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ALLIES ARE ISOLATING DEFENDERS' VILLAGES

Russians Smash Counter-Attacks and Again Advance

GUILLEMONT AND MAUREPAS ARE UNDER FIRE FROM THREE SIDES

Capture by Allies Now Merely a Question of Time and Artillery Preparation—French Again Make Notable Advance at Verdun

Paris, Aug 18, (noon).—Heavy attacks were made by the French last night on the Verdun front. After violent fighting at Fleury, east of the Meuse they expelled the Germans from part of the town which had been captured, says the official statement to-day.

Several German counter-attacks on the Somme front southeast of Maurepas were repulsed.

The French also made considerable progress in the region of Thiaumont, in the Verdun sector. Fifty Germans were captured.

By Special Wire to the Courier.

New York, Aug. 18.—A New York Times cable from Paris, under Thursday date, follows:

"As a result of yesterday's success" said a French staff captain, who arrived in Paris this morning from the Somme front, "Guillemont and Maurepas are under the allied fire from three sides. Their capture is now merely a question of time and artillery preparation.

"I am glad," he continued, "to have the opportunity to speak to the newspapers in view of the messages of correspondents visiting the German headquarters in Picardy.

Two Miles in Three Days.

"If contradictions were needed, is proof better than any argument? Since July 30, we, in three days, gained ground over two miles in depth on a four mile front north of the Somme and that at a cost absolutely trifling compared with what the Germans paid for their gains at Verdun.

"Just examine the battle front and you will see that we have steadily widened it since the beginning. That doesn't look as if the offensive had broken down, but on the contrary, that it is ever growing toward full development. The difference from previous attempts is that this is a logical offensive. We aim at nothing we cannot reach; then make certain of our hold before advancing further.

Hammering and Team Work.

"Already, between Maurepas and Clery, we are tackling fortifications hastily constructed to link up strong 'points d'appui' of the German third line. It is evident that we are piercing the first and second. Such trenches are far less defensible than the armoured labyrinths forming the previous lines. Moreover, penetrating the weaker points enables us to work around the strong ones like Guillemont or Maurepas until we can batter them to pieces before assaulting with infantry. We know the method now. Success has become a matter of artillery hammering and team work.

Tremendous Bombardment.

"Thus yesterday the advance was preceded by two days of the most tremendous bombardment I ever heard. Verdun did not compare with it.

"You must remember that mastery of the air lets us know the exact targets, while the German gunners are practically blindfolded."

The captain who took part in the assault beyond Maurepas-Clery road, said:

Enemy Quits Quickly.

"It is difficult at many places even to distinguish where the German trenches have been and as a good fighter as the boche has shown himself to be, you don't find him making desperate resistance in these shell holes, like our men at Verdun. Once the shelters and quick-firers have been demolished the German throws up the sponge readily enough."

When asked whether there had been a distinct weakening in the German morale as the offensive progressed, the officer said:

Can Not Judge Morale.

"It is hard to say for two reasons. First, the troops opposite any one point of our line are constantly being renewed, so that what one takes for lowered morale, is often the inferior quality of the new comers, while the next lot may be better. Second, our present system of limiting the advance after a gigantic bombardment has reduced the defenders to such a condition that it is impossible to judge what the morale would be in more equal fighting.

Portugal Coming in

Soon Will Be Participating Actively on Side of Entente.

By Special Wire to the Courier.

Lisbon, via Paris, Aug. 18.—Major Norton Mattos, the Portuguese minister of war announced to-day that Portugal will soon participate in the war, fighting on the side of the Entente Allies.

The Portuguese congress voted to join the Entente Allies in the war in November, 1914. A Portuguese naval commander seized thirty-six German and Austrian vessels in the Tagus River in February, 1916, and the following March Germany declared war on Portugal because of this action. The Portuguese troops were called to the colors on March 16.

GREAT FIELDS OF NATIVE COPPER

Canadian Arctic Expedition Uncovers Untold Wealth in North

By Special Wire to the Courier.

New York, Aug. 18.—The discovery by the Canadian Arctic expedition headed by Vilhjalmur Stefansson of a great field of native copper in the vicinity of Copper Mine River, in the neighborhood of Prince Albert Island, will prove of great value to the business world, says Dr. Chester A. Reeds, of the American Museum of Natural History. Dr. Reeds believed also that it will afford scientists an opportunity for displaying their ingenuity in finding an outlet from a region that is still unopened in a commercial sense.

