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GERMANS LAUNCH COUNTER-ATTACKS

TWO ENEMY PLANES BOMB CALAIS, AND HUN SUBMARINE BOMBARDS ENGLISH COAST TOWN

Von Bethman-Hollweg To Go, and New Sub. Campaign To Be Loosed

GERMAN STRIKING POWER IS NOW LESS AT VERDUN THAN ANY PLACE IN FRANCE

Their Attacks There Not as Great as the Counter-Attacks by Which the Enemy is Trying to Stop the Allied Advance Near Peronne

By Special Wire to the Courier.

New York, July 12.—For the first time since the crown prince initiated his siege strategy last February, the German striking power is less at Verdun than elsewhere on their front in France, according to the correspondent of The World at Paris.

Their latest blow on the right bank of the Meuse early yesterday morning was inferior in strength, according to the evidence laid before me in an authoritative quarter to the desperate counter-attacks with which they sought to bar the sturdy, systematic progress of General Fayelle's poilus up the slopes culminating in the summit of Hill 97, the highest elevation immediately south of Peronne.

No Reserves Now to Crown Prince

"They are refusing to feed young William his daily reserves," a staff officer observed to me a few days ago, and the remark becomes highly significant in view of the feebly futile effort of the Germans in Fumin and Chenois woods.

Von Einem's legions, particularly in the Peronne sector, still are being strengthened with reinforcements. That is why the taking of so small a slice as that contained in the trenches in redoubts on Hill 97 was as difficult an enterprise for the French as the capture of the entire German second line from Feuilleres to Estrees last week.

The Capture of Hill 97.

A twelve hour bombardment, the infantry attack shortly before noon yesterday. The first assaulting parties found the slopes of the hill streaked with innumerable short trenches running labyrinth-wise in every direction and provided with trench mortars, and torpedo tubes, mine throwers, machine guns and revolver cannon.

Twice the French penetrated these catacombs, and twice counter charges forced them back. At the third try, however, the poilus hung on, and then step by step pushed upward to the crest. Even when the farm house on the summit had been carried at the point of the bayonet, the German rout was incomplete, for a company of Barvarians had installed themselves in an armored redoubt, and seemed determined to let only death remove them.

Resistance Ceased.

Then when it looked as if the French would have to wait for reinforcements, all resistance ceased, and more than 100 Bavarians crawled out of the redoubt with hands high above their heads. It appeared they had been eager to surrender for several hours, but were kept on their job by their company commander, who kept menacing his men with a revolver. Not until a chance French bullet pierced his skull were the Bavarians able to lay down their arms.

In the redoubt were found eleven undamaged machine guns and 20 others wrecked by shells.

PLANES ATTACKED CALAIS PORT

Dropped Bombs Monday Night, Says Berlin, and Got Home Safely.

By Special Wire to the Courier.

Berlin, July 12.—(By wireless to Sayville).—Two German aeroplanes made an attack on the channel port of Calais on Monday night, it was announced officially to-day. They dropped bombs on the port and on army encampments.

The Admiralty gave out the following:

"Two German naval aeroplanes on the night of July 10-11 dropped bombs on Calais and the troop camps at Bray-Dunes (near the Belgian frontier). The aeroplanes returned undamaged."

Secretary of State Robert Lansing arrived at his summer home at Henderson Harbor, N.Y., for a month's vacation.

George M. Cohan's Sister is Dead

At One Time Was Well Known and Popular Actress.

By Special Wire to the Courier.

New York, July 2.—Mrs. Fred Niblo, formerly Miss Josephine Cohan, sister of George M. Cohan, the actor, died to-day in a local hotel, aged 40 years. Death was attributed to heart disease.

Mrs. Niblo, as Josephine Cohan, starred in a number of Broadway successes. In the early years of her theatrical life she appeared with her father, mother and brother, long known to the stage as the Four Cohans.

EPIDEMIC IS CHECKED

New York, July 12.—Despite the worst heat wave of the season, the epidemic of infantile paralysis took a turn for the better to-day. During the 24 hours preceding 10 o'clock this morning, only seventeen deaths from the disease were reported in the five boroughs of New York city. There were one hundred and sixty-two new cases.

