

20 VILLAGES RECAPTURED AND THOUSANDS OF HUN PRISONERS ARE TAKEN IN 28 MILE ALLIED DRIVE

After Breaking German Offensive, Sammies and French Comrades-in-Arms Now Dominate Soissons and Capture Thousands of Hun Prisoners, Together With Great War Booty — Americans Bag 3,300.

PARIS, July 18.—More than twenty villages have been recaptured by the French and American troops in the offensive begun this morning, according to the war office announcement tonight, which reports also the occupation of the plateau dominating Soissons on the southwest. The statement says:

"After having broken the German offensive on the Champagne and Rheims mountain fronts on the 15th, 16th and 17th, the French troops, in conjunction with American forces, attacked the German positions on the 18th between the Aisne and the Marne on a front of 45 kilometers (approximately 28 miles). The front comprises Ambleny, Longpont, Troesnes and Boursches.

"We have made an important advance into the enemy lines and have reached the plateau dominating Soissons on the southwest and the region of Chaudon.

"Between Villers-Helon and Noroy-sur-Ourek, violent engagements have been in progress. South of the Ourek our troops have gone beyond the general line of St. Genevieve, Hautevesnes and Belleau.

"More than twenty villages have been retaken by the admirable dash of the Franco-American troops, as well as several thousand prisoners and important war material."

AMERICANS TAKE 3,300 PRISONERS.

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, July 18.—(By the Associated Press).—The American troops up to noon, just south of Soissons, had captured 3,300 prisoners. Fifty cannon had been counted and thousands of machine guns.

GERMANS ADMIT COUNTER-THRUST.

BERLIN, via London, July 18.—German headquarters this evening chronicle the great offensive carried out today by the French and American troops along the Marne as follows:

"Between the Aisne and the Marne the French attacked with strong forces and tanks and captured some ground. Our reserves, which were held in readiness, took part in the battle."

GERMANS CAPTURED WHILE THEY SLEPT.

ON THE FRENCH FRONT IN FRANCE, July 18.—Evening.—(By the Associated Press).—The French-American attack along the broad front north of the Marne was an absolute surprise. Many German officers were captured while asleep, and numbers of the men were taken while harvesting rye. The greatest satisfaction was created among all the enemy troops holding the lines at the suddenness of the attack. Some of the prisoners declare they had been told that it was impossible for the Allies to carry out any operation in the way of an offensive for some time.

Many tanks participated in the attack, having been able to take up their positions during the terrible storm which prevailed. The American troops, operating with the French, did brilliant work.

Around Courchamps, northwest of Chateau-Thierry, the German resistance was more obstinate than on any other part of the Paris line.

FORTNIGHT MUST PASS HERE STRIKE OF SHOPMEN ON

MONTREAL, July 18.—According to well-informed opinion in labor circles here, if a strike is to be called off within two weeks of the present date by the men's representatives now in Montreal. The opinion of the men is being asked that situation will have changed by the end of next week. The amendments to the McAdoo schedule will be announced in Washington. Since the men will be necessary. Since the upshot of such a strike would be clear that a strike is ever called at all, cannot be called at the earliest before a fortnight's time.

WORK OR BE INTERFERED. Sydney, N. S., July 18.—An entirely new development in Cape Breton, perhaps in Canada, occurred yesterday afternoon, when about fifty aliens who were employed as firemen quit work without it, it is said, having given the Steel Company notice that they intended to do so, and were ordered by the military authorities to either return to work or be interned. They returned to work, many of the aliens now working as free men simply heard their money, and thus deprive the country of a large amount. It is said that two men who were injured in the plant had on their persons, one \$2,400 and the other \$1,800, when they were admitted to the steel plant hospital.

INSPECTS PUBLIC WORKS. Quebec, July 18.—Hon. Mr. Carvell, minister of public works, visited Quebec yesterday and inspected the work being done in Quebec and Lévis, later leaving for the Maritime Provinces.

