

# UNCOMFORTABLE POSITION NEAR ARRAS IS RELIEVED

## British Push Back German Line Southeast of That Important City—Hindenburg Line Reached—South to Bapaume Germans Launch Heavy Counter Attack, But Meet Bayonet—Everywhere From Scarpe River To Lihons Battle Continues, British Making Progress.

With the British Forces in France, Aug. 26—The battle this morning again extended the active front to the northward, fresh British forces launching a new attack from the River Scarpe to what heretofore has been the left flank of the battle line. Everywhere the German line is reported to have been beaten in as the British troops push forward. With the customary "crash" bombardment the British went over at three o'clock this morning, and seem to have made good progress. There also has been considerable activity north of the River Scarpe, where the British yesterday took some ground.

In the course of the night the Germans counter-attacked and got back a slight portion of their losses. In the south there was new activity. Below the Scarpe the British continued to push forward last night and today. A vicious German counter-attack at Faucourt-L'Abbaye was repulsed with heavy losses for the enemy, while additional prisoners were captured by the British.

**British Statement.**  
London, Aug. 26.—British troops attacked this morning in the Scarpe sector, east of Arras, and good progress is being made. The British position southeast of Mory and west of Croisilles has been improved in spite of a heavy rain which is falling on the battlefield. Strong German counter-attacks north and south of Bapaume have been repulsed by the British. Favreuil, a mile and a half northeast of Bapaume, has been carried, and the British have advanced beyond the village. The British lines have been advanced in the direction of Maricourt, four miles northeast of Bray.

**A Quick Gain.**  
This morning's attack was launched between the Scarpe River at Fampoux, and the heights northeast of Croisilles-Vitasse. In a few hours the British made an advance of two miles on a front of four miles, according to advice reaching here from the battlefield. Monchy-Le-Preux, Guemappe, and Vancourt, a little less than five miles southeast of Arras, have been taken in today's attack. Further south the British have taken Mory and made progress to the southeast of the village.

The towns of Monchy-Le-Preux, Guemappe and Vancourt were on the Hindenburg line as it stood prior to today's attack. Further south in this sector the Germans drove ahead slightly, but were held up after the second day of the fighting and after that time could not get nearer Arras. This morning's attack was apparently between the Coeul River and the Scarpe and adds about four miles to the length of the battlefield. The line of battle, starting with Fampoux on the Scarpe River, now follows Monchy-Le-Preux, Guemappe, Vancourt, Heninel, Croisilles, east of Mory; Favreuil, Avesnes, Haucourt, L'Abbaye, Martinpach, west of Besenlin-Le-Petit; Mametz and Cambrin, then proceeds to the Somme, just to the west of Maricourt. There is little change south of the Somme, except that the British line has been improved to the west of Chisnes.

**French Statement.**  
Paris, Aug. 26 (1 p.m.).—The Germans today attempted a counter-offensive on a large scale against the right wing of General Mangin's army in the region between Yvelly and Soissons. The attack failed. General Mangin's army repulsed the German onslaughts everywhere and in some instances gained ground. The French flung back the attacking troops even beyond their starting points.

**London, Aug. 26.**—In the battle of area south of the Somme, General Debeno's French army has captured Fresnoy-la-Roye, about three miles north of Roye. General Mangin's army has also made a slight advance between the Ailette and the Alsne. Four hundred prisoners were taken by this army yesterday. Fighting is reported proceeding at Heninel.

**Paris, Aug. 26.**—Heavy bombardments in the region of Roye and between the Oise and the Ailette rivers are reported in the official statement issued by the war office today. Two German surprise attacks in the Voges sector were without results. The French took prisoners. The night was calm on the rest of the front. The French have continued their progress east of Basmeux, between the Ailette and the Alsne. They repulsed counter-attacks west of Cocuy-Au-Mont. Four hundred additional prisoners have been taken. The Petit Parisien says that the number of prisoners taken by the British since August 21, has reached 20,000.