Pinsk Probably Next Place to Fall to Russia

Situation There is Now Extremely Complicated for the Germans, as it is the Extreme Point of Enemy Position Running Into Russian Territory.

By Special Wire to the Courier.

London, July 12—Special despatches from Petrograd reflect the feeling that Pinsk is likely soon to fall before Brussiloff's advance.

The Daily News' Petrograd correspondent says:

"The situation at Pinsk is extremely complicated for the Germans. Pinsk is now the extreme point of the German promontory running into Russian teritory. Owing to the wide sweep of the Russian advance from the Lutsk salient in the past few days, any attempt by the Germans to hold up the Russians by an attack on the flank must now be made north of the Pinsk marshes.

"If the Germans are unable to gather forces for this move, or regain the ground lost south of Pinsk, they are likely to find the whole Pinsk district isolated by Russian raids through the marshes, a species of warfare in which the Russians excel."

The Post's Petrograd correspondent says:

"We are now rapidly approaching the moment when General Brussiloff, having cleared the Pinsk marshes region, begins directly to threaten the right flank of the German position generally.

SUB FREIGHTERS SOON WILL SAIL THE OCEAN BLUE

Regular Transatlantic Service is Hope of German Magnate.

By Special Wire to the Courier.

Berlin, via London, July 12.—The opening of direct shipping connections between Germany and the United States by the submarine merchantman Deutschland has occasioned great jubiliation and enthusiasm among Germans, but no one is more elated than Herr Alfred Lohmann, formerly president of the Bremen chamebr of commerce and the originator of the underwater service.

Herr Lohmann said the Deutschland was only the first of a fleet of submarine freighters, and that a regular trans-Atlantic service soon would be in operation. A second boat named the Bremen, he added, is about to start for America with a cargo, and others are rapidly approaching completion. It is understood that the number of boats will soon be adequate for the establishment of a weekly service.

"Remember," said Herr Lohmann, "that the Deutschland was entirely unarmed. She carried no torpedo tubes, no cannon, and no weapons of offence or defence of any kind."

"So anxious was I that the unarmed merchantman character of our boats should be established beyond doubt, that I insisted that the captain of the Deutschland should not even carry the customary revolver upon leaving Bremen.

"In these circumstances, he contended there is nothing to prevent the Deutschland, exclusively a merchantman, from remaining as long as she pleases in a neutral harbor and loading a cargo, fuel and supplies, free from the restrictions which prevent warships from entering a neutral port except under stress, or remaining more than 24 hours."

Herr Lohmann also declined to go into details regarding the cargo, the crew and the nature of the return cargo. He explained that his reticence was due less to Germany's enemies than to the necessity of preserving secrets from expected competitors in Germany, who, he said, would hasten to invade the immensely profitable field.

Herr Lohmann now believes the war will not be terminated before next spring, and that the submarine freighters will have an opportunity to make many profitable voyages before they are faced with competition of surface freighters.

Hun Chancellor Plotted Against

Those in Favor of Unrestricted Sub-Warfare May Have Their Way.

By Special Wire to the Courier.

New York, July 12—A news agency dispatch from Berlin published here to-day says:

The overthrow of Chancellor Von Bethmann-Hollweg, champion of a conciliatory policy towards the United States and the unloosing of German submarines within three months was predicted by Von Tirpitz supporters here to-day, unless President Wilson acts against the British blockade.

Members of the Conservative party and those favoring annexation of territory conquered by Germany joined in the forecast. They said the opinion of America will be disregarded.

A private source close to the foreign office made this statement regarding the attempt to unseat Bethmann-Hollweg at a time when the war is approaching a crisis:

"Unless America does something against England within the next three months there will a bitter fight against the chancellor. One cannot tell whether he will be able to hold his own against such opposition. The future of German-American relations depends uopn America."

The fight to oust the chancellor has now grown to such proportions that it overshadows in interest the allied offensive.

Scores of schoolboys have been taken on as laborers in the upper Luzerne county Pa., shops and fields, workmen are so scarce.

See Brantford boys at the Brant Theatre. Now showing.

Bucharest is Taking Notice

Public feeling greatly Stirred Over Allied Drive.

