

RAINS FORCE GERMANS INTO THE OPEN AND ALLIES GET CHANCE TO USE BAYONETS

Battle of the Aisne Has Now Been in Progress For Ten Days and Nights but Still Continues Without Any Definite Result—A See-Saw Affair

London, Sept. 26.—A correspondent of The Daily Mail in France says that in France rain has affected a change in the German operations on the Aisne. The chalky soil, he says, holds water in the trenches like a cup and the Autumn downpours, therefore, have driven the Germans out of their trenches and forced them to fight in the open where the French got at them with their bayonets.

Prolonged Conflict
Paris, Sept. 26.—For eleven days and ten nights the battle of the Aisne has continued, practically without cessation and still Paris waits for news of some decisive result.

Here and there, according to official communications the line has given way to one side or the other, but the importance of these incidents if any, on the final result has not yet become apparent. According to the latest news on the French left wing to the Northwest of Noyon, where the French had apparently been trying to outflank the German right the French advanced troops, it is announced, were compelled to give a little ground having come in contact with superior forces.

French troops were brought up, however, and the French offensive was vigorously resumed.

Struggle Very Violent
A communication says the struggle in this region has become extremely violent.

Similarly on the heights of the Meuse, the Germans have had successes but they have not succeeded, a French communication says, in crossing the river.

The French report however, that on their right wing the Germans have begun to give way to attacks coming from Nancy, while in the Southern region of Woerwe the enemy have also retreated, but the action still continues.

SERVIANS OCCUPY BOSNIAN TOWNS

Paris, Sept. 26.—A despatch from Nish under date of Sept. 24 says that combats along the front between Svernik and Lesnitz and between Mitrevitza and Shmbats continued with violence on Sept. 23rd.

Developments on the remainder of the front were unimportant. The situation with regard to the Serbian troops remains good. Belgrade is in no danger up to the present.

The Bosnian cities occupied by the Servians and Montenegrins are Focha, Chanize Corawde, Vischegrad, Regatitza, Vlassenitza Srevrenitza and Pratzio.

INVADE GERMAN AFRICAN COLONY

London, Sept. 26.—A Capetown despatch says that a Union Defence force occupied Luderitzbucht, in German Southwest Africa, on Sept. 19th.

The German garrison had previously retreated, blowing up a railway and destroying the wireless installations but otherwise leaving the place intact.

TERRA NOVAN LOST AT SEA

Lieut. Harvey One of the Victims of Naval Disaster

Lieut. Bernard Harvey, who was on H.M.S. Cressy is among the victims and flags are now flying on nearly all the mercantile premises as a tribute of respect.

This morning Hon. John Harvey had a cablegram from his sister-in-law that there was no hope of her husband, Bernard, being among the saved.

The young widow in England the mother and other relatives here will have the sorrow of all.

In Lieut. Harvey, Newfoundland loses the first of her sons to fall fighting the battle of the Empire in the great European war. To-day's cable message speaks of many deeds of heroism amidst the horrors of the awful catastrophe and sorrowing, yet proud, countrymen believe that Lieut. Harvey was amongst the "bravest of the brave."

GERMAN TROOPS OCCUPY CRACOW

Civil Administration Superseded by the Military and Inhabitants Fleeing in Panic

London, Sept. 26.—That Cracow has been occupied by German troops, that the town has been put under German military command, and that Austrian civil administration has been displaced is the gist of the latest advices received here, says a Petrograd correspondent of The Morning Post.

All the original administration of the town and all the civil officials of the Austrian Government have left and the residents are fleeing in panic.

DUFF LECTURE WELL ATTENDED

Many Prominent Citizens Attend at Grenfell Hall to Hear Talk on Fisheries

An interested audience attended the Seamen's Institute last evening to hear Mr. Walter Duff, Fish Officer of Peterhead, Scotland, read a paper on the Fisheries of Newfoundland.

The Minister of Marine, Mr. A. Piccott, presided, and on the platform with him were His Excellency the Governor, attended by Capt. Goodridge, A.D.C., also Lt. Hon. Sir E. P. Morris and Sir W. H. Horwood.

