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CABLE NEWS.

CLEMENCEAU'S ENCOURAGING  
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PARIS, Aug. 25.  
(Havas Agency.)—Premier Clemenceau to-day telegraphed the Presidents of the General Councils that they could rely upon the Government and Marshal Foch and his magnificent staff and the Allied Military Commanders to turn the present success of the Allied arms into a complete and decisive collapse of the enemy. The splendid victories of recent weeks, says M. Clemenceau, in which the spirit of our Allies has so magnificently rivalled ours, have definitely settled the fortunes of the war. The enemy, bewildered, deceived himself as to his own strength, and now is finding out that he underestimated us. The results achieved are the first fruits of our harvest of rewards, the highest of which will be having delivered the world from ruthless oppression and brutality.

NEW ATTACK BY BRITISH.

LONDON, Aug. 25.  
At three o'clock this morning our troops attacked in the Scarpe River section and are reported to have made progress. On the southern portion of the battlefield we have advanced our line slightly along the Somme, and by a successful operation have made progress in the direction of Maricourt. Yesterday evening the enemy launched a strong counter attack south and north of Bapaume in the neighborhood of Encaourt, Abbeville and Fervillat. Our troops met the enemy with the bayonet, inflicting heavy casualties upon him and taking prisoners. Another attack attempted by the enemy later in this latter neighborhood was also unsuccessful. Fervillat is in our hands and we have made some progress beyond the villages north of this point. We have improved our position southeast of Mory and west of Croiselles. Heavy rain is falling on the battlefield.

BRITISH ADVANCE.

LONDON, Aug. 25.  
This morning's attack was launched between the Scarpe River and Fampoux, and the heights northeast of Neville Vitasse. In a few hours the British made an advance of two miles on a front of four miles. According to advices received here from the battlefield, Monchy le Preux, Fampoux and Vancourt, a little less than five miles southeast of Arras, have been taken in to-day's attacks. Further south the British have taken Lory and made progress to the southwest of the village.

SUBSTANTIAL VICTORY.

WITH THE FRENCH ARMIES IN FRANCE, Aug. 25. (By the A.P.)—The first phase of the Battle of the Aisne has put the French in solid possession of the entire south bank of the Aisne, west of the Ailette, and also the Ailette River from the Oise to west St. Mar. As the situation is today, General Mangin has won a considerable and substantial victory. There is plenty of material on the field, besides 12,000 prisoners and three hundred cannon captured. He set out first to drive

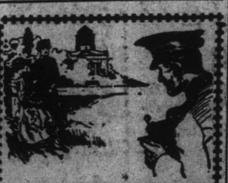
the Germans from the plateau of Aindignocourt, Nempcel and Carlepoint by a violent thrust northward, then by a quick flanking about toward the east to drive them off the heights west of Ailette, thus clearing the south bank of the Oise and lending support to the Third Army's action in the hold of Thiéscourt. The programme succeeded in every form, and so rapidly that though the enemy may say that they retired unhindered, some of his staff officers were obliged to flee in scanty attire. A German General was seen running from one of the exits of a cavern at the top of Mount Choisy without boots or suspenders, just as French soldiers appeared at the other entrance.

TOWNS TAKEN.

LONDON, Aug. 25.  
(By the A.P.)—Susanne and Cappy, towns north and south of the Somme, respectively, were captured to-day by Field Marshal Haig's forces, according to reports received here this evening from the British battlefield. The British also took Avennes les Bapaumes, a suburb of the town of Bapaume. British troops also reached the western outskirts of Thillois, south of Bapaume. An unconfirmed report states that Montauban and the outskirts of Longueval also were reached by the British.

COUNTER ATTACKS REPULSED.

