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Enemy Mastered On Ground of His Own Choosing

French Regard Offensive Against Paris At End, At Least For Present—See Further Heavy Fighting Ahead, But Believe It Will Be On Another Front

Paris, June 14—In its summary of expert opinion the Havas Agency notes the unanimity with which the commentators have abandoned their reserve of the last few days and agree with M. Barras of the Echo de Paris in his opinion that the offensive against Paris is ended, for the present at least. They admit the possibility of its resumption sooner or later, and see further hard struggles ahead, but think it probable that the heavy fighting, when it is resumed within a few days, will be on another front.

The results of the offensive against Paris are enumerated by M. Barras thus:

"A territorial gain absolutely out of proportion to the losses sustained; Compiegne still in French possession; the Allied reserve manoeuvring forces intact."

In another article the Echo de Paris confidently declares that just as the Germans did not get to Compiegne, so they will never get to Paris. The enemy, it points out, has been mastered on ground of his own choice.

ENEMY CONTINUES ATTACKS.

London, June 14—The German Crown Prince continues his desperate attempt to overcome the difficult forest regions barring his way into the Oise Valley, and although by heavy fighting he gets a little nearer to Compiegne, his progress is very slow.

Thursday's reports are considered satisfactory on the whole by observers here. The enemy has progressed about a mile on a very narrow front northeast of Villers Cotterets, but the French troops are showing such determination and valor in counter-attacks that, although reports from Paris intimate it may be necessary to give further ground in face of superior numbers, there exists a spirit of quiet confidence and trust in General Foch's prudent handling of the situation.

The French and German communiques indicate the terrible nature of the struggle that is proceeding, the Germans having to admit the loss of some guns. The battle is regarded here as a contest between opposing reserves.

The view of the military experts still is that the enemy's main attack has not yet been delivered. There is much speculation whether the attack will be with the aim of reaching Paris, or, what is regarded as more likely, with the object of dividing the Allied armies by a drive for the coast.

GERMANS LET UP.

Paris, June 14—Fighting on the front of the German attack has died down, there being only local operations last night, according to the statement issued by the war office today.

REPULSED BY BRITISH.

London, June 14—A strong enemy party this morning attacked one of the posts recently established by the British southwest of Merris, on the Flanders front. The attack was completely repulsed. The Germans left some prisoners in the hands of the British.

Activity by the German artillery in the region of Villers-Bretonneaux, to the east of Amiens, as well as in the Scarpe Valley, east of Arras, is reported.

Surrender to Americans.

London, June 14—A party of fifty Germans among the troops who attacked the Americans northwest of Chateau Thierry on Thursday surrendered under a flag of truce, reports the correspondent of the Daily Mail. All the German attacks failed and they left behind them dead and wounded.

HAIG REVIEWS THE AMERICANS

American Headquarters on the British Front, June 12—(By the Associated Press)—Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig, commander-in-chief of the British army in France, today reviewed American troops on a wide plain in this area. British officers present were impressed by the physical condition of the men and by their high spirits.

Italian Front.

Rome, June 13—The official report from Italian headquarters today says:

"In the Tonale area, the Posina Astico sector and the sector between the Brenta and the Piave, the artillery fighting was more intense at intervals. The bad weather limited the activity of reconnaissance parties and aviators."

PERU SEIZES GERMAN SHIPS

Lima, Peru, June 14—The Peruvian government through its military forces has taken possession of the German vessels interned at Callao

This action by the Peruvian government follows upon the breaking off of diplomatic relations with Germany by Peru early last October

Amsterdam, June 14—The United States is blamed by the Kolnische Volks Zeitung for Costa Rica's declaration of war against Germany

PROMINENT FRENCHMAN MURDERED; SLAYER COMMITS SUICIDE.

Paris, June 14—Dr. Pozzi, a former senator and member of the Academy of Music, was attacked last evening at his residence by an employe of the Internal Revenue department, who fired three revolver shots at him and then committed suicide. Dr. Pozzi died in a hospital. The assassin is believed to have been insane.

GARDENS COMING WELL.