The work of the party which arrived in Nome, Alaska, on Tuesday is expected to prove value in determining the direction of winds and the movement of tides in the Polar region. Dr. Reeds said this work might go a long way to prove or disprove the theory that an unknown continent exists in the great unexplored region north of Alaska and west and northwest of Greenland.

CANADIAN TARIFF SECOND TO NONE

London, Aug. 18.—Speaking yesterday at a farewell luncheon in honor of Mr. Pritchard, the Australian Sugar Convention representative, Sandbach Parker, chairman of the British Empire Producers' Association, expressed the opinion that the Canadian tariff, as a scientific tariff, was second to none in the world. Agents General Pelletier, of Quebec, Reid, of Ontario, Howard, of Nova Scotia, and Reid, of Alberta, were among those present.

STEAMER LEAKING

By Special Wire to the Courier.

Limerick, Ireland, Aug. 18.—The American schooner, J. H. Mead, from Montreal, July 5, for Liverpool, arrived at Carrigaholt, Ireland, leaking. There is five feet of water in the hold.

COUNTER-ATTACKS FAIL MISERABLY

Austrians and Germans Meet Great Losses and Russians Press Forward

By Special Wire to the Courier.

Petrograd, Aug. 18, via London, 2.45 p.m.—The Austro-German effort to throw back the Russians in Galicia has resulted in great losses and met with no success, the War Office announced to-day. The Russians have pressed forward in several sectors.

The announcement follows:

On the front, from Zlota to Portaytse the enemy resumed the offensive with considerable forces, without success. The enemy sustained gfeat losses.

On the river Bystritza-Solovina we occupied Lysiets (seven miles southeast of Stanislau) on the western bank of the river.

In the direction of Ardzeluz our troops occupied a series of heights.

In the region of Korosmezo (Carpathians) our troops, continuing their advance, approached the summits of the mountain in the vicinity of Korosmezo.

On the Caucasian front the Turkish offensive in the region west of Lake Van was repelled easily by our troops. In Persia, in the region of Kala Pasova, encounters took place with considerable Turkish forces.

FIVE FIRES, WORK OF INCENDIARIES

By Special Wire to the Courier.

Amsterdam, N.Y., Aug. 18.—Five fires of incendiary origin, started almost simultaneously this morning, occasioned a loss of $200,000 in the outside business section of the city, destroying the lumber yards of the Mohawk Valley Lumber Company the H. C. Grieme Company and the Amsterdam Lumber Company, as well as the plant of the Guy Park Cement Company and coal sheds of the C. Van Buren Company. The factory of the Premier Broom Company also was burned.

That the fires were deliberately started was established by the police in the finding of an oil soaked burlap bag tucked underneath a coal shed adjoining one of the lumber yards.

REGARDING SPIRITS

By Special Wire to the Courier.

London, Aug. 18.—The British customs authorities have issued a notice to exporters of spirits, that for each shipment there must be provided a certificate testifying that it complies with local laws in regard to proper aging. This order is issued to meet the American customs regulation that imported spirits, must comply with the laws regarding aging enforced in the country of origin.

The by-law specifies that spirits must not be sold until three years, therefore the custom authorities will give no certificates of export to the United States for any spirits which failed to comply with this regulation.

EDWARD CANFIELD DEAD

Middleton, N. Y., Aug. 18—Edward Canfield, general superintendent of the New York, Ontario and Western Railroad, died to-day at his home in this city.

Huns' Guns are Active

But British Keep Moving on, and Made Another Gain.

By Special Wire to the Courier.

London, Aug. 18.—German artillery became more active last night along the Somme front. A small British gain is reported in the official announcement of to-day, which follows:

"Last night the enemy's artillery showed increased activity. Northwest of Eazenein-le-Petit, by a small local enterprise we further extended our gains in the enemy lines. German trenches in this area were found to be greatly damaged and full of the enemy's dead.

"A further hostile attack from Martinpuich last night was repulsed as completely as were his former attempts yesterday."

