

## HARD FIGHTING GOING ON NORTH OF THE OISE; GERMANS PRESSING ON TOWARD ANTWERP

### French Army Displays Great Dash and Bravery

— Unit of German Army Sent to Help Break Allies' Line Held in Check by French — Berlin Admits Germans Met with Heavy Losses at Hands of Czar's Troops on Frontier of Prussia — French Northward Movement Brings Line Near Belgian Frontier.

While the world awaits news of the great battle in which the British and French allied forces and the Germans in Northern France have engaged for twenty-six days, the meagre official reports from the front vouchsafe little information of the actual operations. Today it is a small piece of ground lost and tomorrow the same ground has been regained. Meanwhile the French forces are moving northward, but are gaining little to the eastward, which would be essential to the outflanking of the German right wing.

As a matter of fact, Gen. Von Kluck, in command of that section of the German army, with heavy reinforcements, which have reached him in the past week, has taken a decided offensive, and day by day the same announcement is made by the French war office that the "violent battle continues."

### FRENCH SHOWING REMARKABLE BRAVERY.

The British official bureau reports that the French army is fighting with the greatest dash and bravery, but is silent on what the British are doing.

The French officials report an advance on certain points on the centre and the re-taking of the ground previously yielded in the Roye district.

Recently masses of German cavalry have been seen near Lille, and behind them German forces moving on a line between Tourcoing and Armentieres. This important unit of the German army, which it was thought might serve to break the French line, the French report, has been held in check, and to the north of Lille has been driven back. On two wings, it is added, the German attacks have been repulsed.

The northward movement of the French line brings it close to the Belgian frontier, and coincidentally there have been engagements between the Belgians and the Germans in the environs of Ypres, twenty miles south of Ostend, and at Audenarde, fifteen miles southwest of Ghent.

Berlin Admits Heavy Loss in East Prussia

While the East Indian troops have reached France, and may have already reinforced Field Marshal French's army, operating in the neighbourhood of Soissons, the whereabouts of the Canadians, numbering about 33,000 has been a matter of conjecture. It is now announced that they are about to be launched in a strategic offensive, and will be sent to an inland training camp.

The situation as between the Russians and Germans and Austrians is somewhat problematical, but a very frank statement from Berlin admits that the German forces on the frontier of East Prussia have assumed a strategic defensive movement, and that they abandoned the bombardment of Ossowetz fortress, in Russian Poland.

This statement adds that the fighting at Augustow and in Suwalki was of a most sanguinary nature, and that while the German troops finally turned the scale of battle in favor of the Germans, the slaughter of the German soldiers was terrific. The movements of the German troops were greatly hampered by the physical condition of the country.

The forty-third German casualty list, issued at Berlin, contains 10,500 names in dead, wounded and missing. Berlin reports that the fighting on

## REINFORCED, GERMANS ON EAST PRUSSIAN FRONTIER FIGHTING STUBBORNLY

### Offer Strong Resistance to Russians at Vladislavoff and Ratchka — Belgians Repulsed the Enemy Near Ghent.

Petrograd, Oct. 7.—The Russian general staff today issued the following statement:

"On the East Prussian frontier the Germans having brought up reinforcements from Koenigsberg, continue to oppose a tenacious resistance upon the battle front of Vladislavoff, and Ratchka, probing by the ditches, lakes and marshes in the region of Tcheroc-anja.

"Beyond the Vistula advance guard battles have occurred in the region of Opotow and Sandomir.

"In the Carpathians, west of the River Sajok, an Austrian detachment was defeated and machine guns and prisoners captured.

"At Salva, twenty kilometres from the city of Munkatch, we have captured an artillery park and numerous convoys."

## NEW C.P.R. LINER SAILS ON MAIDEN TRIP

### The Missanable Left Other Side Yesterday With Capt. Evans in Command.

London, Oct. 7.—The new twin-screw steamer Missanable of the C. P. R. fleet has sailed, her maiden trip being taken as scheduled, notwithstanding the war conditions. The new vessel has a gross tonnage of 13,000 tons and was built to meet the popular demand for a one-cabin class. She carries a full complement of passengers.

Captain Evans, late of the Lake Manitoba, is in command.

