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BRITISH HAVE DRIVEN GERMANS FARTHER BACK

Make Gains East of Poitiers—French Capture Powerful Position But Lose a Little Ground—Bad Day For German Aeroplanes

London, Aug. 2.—Further progress has been made by the British troops to the east of Poitiers in the river Somme region. This was officially announced this afternoon.

Paris, Aug. 2.—North of the river Somme last night, the French troops took a powerfully fortified German position between Hux Wood and Monaci Farm. This was officially announced by the French war department this morning.

On the right bank of the river Meuse, north of the fortress of Verdun, there was a violent series of engagements throughout the night at Vaux-Le-Chatre Wood and Chenois, expanding to the east as far as to the south of Dunlop.

During the action the French took prisoners 100 Germans, including three officers. A Russian reconnoitering party made a bayonet charge in the Champagne region, dispersing a German detachment.

Along the Somme front aeroplanes yesterday showed great activities. A total of thirty-three encounters took place over the lines of the enemy.

Another Dutch Steamer Is Sunk

London, Aug. 2.—The South Sheldis Gazette says the Dutch steamer Zealand, while on her way from a Scottish port to a foreign port, has been sunk by a German submarine, after the crew had been ordered to take to the boats.

John McCarthy Dead—Was Brother-in-Law of the Late Sir P. A. Landry

Peterborough, N. B., Aug. 2.—John McCarthy, brother-in-law of the late Sir P. A. Landry, died at his home here last night, aged seventy-two years.

Colin Woodrow, St. John Soldier, Is Wounded

R. D. Woodrow of the post office staff, received word from Ottawa today that his son, Colin Woodrow, who left St. John with the 4th C. M. R., is wounded and in hospital at Huddersfield, England.

Nickel Refineries to Be Erected in Ontario

Toronto, Aug. 2.—Both the International Nickel Company and the British American Nickel Company will commence the erection of refineries in the province almost at once, according to a statement made last evening by Hon. G. Howard Ferguson, minister of lands, forests and mines.

Newfoundlanders Home From the War

Quebec, Aug. 2.—A party of six officers and fifty N. C. O.'s and men of the Newfoundland Overseas Force arrived in port on the C. P. R. steamship Corinthian from London last evening and left for Newfoundland over the I. C. R.

Deutschland Seen at 6 O'Clock This Morning Traveling Fast

Newport News, Aug. 2.—The German merchant submarine Deutschland was seen of Tangier Sound at six o'clock this morning. She was heading to the lower bay at a high rate of speed.

REPAIRS TO THE HOSPITAL IN ST. JAMES STREET

Some Work Necessary And Some Equipment Needed

LOCAL NEWS OF SOLDIERS

Farewell to Major Bishop—Some Transfers—First Pay Checks For the Kilties—The Matter of War Ribbons

That the military hospital in St. James is greatly in need of general repairs in order that it might be put in proper shape for the winter months was the verdict of Lieut-Colonel P. A. Guthrie, New Brunswick command, who inspected the hospital this morning, assisted by Major Laurie and Lieutenants Groves and Connan.

It is understood that patients have to be carried up the stairs on the shoulders of orderlies, owing to the fact that the stairway is too narrow to allow a stretcher to be used.

It is also understood that no instruments have been supplied for the hospital, and when they are required they have to be borrowed from some of the practitioners.

A special parade was held in the army this morning by the members of the new Field Ambulance Corps, including the warrant officers, N. C. O.'s and men, in honor of Major Bishop, who has severed his connection with the unit.

A farewell speech was delivered by Lieut-Colonel P. A. Guthrie, who explained to the boys of the unit how grieved he was in not being able to see them off.

The following transfers have been approved: From the 104th Battalion, C. E. F. N. E. Bennett, lance Corporal, to the 104th Battalion, Pte. Caudet.

The members of the Kiltie battalion were much pleased this morning when it was announced that their pay checks had arrived.

It has been brought to the notice of the military officials at Ottawa that soldiers are in some cases wearing ribbons purporting to have been issued in connection with the present war.

Counting Vote Which May Mean Great Railway Strike

New York, Aug. 2.—A committee of fifty men continued today counting the strike vote cast by 400,000 employes on 225 railroad systems in the United States.

Casement Is to Be Executed Tomorrow

London, Aug. 2.—Sir Roger Casement's solicitor Gavin Duffy, of Dublin, has not received word this morning of any change in the plans for the execution.

NOTABLE INCREASE

The St. John receipts for July were: Spirits \$12,109.50 \$18,230.78 Cigars 678.00 424.90 Raw leaf 236.88 220.64 Bonded Mfrs 298.45 180.87 Other receipts 4,735.87 6,081.72

INCREASE FOR 1916, \$7,266.50

FIRES ON MOUNTAIN TOPS IN NEW BRUNSWICK BEACON CALLS TO RALLY TO THE 236TH

Lt. Col. Guthrie Plans Spectacular Start of Recruiting For Kilties; The Story of the Battalion; Capt. C. C. Geggie, Who Helped Save Him When Hesperian Torpedoed is to be Medical Officer

Lieut. Col. Percy A. Guthrie, O. C. of the 236th (Kiltie) Battalion, has adopted the plan of giving to the press the daily orders of the battalion in the form of a newspaper which will be published in the form of a newspaper.

