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## HAIG REPORTS SUBSTANTIAL ADVANCE BRITISH SUBMARINE SINKS GERMAN BATTLESHIP SERBS CAPTURE MORE FORTS FROM THE ENEMY

### British Troops on Somme Push Ahead at Pozieres And on Leipsic Salient

Haig Reports Further Progress Made Along a Line Half-Mile Long—Germans Resisting Desperately at Guillemont Despite Heavy Losses.

(Canadian Press.)

London, Aug. 22.—3:29 p.m.—British troops on the Somme front have advanced along a line a half-mile long in the region of Pozieres, and have also made an advance near the Leipsic salient, it was officially announced today.

The Germans are stubbornly clinging to their hold on Guillemont, although sustaining heavy casualties as the result of British artillery fire on the place, says the official statement, which follows:

**Desperate Resistance.**  
"In Guillemont, the enemy's garrison is still maintaining an obstinate resistance in spite of very heavy losses from our artillery bombardments."

"In the vicinity of Pozieres we have again made considerable progress. We have advanced on a front of a half-mile and are established at a road junction just outside of Comblé, still holding out, although the British are fast hemming it in, and report the Germans in the town suffering heavily from the allied artillery fire."

vicinity of Thiepval we extended our gains and advanced our positions to within 1,000 yards of Thiepval. Over 100 prisoners were taken."

**NEARING THIEPVAL.**

(Canadian Press.)  
London, Aug. 22.—The British on the Somme front are slowly creeping nearer to Thiepval, on the left flank, their latest advance bringing them within 1,000 yards of the place. They also report a considerable gain of ground near Pozieres, where they have pushed forward along a half-mile front. Guillemont, north-west of Comblé, is still holding out, although the British are fast hemming it in, and report the Germans in the town suffering heavily from the allied artillery fire.

### RUMANIA MUST MAKE DECISION IN SHORT TIME

Berlin Declares Army Has  
Long Been Mobilized for  
Service.

FORCE NUMBERS 800,000

Germany Believes an Under-  
standing Has Been Reached  
With Allies.

(Canadian Press.)

Paris, Aug. 22.—All the morning newspapers comment at length on the possibility of Rumania joining in the war. The meetings that are in progress in Bucharest are taken to mean that all the various developments in the situation are being seriously considered, and the general tone of the comment is that the decisive moment for Rumania's action has arrived.

**A New Phase Opens.**  
The operations of the Bulgarian armies in Macedonia are interpreted in some quarters as having been undertaken solely with a view to influencing the decision of Rumania. On all sides it is agreed that a new phase in Balkan history is opening, and the discussion by the press of the various diplomatic phases of the Rumanian situation is followed by an examination of the strength of the Rumanian army.

The statement is made on good authority that the number of Rumanian troops that can be mobilized is 800,000.

**ALREADY MOBILIZED.**

(Canadian Press.)  
Berlin, Aug. 21.—The London, Aug. 22, 12:30 p.m.—The Budapest Azet, which is usually well informed on the Rumanian situation, today prints a dispatch from its Bucharest correspondent, saying that the action for war, which in the last few days has been at fever heat, has suddenly cooled down. It is stated that possibly the end of the mobilization is responsible for the change. If not the serious words uttered in the Hungarian Parliament.

This is the first hint of a Rumanian mobilization that has been permitted to pass the allied censorship. Almost nothing on the Rumanian military situation from the Entente viewpoint has come through since the Balkan situation in its present phase reached a critical stage.

**Understanding Reached.**  
The Bucharest dispatch adds that there is no doubt that Premier Bratianu has reached an understanding with the Entente, so that further negotiations are unnecessary now for actual participation in the war. Meanwhile the semi-official Rumanian press is savagely attacking the conservative circles which undertake to discuss mobilization and related measures. More ammunition from France and Russia is asserted to be arriving.

The white heat of discussion in Bucharest political circles is now declared to be subsiding, despite the alleged imminence of the final step. This is asserted to be due to the failure of the Russians to keep up their recent successes and to the proximity of Field Marshal Von Hindenburg to the Rumanian border.

