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### FRENCH CONTINUE BALKAN ADVANCE

Allies Enlarge Gains in the Region of Devoli, Near Orchida. Paris, June 14.—A French official communication says: "Army of the east—There has been activity by the artillery on the greater part of this front. To the west of Lake Ochrida we have enlarged our gains to the north and south of Devoli. We captured 71 additional prisoners during this operation."

### ITALIANS DEFEAT STRONG ATTEMPT TO FORCE DEFENCES OF MOUNTAIN GAP.

Rome, June 14.—The statement issued by the Italian war department today follows: "In the early hours yesterday, after an intense and extended artillery preparation, the enemy attempted to force the defences of Tonale Pass by launching an infantry attack against Cady summit and the Monticello Ridge, immediately north and south of an important road. Owing to the firm resistance of our troops the assault was broken up on our advanced lines. Later our infantry counter-attacks and the deadly concentration of our artillery fire arrested the enemy and definitely drove him back. "An enemy attack again was attempted north of the road between 11 p.m. and 11 p.m., but was promptly crushed by our barrage fire. The losses of the enemy, particularly his supports, were very heavy. We captured 139 prisoners and several machine guns. "One enemy airplane was downed. One of our airplanes, notwithstanding difficult atmospheric conditions, carried out an effective bombardment during the operations."

### BRITISH REPEL ENEMY IN FIGHT NEAR MERRIS

London, June 14.—The war office reports: "Early this morning an attack was made by a strong party of the enemy upon one of our new posts southwest of Merris. It was completely repulsed, a few prisoners remaining in our hands. "The hostile artillery has been active in the Villers-Bretonneux sector and in the Scarpe Valley. "During the night successful raids were carried out by us in the neighborhood of Neuville-Vitasse and Givinchy-les-Basses. Patrol encounters took place to our advantage southwest of Gavrelle and northwest of Merville. As a result of these different encounters we captured several prisoners and two machine guns."

### AGRICULTURAL MACHINES FREE UNDER SPECIFIED CONDITIONS

Ottawa, June 14.—By order-in-council it is enacted that "during the period of the war and until otherwise ordered, machines for agricultural purposes, and vehicles and implements moved by mechanical power may be imported free of duty by a settler, if actually owned abroad by the settler for or before his removal to Canada, and subject to regulations prescribed by the minister of customs. "It is further provided that machines entered free as settlers' effects may not be so entered unless brought by the settler on his first arrival. Further, they are not to be sold or otherwise disposed of without payment of duty until after twelve months actual use in Canada.

### GENERAL GUILLAUMET COMMANDS ENTRENCHED CAMP AT PARIS

Paris, June 14.—General Guillaumet has been transferred from the post of commander-in-chief of allied operations in the Balkans to that of military governor of Paris, entrusted with the defense of the capital. He succeeds General A. Y. E. Dubail who has been assigned to other duties. General Dubail has been appointed grand chancellor of the legion of honor in succession to General Georges A. Florentin. This appointment is one of the highest honors bestowed by the government.

### NO MEAT IN BAVARIA. Meatless Weeks Will Be Introduced By Government.

London, June 14.—It will be necessary to introduce meatless weeks in Bavaria, owing to a serious shortage of food, the home secretary has announced, according to a Copenhagen despatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company. According to a report from Augsburg, stocks of cattle are much depleted and there is a lack of other important provisions there.

### NOTHING DAUNTS BRITAIN'S FIDELITY

Ex-Premier Asquith Declares Country Will Persevere in War Aims. RECEIVES OVATION Liberal Leader Makes First Public Appearance After Billings Charges.

London, June 14.—Former Premier Asquith who, since his name was drawn into the Pemberton Billing trial recently, has received many tokens of sympathy from his countrymen of all shades of politics today was accorded a great reception when he appeared as a guest at the luncheon of the Aldwych Club, an organization of advertising men. Viscount Mersey presided, and when Mr. Asquith arose to reply to a toast to his health the large assemblage cheered him again and again.

The former premier said there was no use in cloaking the fact, or minimizing its gravity, that the allies had reached a most critical point in the fortunes of war. But nothing that had happened on the western front since the last week of March, he added, would in the slightest degree weaken British allegiance to the great purpose for which the British people were fighting or their determination to press on to the final accomplishment of their aims.