## OUT ON BAIL, REARRESTED AT INSTANCE OF HALIFAX POLICE

### Montreal Man on Trial on Charge of Defrauding Wanted in Halifax.

Montreal, Oct. 7.—Robert H. Reid, accused of obtaining the sum of \$750,000 by false pretences, the value of 7,500 shares of the Labrador Lumber and Pulp Company of St. John's, Nfld., while out on \$40,000 bail, was rearrested this morning on information received at detective headquarters from Chief of Police John A. Rodland, of Halifax, that the accused was wanted at that city on a charge of dealing with a forged document, knowing the same to be forged.

## "BOOST PRODUCTION", SIR GEO. E. FOSTER'S ADVICE TO CANADIANS

### Canada's Position from Commercial Viewpoint an Excellent One, He Tells Toronto Board of Trade.

Toronto, Oct. 7.—Declaring that among the countries of the world Canada at present occupied the most advantageous position from the commercial standpoint, Sir Geo. E. Foster, Minister of Trade and Commerce, offered some suggestions to the members of the Board of Trade at their luncheon today, as to the course by which Canadians could best profit from the opportunity now offered.

## GERMAN SPY PASSES AS A DOLL MAKER

### Arrested in England — Dolls Contained Maps of Coast Instead of Sawdust Stuffing.

London, Oct. 7.—Making and dressing dolls was the innocent-looking occupation of a German spy arrested on the Yorkshire coast garbed as a woman, but in reality a man. Instead of the usual sawdust stuffing, the dolls' bodies contained carefully prepared maps of the east coast. This arrest tends to strengthen the demand being made in many quarters that all Germans should be prohibited from living within fifty miles of the east coast.

## FREIGHT RUNS INTO HANDCAR, FOUR KILLED

Toledo, Ohio, Oct. 7.—Four men were killed and four others injured when a railroad hand-car upon which they were riding was demolished by a fast Annarbor freight train ten miles south of Dundee, Mich., and twenty-two miles northwest of Toledo tonight.

## MINISTER ATTACKED BY THUG AND ROBBED OF A LARGE SUM

### Knocked Unconscious, Stabbed and Relieved of Over Four Thousand Dollars.

London, Ont., Oct. 7.—Rev. Isaac Wilson, 40 years old, pastor of Memorial Methodist Episcopal church, Midland, Mich., was attacked by an unknown man while passing a lane at the rear of the Grigg House, this city, while on his way to the Grand Trunk station at 9 o'clock tonight and received a real estate transaction with J. J. Comstock, of Windsor, Ont., by whom he declares, he was paid the money in question.

## SOLDIER ON GUARD AT WELLDAN CANAL SHOTS COMPANION

### Both in Same Regiment and Doing Sentry Duty — Victim a Bank Clerk.

St. Catharines, Ont., Oct. 7.—Theodore Burgerline, nineteen years of age, clerk in the St. Catharines branch of the Bank of Toronto, and a private in the Nineteenth Regiment, was shot dead this evening shortly after 7 o'clock by Private Frank Hartley, a member of the same regiment, outside the lock shanty to lock 9 of the Welland Canal, where both men were on guard duty. The murder was the result of a trivial altercation.

Little is known of Hartley. He claims to be English by birth, and to have spent some years in New York State. He joined the regiment a few weeks ago.

### Few Bulletins from Battlefield Last Night Report General Situation as Satisfactory — French War Office Claims Advances at Central — Von Kluck's Army Assumes a Strong Offensive, but Held in Check — Population of Antwerp Quitting Town — British Submarine Raids German Waters and Sinks Enemy Torpedo Boat.

London, Oct. 7, 8.05 p. m.—The official press bureau at eight o'clock this evening issued the following statement:

"North of the Oise and at Lens there is hard fighting. Elsewhere a slight advance or retreat varies. Throughout the line the reports are generally satisfactory.

"The French army is fighting with the greatest dash and bravery.

"The Germans attacking Antwerp have pushed forward their positions against considerable resistance by the garrison."

## WAR OFFICE IN PARIS ANNOUNCES ALLIES HAVE MADE ADVANCE AT SEVERAL POINTS ON THE CENTRE

### Ground Previously Lost Between Chaumes and Roye Has Been Regained and Enemy Held in Check on Left Wing — Germans Driven Back to North of Lille.

London, Oct. 7, 7 p. m.—A despatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company from Ostend says:

"Numerous skirmishes occurred this morning between the advance posts in the environs of Ypres, (in Belgium, twenty miles south of Ostend), and in the southern part of West Flanders.

