have been rescued or to have reached shore safely except the engineer, Everett Spear, of Bristol, who was missing. Several passengers were injured.

Engineer Spear failed to respond to his signals when the steamer reached the wharf, according to Captain Bhe-ridge of Bristol, the owner, and she crashed into a bridge about 100 feet above, to which she was carried very rapidly by the swift current of the high tide.

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Woman Clings to Rail, One woman with a boy of four years in her arms clung to the steamer's rail until they were picked up by a boat. Mrs. Walter Tibbets, of Bristol, one of the passengers who were slightly injured, had one hand jammed so badly that it was necessary to amputate the end of the thumb.

The failure of Engineer Spear to act on Captain Bhe-ridge's signals to back water was unexplained. Some of the passengers who saw him just before the accident said he had a cut on one arm. It was thought he had been injured and for that reason was unable to reverse the engine. Others thought they saw him swimming toward shore. Search for his body is being made.

The steamer which is about 50 feet long, sank in 15 feet of water on the Neweastle side of the river, with only the stern exposed. The mail was saved, the freight and the personal effects of the passengers were lost.

HALIFAX CITY COUNCIL GOES ON A STRIKE

Members Object To Mayor Dubbing Them "Dead Men, D— Fools and Dough-heads."

Halifax, Aug. 27.—Action for criminal libel may be taken by some members of the city council against Mayor Hawkins for his remarks at a recent meeting of the Board of Control in calling them "Dead Men, D— Fools and Doughheads." It is also quite possible that some of the aldermen may send in their resignations during the week. Alderman Kelly says that he is prepared to resign. Meanwhile the City Fathers as a body have gone on "Holiday Strike"—following the example of the coal miners and steel workers of Cape Breton.

British On Part of the Old German Battle Line

Portion of the Hindenburg Front Northwest of Fontaine-Les-Croiselles Southeast of Arras Captured and Mopped Up.

Town of Maircourt and Ground To the East in British Hands and Other Points Taken By Marshal Haig's Men.

With the British Forces in France, Aug. 27.—(Evening)—A portion of the Hindenburg line northwest of Fontaine-Les-Croiselles, southeast of Arras, was captured today by the British troops and mopped up.

The town of Maircourt and the ground to the east of it are in British hands. Trones Station and the wood and ground to the east was captured by the British and the town of Moulin De Fargy also was taken.

London, Aug. 27.—The Anglo-French line from Picardy north now runs through Roye, Liancourt and Hallu to the east of Harleville, to Dompierre, which is in German hands; Tomari-court and Flers, both of which are in British hands. The British have not captured Guillemont, but have reached the outskirts of Vaux-Vracourt, which is still German.

The line then runs to the western outskirts of Ecoust St. Mein, to Croisilles, which is German, and to Cherisy and Gavrelle, both of which are British.

SAYS MRS. HALL WAS SUBJECT TO FAINTING

Witness Found Who Will So Testify At Murder Trial.

Biddford, Me., Aug. 27.—That Mrs. Minnie O. Hall, alleged to have been murdered by her husband, Henry H. Hall, pastor of a Wells church, complained of suffering from "dizzy spells" three hours before he says she fell to her death from the bridge over Little River, will be the contention of the defense, it was learned today.

Testimony to this effect it was stated, will be given by a woman attendant at the First Baptist Church, who was a friend of the evangelist and his wife. She is not a member of the church, although she attends the services regularly.

BOY SHOOTING HORSE WOUNDS THE OWNER

Bullet Glances From Animal's Skull, Seriously Injuring Farmer in Head.

Centerville, Aug. 27.—Jeremiah Beane, a young farmer living near Monticello in the Houlton hospital in a serious condition as the result of a peculiar accident. He and a boy took an aged and decrepit horse into the woods for the purpose of shooting it. The boy was to do the shooting with a 44 calibre revolver, Mr. Beane standing at one side.

The boy fired. The bullet glanced from the horse's skull and struck Beane in the head inflicting a dangerous wound. He has an even chance for recovery. The fate of the horse does not appear.

THE POTATO DIGGING SEASON STARTING

Lighter Crop Up River—Tubers Worth \$3 a Barrel in Houlton.

Grand Falls, Aug. 27.—The potato digging season has begun on a small scale in the St. John River districts. The crop is not as heavy as last year when it ran about 125 barrels to the acre. This season it will turn out from 80 to 100 barrels to the acre. The damage by frost was not severe, as the tubers had grown very well before the tops were nipped. Potatoes in Houlton are worth \$3.00 a barrel.

A PLAN TO DEVELOP GAS AREA FURTHER

Moncton City Council Decides To Request Provincial Government To Take Up Problem.

Special to The Standard. Moncton, Aug. 27.—At a meeting of the city council tonight the committee conferring with M. T. E. and G. Co. submitted a report to the effect that the great trouble in regard to the supply of natural gas is non-development of the area surrounding the present gas field in the past two or three years. The committee recommended that the matter of better and more up-to-date development of the area mentioned be taken up with the local government, they being the proper authorities to deal further with this branch of the question.