Others present were Hons. J. R. Bennett, R. K. Bishop, P. Templeman, R. A. Squires, M. G. Winter, W. C. Job, Messrs. Dr. Lloyd, A. E. Hickman, G. Grimes, R. Devereux, W. W. Halfyard, J. S. Currie and W. J. Higgins, Insp. O'Reilly, S. A. Mann, J. F. Murphy, Dr. Burke, S. P. White-way, G. C. Fearn, A. McDougall and H. C. Thomson.

The paper was interesting, Mr. Duff treating the subject in a manner that proved his knowledge.

At the conclusion a vote of thanks was proposed by H. E. the Governor and seconded by the Premier.

CHALLENGE WAS NOT ACCEPTED

Allied Fleets Couldn't Induce Austrians to Fight

Paris, Sept. 25.—A despatch to an Italian newspaper forwarded to Paris, says some Allied forces have landed at Dalmatia.

After bombarding the fortified harbors of Lissa, British and French flags were hoisted to provoke the Austrian fleet to come out and engage the Allied fleet in battle.

Three Austrian squadrons are sheltered at Fasana opposite the Austrian naval station of Pola.

Another supply of Cram's Great Double Coloured War Map; it is crammed full of information. Only 40c. GARLAND'S Bookstores.—26,29

FISHERY STILL UNIMPROVED

Some Few Traps Secured Fairly Good Hauls—Schooner Damaged

Nipper's Hr. Sept. 22.—There is no improvement in the fishery here, but at Tilt Cove and Round Hr. last week some traps secured a few fair hauls.

Skipper Daniel Starks arrived from Tilt Cove last night. He has been gone for a fortnight and trapped 150 qts.

Quite a lot of schooners on their way from Labrador anchored at N.W. Arm and Three Arms Friday as the water was too rough for them to cross the Bay.

Skipper J. Spurrell from Pools Island, B.B., struck his schooner on a rock going in N.W. Arm Friday night. She is leaking badly and he has to take his fish out and heave his schooner down.

Mr. Richard Foster on his way from S.W. Arm to Shoe Cove called at the F.P.U. wharf here for a supply of kerosene oil for his motor boat.

ADVERTISE IN THE MAIL AND ADVOCATE FOR BEST RESULTS

LOSS ON CRUISERS ANNOUNCED AS 1460

London, Sept. 25.—It is officially announced tonight that nearly sixty officers and fourteen hundred men were were lost in the sinking of the cruisers Aboukir, Hogue and Cressy in the North Sea.

GERMANS MADE MISCALCULATION

Reported They Had 250,000 Prisoners But Full List Shows They Have Only 50,000

London, Sept. 26.—The Central News Agency has received the following despatch from Rome: A message from Berlin says that the General staff, having agreed to complete official lists of prisoners, have found it necessary to admit that the totals already announced were erroneous.

The aggregate number of prisoners in German hands is now reduced from 250,000 to 50,000, of whom 30,000 are Russians.

AUSTRALIAN FORCES ACTIVE

Occupy German Possession Of New Guinea

London, Sept. 25.—The Admiralty announces that the town and harbor of Frederick Wilhelm, the seat of Government in Kaiser Wilhelm land, the German portion of New Guinea, has been occupied by Australian forces without opposition.

Earthquake Shock Is Felt In Ecuador

Guayaquil, Ecuador, Sept. 25.—Heavy earthquake shock was felt here this morning.

There was no damage, but a great panic was caused among the people.

WEDDING BELLS

Bonell—Lacey
Miss Winnie Bonnell, formerly Church of England teacher, and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bonnell, of Lunenburg, Nfld., was married at Gloucester, Mass., on Sunday last to William A. Lacey, Engineer for the Gloucester Electric Co. Mr. Lacey is the son of Mr. and the late Capt. James Lacey, of Barrewood, C.B., Nfld.

The services were performed at St. John's Episcopal Church by the Rev. Mr. Parker.

After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Lacey left for New York, where they are spending their honeymoon sight seeing.

Their relatives and friends in Newfoundland wish them every joy and happiness that life can offer.



NOTICE

There will be a meeting of the Patriotic Association of Newfoundland in the C.L.B. Armory on Monday, the 28th, at 8 p.m.

VINCENT P. BURKE, Honorary Secretary. sep25,2i

WANTED.

A number of Experienced Sales Ladies for Dry Goods Department and Showroom; also Girl to attend Cash Register. Apply Monday 10.30 a.m. at THE SAMPLE BARGAIN STORE, 167 Water Street East.—sep26

WE SHOULD WORRY!