By Special Wire to the Courier.

London, July 12—(New York Times cable)—A dispatch from Bucharest to The Daily Telegraph says:

Public feeling has been deeply stirred by the general offensive of the allies.

Owing to an appreciable lack of meat here, the government has prohibited eating of it on three days of the week.

ASSAULTS ON VERDUN FAIL

French Artillery Fire Too Much for Attackers of Dead Man Hill.

By Special Wire to the Courier.

Paris, July 12.—2.5 p.m.—The Germans delivered two attacks last night on a French position in the neighborhood of Dead Man Hill on the Verdun front. The war office announcement of to-day says that both these assaults failed, breaking down under the French fire. East of the Meuse the French re-took part of the ground won yesterday by the Germans.

In the operations east of the Meuse, the French took 80 prisoners, of whom one is an officer.

There were no developments last night on the Somme front.

The French conducted successful raids in the Champagne and in Lorraine.

Teller Skips Out With Money

Detective Looking for Whereabouts of T. L. Leforest.

By Special Wire to the Courier.

Monteral, July 12—The Provinces of Quebec and Ontario are being scoured by detectives looking for T. L. Leforest, paying teller of a branch of the Bank of Hochelaga, who last Friday afternoon, it is alleged, left the bank with $4,000 and disappeared with a young woman in an automobile.

Leforest was discovered to be $1,000 short in his accounts. He promised to explain it and left the office ostensibly to go to a barber shop. Before doing so he is alleged to have put $4,000 from the teller's drawer in his pocket.

GENERAL LESSARD RETURNS

Major-Gen. F. L. Lessard, Inspector General for Eastern Canada, has returned after a six month's visit to Britain and the front.

VERDUN AGAIN AN OBJECTIVE

But Attacks There May Mean Transfer of Troops to the Somme.

SITUATION ON ALLIED FRONT

French Are Preparing for the Next Move, Likely on Peronne.

By Special Wire to the Courier.

Paris, July 11, 11.55 p.m.—Although the battle in Picardy, which has been raging for ten days is absorbing most of the attention of the German commanders they were able to-day to revive the struggle at Verdun, making some advance there and delivering several sharp local attacks in the Lorraine and Vosges sections, probably to conceal the transfer of troops to the Somme region.

Very Heavy Bombardment.

Having maintained their grip on the Thiaumont work, but failed to cabouch therefrom, the Germans are now trying to push forward their left flank. Their artillery was busy all day yesterday, all night and this mornig they worked up the bombardment to a pitch equal to any that has gone before. Then the bombardment ceased, making way for the infantry.

One column sought to work its way along the railroad which runs around Hill 320 towards the Fleury station, situated in the eastern extremity of the village, but it melted away before the French fire as did another column attacking the Chapitre Wood.

Gain of No Advantage.

Columns debauching from Vaux fort, however, succeeded in getting a bare footing after intense fighting in the Fumin wood to the west and in the ruined Damloup battery, one of the subsidiary outer defences of Verdun which lies three-quarters of a mile southwest of the village on the edge of the Laufee plateau.

The advantage which the Germans obtained was not great since the battery is swept by guns from Souville, Tavanes and Bourvaux.

The day's operations on the Somme were confined to completing the work of Sunday and yesterday of clearing the Germans out of these few isolated positions they still held in the bend of the Somme opposite Peronne. The French troops on the north of the Somme are continuing their preparations for the next move.

HUNGARY IS FEELING VERY SORE ON WAR

Tremendous Losses, Amounting to 600,000 in Six Weeks, Cause of Bitterness.

By Special Wire to the Courier.

London, July 12—(New York Times' cable)— The Morning Post has advices from Budapest, under date of June 30, which say that the losses of the Austro-Hungarian army during the last six weeks were the subject of discussion in the lobby of the Hungarian parliament. The despatch says:

"Members who returned from the different fronts where they took part in the offensive against Italy, and also in the tremendous fighting on the Russian front, all agreed that the losses must exceed 600,000 since the beginnig of the offensive against Italy.

"The bitterness against the leaders of the army is very great and at the next sitting of the House, the Independence Party will again demand that those responsible for the situation shall be brought to account, these being the two archdukes and General Conrad Von Hotezendorf. It is more than likely that the House will be dissolved rather than that these high personages should be made the subject of acriminous criticism.