The committee also recommended that steps be taken to bring natural gas under the jurisdiction of the fuel controller, the same as coal and wood. The council adopted the report and passed a resolution to memorialize the local government to take up the matter of the development of the natural gas area in Albert county.

STEAMER MAKES A TERRIBLE MISTAKE

Fires on United States U-Boat Chaser and Sinks Her, Killing Eighteen.

Washington, Aug. 27.—Submarine chaser No. 209 operating out of Philadelphia, was mistaken for a German submarine by a merchant steamer off Fire Island today and sent to the bottom. Seventeen members of her crew, including the commander and the executive officer, are missing.

SUBMARINE SINKS MORE SCHOONERS

A Canadian Atlantic Port, Aug. 27.—Word has just reached here that the crew of the schooner Bianca were picked up at sea late this evening. No further details are available but it is believed that it is another submarine outrage. The only "Bianca" on the shipping list is 180 tons, registered at Windsor, N. S.

A Canadian Atlantic Port, Aug. 27.—The crew of the new fishing schooner Bush, of Boston, arrived here today on board another fishing vessel, reporting that their ship was sunk by a submarine yesterday morning on fishing grounds off this coast.

TOWN OF ROYE IN HANDS OF FRENCH

In Brilliant Attack, Following Unsuccessful Counter-Attack By Enemy; Gen. Petain's Men Take Famous Picardy Centre, Germans Retreating Over Seven Mile Front North and South.

British Advance Three Miles and Stand on Outskirts of Bapaume—French Take Hallu, Fransart, Cremery, Gruny, Carrapui, Baucourt, Laucourt and Crape-au-Mesnil.

London, Aug. 27.—French troops last night and today advanced for an average depth of two to three miles on a front of eight miles, capturing the towns of Roye and Crapeaumesnil, according to news received here tonight from the battlefield. To the north of the region of the French advance British troops pushed forward between Herleville and the River Somme and reached the outskirts of Dompierre. Field Marshal Haig's men are in the outskirts of Bapaume, but they are not actually in the town itself.

The greatest depth of the British advance today represents a distance of about three miles.

Roye was taken this morning by the French in the course of a brilliant attack, following an unsuccessful counter-attack by the enemy.

The Germans are in retreat over a seven mile front north and south of Roye.

French Pushing On. With the French Army in France, Aug. 27.—(By The Associated Press.)—The attack of the First French Army against the German line from south of Chaulnes to Laucourt is making progress all along the line.

French troops entered St. Gilles, a suburb on the southwestern side of Roye, at five o'clock this morning. Reconnoitering parties advanced to Crapeaumesnil, three and a half miles south of Roye. They also crossed the Roye-Chaulnes railway line north of Roye.

Local attacks continue on the Oise-Aisne front. General Mangin's men repulsed a counter-attack upon St. Mar, the French infantry resumed the offensive. They completely encircled Roye and threw the enemy back seven miles east of the town.

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Capture of Roye. The First French Army after beating the Germans in their battle positions before Roye, took the town today and now is pursuing the Germans who are in retreat on a line extending from Hallu to the region south of Roye.

At 4 o'clock this afternoon General Debeney's men were in the region of Hattencourt from where the line passes just west of Cremery and Gruny.

A BLOODLESS COUP D'ETAT IN RUSSIA

Vladivostok, Sunday, Aug. 26.—(Via Shanghai)—General Pleshkof, chief of the Russian forces in Siberia and Manchuria, acting on behalf of General Horvath, the anti-Bolshevik leader by a coup d'etat has assumed control of all the Russian military forces in the Far East. The Russian volunteers have gone over to General Horvath in a body.

The Siberian government is non-plussed and has been unable to organize opposition to the new movement. The consular officials are holding meetings to discuss the situation. There has been no bloodshed.

by Carpi and to the west of Roitise and west of Verpilleres. The French encircling tactics overcame the new German system of defence by the profuse use of machine guns. Strongly protected and heavily armed positions were turned on after the other until the enemy was obliged to abandon the first and then the second line of defenses of 1914, upon which he fell back after being driven out of Montdidier.

Airplanes Are Out.

The Germans are now relying on their aviation to protect their retreat. Their airplanes were out in great numbers today, attacking the pursuing columns and engaging the French squadrons of observation and pursuit planes. The final break in the German second line came this morning when after repulsing a counter-attack upon St. Mar, the French infantry resumed the offensive. They completely encircled Roye and threw the enemy back seven miles east of the town.

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French Statement.

Paris, Aug. 27.—In an advance reaching two and a half miles at certain points on a twelve and a half mile front today, the French captured Roye and seven villages, according to the war office announcement tonight.

The statement says: "The enemy was forced today to hasten his withdrawal on both sides of the Aisne.

"On a front of twenty kilometres our troops advanced more than four kilometres at certain points. We occupied Hallu, Fransart, Cremery, Gruny, Car-see just west of Cremery and Gruny.

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