WITH THE FRENCH ARMY ON THE OISE, Aug. 25. (By the A.P.)—Violent counter attacks launched by the Germans this morning between the River Ailette at Mont Saint Mar and Juvigny north of Soissons, were completely smashed by the French. General Mangin's army is still maintaining the German communications between the River Aisne and the Soissons and Laon regions. The French troops are still stoutly holding the positions they have won in this sector, and further gains on the plateau to the eastward in the direction of Chem-



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SUCCESSFUL AIR RAID.

LONDON, Aug. 25.  
Chemical factories at Mannheim and the railway station at Frankfurt were successfully attacked on Sunday night by the British independent air force, according to an official communication issued to-night. All the British machines returned safely to their bases.

FRENCH OFFICIAL.

PARIS, Aug. 25.  
On both banks of the Avre we carried out two local operations which enabled us to occupy Fresnoy les Roves and St. Mar, despite spirited resistance offered by the enemy. Six hundred prisoners were counted.

TRUSTING TO HINDENBURG'S LINE.

LONDON, Aug. 25.  
Full apathy is giving way to intense anxiety, according to reports from Berlin, received at the Hague, says the Daily Mail correspondent in the Dutch capital. Newspaper criticism shows an urgent demand for reassurance, and several papers pin their faith to the Hindenburg line.

CASUALTIES ON "LAKE EDEN."

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.  
Six members of the crew are believed to have been drowned or killed by the torpedo explosion, and nine members of the crew and one member of the naval armed guard are still missing, as the result of the sinking of the American steamer Lake Eden in foreign waters on August 21st.

ST. LEGER CAPTURED.

LONDON, Aug. 25.  
British troops to-day captured the town of St. Leger.

REPULSE COUNTER ATTACK.

WITH THE BRITISH FORCES IN FRANCE, Aug. 25.—North of Bapaume the Germans have been driven back, according to reports from the front lines. The British have reached the Bapaume-Bougnatne road and have established themselves there. The Germans to-day attempted a counter offensive on a large scale against the right wing of General Mangin's Army in the region between Vally and Soissons. The attacks utterly failed. General Mangin's army repulsed the German onslaughts everywhere, and in some instances gained ground. The French flung back the attacking troops even beyond their starting point.

CANADIAN CASUALTIES.

OTTAWA, Aug. 25.  
In Saturday night's list, 722 names appear. Of this number 331 are reported killed in action, 54 died of wounds, 2 missing, believed killed, 7 missing, six gassed, 2 died of wounds, 1 prisoner of war, 25 ill, and 293 wounded.

CUNARD CO. NOT LIABLE.

NEW YORK, Aug. 25.  
The Cunard Steamship Co. cannot be held liable for loss of life and property in the torpedoing of the Lusitania by a German submarine, according to a decision handed down in the Admiralty Court of the United States District Court by Judge Julius W. Mayer and made public to-day.

ADVANCE CONTINUES.

WITH THE BRITISH ARMY IN FRANCE, Aug. 25. (By the A.P.)—British troops are reported to have reached the outskirts of Susanne, two miles east of Bray Sur Somme, and to be near Cappy, slightly less than two miles southeast of Bray, on the south bank of the Somme. A heavy rain fell this evening.

PRISONERS REACH 20,000.

PARIS, Aug. 25.  
(Havas.)—The number of prisoners taken by the British since August 21 has reached 20,000, the Petit Parisien declares. According to the Le Journal, three new divisions have been identified opposite the British. Since August 5, nearly fifty German divisions have been fighting against the British.

PRAISE FOR BRITISH.

PARIS, Aug. 25.  
The Allied high command had great hopes in the British Army and the latest news from the front shows that these hopes will not be disappointed, says Therout. It declares that the British have obliged the German staff to admit defeat. Marcel Hutin, in the Echo de Paris, points out that the British advanced by local thrusts which tore large holes in the German lines. That the enemy has been unable to thwart these manoeuvres, he says, proves the tremendous superiority that the Allies have gained over the Germans. Lieut. Col. Fabry, in Out, declares that unstinted praise must be given the manner in which the British attacks have been carried out. He declares the Allied success north of the Somme is a purely British victory.

