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Germans Win Back Small Part Of Position Which The British Captured

Khaki Lads, However, Make Progress Elsewhere—Surrender of Whole Battalion of Prussian Infantry

London, July 4.—The Germans last night recaptured a small part of La Boisselle, which was taken by the British in the new offensive. Further to the south an official announcement says, the British made some progress, capturing a wood. They took prisoners and war material.

GERMANS SEEK TO BELITTLE VICTORY GAINED BY BRITISH; GIVE FRENCH CREDIT

Berlin, July 4.—On the basis of information received by the Associated Press, the first results of the long heralded offensive may be summarized as follows:— "The success of the offensive has been on the British front. The only considerable results have been attained by the French, whose offensive, as usual, marked by great bravery and dash, resulted to the second German line, where the French were repulsed.

DRIVER W. D. CUMMINGS WRITES OF WORK OF AMMUNITION COLUMN

In a letter to his mother, Mrs. David Cummings, of Forest street, Driver William D. Cummings, who left St. John with the D. A. C. in the first contingent, gives some idea of the calls which are made upon the ammunition column.

POLICE COURT

Edward Burke, whose dwelling in Main street was visited last week by the detective department and a large case of liquor confiscated, was before the police magistrate this morning for having liquor in his house for sale without a license.

HIGH READY SOME TIME AGO BUT STAYED HAND AT JOFFRE'S REQUEST

New York, July 4.—(Toronto Globe cable)—Two official cablegrams concerning the allied offensive in France were received in New York yesterday from the British intelligence office. One says in part: The interesting point emerges that Haig was ready to strike some time ago, but refrained, on Joffre's request, till word was given.

OFFICER WRITES OF GALLANT MEN FROM HAMPTON

Lieut. Barnes Speaks of Lieut. Oty as "Fearless as Lion"

Hampton, July 3.—Letters were received last week from Lieut. Roland Barnes of the 4th Mounted Rifles, written since the big battle of June 3. Of his friend, Lieut. George Dickson-Oty, who was killed in action on June 3, he writes: "Dear George died as he lived, a man of his calibre, fearless as a lion, looking after his men under very heavy shell fire. He was always so independent and absolutely fearless. We buried his body just where he fell. There was not a scratch on his body so we judge he must have been killed by the concussion of a shell."

LOYD GEORGE TO BE WAR SECRETARY; LORD DERBY WITH HIM; NEW MUNITIONS MAN

London, July 3.—(Toronto Globe cable)—It will soon be announced that David Lloyd-George is to be appointed secretary of state for war, with Lord Derby as under secretary for war, replacing Mr. Tennant, who may go to the office of agriculture.

GERMANS HIDDEN IN DEEP DUG-OUTS

Rushed Out to Man Machine Guns When Bombardment Lifted—A New Ruse by Enemy

WANTS FRANK ASHE FOR KILTE REGIMENT

Friends of Frank Ashe, son of Mrs. David Cokerly of this city, will be interested to know that Lieut.-Col. Guthrie has applied for him to return to Canada to take over the duties of sergeant in one of the companies of his new kiltie battalion.

FEAR FISHERMAN HAS BEEN DROWNED

Charlottetown, P. E. I., July 4.—Bert Dickie, aged twenty-three, a lobster fisherman of Cape Traverse, is supposed to have been drowned yesterday afternoon. He was last seen overhauling his lines and suddenly disappeared. His boat likely was swamped by a heavy sea. There is a possibility that he may have been picked up by a passing schooner.

RUSSIANS BREAK THROUGH RESISTANCE AT ONE POINT; ENEMY IS DRIVEN TO WEST

Petrograd, July 3.—Activity on many sectors of the Russian front from Lake Naroch to the Galician border, was announced in an official statement issued by the Russian war office tonight.

On the western front southwest of Lake Naroch, the Germans last night opened an intense artillery fire which lasted the whole night. On the northern bank of Lake Vieschnyok, the Germans attempted to approach our trenches during the night but were driven back by our fire.

HIGHLANDERS IN BLOODIEST PART OF BATTLEFIELD

Utster Irishmen and Lancashire Clerks Mentioned ALL FOUGHT GALLANTLY

TWO COUSINS OF S. C. MATTHEWS ARE KILLED IN ACTION

S. C. Matthews of the Western Union staff, received word today that two of his cousins were killed in action in France on June 18. They were John Matthews, aged thirty-six years, and Alonso Matthews, aged thirty-two years, sons of Mr. and Mrs. John Matthews of Vancouver.

ACTION AGAINST MATATUA BEGUN

In the Admiralty Court chambers this morning, Chief Justice McLeod presiding, evidence was taken on commission in the case of Mary M. Clarke et al. owners of the tug Neptune vs. the ship Matatua. This case is an action for salvage.

WEATHER BULLETIN

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

Germans Inactive As French Consolidate Positions

No Attempt to Interfere—Busy However at Verdun and Make Six Attacks Northwest of Thiaumont But Are Repulsed

Paris, July 4.—The slight was quiet north and south of the Somme with the French organizing the conquered positions, says the French official statement issued today.

AMERICAN TROOPS TO BE WITHDRAWN FROM MEXICO?

New York, July 4.—A Washington dispatch to the Tribune says—General Pershing's forces have been withdrawn to within 100 miles of the border. This announcement today foreboded, it is thought, complete retirement of the American troops from Mexico at an early date.

SAYS NEW MOTOR FIRE APPARATUS IS NEEDED

At a meeting of the Common Council at noon today, the report of the commissioner of finance and public affairs was adopted in full. It provided for a grant of \$500 for the 104th Battalion for the payment of the departmental expenses to permit payment of dog taxes at the old rate until August 1, and to authorize the mayor to pass all accounts, properly certified, until August 1.

COM. MCELLELL BRINGS MATTER BEFORE COUNCIL

Com. McLellan drew attention to the fact that there was an unexpended bond issue of \$7,000 towards the purchase of a motor fire ladder truck and asked for instructions. A proper ladder truck would cost \$14,000 to \$14,500, and was needed; unless one was secured, he would not be responsible for the loss of life in fires in high buildings. If the council did not want to vote the additional amount required for this purpose, he wanted permission to use the amount already voted for the purchase of other motor equipment, such as a runabout for the chief, motor trucks for the salvage department, a motor ambulance.

WELCOME LETTER TO A ST. JOHN HOME

Word Comes From Pte. Chas. M. Kelley, Who Had Been Officially Reported Killed

The English mail brought a welcome letter to the home of Pte. Charles M. Kelley yesterday, as he had previously been reported killed. His family had heard the report, but it was official, but, of course, it was enough to make them very anxious. The letter was written under date of June 30, and stated that he was in the best of health and spirits. He also said that the night before he wrote the Canadians had taken back a trench from Fritz.

ROUMANIA ACTING

London, July 4.—The Rumanian government has ordered 350 cars and six locomotives, belonging to Austro-Hungarian railway which were sent into Rumania while the Russians were advancing in Bukovina. All exportation to Bulgaria has been suspended.

Partly Fair

Maritime—Strong east and northeast winds, occasional rain. Wednesday, fresh northwest to southwest winds, some local rains, but partly fair.