### London Boy in Egypt Has Lost All His Memory

Mind Complete Blank, Says  
Letter From Another For-  
est City Soldier.

Has Arthur R. Murray, who went to the war from London, and is now lying helpless, with no memory for the past, at Alexandria, Egypt, any relatives in the city?

Miss Maud Egerton, daughter of Detective Robert Egerton, and accountant at Woolworth's store, has just received a letter from Arthur Merrick, formerly employed at the Woolworth store, which he asks that an effort be made to ascertain the whereabouts of relatives of Murray. Merrick found the young Londoner at Alexandria. He had lost his memory and all that was known of him was that he came from this city. The young man was seriously wounded, and his condition caused his mind to become a blank.

Mr. Egerton and his daughter would be greatly indebted to anyone furnishing information regarding the relatives of the unfortunate young man.

**TAKING POSSESSION OF  
NEW LAND IN ARCTIC**

Stefansson Establishing Canada's Claim  
to Recent Discovery.

(Special to The Advertiser.)  
Ottawa, Aug. 22.—Stefansson on May 7 last, was on his new land in the Arctic, taking final possession and exploring. Dr. Anderson of the south party returned to Nome a few days ago, telegraphs that Stefansson on the above date was on the northern corner of his newly discovered territory, starting on the extension of the route he began two years ago. All three schooners of the exploring party were safe. They are the North Star, Polar Bear and Mary Sacks.

**THE WEATHER**

TOMORROW—FAIR AND COOLER.

Forecasts.

Today—Fresh southerly to westerly winds, showers and local thunderstorms, but partly fair, turning cooler tonight.

Wednesday—Moderate to fresh westerly winds, fair and cooler.

Temperatures.

The following were the highest and lowest temperatures for the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today:

Stations	High	Low	Weather
Victoria	65	70	Clear
Calgary	76	48	Fair
Winnipeg	72	54	Clear
Port Arthur	65	54	Cloudy
Park Sound	72	58	Clear
Port Stanley	68	58	Fair
Buffalo	86	76	Clear
Toronto	88	67	Clear
Kitchener	88	64	Fair
Montreal	92	68	Fair
Quebec	86	60	Cloudy
Father Point	68	50	Clear

Weather Notes.

The depression which was in Nebraska yesterday now covers the Georgian Bay, while pressure is highest over the north-western states. Rain has fallen heavily over Lake Superior, and a few scattered showers have occurred in Quebec and the maritime provinces. In the western provinces the weather has been fine and moderately warm.

VICTIM OF DROWNING AND THOSE WHO ESCAPED



Advertiser Illustration.  
Stewart Parsons, 148 Langarth street, who went to his death in treacherous water of Coves on Monday night, and his brother, Eric, who, with John Bruce, 156 Langarth street, were almost dragged under by the drowning youth.

### BRITISH SINK BATTLESHIP

Submarine E-22 Believed to Have Sent Big German Fighter  
to the Bottom.

(Canadian Press.)  
LONDON, AUG. 22.—5 P.M.—A BRITISH OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT THIS AFTERNOON SAYS IT IS BELIEVED THAT A GERMAN BATTLESHIP OF THE NASSAU CLASS HAS BEEN SUNK BY THE BRITISH SUBMARINE E-22.

The Nassau class of German battleships comprises four vessels with displacements of 19,800 tons each, a length of 451 feet, beam 88 feet, and a draft of 26 feet. Their armaments consist of twelve 11-inch guns in pairs in turrets, twelve 5.9-inch guns in battery, and sixteen 2.1-inch guns, together with six torpedo tubes.

The Nassau, built at Wilhelmshaven and completed in 1910, was laid down originally in July, 1906, but the plans for her were changed with the building of the British dreadnought, and her construction was begun a year later, in 1907.

It is understood at Athens, the dispatch continues, that Greek army headquarters ordered the Seres division to retire. Orders have been given that all further hostilities must be avoided.