The vegetable patches on the city land in Lancaster present a very encouraging appearance. The heavy rains have stimulated growth and the results of the work of the amateur gardeners are making themselves shown. Every plot laid out by the city engineers is being cultivated. The demand made it necessary to increase the acreage this spring, and the additional ground not originally laid out has been taken up by individuals who have prepared the land for use themselves. Favorable conditions in the early spring made it possible to get a much better start than last year and the added experience of the gardeners also is contributing to the excellent showing.

Vienna gives up hope of better food conditions during the summer. The Ukraine is looked on as the only hope for June.

THE LUMBER DRIVES.

Fredericton, June 14—So far there has been no change in the level of the river here as a result of the heavy rain of the last three days. This is said to be accounted for by the fact that the soil was very dry.

The upper drive of the St. John River Log Driving Company is now between Peel and Hartland and the lower drives at Dumfries. It is expected the company will get the last of the logs from the Madawaska Driving Company at the end of the week.

Rafting operations are now being carried on at Douglas. The water in the river is low. The rain has been quite general on the headwaters of the St. John river.

THE LATE JOHN KEEFE

Mr. Keefe, whose death is announced elsewhere, did excellent work as a member of the international commission which was appointed following lumbering troubles in the St. John River where it divides New Brunswick and Maine. He had been about thirty-five years with the James Robertson Company, entering the employ as accountant and rising to be manager here.

New War Loan in October; Hope To Raise Half Billion

Ottawa, June 14—Preparations well in advance are being made by the finance department for the successful flotation of Canada's next Victory loan in October. It will probably be the greatest financial effort of the dominion. While the amount of the loan has not been definitely fixed, it is thought here that the amount asked for will be $250,000,000, with a real objective of $500,000,000.

No doubt is entertained as to the ability of Canada, even after four years of war, to raise this large sum, but the effort will be a prodigious one, backed by the most efficient organization which can be brought about during the next four months.

THE KEEMUM IS U-BOAT VICTIM

Information by Wireless Caught by Vessel Which Makes Atlantic Port

An Atlantic Port, June 14—Ships ready to sail from here last night and today were turned back on reports that a submarine was operating eighteen miles off the Virginia Capes.

An Atlantic Port, June 14—A British steamship arriving here today reported that she received wireless messages from the British steamer Keemun last night that she was being attacked by a German submarine. Two hours later word was received from the vessel that she was sinking.

The Keemun, a vessel of 5,871 tons, said she was off the Virginian Capes. She was last reported as leaving Manila.

London, June 14—The Swedish steamer Dora, 1,555 tons gross, has been sunk without warning (presumably by a German submarine), according to a despatch from Copenhagen to the Exchange Telegraph Company. Nine members of the vessel's crew were killed.

An Atlantic Port, June 14—An American steamer from West Indian ports arriving here today reported that on Tuesday, off Cape Hatteras, the vessel picked up a wireless call for help from a ship between her and the shore, which, the message said, was being shelled by a German submarine. The fate of the vessel was not learned. The last ship definitely known to have fallen victim to German submarines in American waters, was sunk on June 10, the day previous.

Paris, June 14—(Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency)—Enemy submarine operations have lessened greatly in the western and central English channels since the blockade of Zeebrugge and Ostend. The number of submarines operating has also appreciably diminished, owing to the severe losses in recent months.

TORONTO GLOBE SAYS WIDER ACQUAINTANCE WITH FRENCH NEEDED

Toronto, June 14—The Globe says:—"Pamphile Lemsay, a French-Canadian poet of note among his own people, is dead. But French-Canadian poetry or prose is a closed book to the majority of Canadians. Few English-Canadians who call themselves educated can ever read French with ease. A wider acquaintance with that tongue is a national necessity in this country."

CHARGED WITH MURDER OF WAR VETERAN IN MONTREAL

Montreal, June 14—Charged with the murder of Henry Bowman, a returned soldier of Kingston, Ont., on January 16, Almanzer Chaput was arrested here last night. According to the police reports, the badly mutilated body of the soldier was found lying in the street. Bowman had been passing through Montreal from Halifax, where he was engaged in relief work.

BRITISH CASUALTIES

London, June 14—British casualties reported in the week ending today totalled 34, 171 officers and men. Of this number, 4,447 were killed. The casualties were divided as follows:

Officers killed or died of wounds, 231; men, 4,216.

