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Allies Now But Two Miles From Town of Combles

Kaiser Sends Son and Prussian Guard in But They Are Beaten at Maurepas; Heavy Counter Attacks Fail; Russians on the Move Along Entire Asiatic Front

Paris, Aug. 25.—The complete occupation of Maurepas brings the French and the English advanced lines on the Somme within two miles of Combles, the advance on which is greatly aided by this forward movement.

Maurepas was one of the principal supporting points between the Somme and the highway from Albert to Bapaume, and also was an important strategic base by reason of its situation on a plateau dominating the region towards the south.

Petrograd, Aug. 25.—The new offensive movement of the Russians in southern Turkish Armenia is being developed energetically. The war office reported today that the Russian troops are continuing the attack west of Lake Van. The capture of Mush, in the district was announced last night.

ON EASTERN FRONT

Petrograd, Aug. 25.—German forces before Kovol, in Volhynia, attempted to take the offensive yesterday, but the war office reports they were repulsed. Small actions farther to the north in the sector between Vilna and Baranovichi also are reported in the statement.

WEATHER AGAINST ITALIANS

Rome, Aug. 25.—The new attacks of the Italians in the Dolomites on the northern part of the front is being hindered by unfavorable weather conditions, but some further progress is reported in the official announcement of today.

TURKS GIVE UP BITLS

Petrograd, Aug. 25.—It is announced that the Russians have resumed their advance along the entire Asiatic front. The Turks have evacuated Bitlis.

KAISER'S SON IN COMMAND

The Germans have placed on the line against the French between Harcourt and Clerf, the fifth division of Bavarian reserves and the first division of the Prussian Guards. This guard division is commanded in person by Prince Eitel Frederick, the second son of the German Emperor and took part in the fighting at Maurepas.

Guillemont, where the English have made progress is being defended by the Kaiser Wilhelm II Regiment of Wuertemberg.

COUNTER ATTACKS FAIL

The French gains in the vicinity of Maurepas yesterday were followed by heavy German counter attacks last night. The official report says the Germans were repulsed with heavy loss. The German assault was delivered against Hill 121, near Maurepas.

Heavy shelling of the German lines continues in the region of Lassigny and Roye. On the Western front, the German attacks have been repulsed.

MINIGIONS TO BULGAR PORTS

London, Aug. 25.—Austrian trains are arriving daily at Orsova (a Hungarian town on the Danube near the Serbian and Rumanian borders), with ammunition which is being conveyed in barges to Bulgarian ports lower down the river, says an Odessa despatch to the Daily Mail. A great quantity of explosives and medical supplies is being concentrated at Toplice, near Orsova, in which neighborhood the work of entrenching and wire entanglements is progressing energetically.

Two German generals with staff officers have arrived at Orsova, says the despatch, for the purpose of inspecting defenses on the Rumanian frontier.

Germany has made urgent offers for the Rumanian export commission for the pure use of the frontier.

The commission has deferred its decision until Monday.

Serbian Success

London, Aug. 25.—Successes against the Bulgarians all along the line of the Serbian front in Macedonia are reported in the Serbian official statement of August 22. The statement declares that the Bulgarian centre was yielding to the Serbian pressure and that the positions previously designated for Serbian occupation were being seized and held by Serbian troops.

ONE GERMAN SAYS IT'S NOT SO MUCH AFTER ALL

Berlin, Aug. 24.—The newspapers give the exploit of Captain Koenig of the Deutschland, the prominent place in their editorial comments and discuss the possibility of the empire getting certain much needed materials through merchant submarines.

Count Von Reventlow, in the Deutscher Tagesspiegel, is almost alone in taking a pessimistic view of the entire affair. He calls attention to the fact that over-estimating the value of the merchant submarine is detrimental to the German national interests.

BAND CONCERT

The Temple Band will play the following programme on the King square this evening, commencing at 8 o'clock: O Canada.

March—Second to None.