"The Germans threw themselves on the forts and entrenchments."

### FRENCH LOSSES REGAINED.

Paris, Oct. 7, 11.28 p. m.—The official communication issued by the French war department tonight announces that the ground previously ceded by the French, between Chaumes and Roye, has been re-taken, and that on the centre the French have advanced on certain points.

The text is as follows:

"Except on the two wings where the German attacks have been repulsed, there has been nearly complete calm along the front.

"On our left wing the German cavalry has been held in check; to the north of Lille it has been driven back.

"Between Chaumes and Roye the ground previously ceded has been re-taken.

"On the centre we have made an advance on certain points.

"There is nothing to report on our right wing."

## BRITISH SUBMARINE MAKES DARING RAID INTO GERMAN WATERS AND SINKS ONE OF ENEMY'S TORPEDO BOATS

### The E-9 Which Destroyed German Cruiser Hela off Heligoland, Last Month, Braves Fire of Enemy's Guns at Naval Base on Island of Borkum.

London, Oct. 7, 8.30 p. m.—Submarine E-9 of the British navy, under command of Lt. Commander Max Horton, yesterday made another raid into German waters, off the mouth of the River Ems, and succeeded in sinking a German torpedo boat destroyer. It was this same submarine, under the same commander, which made a similar dash and sank the German cruiser Hela off Heligoland September 13. As on the former occasion, the E-9 has safely returned to her home port.

The action took place at one o'clock yesterday, and was witnessed by the Dutch Coast Guards on the Dutch island and Schiermonnikoog, in the North Sea, off the Province of Friesland.

The weather was clear and the sea calm, and the destroyer could plainly be seen cruising before the mouth of the Ems. Suddenly the observers saw a high column of water rise near the bow of the destroyer. The vessel immediately turned over and sank in three minutes.

Shortly after the explosion the periscope of the submarine came above the surface of the water for a moment, but as soon as those on board the plunger saw that their torpedo had struck its mark, the vessel was again submerged.

A German cruiser and torpedo boats came quickly to the rescue of the crew of the ill-fated destroyer, who could be seen swimming about in the vicinity of the disaster, or clinging to the wreckage of their sunken ship.

As Schiermonnikoog is close to the island of Borkum, where the Germans have a naval base, and within sixty miles of Heligoland and the naval arsenal at Wilhelmshaven, the dash of the submarine is considered here a particularly daring one.

The Dutch naval staff announces that the sinking of the destroyer occurred seven miles off Schiermonnikoog, and well outside Dutch territorial waters.

## MURDERED AT HAMILTON WHERE HE WENT TO ENLIST FOR 2ND CONTINGENT

Hamilton, Ont., Oct. 7.—Andrew Richardson, thirty-one years of age, who came to the city to enlist for the second contingent, died in the central police station tonight as the result of a razor rash on the left side of his throat, said to have been inflicted in the Bethel Mission, a cheap lodging house across the street from the station. Thomas Brown, forty-eight years of age, is in the cells held in connection with the death of Richardson.

## SINKING OF GERMAN CRUISER REPORTED

### Rumored One of Enemy's Cruiser's Sunk in Addition to Torpedo Boat—Crew of British Submarine Jubilant Over Successful Raid in Enemy's Waters.

London, Oct. 5, 12.30 a. m.—A despatch to the Central News from Harwich, England, says that a rumor is in circulation there of the sinking of a German cruiser in addition to the German torpedo boat destroyer.

Harwich, via London, Oct. 5, 12.50 a. m.—The members of the crew of the submarine E-9 which arrived here, are jubilant over the successful engagement of their little craft against a German warship. One of the members of the crew in an interview said that while the sinking of the torpedo boat destroyer off the Dutch coast was more easily accomplished than was the case when the E-9 sank the German cruiser Hela to the bottom, luck was with the submarine.

"We knew when we left Harwich Harbor," said the sailor, "that it was a case of hit or miss. When we rose we saw two German destroyers travelling at a speed of about thirty knots.

"Our commander was at the periscope and ordered the forward tubes to be fired.

"I fired the first tube but could not say whether my missile hit. We then rose to the surface and the commander said: 'Look at her; the beggar is going down.'

"Then we saw the German rise perpendicularly and her men rushed to her stern and dived into the water. The submarine then was submerged again and made her way back to Harwich.

"I don't want to boast, but we got our torpedoes home."