South of Bapaume the Germans this morning launched another heavy counter-attack. The British permitted them to come up to the British trenches and then met them with the point of the bayonet. In many places where the Germans have been forced to retreat the British are progressing cautiously where the Germans have placed mines in the roads in the hope of delaying the advancing artillery, transports and troops. The British, knowing the ways of the enemy, however, so they have not been caught by these devices. More prisoners, heavy guns and machine guns have been captured. The Germans apparently expected something was going to happen south of the Somme as late yesterday when British patrols pushed in outposts the

# TOURIST TRAFFIC IS VERY HEAVY

## Thousands of Visitors to the Maritime Provinces Are Returning Home After Spending Their Vacation.

That the tourist traffic is at present above the average was the opinion expressed by a railroad man last evening. Yesterday's train going east at 12.50 o'clock had eleven coaches and each was filled to its capacity. The train leaving Halifax yesterday morning for St. John had fourteen coaches and extra cars were put on at Oxford Junction in order to handle the traffic. Among the passengers were thirty French sailors whose vessel was recently wrecked by a German submarine off Sable Island. The men are en route to New York. The other passengers were mostly tourists bound homeward after spending their vacation in Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. The next six weeks is predicted as a busy one with tourists returning home, and in view of this the steamship companies are rushing on the route between Point Du Chene and Summerside.

**PREACHED ON THE ISLAND.**  
The Rev. Nell McLaughlin who is on a visit to his sister, Mrs. Pate, of O'Leary, P. E. I., led the service in the Methodist church at Millburn, P. E. I., on Sunday morning. The reverend gentleman in his opening remarks congratulated the church on the large congregation present in comparison with his last visit; also on the fact that the number of women present equalled the number of men. Mr. McLaughlin also led the service in the Presbyterian church at O'Leary in the evening.

**ATTEND MEETING OF PROVINCIAL PREMIERS TODAY**  
Premier Foster and Hon. J. F. Tweeddale Left for Halifax Yesterday—Propositions Regarding Returned Soldiers To Be Discussed.

Premier Foster and Hon. J. F. Tweeddale, Minister of Agriculture, will attend a meeting of the Provincial Premiers to be held at Halifax today. At this meeting, Premier Foster of Nova Scotia, Premier Arsenault of Prince Edward Island, and some other Ministers, to be selected by each of these Premiers will be present. The meeting is for the purpose of discussing in detail the question of the settlement of returned soldiers and of coming to some scheme where by the different provinces can aid the men who have been at the front. Different propositions have been submitted to the different Premiers, but the schemes under consideration will not be made public until after tomorrow's conference has taken place. It is understood that it is in the hands of the Maritime Provinces formulate some kind of a uniform scheme for benefitting the returned men.

**EXPECT SHIPMENT OF SHALE.**  
It is expected the first shipment of Albert shale will reach the city in a day or two as J. H. Frink yesterday received word from Louis Corey that about one hundred tons had been mined and was ready for shipment. It had been intended at first to crush this shale at the mine but the crusher sent down by the provincial government broke it up too small and it will be shipped down and broken or crushed after arrival in the city.

**BORN IN ST. JOHN.**  
Mrs. Theresa Frame of 99 Claremont Avenue, Arlington Heights, Mass., was notified by the Canadian authorities that her son, Peron R. Frame, was seriously wounded in action Aug. 14. He was born in St. John, N. B., 25 years ago. In 1917 he enlisted with the 236th Battalion MacLean Killies. Recently he was transferred to the Seaforth Highlanders.

**FUNERALS.**  
The funeral of Mrs. Elizabeth Leonard took place yesterday morning from the old Catholic cemetery. The funeral of Ronald V. Mosher, son of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Mosher, took place yesterday afternoon from his parents' residence, 56 Chapel street. Services were conducted by Rev. R. P. McKim, and interment was made in Cedar Hill. The funeral of Mrs. Elizabeth Knowles took place yesterday afternoon from Messrs. Chamberlain's undertaking rooms. Services were conducted by Rev. G. A. Kahring, and interment was made in the Church of England burying ground.

**\$1,500,000 BLAZE**  
Canton, O., Aug. 26.—Fire last night destroyed an entire block surrounded by Tuscarawa, East Second, Walnut and Piedmont streets, including Klein and Hoeffelman Co.'s department store. The loss is \$1,500,000.

# WHEN A SOLDIER IS DISABLED

It is not always from wounds. A great many men are disabled through foot trouble. Even the bravest man cannot "carry on" if he is suffering from sore feet. Hence the necessity for Zam-Buk to keep the soldier's feet in good condition. A military authority in "The War Office Times" says: "If every man in the service were supplied with a tin of Zam-Buk it would, in my opinion, greatly add to the efficiency of the army." For blisters, cuts, scratches, burns and sores of all kinds Zam-Buk is unequalled. All dealers have it.

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**BIRTHS.**  
McEachern—On the 25th inst. to the wife of Henry W. McEachern, 115 Thorne Avenue, a son.