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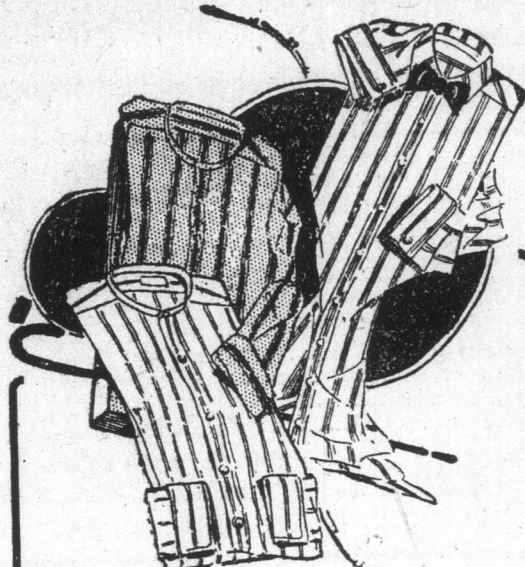
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MEN'S OUTING SHIRTS, in white and fine stripes, collar attached. At 95c

BRANTFORD MEETING WILL BE REMARKABLE GATHERING, IS VIEW

Interest in District Greater Than Ever Before.

BRANTFORD, July 18.—It looks as though the farmers' demonstration here Tuesday to discuss the critical condition of national affairs, will be a remarkable gathering. The farming community is stirred as never before, possibly even more so than two months ago, when the great delegation from Ottawa in protest against the cancellation of exemptions by order-in-council. Various proceedings in the local police court in addition to the famous Cross case, and the Alberta situation have added to the feeling here. Those who are backing the demonstration meeting declare that the farmers will be given an opportunity, by their attendance, to support the maintenance of the supremacy of the fundamental laws of the land.

EXPRESS REGRET AT MR. MACKAY LEAVING CANADIAN PRESS, LTD.

Directors Pass Resolution When Resignation Accepted. TORONTO, July 18.—At a meeting of the board of directors of Canadian Press, Limited, held in Toronto this morning, the resignation of I. F. Mackay, a member of the board from the inception of the organization, and its first president, was accepted with deep regret. It was moved by J. E. Robertson, Toronto, that this board, having learned of Mr. Mackay's withdrawal from daily newspaper work, accepts his resignation from the board of directors of Canadian Press, Limited, with sincere regret. Mr. Mackay, while president of the board, was a courteous and efficient presiding officer, and was active in furthering the interests of the organization. To another field of activity, the Canadian Press, Limited, wishes him deep regret. He is therefore resolved that this resolution be spread upon the minutes and the secretary instructed to forward a copy to Mr. Mackay. Stewart Lyon of the Globe was appointed director to fill Mr. Mackay's unexpired term.

LORD OCEIL RESIGNS

LONDON, July 18.—Lord Robert Cecil, minister of blockade, has relinquished his post, and will become permanent secretary of state for foreign affairs. Sir James Warrington-Evans, who has been parliamentary and financial secretary to the ministry of munitions, has been appointed to succeed Lord Robert as minister of blockade.

CHATHAM MAN DIES AT GRAND RAPIDS

CHATHAM, July 18.—Word has been received here of the sudden death in Grand Rapids, Mich., of Mac McLachlan, proprietor of a business college there, and a former resident of Chatham. Heart trouble caused death. Surviving relatives are his wife and one son and five brothers, D. McLachlan, of the Canada Business College, Chatham; John of Toronto, Rev. Alex. Smyrna, Dr. Charles and James of New Rockford, N. Dakota. The funeral is being held in Grand Rapids.

WON THE BET, BUT NEARLY LOST LIFE

WINDSOR, July 18.—Induced by a \$10 bet to emulate the deeds of Annette Kellerman, Sergt. Thomas James, a discharged soldier, almost lost his life when he dived 53 feet this morning from the bridge of the steamer Britannia. Accepting the challenge, James made the dive. The veteran of the trenches was unable to control his body, which with a thud, struck the water. Stunned by the impact, he was unable to swim ashore and was rescued by his comrades, who made the bet. He is now being treated for a serious sprain of the neck muscles.

CHARGES REDUCED FROM TREASON TO LESS GRAVE COUNT

Life Imprisonment Greatest Punishment for Ex-Minister.

PARIS, July 18.—Charges against Louis J. Maivy, former minister of the interior, were so modified today by State Prosecutor Merillon that the greatest punishment that can be visited upon him, if found guilty, will be life imprisonment. When he read the indictment against M. Maivy, Prosecutor Merillon dropped the charges of direct treason and inciting mutinies in the army, and insisted upon the accusation of "culpable negligence and criminal disregard of the duties of the minister of interior." This made M. Maivy an accomplice in the crimes for which Kilo Paasha and M. Duval have been executed and with which Miguel Almoneda was charged when he died in prison. The option of the court, in case of exonerating circumstances, may be five years solitary confinement if M. Maivy be convicted.

