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French In Smashing Drive on Both Sides Of The Ailette River

Gained Mile and Half This Morning on 11-Mile Front

British Score Victory in Lys Section And Beat Off Germans Attempting To Recover Gouzeaucourt and Havrincourt

London, Sept. 14.—(Canadian Press despatch from Reuters Limited)—The French have reached the edge of the town of Vally, in an attack on both sides of the Ailette River this morning...

BRITISH VICTORY IN NORTH London, Sept. 14.—Field Marshal Haig's forces have occupied Aubry-Lez-Les in the Lys region, according to the official announcement issued today by the British war office.

VERY THING 'AS STAKED ON' AT LYS. With the British Army in France, Sept. 14.—(By the Associated Press)—The fighting along the new British line in Havrincourt-Gouzeaucourt sector yesterday was confined mainly to mopping up operations, which were being conducted at various points by the aggressors.

AMERICAN CONTRACTS IN CANADA \$125,000,000 Some \$400,000,000 of Money Loaned Britain in Year Spent in Dominion

Washington, Sept. 14.—About \$400,000,000 of the funds loaned to Great Britain were spent in Canada for wheat and munitions during the year ended June 30, and have contributed materially to improving the exchange situation in this country.

CONSIDERING FIRST CLASS REFRIGERATOR SYSTEM FOR CANADA Ottawa, Sept. 14.—T. A. Creer, minister of agriculture, speaking at an exhibition luncheon announced that the department of agriculture had under consideration a first class refrigerator and cold storage system for Canada.

Too Much Butter In Cold Storage

Some Firms Hoarding, Says Official Report; Stocks of Beef Also Larger

Ottawa, Sept. 13.—The cost of living branch of the department of labor has furnished to Hon. T. W. Cashner, minister of labor, a report concerning goods in cold storage throughout the Dominion.

Captain and Mate Are Questioned By Court About The Loss Of Schooner Dornfontein

An official inquiry into the loss of the four-masted schooner, Dornfontein, which was sunk by a German submarine about Aug. 1, was held in the court house this morning by Captain L. A. Demers of Ottawa, Canadian wreck commissioner.

Other St. John Homes Receive News of Casualties—The Ottawa List Mr. and Mrs. Edward Dunham of 31 Palmer Avenue, North End, have received word of the wounding of their son, William Gordon Dunham, and of his being placed in Winthrop Stationary Hospital.

CADET FOUND GUILTY IN A MONEY CASE; SAID HE PLAYED POKER Toronto, Sept. 14.—In his defence in the sessions here yesterday afternoon, Alexander Casade of the cadet wing of the R. A. F., charged with theft of more than \$700 from the station at Long Beach here yesterday afternoon, the accused said he was in the habit of carrying a lot of money sometimes as much as \$600, with him.

DEBENEY MADE A GRAND OFFICER OF HONOR Paris, Sept. 14.—General Debeney has been raised to the dignity of grand officer of the Legion of Honor in recognition of brilliant services in stopping the German drive toward Amiens last March and the capture of Montdidier with 15,000 prisoners in August.

GOOD WEATHER FOR ROTARY CLUB SPORTS Fine Programme in Aid of The Work on the Playgrounds The Rotary Club sports for the benefit of the Playground Association are on at the Barrack square under favorable weather conditions this afternoon.

WEATHER REPORT Issued by Authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stupart, director of meteorological service Synopsis—The disturbance has moved eastward to the Gulf of St. Lawrence and rain has occurred in Ontario, Quebec and the maritime provinces.

FATHER CHOQUETTE DIES WHILE UNDER OPERATION Sherbrooke, Que., Sept. 14.—Rev. Father Choquette of Lake Megantic, one of the best known priests in the Diocese of Sherbrooke, died yesterday in hospital while undergoing an operation. He had been parish priest at Lake Megantic and took an active interest in all public affairs.

SAVING GASOLINE TO WIN THE WAR The appeal of Canada's fuel controller to the gasoline users in Canada, to save all unnecessary and unessential operation of motor cars, comes as a wise move at this time.

OFFICERS OF THE SIBERIA FORCE Ottawa, Sept. 14.—The militia department announces the appointment of Brigadier-General J. H. Emsley, C.M.G., D.S.O., as commander-in-chief of the Canadian expeditionary force in Siberia.

MARRIAGES AND BIRTHS Fourteen marriages and twenty-four births, thirteen boys and eleven girls, have been recorded during the week.

Pershing Now Has 20,000 Prisoners

Americans Continue Progress In St. Mihiel Sector

Paris, Sept. 14.—German prisoners taken by General Pershing's forces since the beginning of the American offensive in the St. Mihiel sector on Thursday are said to total 20,000.

Building at St. David's and Clarence Streets Takes Under Long Lease

The Maritime provinces assembling plant of the Ford Motor Company of Canada, which has been located at Coldbrook since the company entered the territory several years ago, is to be brought into the city.

MORE POLICEMAN OFF THE ROSTER They New Number 32—What the Officers and Chief Say—Message From Hamilton Force There are thirty-two members of the police force of the job, and it is said that by tonight the number will have been increased by at least four or five.

COTTON TAKES A BIG PLUNGE New Orleans, Sept. 14.—Announcement by President Wilson that if found necessary a basic price would be fixed for cotton, caused a wild and sensational opening on the New Orleans cotton exchange today.

ROSS QUITS THE PENSION BOARD Objects to Civil Service Commission Controlling Appointments to Its Staff Ottawa, Sept. 14.—V. K. L. Ross, chairman of the Pensions Board, has tendered his resignation. He has headed the board since its inception, giving his services gratuitously.

GAME SEASON HERE; NEW STEP TO AID IN LAW ENFORCEMENT The game season will open on Monday, the first day of the season, according to the calendar, coming tomorrow, which happens to be a Sunday.

IN THE HOSPITAL It was reported at the hospital today that the condition of Miss Bessie McArthur, recently run over by a street car, is unimproved.

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