### ITALY IN BALKANS PROVES ONENESS OF THE ENTENTE ALLIES

Evidences International Allied  
Which Marks Allied  
Nations.

(Canadian Press.)  
Paris, Monday, Aug. 21, 4:35 p.m.—The Italian contingent of troops landing at Saloniki is of really important proportions, according to information here. In addition, the Temps, in its review of the military situation today, alludes to the presence of Russian troops along the Vardar River, which, if confirmed, would make five allied contingents engaged in the Entente campaign in the Balkans.

The announcement of the landing of Italian troops at Saloniki is regarded here as deeply significant, indicating an important reinforcement of the already large army of the Entente Allies, composed mainly of French, British and Serbian troops. The Italian movement is also construed as showing that comprehensive political agreements have been arranged in advance, as hitherto it was understood Italy withheld from participation in the Balkan campaign out of consideration for Greek sensibilities over the predominance of their influence in the Eastern Mediterranean. The participation of the Italians in the Balkan campaign also is considered another evidence of the international spirit prevailing among the Allies, and is compared to the sending of the Russian contingents to France. By this movement the Allies are distributing their effectiveness far beyond their own borders.

**LOCAL TEMPERATURES.**

Following were the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 99; lowest, 67. The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 84; lowest, 67.

### SNOBBERY AND RED TAPE BARS LONDON NURSE

Deprives Her of Place in Can-  
adian Hospital Because  
English-Born.

SERVED YEAR AT FRONT

Victoria Hospital Graduate  
Went to France With Chi-  
cago Hospital.

NO REPLY FROM HUGHES

Head of Canadian Forces Fail-  
ed to Answer Letters of  
Girl With Fine Record.

After having served with distinction for thirteen months in Dr. Murphy's Chicago hospital at the French front, Miss Elizabeth Thom, one of London's most distinguished hospital graduates, has been refused a place with a Canadian hospital because "she was born in England and is therefore not a Canadian."

Miss Thom made a name for herself as a nurse in this city after her graduation from Victoria Hospital, and later went to Chicago as a member of the nursing staff of the late Dr. Murphy's hospital. This hospital was the gift of the celebrated surgeon to the allied cause, and no unit has served with more glory and honor close to the front line trenches.

Served For Year in France  
For more than a year Miss Thom was in France, taking a large share of the exhausting work that followed the tremendous battles that occurred on that part of the front to which her hospital was assigned. Many times she worked over major operations with only the light of a tallow candle to guide her hands and eyes.

After constant service with the hospital she secured her release in order to go to London, Eng., and attach herself to a Canadian hospital, because she wished to be among her own people. Although she was born in England she came to London when a child, and she anticipated no difficulty in securing a place because of her experience and the fact that experienced nurses, capable of assisting at operations, were everywhere in demand. She made application to the Canadian hospital authorities and wrote to Sir Sam Hughes. Some months have passed, since then, and her reward has been a curt turnaround from the Canadian hospital authorities, and no reply from the distinguished head of the Canadian militia forces.

Chagrined Over Treatment.  
Relatives in this city have received word of her treatment. She is chagrined over the refusal of her own fellow-countrymen to give her an opportunity of serving with those who are nearest and dearest to her. She responded to the call while in Chicago because of her devotion to her country and the British cause, and her service to the Allies can never be gauged.

Red tape and insufferable snobbery are said to be at the seat of the disgraceful conduct of strutting officers in the old land. This heroic nurse is unable to do much else than return, and her friends here are heartily grieved to see her taken up by the press and called to the attention of the authorities.

"London physicians who know her could not fail to appreciate the service a nurse like Miss Thom could render," said a well-known surgeon today. "She would be as competent as most doctors over there, and perhaps her treatment is because she would know too much for those to whom she made application."

### ST. THOMAS BOY DIES OF INFANTILE PARALYSIS

(Special to The Advertiser.)  
St. Thomas, Aug. 22.—Following an illness of several days with infantile paralysis, Duncan Leslie McBain died today at the residence of his father, John McBain, 12 Margaret street. The victim was 9 years of age.