Officers wounded or missing, 899; men, 28,825.

Prefix and Pherdinand

WEATHER REPORT

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

Synopsis—The eastern low area is moving slowly across the Gulf of St. Lawrence with diminishing energy and an area of high pressure has come in over Lake Superior from the northward. The weather has been showery in Quebec and the maritime provinces and mostly fine elsewhere.

Forecasts.

Lakes and Georgian Bay—Moderate northerly winds, fine and comparatively cool today and on Saturday.

Ottawa and Upper St. Lawrence—Moderate to fresh northwest winds, fine and comparatively cool today and on Saturday.

Lower St. Lawrence—Moderate to fresh northwest and west winds, fair and cool tonight and on Saturday.

Gulf and North Shore—Fresh winds, cloudy and unsettled with local showers; Saturday, north and northwest winds, clearing.

Fair and Cool.

Maritime—Moderate to fresh westerly winds, clearing; Saturday, northwest winds, fair and comparatively cool.

Lake Superior—Moderate northerly winds, fine today and on Saturday.

Manitoba—Fair today; some local showers on Saturday.

Saskatchewan—Local showers or thunder storms but mostly fair.

Alberta—Local showers and cooler.

New England—Partly cloudy tonight and Saturday; moderate northwest winds.

PATIENTLY WAITING.

Power Company Probe This Month

First Sitting in St. John On or About June 28, is Information Received By Premier Foster

The first sitting of the Royal Commission which is to investigate the affairs of the New Brunswick Power Company and report on the application for permission to increase the rates charged, will be held in St. John on or about June 28. This information has been received by Premier Foster from Guy W. Currier of Boston, chairman of the commission.

The commission is composed of Mr. Currier, who is chief counsel for the receiver of the Bay State Street Railway Company of Boston; Henry Holgate of Holgate and Ross, water power engineers, Montreal, and Professor Albert S. Rychey of the Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Worcester, Mass.

Under the act of assembly passed at the last session of the legislature, the commission is given extensive powers to investigate the affairs of the power company, its predecessors and other companies with which it has had relations.

The interests of the city and the citizens will be looked after at the inquiry by the city solicitor, Dr. J. B. M. Baxter, K. C., Dr. W. B. Wallace, K. C., and John A. Sullivan of Boston, former city solicitor for the city of Boston who has been retained on account of his specialized knowledge of public utility matters.

While the report of the commission will not be dealt with until the next session of the legislature, the commission has been given power to authorize temporary changes in the rates if they find that conditions revealed by their inquiry warrant any changes.

RUSSIANS BOW TO GERMANS AGAIN; GIVE UP BLACK SEA FLEET

London, June 14—A Russian government wireless despatch received here last night gives details of correspondence concerning the German ultimatum to Russia insisting on the return of the Russian Black Sea fleet from Novo Rossysk, on the east coast, to Sebastopol, as a condition to the cessation of the German advance on the Ukrainian front. The ultimatum was delivered on June 6 and set a time limit to June 14.

The despatch says Foreign Minister Tchitcherin advocated acceptance of the demand because the return of the ships "is a fundamental condition for all further agreements between Germany and our allies for the cessation of hostilities and for negotiations."

Premier Lenine, says the despatch, ratified the decision and the naval authorities ordered the return of the ships by June 10.

The despatch says that M. Tchitcherin again has wired the Russian ambassador at Berlin complaining of German advances in the Roslav region on June 5, and also in the Rylsk region and from the Rostov railway toward Voronezs, where the Germans captured Roveniki. He said also that the Germans had attempted to cut the Baritsyn railway in the neighborhood of the Kumylgar river.

TRIBUTE TO RHONDDA

London, June 13—(via Reuter's Limited)—London papers referring to the completion of the first year of Lord Rhondda's administration as food controller, says:—"The best tribute to his work is supplied by enemy sources. The German censor, in order to continue the delusion of the people, who entirely imagine we are undergoing a process of starvation, has forbidden any allusion to the British food controller's notable achievements. Prices have been established on a firm basis and there no longer exist queues of people waiting in line for supplies. Rationing is working smoothly. If the populations of the Central Powers were acquainted with the comfortable food situation in this country, the social revolution in Germany and Austria would be hastened in no inconsiderable degree."