THE FIGHTING ABOUT ROYE.

PARIS, Aug. 25.  
Heavy bombardments in the region of Roze and between the Oise and Ailette Rivers are reported in an official statement issued by the War Office to-

day. The statement follows: Very vigorous artillery actions occurred during the night in the region of Roze and Beaurains, three miles to the south of Roze. The artillery fire was also heavy between the Ailette, Oise and Aisne Rivers. Two German surprise attacks in the Voeges sector were without results and we took prisoners. The night was calm on the rest of the front.

O'CONNOR'S REPLY TO UNITED STATES.

LONDON, Aug. 25.  
At the request of John Dillon, Chairman of the Irish National Party, T. P. O'Connor has sent to the United States a reply to the recent address forwarded to President Wilson by Sir Edward Carson, Ulster leader and head of the War Aims Committee. Having traversed some of the historical statements contained in the Carson address, Mr. O'Connor complains that while mentioning the alleged Sinn Fein pro-German plots, Sir Edward omits to mention that he and his assistants before the war in speeches and in newspapers declared that they would prefer the rule of the German Emperor to Home Rule, and that he and his friends were supplied from Germany with 50,000 rifles which they still hold for the purpose now as before the war of making war upon an act of the British Parliament. Mr. O'Connor further charges that it was Sir Edward Carson's rebel movement which precipitated the war by creating in the German mind the miscalculation that England would be too embarrassed by the Ulster rebellion to enter the war.

APPROACHING BRAY.

LONDON, Aug. 25.  
The British lines have been advanced in the direction of Maricourt, four miles northeast of Bray.

BEYOND BAPAUME.

LONDON, Aug. 25.  
British troops attacked this morning in the Scarpe sector east of Arras, and good progress is being made according to an official statement issued by the War Office to-day. The British position southeast of Mory and west of Croiselles has been improved in spite of a heavy rain which is falling on the battlefield. Strong German counter attacks north and south of Bapaume have been repulsed by the British. Favreuil, a mile and a half northeast of Bapaume has been carried, and the British have advanced beyond the village, the statement says.

CZECHO-SLOVAKS.

AMSTERDAM, Aug. 25.  
Czecho-Slovak and anti-Bolshevik forces have re-occupied the town of Kazan on the River Volga, says a Moscow despatch to the Weeser Zeitung of Bremen. The Bolsheviks were forced to retreat under heavy fighting. The Bolsheviks now hold positions some distance from Kazan. A Moscow telegram giving a statement issued on August 21, says that the Soviet troops had been forced to retire in the region of Prostjak in the direction of Kadisk in the Pecheng district, south of Archangel, but had successes in the Kazan district.

MURDER CONFIRMED.

LONDON, Aug. 25.  
A Russian Prince who recently arrived in London, according to the Daily Mail, confirms the vague rumors of the killing of Alexis, the son of the former Emperor, after the fa-

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BRITISH CASUALTIES.

LONDON, Aug. 25.  
The British Third and Fourth Armies suffered casualties, estimated at about 23,000, on Aug. 21 and 25, according to advices from the front. During the same period the German losses in prisoners alone have amounted to 20,000 in the battle east of the Ancre.

CANADIANS' WORK.

WITH THE CANADIAN ARMIES, Aug. 25. (By J. F. B. Livessy, Canadian Press Correspondent.)—Numerous stories are coming to hand of individual gallantry and initiative in the field during the recent fighting east of Amiens. An intelligence officer of a Quebec battalion established his observation post with the forward positions and then directed his snipers where they were able to inflict very heavy casualties on the enemy and put several machine guns out of action. Some wonderful deeds are related of a Nova Scotia battalion which was set one of the hardest tasks of the battle. In front of Roosteres on the left flank there was a perfect labyrinth of machine gunners making the advance of the infantry very difficult. Daring and initiative on the part of the company commanders and all ranks cleared the way steadily and with a minimum of losses until this very strong position was captured.

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