Tribute to French. Mr. Asquith paid a tribute to the Anglo-French armies who have been fighting since the opening of the summer campaign, and whose retirement, he declared, "has been conducted with coolness, gallantry and unflinching readiness to take advantage of every opportunity to counter-attack, which has never been lost."

The ex-premier, reiterating that whatever might be the issue of the present phase of the war, nothing could weaken British allegiance to the "purposes for which we are fighting," said that the entry of America into the conflict coupled with the other phases of the world war, had introduced newer methods. "Whatever else might happen in the future, all must realize that the old diplomatic machine, however honorably and skilfully worked, is a thing of the past," he asserted. "It is our determination to provide against a recurrence of the horrors which have scourged mankind and devastated the world, not only by repression and punishment, but by bringing into life and into effective action a corporate judgment conscious of common interest and common duty and subject to the restraining force of the whole civilized world."

### CANADIAN PREMIER DINES WITH SIR GEORGE PERLEY

Canadian Associated Press Cable. London, June 14.—Sir Robert Borden attended a meeting of the war cabinet this forenoon, lunching with the Duke of Connaught. The premier conferred with Gen. Currie and Sir Edward Kemp, and subsequently had an extended conference with Lloyd George. He also saw several callers, including Col. Peck, member-elect for the District of Skeena, in British Columbia. He attended a dinner given by Sir George Perley, which was also attended by the Duke of Connaught, Lloyd George and several members of the imperial ministry. Mr. Rowell, Calder and Meligen will visit the Canadian front next week. Sir Robert will await the arrival of Gen. McBurn and Hon. Mr. Balfour before taking a similar journey. The King will receive Sir Robert Borden on Tuesday.

### DEFEAT ACCEPTED BY ENEMY UPON OISE

French Headquarters, June 14.—"The enemy move yesterday was an unsuccessful attack on Courcelles. The enemy seems to have accepted defeat along the rest of the line between Montdidier and the Oise. The German advance during the last five days has been along the east of the Jatz valley. They have not only been stopped west of the valley, but in some cases have been driven back beyond their original departure line. Progress elsewhere has been due to topographical conditions favoring the enemy. The decisive episode was the counter-attack on our left wing on June 11, which frustrated the enemy effort to gain a front line near enough to bombard Paris with their ordinary guns.

### SUBMARINE IS CAMOUFLAGED TO LOOK LIKE A FREIGHTER

An Atlantic Port, June 14.—At least one of the German submarines operating off the American coast is camouflaged so as to present at a distance the appearance of an ordinary freighter, according to Captain Bratland, master of the Norwegian steamer Vinland, one of the raider's victims.

### TUNNEL UNDER ENGLISH CHANNEL TO BE RUSHED THRU AFTER WAR

Railway May Link London With Paris, Constantinople, Calcutta, Peking, Cape Town, Without Break.

London, June 14.—One of the enterprises which will be taken up and carried to completion after the war will be a tunnel under the English Channel. Sir Arthur Peil, chairman of the house of commons channel tunnel committee, speaking at a meeting in London yesterday, explained the importance of such a railway between England and France. He thought it would be practicable for the line to run from London to Constantinople without break or change of gauges. Eventually, when normal conditions are restored, the line might be extended from London to Calcutta, to Cape Town and to Peking, he said.

### REINFORCEMENTS MAKE ALLIED LINE STRONGER

Washington, June 14.—Members of the house military committee at their weekly war department conference today were told that the stream of Americans steadily moving to the front had resulted in a noticeable stiffening of the whole allied line. The Germans, it was said, apparently had encountered greater numerical strength than they expected to oppose their third great drive, and had suffered heavier losses than they probably had anticipated. On the whole, the legislators were informed, there were many encouraging features in the present situation on the west front.

### ZEEBRUGGE'S MOLE BOMBED FROM SKY

British Aircraft Destroy Ten German Machines—Low Clouds Hinder Flights. London, June 14.—The report issued by the war office tonight dealing with aerial operations, reads: "On Thursday, low clouds and poor visibility impeded work in the air, but our machines took advantage of spells of clearer weather to make observations for artillery fire and to carry out numerous patrols and reconnaissance. Nine tons of bombs were dropped by us on the Zeebrugge mole, on the Armentieres and Comines stations and on targets in the French battle area. "Ten hostile aeroplanes were destroyed during the day and two more driven down out of control. In addition a German balloon was brought down in flames. We lost five machines. A heavy mist prevented flying during the night."

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