Serenade—Twilight Echoes.

Selection—Plantation Songs.

March—Second Regiment.

Overture—Valmond.

Song—In the Land of Love with the Song Birds.

Waltz—Sounds from the Opera.

Serenade—Cupid's Charming.

March—W. M. B.

God Save the King

MANCHESTER UNITY.

Moncton, N. B., Aug. 25.—At the closing session of the Grand Lodge Manchester Unity, a proposal to increase the assessments was defeated, but it was decided to have an actuarial valuation at the next grand lodge. During the year the sum of \$760 was raised for patriotic purposes. A proposal to amalgamate the officers of grand secretary and grand treasurer was defeated.

ONE RECRUIT

Clifford Hannah, of Bon's Head, signed for overseas service this morning at 11 recruiting office. He joins the 25th Battalion.

DEFINITE BREAK FROM OTTOMAN RULE ANNOUNCED

London, Aug. 25.—The Grand Sheriff of Mecca, chief magistrate of the Holy City, who announced his independence of Ottoman rule in June and, supported by Arab tribes, captured the Turkish garrisons of Mecca and several other cities, has proclaimed a definite rupture between orthodox Mohammedanism and those represented by the committee of union and progress which is now in power in Turkey. In a proclamation, as forwarded from Cairo by Reuters correspondent, the grand sheriff denounces Kaver Pasha, Talat Bey and Djemal Pasha, young Turk leaders, staunch supporters of Turkey and among the most powerful figures in Turkey. Djemal Pasha is commander of the Turkish forces in Syria and is reported to have adopted severe measures to crush the revolution.

The proclamation closes as follows: "What stronger proof of their faithlessness is needed than the bombardment of holy places, such as Abraham's tomb, and the killing of persons praying within a mosque. God has opened the way to independence and freedom for us. We shall not be satisfied with a complete and absolute. Our aim is preservation of Islam."

BRITAIN AND FRANCE IN IMPORTANT AGREEMENT

London, Aug. 25.—The premiers of Great Britain and France, the finance ministers of the two nations and representatives of their financial and bonded interests met at Calais yesterday and reached an agreement on important financial matters, including payments abroad and the maintenance of exchange between the two countries.

YACHT RACE TOMORROW

Interest is being manifested in an arbitrary handicap race, which is to be held under the auspices of the Royal Krambeck's Yacht Club on Saturday afternoon. It is to be for the Gregory cup and is the last race of the season.

The course is to be from a buoy off Millidgeville to Milkish and return three times over. A start will be made at 2:30 o'clock. Commodore F. P. Starr and J. Fraser Gregory will be judges at Millidgeville and G. E. C. Gandy and Charles Green at Milkish. Times will be W. Stubbs, William Turner and T. T. Lantain.

The yachts entered are: Vanguard, Dr. Merrill; Lovina, Harry Dymk; Ives, Walter; Lorna, William; and the yacht club, Scott; Hiron; Horder; E. Van, C. E. Elwell; Canada, F. S. Heans; Gracie M. Van, McLaughlin; Smoke, Ralph Fowler.

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SOLDIERS TO CHURCH

The members of the No. 8 Field Ambulance Corps will parade to St. Mary's church on Sunday morning. Services will be conducted by the Rev. R. T. McKim.

Disarmament

London, Aug. 25.—The disarmament conference at Geneva, which is to be held on September 1, is expected to be a success.

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SIX AIRSHIPS INEQUAL RIGHTS

Another raid for Jews in Russia on England

Three People Killed and Several Injured; Enemy Bounced But Get Away

London, Aug. 25.—An official statement issued by the War Office says: "Six hostile airships raided the east and southeast coasts of England last night at intervals between midnight and three o'clock this morning. One airship made her way westward well inland. The remainder of the fleet carried out two harrows over the coast. The number of bombs dropped by the raiders has not yet been ascertained. Several bombs are reported to have been directed at ships at sea. The damage effected by the raid was slight.