THE FORMATION OF THE 236th OVERSEAS BATTALION (THE NEW BRUNSWICK KILTIES SIR SAM'S OWN) CO. E. F.

1. Membership—The blood of Scotland is recruited out of the blood of Scotland in New Brunswick.

2. Headquarters—The headquarters of the battalion and its point of assembly will be "The Old Government House," Fredericton, N.B.

3. Name—The official name of the battalion will be "The 236th Overseas Battalion (The New Brunswick Kilties), C. E. F."

Honorary Colonels—Colonel Sir Max Aitken, K.C.B., M. P. (England), Colonel Hugh H. McLean, K.C., M.P. (Canada), G. O. C. New Brunswick Command, to be honorary colonel.

Quebec Village Is Threatened

Fire Sweeps St. Anne De La Croix

Blind Fire Aflame

Another Ottawa Town in Grip of Flames—Further Word Comes From Northern Forces Burned on Saturday

Quebec, Aug. 2.—The village of St. Anne De La Croix is threatened with destruction by fire this morning. So far, the convent, the furnace-rooms of the college and outlying buildings have been burned, and at six a.m. the college was on fire.

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North Bay, Ont., Aug. 2.—There has been no further fire in the neighborhood of the northern fires since last night. Commissioner Lee said this morning that the fire was probably weeks or months before a full list was completed.

Weather Report

Issued by Authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Starr, part, director of meteorological service.

Synopsis—A few local heavy thunderstorms have occurred in the western provinces and scattered showers in the maritime provinces, but on the whole the weather has been very fine over the Dominion.

Fine; Fairly Warm

Maritime—Moderate winds, fine and moderately warm today and on Thursday. New England forecasts—Fair tonight and Thursday. Warmer in interior, light south winds.

ASQUITH HUNG AT POSSIBLE RE-APPOINTMENT?

Churchill and Carson May Be Back in Cabinet—Sensational Report About a High Official—The Irish Situation

London, Aug. 2.—Some of the morning papers attach great importance to a remark made by Premier Asquith in the House of Commons yesterday, when replying to an enquiry concerning certain routine matters at the autumn session of parliament, he said:

"I do not know who will be responsible for the conduct of the business at the next session. I have not the faintest idea."

"This," says the Daily Graphic, "may be a preliminary hint that he intends to retire."

The Daily Chronicle says: "Things have not gone well with the government in the house during the last fortnight and in actual conditions. Some members are disposed to real a good deal into these words of the premier, hence a revival of the reports of a cabinet reconstruction, which rumor says will be accomplished in the autumn, with Col. Winston Spencer Churchill and Sir Edward Carson again in ministerial office."

London, Aug. 1.—(Mail and Empire, Toronto) "We have declared war on the coalition government, and we shall not be satisfied until we get them out," declared Joseph Devlin, Nationalist M. P., today. "We now believe that in the more generous atmosphere which has been created it is possible, and likely, that Catholics and Protestants will unite in finding a solution of the Irish question. British statesmanship has been proved bankrupt."

These, in substance, are the resolutions passed by the Nationalist members of parliament at a meeting in the House of Commons today. John E. Redmond presided.

THE VACANT JUDGESHIP

How the vacancy in the Supreme Court of New Brunswick is to be filled has provided material for much speculation. A seat on the supreme court bench is always regarded as a most desirable plum and many mouths are said to be watering at the thought of it.

Two Hurt in a Shore Line Wreck

Passenger Coach and Another Car Left Rails Near Penfield

Only two people, a man and a woman, were injured in a wreck which occurred on the Shore Line yesterday afternoon, when a passenger coach and accommodation car left the rails about 100 yards west of Penfield Station.

Head of Jordan Marsh Company of Boston Dead

Manchester, Mass., Aug. 2.—Eben U. Jordan, fifty-nine years old, senior member of the firm of Jordan, Marsh Company, died last night at his summer home.

Guarding Against a Repetition of Disaster

Jersey City, N. J., Aug. 2.—Agents of the city council yesterday sent word to the terminals of all railroads entering this city to put into effect an order placing a ban on the storage of ammunition in cars or upon piers in this city, and upon its shipment through this city.

C. P. R. OFFICIALS

E. J. Worth, who was car service agent for the C. P. R. in this city and who was recently transferred to a similar position in Ottawa, left last evening to assume his new duties. W. B. Brown, who is to succeed him, is expected in the city daily.

ONE REGIMENT REVOLTS; SECOND IN FLIGHT BEFORE THE RUSSIANS

Hungarians Shot Down Wholesale By Orders of Their Officers

Paris, Aug. 2.—An official statement issued today says: "We are now in possession of precise information regarding the rebellions of which two Hungarian regiments were the object. One had revolted, the other took to flight before the enemy at Pilschcow. It was the Seventh Regiment of Landwehr of the Sixth Corps, which made common cause with the Magyar mutineers. Two hundred and seventy-seven men of this regiment were shot. The 123 men who escaped from the Russians were shot by order of the chief of staff of General Von Linsingen."