Hardly, but advertisers should worry, and that's a sure thing. Almost every newsboy in town sells The Mail and Advocate, as well as a large number of shop agents, in different sections of the city and outports.

VOLUNTEERS ON PARADE

Marched to the Western Suburbs Yesterday—Church Parade For Tomorrow

The volunteers numbering nearly 400 paraded to the western suburbs yesterday. Thousands viewed them as they marched along.

They had certain privileges, and while some enjoyed a cigarette others sang, while all were in the best of humor. Capt. Carly and O'Brien were in charge.

Last night Lieut. R. Rousell and his company now at the rifle range, south-side, held a concert in one of the large tents and an enjoyable time was spent.

The Program

Songs were given by Mr. F. H. Ellis, Pte. J. Spooner, Sergt. Instructor Moore and Sergt. Edwards, while other members danced the Highland fling and clog dance.

The weather conditions on the hill yesterday was not very favorable owing to the fog but in spite of it several splendid shots were made.

Another company goes to the range at 5 this afternoon and Lieut. Rousell's company will return to camp at Pleasantville.

Camp Orders

The following are the camp orders for Church Parade, tomorrow, have been issued by the Adjutant, W. F. Rendell:

All Companies (with exception of C Company which will find the Guard and Fatigue parties for the day) will parade at 9.45 a.m. for Service.

Regiment will leave Camp at 10.15 and will be met at King's Bridge by the Methodist Guards band.

The Route of Parade

Route will be King's Bridge, Circular and Queen's Roads. Returning he parade will assemble at Cathedral Square. Route will then be, Playhouse Hill, Adelaide St. (R. C. detachment joining at the foot of Adelaide St.) then Water St., King's Road to Government House.

The parade will be formed into column in the northwest part of the grounds where Lieut.-Col. Sir W. E. Davidson, K.C.M.G., etc., etc., will inspect the parade and distribute the chevrons to the N.C.O's.

Parade will leave Government House grounds by eastern gates, south by King's Bridge Road, this by special request of patients of Hospital. The parade will be halted at the head of Boat House Lane and those men who wish to go to their homes will be dismissed.

The C. E. contingent of the volunteers will attend Matins at the Cathedral to-morrow at 11.

The Rector requests owners of cars in the front of the church to place them at the disposal of the soldiers.

Rev. Canon White will be the preacher.

Nickel Programme Is Extra Good

The entertainment at the Nickel Theatre last evening was attended by large audiences who were highly pleased with the show. The pictures were perfect and were shown in a faultless manner.

The Vitagraph feature film "Heart Ease" telling of a pretty French girl who is wooed and won by an English gentleman was a great subject which won the approval of all. It is a thrilling tale with pathetic scenes which appealed to every heart.

"The Bracelet" was a pretty social drama, which was splendidly acted.

"A Ride for a Bride" was one of the best comedies the Keystone Co. has yet presented.

Mr. DeWitt C. Cairns repeated his song "Good bye, my love, good bye" most acceptably. This evening the programme will be repeated.

'Live' Belgian Bull Goes Into Action

Paris, Sept. 22.—The "Petit Parisien" prints a story of a bull which killed 18 Germans.

It appears that when the peasants in the neighborhood of Sezanne were warned of the approach of the Germans they opened the gates of the cattle pens and endeavored to drive the cattle to a place of safety.

One enormous bull, it is said, becoming enraged by the sound of the cannon fire, broke away and charged the Germans, who looked on in stupefaction, believing it was some trick of the French.

At the first dash the bull gored six, throwing them high in the air. Others cut and wounded the animal, which, however, gored a dozen more before succumbing.

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Costumes

FOR FALL WEAR.

OUR COSTUMES for this season were imported from a well-known COSTUMIER in the West End of London, and are typical of what is being worn by the best-dressed ladies in that City.

Every little detail in the make-up of these garments has been carefully considered, and the various trimmings, linings, etc., are combined in the very latest effects.

Patrons should see these goods early, as we may not be able to duplicate any of the styles later.

Upper Building Showroom.

COMMISSIONERS AWARD TENDERS

R. G. Sutton Gets Contract to Repair Steps—Expert Leaving For Here Next Week

The weekly meeting of the Municipal Council was held last night. The weekly accounts were discussed and compared with last week.

Dr. Keegan complained of road between Hospital and Buttrick factory. Inspector Barnes will report.