### BULGAR CAVALRY CHARGE BROKEN BY THE SERB GUNS

(Canadian Press.)

London, Aug. 22.—The London Times correspondent at Saloniki sends the following under date of August 20:

Some sharp fighting occurred yesterday in the vicinity of Florina, the Serbian outposts checking the Bulgarian advance while slowly retiring on their main positions west of Ostrovo. The fire of the new Serbian artillery is said to have inflicted severe losses on the Bulgarians. A squadron of Bulgarian cavalry charging a Serbian bat-

### SLAVS JOIN ALLIES IN BALKANS; SERBS STORM FORTS OF BULGARS; LATTER HAVE REACHED KASTORIA; GREEKS NOW FIGHTING BULGARS

HEROIC LONDON NURSE  
REFUSED PLACE WITH  
CANADIAN HOSPITALS



Advertiser Illustration.  
MISS ELIZABETH THOM.

### JOFFRE GOES AHEAD ALONG BOTH BANKS OF THE SOMME

French Advance Reported In  
Outskirts of Clercy,

TO NORTH OF THE RIVER

Several Trenches Near Es-  
trees and Soyecourt  
Captured.

(Canadian Press.)

Paris, Aug. 22.—12:25 p.m.—Progress was made by the French last night on the Somme front north of the river, in the outskirts of Clercy, the war office announced today. South of the river the French captured trenches near Estrees and Soyecourt.

**FRENCH OFFICIAL REPORT.**

Paris, Aug. 22.—The announcement follows:  
"North of the Somme the artillery continued to be active on a large portion of the front. During the night we made some progress in the outskirts of Clercy."

"In the wood which our troops took on August 20, south of Guillemont, we captured two more field guns, bringing up to eight the number of guns which fell into our hands in this engagement."

"South of the Somme minor operations enabled us to occupy several portions of trenches south-west of Estrees and east of Soyecourt. We took prisoners."

**A Surprise Attack.**

"Northwest of Saloniki one of our detachments succeeded in carrying out a surprise attack on a German trench on Vingre plateau. The night was calm on the remainder of the front."

"Yesterday one of our pilots brought down an abominable aeroplane, which crashed to the earth near Languevoisin, near Nesles. Furthermore, four enemy biplanes, which were attacked at close quarters by our aviators, fled."

"Last night one of our aeroplane squadrons dropped 75 bombs on the railway stations and lines of Tergin and Noyon, on the water station of Port-Le-Vieux and on the station at Applly. Our aviators report that severe fires were caused. All our aeroplanes returned undamaged."

**EX-MINISTERS' TRIAL  
POSTPONED—JUDGE ILL**

Winnipeg, Aug. 22.—Mr. Justice Prendergast sent word to the court this morning that he was ill, and the trial of the ex-ministers was adjourned until this afternoon, when his lordship expects to be able to appear.

Bulgarians Directed by Von Mackensen Are Driving Against  
Entente Left Flank, Having Occupied Kastoria and Cory-  
sta—In Doiran Section Serbs Carry Teuton Forts—Rus-  
sian Brigade Added to Entente Armies.

(Canadian Press.)

Paris, Aug. 22.—The fighting on the Saloniki front is becoming more general, says a Havas dispatch filed yesterday at Saloniki. In the Doiran section, Serb troops have captured Forts Kalmakadar and Cucurlu.

**RUSSIANS WITH SERBS.**

(Canadian Press.)

Athens, Aug. 22.—Via London, 1:35 p.m.—After a conference of the French, British, Serbian and Russian commanders at Saloniki today, it was decided that the newly-arrived Russian forces should take up positions with the Serbian troops on the southern frontier of Serbia.

The Serbo-Russian force was placed under a combined staff, of which Crown Prince Alexander of Serbia is the nominal commander. The Russian General Friederitzs is in actual command.

**RUSSIANS ARRIVE.**

(Canadian Press.)