It is reported that natives of Alsace and Lorraine to the number of 6,630, who are fighting for France, have been denationalized by the German authorities.

HENRY FORD FOR SENATOR

(J. M. Robinson & Sons' private wire telegram.)

New York, June 14—Henry Ford upon request of President Wilson, has agreed to accept a democratic nomination for senator from Michigan, if offered to him.

Large additional orders from General Pershing for munitions and steel supplies indicates there will be little steel left for non-essential industries.

Brooklyn Rapid Transit financing plan said to propose that war finance board advance two-thirds of requirements with understanding that local banking interests will take care of other third through issue of short term notes.

RAID IN DUBLIN; 30 TO 40 ARRESTED

Dublin, June 14—(By the Asociated Press)—The police raided a workmen's club last night and arrested from thirty to forty of the hundred persons assembled. A large and threatening crowd in the street was dispersed by the police who used their clubs.

The charge against those arrested is understood to be that of drilling in the hall of the club. Those in the club who were not arrested denied there was any drilling, declaring that dancing chiefly supported the club.

Alderman Kelly, Sinn Fein representative at the anti-conscription conference, and other Sinn Feiners are members of the club.

Important Conferences.

Tokio, June 7—(By the Associated Press)—An important council, attended by Prince Fushimi, Field Marshals Yamagata and Terauchi, the premier, lLeut. General Oshimo, the minister of war, and others was held in the general staff office today. A joint conference of the field marshals and the admirals has been summoned for June 10.

London, June 14—A despatch to the Times from Tokio quotes the military correspondent of a Tokio newspaper as saying that the business considered on June 7 was the abolition of the brigade system for the army, the adoption of a corps system similar to the German, and the increase of the army to twenty-five corps of two divisions each, with each division containing three regiments He says alterations are also contemplated in the navy

An Economic War Against Germany

Drastic Proposals of The British Board of Trade Committees

Imperial Preference and Favored Treatment of Allies as Compared With Neutrals — No Truck With the Hun—Development of Imperial Resources

London, June 13—(Via Reuter's Limited)—The reports of several committees appointed in 1916 by the board of trade to consider the position of the various trades after the war, with reference to international competition, were published here this evening.

The committee on textile trades recommends immediate measures to increase the output of cotton in India, Egypt and the Soudan and also for the control of the export of Egyptian cotton, in order to safeguard the requirements of the British Empire and its Allies and to prevent any possible leakage to or storage for account of enemy states.

Regarding wool, the committee points out the predominant position of the British Empire in the production of wool for clothing purposes and suggests early conferences among representatives of Australia, New Zealand and South Africa in order to formulate a plan with a view to the fulfillment of the pledges to the Allies in the Paris resolution, the safeguarding of British requirements and the utilization of the wool resources of the empire as a means of bargaining.

NO EXPORT TO ENEMY FOR AT LEAST A YEAR.

The committee suggests a policy of licenses during the period of reconstruction, with a prohibition of exports to enemy countries for at least one year after the conclusion of peace and for such further period as may be desirable, while export to neutral countries would be restricted to wool available after satisfying the requirements of the British Empire and its Allies.

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STRIKE IN TORONTO

Men and Girls in Willys-Overland Company Employ—Question of Female Labor

Toronto, June 13—More than 600 men and 100 girls, including 125 tool makers, 100 machinists, and the others specialists and assemblers, are on strike at the Willys-Overland Company. From statements of the officials, a most serious situation has arisen, involving the question of female labor, and the strike, it is said, may spread to other firms in the city, who are engaged on work connected with the Willy-Overland Company.

In a statement given to the press, the strikers assert that the firm is endeavoring to lower the wages of girl workers from forty-five cents an hour for specialists and thirty-five cents an hour for inspectors to twenty and twenty-seven and a half cents respectively. They also allege, that after a board of conciliation had been agreed to, some union employes were discharged.

QUEBEC CITY DEFICIT MAKES THE TAXES HIGH

Quebec, June 13—The deficit of Quebec city for the fiscal year ended April 30, 1918, was made known last night by City Treasurer Verge. It totalled $256,466.19. The revenue was $1,412,292.42 and the expenditure $1,668,758 61.