ARROW STAKES TAKEN BY COMPADRE WITH ASSUME SECOND

Quincy Stables' Star Performer Walks Away With Feature.

New York, July 19.—The Quincy Stables' Compadre again showed that he has a great turn of speed when he won the Arrow stakes over the short six furlongs course at Empire City track yesterday. He held a fair field of sprinters opposed to him, but moved to the front so quickly and retained his advantage so that the issue was never in doubt. John Leonard's Assume was the closest attendant of Compadre, and took the place a length and a half behind the winner, and graduated in the big field of seventeen, is a half brother to Trial by Jury. The reason he has failed to score before is because he was one of the horses turned loose last year when the stables before he was expected to show improved form in the future.

There was a pretty race among the four fillies named in the third race at a mile, with James Butler's Empress looking all over a winner until the stretch turn. There Kate Bright got out of a pocket, and going to the outside, closed with a rush that landed her half a length in front of Empress.

First race, 5 furlongs, 11 to 5, even, 1 to 2, 1; Bill McCloy, 115 (Hopkins), 5 to 1, 5 to 2, 2; L'Errant, 115 (Buxton), 5 to 2, 3; L'Errant, 115 (William Humphrey, Artist, Muzzas, Sun Gold, Star Ben Old Metal, No Lawn, Santiago, Moss, Liberty Star, P. G. King, Roederer, Biscuit Tortoni and Myrtle Van.

Second race, 2 years, selling, 5 furlongs—Clen Ryan, 110 (Roman), 2 to 1, 1 to 4, 1; Keen Jane, 112 (Taplin), 7 to 5, 1 to 2, 2; Fly Away, 112 (Williams), 1 to 3, 1 to 4, 1; L'Errant, 115 (Buxton), 5 to 2, 3; L'Errant, 115 (William Humphrey, Artist, Muzzas, Sun Gold, Star Ben Old Metal, No Lawn, Santiago, Moss, Liberty Star, P. G. King, Roederer, Biscuit Tortoni and Myrtle Van.

Third race, 3 years, selling, 5 furlongs—Compadre, 114 (Wells), 1 to 2, 1 to 4, 1; Assume, 115 (Ennor), 18 to 5, 7 to 10, out; 3; Whimsy, 118 (Rice), 5 to 1, 7 to 10, out; 3; Time 1:39 3-5. Troby, Caddie ran.

Fourth race, 3-year-olds and up, claiming \$700, 1 1-16 mile—L'Errant, 108 (Ennor), 3 to 1, 4 to 5, 1 to 3, 1; Sunnyside, 105 (Denay), 9 to 1, 5 to 2, 1 to 3; Kolonel, 114 (Wells), 6 to 5, 2 to 5, out; 3; Time 1:47 1-5.

Fifth race, 3-year-olds and up, claiming \$700, 1 1-16 mile—L'Errant, 108 (Ennor), 3 to 1, 4 to 5, 1 to 3, 1; Sunnyside, 105 (Denay), 9 to 1, 5 to 2, 1 to 3; Kolonel, 114 (Wells), 6 to 5, 2 to 5, out; 3; Time 1:47 1-5.

Sixth race, maidens fillies, 2-year-olds, 5 furlongs—Joyful, 112 (J. Williams), 11 to 5, 3 to 5, 1 to 4, 1; Lillian Shaw, 112 (A. Johnson), 7 to 1, 3 to 5, 1 to 4, 1; Scoots, 112 (Rice), 3 to 5, 1 to 4, 1; Time 1:31 1-5. Comford, Joan of Arc, Croix Rouge, Miss Hermann, Broken Promises, Flurenz and Julia Bean ran.

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Olds, \$600, 5 furlongs—Joyful, 112 (J. Williams), 11 to 5, 3 to 5, 1 to 4, 1; Lillian Shaw, 112 (A. Johnson), 7 to 1, 3 to 5, 1 to 4, 1; Scoots, 112 (Rice), 3 to 5, 1 to 4, 1; Time 1:31 1-5. Comford, Joan of Arc, Croix Rouge, Miss Hermann, Broken Promises, Flurenz and Julia Bean ran.