Athens, July 31, 6 p.m.—Via London, Aug. 22, 12:25 p.m.—An initial brigade of Russian troops has arrived at Saloniki to join the Entente Allies in the fighting in the Balkans.

(Canadian Press.)

London, Aug. 22, 1:37 a.m.—Greek troops have been fighting the Bulgars in the vicinity of Seres since Sunday morning, says an Athens dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company.

The Greek commander at Seres has called to arms all the reservists in that locality, says the dispatch. That the fighting is of a stubborn character is indicated by the fact that a large number of Greek soldiers have been killed.

It was stated in a Paris dispatch yesterday that the 4th Greek Army Corps had fallen back from Seres as well as from Kavala and Drama. Seres is an important city of about 20,000 population, 45 miles northeast of Saloniki.

Paris, Aug. 22.—The heaviest fighting in the Balkans is on the front northeast of Saloniki, on the left bank of the Struma River, from Kavala to Barakli. On the western end of the line, hostilities are confined for the most part to artillery.

**IN FULL SWING.**

(Canadian Press.)

London, Aug. 22.—The offensive in the Balkans is in full swing with Russian troops to fight with the Entente Allies. The Rumania reported about ready to join in the war on the side of the Allies.

Landing of Italian troops, who are also to take part in the operations, is continuing. An unofficial dispatch also reports that Greek troops have become involved in the fighting, having been engaged with Bulgarians in the vicinity of Seres, northwest of Saloniki.

**RUSSIANS SEND AID.**

Athens advice received today indicate that Russian troops have been in the Balkans for more than three weeks, the initial contingent having arrived at Saloniki some time before the end of July. The news of their coming having been released by the entente censorship.

The arrival of the Russian detachment at Saloniki, together with yesterday's announcement that Italian troops had landed there, is another indication that the Entente Allies have decided to concentrate on this front forces sufficient for an important campaign.

**RUSSIANS' LONG TRIP.**

It is only about 350 miles in an air line from the Russian border to the Greek border at their nearest points, but Rumania and Bulgaria lie between them and to bridge the distance separating these countries the Russians were obliged to travel thousands of miles. As the Bosphorus is closed by the Turks to the Russians, they were deprived of the short sea routes. The Russian troops which were sent to France earlier in the war made a journey approximately 17,500 miles, traveling from Moscow to Port Dalm, Manchuria, overland, and thence by water transport by way of the Suez canal and the Mediterranean. At this season of the year, since the White Sea, northern Russia, is open, it is possible that the Russians traveled by the Atlantic route and reached Saloniki by way of Gibraltar and the Mediterranean.

**BATTLE IS GENERAL.**

Today's dispatches regarding the military developments on the Macedonian front indicate that the engagement is becoming general all along the 150-mile line. Immediately to the north of Saloniki, in the Doiran region, Serbian troops are reported to have captured two forts, while in the heaviest fighting so far reported, on the left bank of the Struma, northeast of Saloniki, the Anglo-French forces are attacking the Bulgarians to the northwest of Seres.

**GERMANS CLAIM SUCCESS.**

Berlin, Aug. 22.—Via London, 5:10 p.m.—All the Serbian positions on the Malka Nisepalain, east of Banica, on the Macedonian front, have been captured by troops of the central powers, the war office announced today.

The French, adds the announcement, have been driven out of Butkova and Tahimov.

**KASTORIA OCCUPIED.**

Athens, via Paris, Aug. 22.—12:30 a.m.—The occupation of Kastoria and Corcyra by the Bulgarian troops is confirmed. News from an official source says that the German field marshal, August Von Mackensen, is with the Bulgarians. The military movements of the Entente Allies are hindered by the flight of the civil population before the Bulgarian advance.

Kastoria is 25 miles south of Monastir on the extreme left of the Entente front in Macedonia. It lies about 30 miles southwest of Florina and its occupation indicates that the Bulgarians are pressing southward their movement on the allied left flank.

Field Marshal Von Mackensen was reported at Kovel in July to direct

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