According to the city charter the city council is obliged to impose a special tax on property to cover the deficit. This will be 38 1-3 cents on the hundred dollars, while the total taxation will thus be increased to $2.37 on the $100, apart from the tax of $2 charged for water closets.

SEAPLANES VIEW WRECKAGE OF THE AUSTRIAN BATTLESHIPS

Venice, June 13—(By the Associated Press)—Italian seaplanes have visited the scene of the action on Monday when two Austrian battleships were torpedoed by two Italian torpedo boats and have found wreckage a mile square ten miles north of where the attack took place, having been carried there by the currents. Many dead sailors also were seen in the water and Austrian destroyers were discovered towing another destroyer along the coast.

The seaplanes also visited the harbor of Pola, and ascertained that there is only one Austrian dreadnought there. Commander Rizzo and his companions in Monday's exploit feel satisfied that they sank both the Austrian warships.

HOLLAND TO DAM AND DREDGE ZUYDER ZEE.

The Hague, June 14—The first chamber of the Dutch parliament today passed without division the bill for damming and dredging the Zuyder Zee.

By the dredging of the Zuyder Zee an enormous tract of land will be added to Holland's acreage. The project has been agitated for several years.

Canadian Press

Toronto, June 14—N R Jennings of the Edmonton Journal, has been elected chairman of the daily section of the Canadian Press Association Incorporated, and J N. Chevrier of Le Devoir, as chairman of the Ontario and Quebec section.

ROADS NEVER BETTER AT THIS TIME OF YEAR

Fredericton, June 14—"All work done on the highways last year by the department of public works has stood up well and is perfectly satisfactory," said Hon. P. J. Veniot, provincial minister of public works, on his return from Charlotte county, where he had been inspecting roads. Reports from all sections of the province are that the highways at this time of year never were in better condition.

This week the minister inspected roads on Deer Island and Campobello Island. He also was at McAdam, where he met a committee who made a request for improvement for the Harvey-McAdam road and also the North Lake-Skiff Lake road. Work will be done on both. The minister also was asked to have improvements made to the old Woodstock road which runs through St. Croix and St. Andrews to Woodstock. This road would make a direct route for motorists from Charlotte county and Maine points to Woodstock. No decision has been reached with regard to it.

The minister will visit St. John county in the near future and will inspect the Spruce Lake road and other highways leading from St. John city. It is probable that work will be done in that section during the summer.

ALBERTA FARMERS AND THE M. S. A.

Calgary, June 14—Expressing their willingness to do their full share and give their best services in winning the war, but clearly stating that the enforcement of the amendments to the Military Service Act would result in a serious situation among the farmers of Alberta, the full executive of the Union Farmers of Alberta has memoralized the dominion government

STREET WORK.

The repair work on the southern side of the Marsh road which is being carried on by the city has now reached a point beyond the McAvity plant. About five days more are required to complete this side of the road and next week Commissioner Fisher will bring in a recommendation regarding the northern side.

City employes have completed the work of replanking one side of the Newman Brook bridge and a few days more will finish the entire bridge.

A new asphalt crossing is being laid in Prince William street in front of the post office, a convenience which will be much appreciated.

Gravel repairs are being made to Millidgeville avenue, Park and Waterloo streets.

ANOTHER CHARGE.

Private Harrison, who is in custody on a charge of stealing money from Mrs. Sadie King's store in Brooks street, was brought into court this morning and an additional charge of stealing a suit of clothes from the American Dye Works was placed against him. Miss Jessie Burton testified about the suit being received by the works and its subsequent disapeparance. The prisoner was then remanded and further witnesses will be summoned.

TALK OF A SECOND CABINET IN LONDON

London, June 14—The question of establishing a second cabinet in Great Britain to deal with purely domestic affairs and relieve the war cabinet of the pressure of that work will be brought before the both houses of parliament next week. It has been rumored that the goverment has decided on two cabinets.

According to the Times, however, the present war cabinet is not likely to agree to any such definite division of the functions of government, although it is understood that some changes in the present machinery are planned. The Times says that questions of purely domestic interest will be decided in the future by a committee or committees of ministers to which the powers of war cabinet will be delegated to this extent.