ROADS BEAT THE BIG GUNS

Rapid Concentration by Italy against Austrian Drive a Thrilling Story.

KAISER'S HARVEST IN ITALY.

Old Men and Boys Working, and Women Do Harvesting.

By Special Wire to the Courier.

London, Aug. 18.—(New York Times cable)—Lord Northcliffe sends the following to The London Times from the Trentino front, under yesterday's date:

"The kaiser has sown his dragons teeth well. All through this beautiful province of Venetia are soldiers drilling, soldiers marching, infantry, Alpini, cavalry, motor transports, ammunition columns, big guns, and field guns. Women who look as though they had walked out of titian's pictures are gathering the third harvest. Old men and boys—thousands of them on this part of the front alone—are making and repairing the wonderful roads that lead to victory.

War in the Mountains.

Climbing by new war roads to 3,000 feet we came on a front not unlike that of the Somme with the difference that the ground was covered by a vast amount of rock and stone, even in the woods where the hostile armies lie facing each other.

Here the Italians recently repulsed 360,000 Austrians equipped with twenty six batteries of 12-inch guns. The fighting in this region presents as it does on every front, its own particular difficulties. Here aeroplane observation is both difficult and dangerous owing to the presence of vast scattered rocks with little landing space.

Trenches Drilled and Blasted.

"The trenches must here, as in Cadore on the Carso, be drilled by machinery and blasted. The Austrians are extremely well provided with petrol-driven machine drills. With these they also excavate deep caverns for hiding their guns.

"What I may call the prisoner puzzle is accentuated by the fact that the prisoners recently taken here are of remarkably fine phyysique, unlike those I saw yesterday. They are mostly Austrians, Germans, Poles, and Ruthens.

The Austrian Drive.

"I will seek to convey an idea of the problem imposed upon his soldiers by General Cadorna when the great Austrian 12-inch guns suddenly began last May. Against the concentration of Austrian 12-inch guns and masses of infantry, the Italians were for the moment powerless. Though holding well on both flanks, in the centre the Italians were overwhelmed and their bases of supplies disorganized. Could the foe be stopped before reaching the plain?

A Thrilling Chapter

Mark that the problem resolved itself into one of time. A few hours might turn the scale. The full story of the rapid concentration of the Italian forces, the organization of fresh bases of suply, including water of which there was none on the Asiago plateau, and particularly the problem of the conversion of mountain mule tracks overnight into splendid motor roads, cannot yet be told. When told it will form one of the most thrilling chapters of the war. It was roads verus big guns, and the roads won. In the face of the strengthening of the Italian counter pressure the Austrians hesitated. Bringing forward their heavy batteries with hesitation proved fatal to their plans. The completion of the roads enabled Cador-

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GAINS HELD, COUNTER-ATTACKS DEFEATED BY ARTILLERY FIRE

Six Successive Barrages of Shell Fire Wrecked All Assaults of Hun Troops---Guillemont, Maurepas and Clery Seriously Menaced by Entente Advances

By Special Wire to the Courier.

New York, Aug. 18.—Cabling last night The Tribune's London correspondent says:

The Germans struck a heavy counter-blow at the British line to-day, but it was beaten back with severe losses. Haig's troops stood their ground despite six rushes in a storm of shell fire, and turned the assault so thoroughly that they were able to advance their line on a narrow front.

Pozieres and the ground to the north were chosen again for the Teuton counter-attack. The British advance here has driven a wedge between Thiepval and Martinpuich, threatening to pocket both villages, which are bulwarks of the second line.

Six Curtains of Fire.

In an effort to dislodge this wedge, the Kaiser's troops attacked on a broad front, and with strong forces last night and this morning. Haig's guns set up six successive curtains of fire, through which the enemy could not penetrate. Then the British assailed the German line northwest of Bazenti lying east of Pozieres and succeeded in capturing a hundred yards of trenches. The Teutons immediately counter-attacked, but were repulsed again.

Guillemont, Maurepas and Clery

The allied forces have now driven their wedge eastward far enough to menace seriously the German second system, Guillemont, Maurepas and Clery will fall at the next thrust. The British, while the French were pushing closer to Combles last night, pushed on west of Guillemont along a 300 yard line.