TWO GIRLS DROWNED.

By Special Wire to the Courier.

Gladstone, Man., July 12.—Florence Sly and Doris McCorriston, girls of twelve, were drowned while bathing yesterday in the White Mud river near here.

SUBMARINE APPEARED OFF ENGLISH PORT AND FIRED 30 ROUNDS; ONE WOMAN KILLED

Seaham Harbor, on the North Sea, an Undefended Port Attacked by Submarine, Which Opened Fire From a 3 in. Gun

By Special Wire to the Courier.

LONDON, July 12, 12.45 p.m.—The English port of Seaham Harbor was attacked last night by a German submarine. About thirty rounds of shrapnel were fired.

One woman was killed by the bombardment. One house was struck by a shell.

The official announcement says:

"At 10.30 o'clock last night a German submarine appeared off the small undefended port of Seaham Harbor (on the North Sea, six miles southeast of Sunderland, a coal shipping port). She approached within a few hundred yards of the town and then opened fire. Some thirty rounds of shrapnel were fired from a 3-inch gun. Twenty rounds fell in the direction of Daltondale; a dozen rounds fell in and about Seaham colliery.

"A woman walking through the colliery yard was seriously injured and died this morning. One house was struck by a shell. No other damage was done."

BRITISH GAINS GIVE THEM LINES RUNNING EAST TO WEST

They and Their French Allies in a Position to Make Further Advance Shortly—Heavy Enemy Counter-Attacks Recover Some Lost Ground

London, July 12, 2.42 p.m. —The Germans, heavily reinforced, delivered strong attacks against the British on the Somme front last night. They gained ground in Mametz Wood and Trones Wood.

An official announcement issued here this afternoon says that all the German attacks were beaten off except in Mabetz and Trones Woods.

"Since the commencement of the battle the enemy has received large reinforcements," the announcement says. "Yesterday and last night strong hostile attacks were made against several points of our new positions.

"Except in Mametz wood and Trones wood in both of which localities the Germans regained some ground, all these attacks were beaten off.

"Between the main battlefield and the sea we have been actively engaged in bombarding the enemy's positions and raiding his front line. Southeast of Loos a party of Royal Irish Fusiliers penetrated the enemy's trenches at a point where they were strongly held and remained there for twenty minutes during which time heavy fighting took place in the trenches. Many Germans were killed. Our casualties were slight.

"Opposite the Hohenzollern redoubt two companies of Seaforth Highlanders forced their way into another portion of the enemy's trenches after a stiff fight. Many Germans were killed or wounded. A hostile machine gun was destroyed. Several dugouts crowded with the enemy were successfully bombed and some prisoners were taken.

"Several combats in the air took place on July 10, as a result of which we destroyed one German machine while one of our machines was brought down by the enemy's fire."

By Special Wire to the Courier.

Satisfied in London.

London, July 12—non—Although the extent of ground which has been gained by the British offensive is not great, there is general satisfaction in England at the success attained by the army of General Haig during the twelve days of fighting, and the belief exists that the advantageous positions now occupied will make possible greater achievements. The capture of Contalmaison, Mametz and Trones woods gives the

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German Soldiers Soon Will Become Ragpickers

So Scarce is Material Becoming That Men Will Have to Prod All Rubbish Heaps in Search of Rags, Waste-paper, Empty Cans and Old Bottles.

By Special Wire to the Courier.

London, July 12—(New York Tribune cable)—Judging from a recent German army order which has just reached London, every German general will son be leading an army of rag pickers. The time is not far distant when the German soldiers will use their bayonets to prod rubish heaps in search of rags, waste paper, empty cans and old bottles.

The order states that economy on the battlefield will henceforth be essential. German soldiers must exercise minute care as rag pickers, sand bags must accurately be counted and none must be lost under heavy penalties.

All leather and metal articles must be carefully collected; the dead, both friends and enemies, striped of boots and clothes. Dead bodies will no longer be allowed to be wrapped in canvas. The whole tenor of the order suggests that the German shortage of war material is becoming serious.