"In one instance a railway station and some houses were damaged and two horses were killed. At another point she eluded her pursuer in the clouds. A further report will follow."

Three Killed.

London, Aug. 25.—Three persons were killed and several injured by a Zeppelin, which dropped a large number of bombs in the neighborhood of a town of the southeast coast of England early today, says a despatch to the Exchange Telegraph company.

A Central News despatch says there was great excitement in a town on the Thames estuary at 1 o'clock when a Zeppelin was seen hovering over the town. Mist obscured the raider, but it could be heard hovering over the town. Soon after approaching rapidly from coast. After hovering over the town for some time it passed toward the west. Soon afterwards a series of violent explosions, followed by cannonading, shook buildings and lighted the sky.

The people through the streets, calmly watching these operations, which lasted for half an hour.

Now at New London

New London, Conn., Aug. 25.—The German steamer Wilhelm was interned at Boston at the outbreak of the European war, was arrived here this morning.

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Long War Yet, Says The Times' Military Expert

Discusses Arming the Troops For Campaigns Next Year and Year After That; Must be No Weakening When Peace Parleys Come

London, Aug. 25.—The Times' military expert, in an optimistic review of the present military situation, gives his reasons for believing the war is not near its end and discusses the arming of the allied armies for the campaign of 1917 and 1918.

"Our superiority in the field," says the writer, "is not yet adequate, hence it does not give us that annihilating preponderance which is necessary for victory. Next spring, having completed our own supplies, we can set to work to arm Russia with a will. We can fit out the armies for 1917 and 1918, which must in the end crush the most frantic efforts of Central Power, as we can last so long or longer if necessary, we can be satisfied with nothing but the complete satisfaction of our demands."

"The allies will end the war as such formidable military powers and so superabundantly supplied with weapons and material, that failure would be gross negligence on the part of our governments during the peace parleys; Germany will never be able to face a war again in our time."

"Many soldiers firmly believe the politicians will sell out in the end. But this opinion is certainly wrong, for the force of public opinion behind the war is now so strong that the public would think nothing of taking all the members of the government and hanging them in a row if they showed any inclination to throw away at the peace parleys the fruits of our stuporous war efforts."

SOLDIER ON TRIAL

The August sitting of the county court was resumed this morning with His Honor Judge Armstrong presiding.

The criminal case of the King vs. Harry S. Ellis was given to the grand jury who returned a true bill. Ellis, who is a member of the 18th Nova Scotia Battalion, is charged with a serious offence. He was arrested some time ago at Camp Aldershot by Detective Barrett and brought to this city for trial. Those concerned are Albert county people and the offence is alleged to have been committed at Little Salmon River, in St. John county.

When the court adjourned at noon Ada Collins, the complainant, was undergoing cross-examination by William M. Ryan, who, along with Lieut. W. P. Carrol, of the 18th Battalion and M. P. for Cape Breton, is appearing for the defence. Hon. J. B. M. Baxter, K. C., is appearing for the crown.

AN INCIDENT OF WAR

Paris, Aug. 25.—Aviation Lieut. Perre flying over Saline Marie Mines in German Alsace, dropped a wreath and letter requesting the curate of the village to place the wreath on the tomb of his father, Col. Perre, of the French Infantry, who was killed in that locality in 1914.

A German aviator, flying over the French lines dropped the curate's answer to place the wreath on the tomb of his father, Col. Perre, of the French Infantry, who was killed in that locality in 1914.

MOTHER AND HER SIX CHILDREN DIE IN FIRE

North Bay, Ont., Aug. 25.—The Casey Cobalt mine near New Liskeard has been burned by forest fires with all the buildings. Mrs. Alex McKinnon and six children were burned to death, and 1500 reported there were other deaths.

Conferees Still On

Washington, Aug. 25.—President Wilson summoned to the White House today representatives of the employers and employees involved in the threatened railroad strike for conference to discuss proposals which have developed out of his original plan of settlement.