F. F. Langley, the New York water expert, cabled that he would leave New York about the middle of next week for St. John's.

Wants More Water

W. F. Drayton, Cochrane House, asked for greater supply of water. He is prepared to pay for it.

The action of the Gas Co. opening LeMarchant Road with the Council's permission was discussed. Secretary Slattery read a copy of a letter from the Gas Co. that they intended opening the road, but the letter miscarried.

The Gas Co. started operations without the Council's knowledge, which all must admit was a high-handed act.

P. J. O'Reilly asked that sidewalk at house, William St., be graded so that he could put a window in his house.

Mr. Moakler can repair buildings on Notre Dame St.

Tenders Opened

The following tenders were opened for repairs to steps, Victoria Street: Geo. Clark, \$190; R. Sutton, \$80; J. O. Keefe, \$88; Spratt Bros., \$180; Whittle Bros., \$137; Coady & Murphy, \$190; John Ivy, \$110. R. G. Sutton's tender was accepted.

The Engineer's report was a lengthy one, dealing with new fire alarm boxes, water service at woolen mills, Mrs. Madigan's property, Leslie St.; Mr. Rice's, Southside; and Mr. Bradshaw's, Military Road.

Report Tabled

The report of the test of the water service was tabled. A special meeting will be held later to discuss it.

The Secretary will enquire as to the number of bowling allies at J. J. Duff's.

Plans of houses were submitted, but will not be passed until arrangements

SIR JAMES WHITNEY, ONTARIO PREMIER, DEAD

Toronto, Sept. 25.—Sir James Whitney, Premier of Ontario, died at noon today.

BELLAVENTURE REACHES SYDNEY

Capt. Randell Wires "All's Well" on Board

A Harvey & Co. received to-day a message from Capt. A. Randell saying that the Bellaventure had arrived at Sydney, "all well."

The ship will take on bunker coal and proceed to Halifax where she again loads supplies for Hudson Bay.

Sailing Postponed

The sailing of the Florizel has been postponed until Monday. There are no new developments as to her being taken over for war purposes.

Patriotic Work

The members of Wesley Church Ladies' Aid have decided to work for the Patriotic movement during the winter months, instead of their own church purposes, as formerly.

DROPS BOMB ON BOULOGNE

London, Sept. 26.—A despatch from Boulogne says, that about midday yesterday, a German aeroplane flew over Boulogne at a great height.

The aviator threw a bomb into the shipbuilding yard, but no one was injured, and only slight damage was done.

are made for sewerage connections. Impounder Dessert reported 3 cows and 1 horse during the week.

The Secretary reported on the Gas Co.'s claim to right of way to shed over west end promenade.

At 10.15 meeting adjourned.

GENERAL ACTION RAGES ON LEFT

Where Enemy is Striving Hard to Press Back Allies—Latter Repulse All Attacks

(Official St. Pierre Bulletin.)

Paris, Sept. 25.—At our left wing a general very violent action is raging between the Somme and the Oise with the army corps that the enemy placed in the region of Hermonville and St. Quentin. These army corps come from the centre of the enemy's line and from Lorraine and the Vosges. The latter have been transported by rail to Cambrai via Liege and Valenciennes.

No Modification

At the north of the Aisne as far as Berry-au-Bac there is no important modification. In the centre we have progressed eastward of Rheims towards Berru and Moronvilliers further east, and as far as the Argonne. The enemy have not come out of Varennes.

On the right of the Meuse they succeeded in taking foot on the heights of the Meuse in the region of the promontory of Hattonchatel and advanced in the direction of St. Mihiel.

Hold the Heights.

They have bombarded the forts of Baroches and Camps des Romains, but at centre of Verdun we still hold the heights of the Meuse and our troops coming out of Toul have advanced as far as the region of Beaumont.

At our right we have repulsed unimportant attacks on Nomeny.

East of Luneville the enemy made some demonstrations on the line of La Vegousse and La Blette.

Petrograd.—Russian troops are occupying a front southwest of the fortified positions of Ezyshky, Toustyn and Radyme with all artillery.

The garrison of Przemysle vacated the village of Modyks and was repulsed east towards the line of forts. No battle on German front.

A young man charged with indecent conduct was tried in camera before Judge Knight to-day. The deft was ordered to furnish bonds for two different charges.