**THE WEATHER**  
Maritime—Moderate to fresh westerly to northerly winds; clearing and a little cooler.  
Northern New England—Fair and somewhat cooler Tuesday. Wednesday fair. Moderate southwest shifting to northwest winds.  
Toronto, Aug. 26—Showers and thunderstorms have been almost general today from the Ottawa Valley to the Maritime Provinces, and a few light showers have occurred in northern Alberta.

MINIATURE ALMANAC	
August—Phases of the Moon	
New Moon, 6th.....	4h 30m. p.m.
First quarter, 14th.....	7h 16m. p.m.
Full Moon, 22nd.....	1h 2m. a.m.
Last Quarter, 29th.....	3h 27m. p.m.

  

ON CANOE TRIP.	
A party of girls, members of the Natural History Society, left yesterday morning for Grand Falls for a canoe trip up the Tobique. Curator and Mrs. McIntosh accompanied the party who are composed of the following—Margaret Dunlop, Hazel Dunlop, Edith Paterson, Ada Colwell, Dorothy Jones, Winnifred Colwell, Gerda Holman, Ethel Armstrong, Christie Higgins, Georgie Teeda, Gretchen Betts, Frances Jordan, May Jarvis, Marjorie Robinson, Constance Coester, Helen Simma, Marion Buxton, Ruth Coester, Irene Brown, Leslie Fickett, Marjorie Kelly, Amelia Green.	

# REV. MR. WELLS' BAD HABIT OF FLYING OFF HANDLE

## While Pastor of Princeton Baptist Church Man Accused of Murdering Wife Was Subject to Brain Storms or Something of Sort—Congregation Got Rid of Him—Not Kind of Man To Harm Anyone Unless Mentally Unbalanced.

Calais, Me., Aug. 26.—Rev. Henry H. Hall, accused of murdering his wife and for 15 months pastor of the Princeton Baptist church, was none too popular in that neighboring town. In fact the residents stated that they were pleased when he came but more pleased when he left. The opinions of the Princeton folks on many phases of the man's character seem to be nearly unanimous. One of the most prominent and outspoken members of the church and prominent citizens of the town said:

Mr. Hall came here from Harrington fifteen months ago last January. At first we thought we had a most wonderful pastor and he is in some ways. He can preach the most eloquent, brilliant and thrilling sermons—a regular Billy Sunday—we never heard anything like him. But he had not been here a great while when he would surprise everybody by "flying off the handle." He would lambaste the congregation and talk like a wild man, often so incoherently and wild that there was no sense to his talk. Then at other times he would give us as sound and practical a sermon as you ever heard. His way was up in October 1917 and we tried to get rid of him but he managed to stay three months longer.

**Was Abusive.**  
"I never heard that he was abusive to his family. He appeared to have an infatuation for other women and to 'just feller them around,' as the boys say, but I do not think that he carried it to the extent of immoral relations. My personal opinion is that he was addicted to drugs. He had every symptom of it. If he murdered his wife, in my opinion his mind was unbalanced. He appeared devoted in a way to his family here, would often do the housework for days and as far as I ever heard treated them kindly, except for his attentions to other women.

**Was Not Well Man.**  
In conversation with a number of others it was brought out that Hall had been stricken with attacks or spasms at various times. Last year he was attacked while conducting revival services at Grand Lake stream and was in a serious condition for a time. Dr. Mixer of Boston who had a summer home there took Hall to Boston for treatment. It was also learned that Hall had a severe operation for appendicitis, is believed to have been too active before fully recovered and had suffered in consequence.

## The Man With the Hoe

Hoeing is a severe strain on the back. It calls into play muscles not used much in lifting or in other kinds of farm work. If you have a weak back you cannot stand much hoeing unless you use Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills to set the kidneys right and remove the cause of weakness and lameness of the back. Just try one pill a dose at bed time and see how much better you will feel.

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### THE HIGH WHEELER IS AN OLD TIMER

Man Riding High-Wheeled Bike Caused No Little Commotion on Douglas Avenue Last Evening.

Residents on Douglas Avenue and others who happened to walk along that section of the city last evening, were given a great surprise for there was seen making his way towards the bridge a man seated on one of the old time high wheel bicycles. The machine is an old timer with a very high wheel in front and an exceedingly small one in the rear, and from all appearances the rider must use a step-ladder, or climb on the top of a fence to reach the seat of the bike, and if he should take a tumble he has some distance to go before he reaches the ground. Perhaps it has not been since the evening that Alf Riggs made his daring ride down King street on a similar wheel many years ago that such an old timer has been seen in the city and it is somewhat of a curiosity.

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