Germany Starts A Commercial War With Dutch People

Amsterdam, Aug. 25.—The Nieuws Van Der Dag says Germany has issued a blacklist of certain Dutch firms which are denied German goods and that Dutch merchants who supply the blacklisted firms with German goods are threatened with a boycott.

MURDEROUS WORK AS ARMIES CLASH IN THE FIGHTING ON THE SOMME

Becoming More Bitter as British Progress; Khaki Repulse of German Attack at Guillemont One of Most Sanguine Events of War

With the British Armies in France, Aug. 24.—(Via London, Aug. 25.)—There has been murderous work on both flanks in the Somme region where, with every stage of the British progress, the fighting seems to become more bitter and the artillery fire hotter. On the left, the Germans hold to Thiéval and on the right still cling to Guillemont, which, of all the ruined villages, now is most completely pestle-mixed by shell fire.

The repulse of a German attempt to drive the British out of the edge of the Guillemont and the neighboring stone quarry on Wednesday morning, was one of the most sanguine events since the war began.

Stirring War Picture.

Tonight the British have been making further progress east of Detville Wood and further tightening the pincers on Ginchy and Guillemont. This afternoon they pressed forward another lurch towards Thiéval and observers witnessed another artillery curtain of fire which utterly silenced the German machine guns as the British charge picked its way among the shell craters for 400 yards up a hillside, entered a German trench and sent back the usual bullets of German prisoners.

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BRITAIN AND SWEDEN NEAR BREAKING POINT OVER POSTAL SEIZURES

Correspondence Shows Situation at One Time Serious and Matter Not Yet Adjusted

London, Aug. 24.—The British government, following the lead of Sweden, has made public the entire correspondence with Sweden concerning British seizures of Swedish parcel post with the United States and Swedish retaliation in stopping all English parcels in transit to Russia.

The correspondence discloses that the situation has not yet been satisfactorily adjusted. Some of the letters and notes with language so sharp as to intimate that the relations of the two countries at one time approached the breaking point. As a result of the negotiations, Sweden recently released 60,000 parcels to Russia under agreement with the British government to submit the matter to arbitration after the war.

The British government demanded that traffic across Sweden to Russia be not interfered with again, but Sweden declined this proposition, saying it was not included in the original negotiations, whereupon the British government withdrew its offer to arbitrate.

Vice-Admiral Grey asked in his final annual message to Sweden would promise not to interfere with the parcel post traffic to Russia, but the only reply has been the publication, at Stockholm, of the correspondence. And now, both Sweden and Great Britain threaten extensive actions for damage for all seizures. Meanwhile virtually all the parcel post between Great Britain and Russia is being routed by direct steamers.

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NOVA SCOTIANS IN THE CASUALTY LIST

Ottawa, Aug. 25.—Casualties: Infantry Seriously ill—107125, Pioneer Neil C. McKinnis, New Waterford, C.B. Wounded—John Ferguson, Cariboo Marsh, N.S.; Sergt. Robt. M. McIntosh, Grand Amos, C.B.; Richard Woodworth, Simpson's Corner, N.S.

TODAY'S BALL GAMES

American League—St. Louis at New York, clear, 8:30 p.m.; Chicago at Washington, clear, 8:30 p.m.; Detroit at Boston, clear, 8:15 p.m.; Cleveland at Philadelphia, clear, 8 p.m.; first 1:30 p.m. National League—New York at Pittsburgh, clear, 8:30 p.m.; Boston at Chicago, clear, 8 p.m.; Philadelphia at St. Louis, clear, 8:30 p.m.; Brooklyn at Cincinnati, clear, 8 p.m. International League—Newark at Rochester, clear, 4 p.m.; Richmond at Buffalo, clear, 8:45 p.m.; Baltimore at Toronto, clear, 8:30 p.m.; Providence at Montreal, clear, 8:30 p.m.



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