Along the front north and south of Mourepas and south of the Somme where the allied forces advanced on a three mile front yesterday, the Kaiser forces made no attempt to counter-attack to-day. They elected to assail the British line along the northern edge of the wedge on the theory that if it were blunted there a push eastward would be seriously hindered.

Steady Pressure Kept Up.

London sees extremely hopeful signs in the allied victory yesterday. The advance proved that offensive ability still rests in large degree with the allied forces in Picardy, and that while the advance may move slowly, nevertheless a thrust always pushed back the German lines. The British and the French continue the steady pressure on the Teuton line, always returning to the attack with increased power after they have been stopped momentarily. It is a good criterion of their resources in men and munitions that after seven weeks of almost incessant battle they were able to execute the brilliant dash which helped to straighten their line in the Combles-Peronne sector.

This advance is measured only in yards, and it is only a minor incident in a wide movement, but it was costly to the Germans who defended their positions stubbornly.

Counter-Attacks Coming

Some observers here believe that if the estimates of German numbers in the west are correct, the kaiser's troops will not rest content with defending the Somme sector, but will launch a heavy counter-attack at another point on the line in the west. One of these critics say that Germany is still well supplied with troops, and that the 1917 class is far from being exhausted.

So far the greatest value of the western offensive has been to compel Germany to concentrate large forces there, enabling the allies to strike successful blows at other points. How effectively this scheme has worked out is shown clearly in the results in southern Russia, on the Carso and at Verdun.

Keeping the Enemy Busy

Long ago the British military leaders appreciated fully the difficulties which must be overcome before either side could advance on this trench-webbed western front. They laid their plans accordingly. The ceaseless battering of the German lines in Picardy aims as much to kep the Teutons engaged in the west as to break through the enemy lines.

Of the whole British people these leaders are most satisfied with the results in Picardy, because they realize best the strength of their opponents.

Lloyd George's Summing Up.

Lloyd-George's statement to-day that "Britain's honor is not dead, her might is not broken, and her destiny still unfulfilled," sums up best the seriousness of British thought.

BELGIAN GAIN IN EAST AFRICA

Have Captured and Occupied the Port of Karema, 125 Miles South of Ujiji.

By Special Wire to the Courier.

Havre, Aug. 18—A brigade of Belgian troops has captured and occupied the port of Karema, on the eastern bank of Lake Tanganylka, German East Africa, says an official Belgian announcement. Karema is about 125 miles south of Ujiji.

BUBONIC PLAGUE NOW IN ENGLAND

Discovered in Bristol—Brought There by Rats It Is Supposed.

By Special Wire to the Courier.

New York, Aug. 18.—A cable to The World from Bristol, England, dated yesterday, says:

Three cases of the dreaded bubonic plague have been discovered in Bristol on the southwest coast of England, along one of the greatest British ports in foreign trade. Said Dr. Davis, health officer of Bristol port, to the correspondent to-day:

"The three cases have been traced to rats which it is supposed, were inoculated purposely with bubonic plague.

"There is no evidence that the disease was brought here on a ship or that the infection came from America. The method by which the disease was introduced is obscure, but is being investigated carefully."

TO-MORROW

Choice Creamery Butter to-morrow, 35 cents a pound. Crompton Grocery.

KELLY REFUSED A NEW TRIAL

Court of Appeal by Vote of 3 to 2 Refused Defence's Application.

By Special Wire to the Courier.

Winnipeg, Aug. 18.—Thomas Kelly is refused a new trial. The court of appeal, by a majority of three to two refused the application of the defence. Chief Justice Howell and Justice Cameron and Perdue sustained the conviction of the parliament buildings contractor. The defence will appeal to the Supreme Court.

Wilson Drops a Bombshell

Vetoed Army Appropriation Bill Because of Certain Features

By Special Wire to the Courier.

Washington, Aug. 18.—President Wilson to-day vetoed the army appropriation bill because of exemptions from discipline for retired officers, forced into it by the House conferees led by Representative Hay, chairman of the military committee, over the opposition of the war department. A new bill will be necessary, and may delay adjournment of Congress.

Representative Hay said he would reintroduce the bill in the House immediately with the features to which the president objected eliminated.

BRANTFORD MAN HOME.

By Special Wire to the Courier.

