

BRITISH CAPTURE 2000 YARDS OF TRENCHES Russians Have Crossed the Sereth River South of Brody

WITH UNFALTERING RESOLUTION TO CONTINUE THE WAR TO A SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION, BRANTFORD OBSERVED ANNIVERSARY LAST NIGHT

At Great Open Air Meeting Held in Victoria Park, With Noted Speakers Addressing the Crowds From the Library Steps, This City Formally Acknowledged the Guidance of Providence in the Crisis Confronting the Empire To-day

In truly most and fitting manner it was that the city of Brantford last night united in commemorating and celebrating the anniversary of the entry of Great Britain into the present war on the night of August 4, 1914. In the presence of a gathering of the largest proportions, and of the highest spirit of enthusiasm and loyalty, the celebration took place on the steps of the public library, which building was beautifully decorated with colored flags and bunting in honor of the occasion.

Assembling at the altitudes at 7.15, the 215th battalion, together with the speakers and other prominent citizens joined in the parade which proceeded to Victoria Park via Colborne, Alfred, Wellington and George streets, where large crowds were assembled awaiting the commencement of the evening's services.

Field Kitchen Presented. Followed then the presentation of the field kitchen to the 215th battalion, the address being read by Mrs. W. C. Livingstone on behalf of the Women's Patriotic League.

Gains North of Pozieres

London, Aug. 5, 2.19 p.m.—The main German second line system on a front of 2,000 yards north of Pozieres on the Somme front has been captured by the British, it was officially announced by the War Office this afternoon.

Russians Cross Sereth.

Petrograd, Aug. 5, via London, 3.06 p.m.—Russian troops have crossed the river Sereth, south of the town of Brody, and in the region of Peniki-Tehostopy and have consolidated the captured positions, it was officially announced to-day by the Russian War Department.

PTE. GEO. ATKINS IS WOUNDED

Second Time Within Two Months His Name Has Appeared in Casualties.

A telegram received this morning by Mrs. George Atkins, 47 Duke St., conveyed the news that her husband, Pte. Geo. Leslie Atkins, of the 4th battalion was wounded and stationed at present in No. 13 stationary hospital, Buolagne. No further particulars of the nature of his wound were given.

NEW WIRELESS SERVICE

The Hague, Netherlands, Aug. 5.—It is announced that wireless telegraphic communication has been established between Germany and Spain on the service is that of Aranjuez-radio. A similar communication had already been installed between Austria-Hungary and Spain.

FRENCH HOLD THIAMONT WORKS; ALL COUNTER-ATTACKS REPULSED

All Night Long Bombardments of Most Violent Character Took Place, and Enemy Made Many Attempts to Regain Ground Lost, but Could not do so

Paris, Aug. 5, 12.30 p.m.—All German attacks on the French positions last night were repulsed, says the French official statement, issued this afternoon, the Germans sustaining heavy losses. A bombardment of the most violent character took place over the entire sector of Thiamont and Fleury. The battle lasted from nine o'clock last night until this morning, the French from Thiamont and Fleury having succeeded in clearing the approaches to the Souville and Tavanne Forts, which at one time seemed to be seriously threatened, and are back within a mile of Fort Douaumont where the most terrific fighting of the German offensive took place.

THE BEARERS OF EVIL TIDINGS.



Kaiser, soliloquising: "I have always said that war is distasteful to me and now I mean it."—Reproduced by special permission of the proprietors of London Punch.

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SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH-WEST LAND REGULATIONS. THE sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years of age, may homestead a quarter-section of available Dominion land in Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta.

MAYOR BOWLBY MAKES REPLY TO ALDERMAN WARD

He Denies that He Told Him Massey-Harris Matter Was Settled.

Mr. J. W. Bowlby has issued a statement in reply to Ald. Ward's remarks a few days ago on Erie Avenue matters. Mr. Bowlby's statement is as follows: Mr. Ald. Ward, for reasons best known to himself, has chosen to invoke the press to air his grievances, because of my action as your Mayor for stopping (for the best of reasons) work on Erie Avenue, when the people there and the Council desired the whole street paved and not the far end alone.

TURKS DRIVEN BACK EAST OF PORT SAID

Enemy Attacked Along a Front of Between Seven and Eight Miles. BRITISH TOOK 500 PRISONERS. Holding Their Positions and Navy Rendered Valuable Aid.

By Special Wire to the Courier. London, Aug. 5.—British positions near Romani, east of Port Said, are being attacked by 14,000 Turks according to an official statement issued by the war office. The Turks are attacking along a front of seven to eight miles, the statement says, and have so far been repulsed. An official statement issued by the Turkish war office on Friday stated that Turkish armies had attacked with machine guns British positions about 25 miles east of the Suez Canal.

Great Strikes on in New York

Over Two Million People Will Have to Walk as a Result. By Special Wire to the Courier. New York, Aug. 5.—Strikes were in effect to-day on virtually every surface car line in the Boroughs of Manhattan, Queens and the Bronx.

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Welcomed Break in Heat Wave

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HONORED BY CANADIAN UNIVERSITY

London, Aug. 5.—W. T. Hewitt, for 20 years one of the best short-hand writers in Parliament, is dead. In 1893 he went to Canada as private secretary to Lord Aberdeen and there received from the Canadian University of Lennoxville the honorary degree of D. C. L., in recognition of his writings for boys and young men.

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