Quebec, Aug. 18—A large number of invalided soldiers arrived here yesterday evening from Halifax, where they landed on Wednesday. Among them were: Princeton—M. Mullen; Brantford—J. McDonald.

Robert P. Leeder, a pioneer settler and railway employe, aged 80, died suddenly at Palmerston.

Germany Feeling Heavy Losses

By Special Wire to the Courier.

London, Aug. 18.—(New York Sun Cable)—Erich Von Saltzmann, military critic of The Vossische Zeitung, writing about the Somme battle, makes the following remarkable admission to-day:

"We can admit without hesitation that certain regiments came out of this fighting with a total of loss hitherto unknown in the history of war."

People Ignored Both in Austria and in Germany

Representatives in Parliament Are Only the Toys of the Men in Power, and in Hungary Populace Is Classified as Suspects or Non-suspects.

By Special Wire to the Courier.

London, Aug. 18.—(New York Herald Cable).—The Morning Post's Budapest correspondent quotes a prominent Hungarian professor as saying in a lecture:

"There is no such constitutional factor as the people nowadays, either in Germany or Hungary. The so-called representatives in parliament are only the toys of the men in power. Their utterances do not count, and their actions are limited by the interests of the rulers, calling themselves the state, especially in Hungary, where the people are classified as suspects and non-suspects.

"This condition is almost as much a feature of the war as the army itself. The people are placed under the instruction of 'armed might,' and as long as this stands there are no people in a political or constituitonal sense.

The correspondent supports this contention, adding that these circumstances explain why prominent thinkers say the war can end only in a revolution wherein the army will have to take the lead.

The Papacy is For the Allies

By Special Wire to the Courier.

Home, Aug. 18.—(New York Sun Cable)—Pope Benedict has instructed all the cardinals in Italy to pray for victory for Italy and her allies. Hitherto the cardinals, following the pope's example, have been preaching and praying for peace at all their services. They have exhorted all the faithful to attend the functions of intercession for an early peace. Now, however, they will pray for the defeat of the Teutonic powers.

Cardinal Ferrari, archbishop of Milan, and other cardinals holding episcopal sees, have publicly explained that the Catholic Church wants to see a lasting peace. They are convinced now that no peace can be lasting unless the war ends victoriously for Italy and her allies. They are urging, therefore, that all Catholic churchmen should join in efforts to win the war.

N. P. MAN DEAD

By Special Wire to the Courier.

New York, Aug. 18.—William P. Clough, chairman of the board of directors of the Northern Pacific Railroad Company, died last night, at his home in this city. Mr. Clough was a director of several other railroad companies and vice-president of the Northern Express Company. He was 71 years old.

VERDICT OF ACCIDENT

By Special Wire to the Courier.

Prince Rupert, B.C., Aug. 18.—At an inquest held Thursday into the deaths of Mrs. J. F. Sheps, of Port Clements, her three children and her mother, from eating poisoned fish, a verdict of accidental death was returned.

The children were aged four, seven and ten. A fourth child, and the father, who was away, are the survivors of the family. The deaths occurred Monday afternoon.

BULGARIA AND TURKEY HINTING FOR PEACE TERMS

Allies Have Been Approached, but Enemy Must Acknowledge Defeat.

By Special Wire to the Courier.

Rome, Aug. 18—(New York Times cable)—Reports are coming from east, west, north and south concerning efforts by Turkey and Bulgaria to make a separate peace with the allies. However, the papers warn the public not to put too much faith in such rumors as while there is a grain of truth in them, the governments of those countries have taken no steps to that end. The fact seems to be that certain influential persons of both Turkey and Bulgaria have sounded England and France and even Russia for the purpose of ascertaining on what terms separate peace would be granted, but that the allies replied evasively, intimating that they could only treat with the responsible governments and on the understanding that the countries desiring peace would fully acknowledge the victory of the allies. Real negotiations are still a long way off, but interested Bulgarians and Turks are working for this result.

TIGHTENING UP

By Special Wire to the Courier.

London, Aug. 18.—No person over 15 years old will be permitted to land in Australia after September 1, without a passport issued or approved by British authorities, it was announced to-day. Persons sailing from foreign countries must have passports vized by a British consul.

TO-MORROW

Choice Creamery Butter to-morrow, 35 cents a pound. Crompton Grocery.