GERMANS UNSUCCESSFUL EXCEPT AT ONE POINT

AFTER TWO ABORTIVE ATTEMPTS IN THE RHEIMS MOUNTAINS GERMANS PUSH INTO FRENCH LINES TO DEPTH OF MILE AND HALF

Attack Was Made on Six Mile Front — General Situation Regarded As "Relatively Satisfactory" By French Military Experts—Enemy Is Held Everywhere and His Gains Thus Far Not Particularly Important—Wet Weather Slows Up Operations on American Front, But Uncle Sam's Men Improve Positions.

London, July 17—Despatches arriving in London this evening say that at only one point did the Germans succeed in advancing today and that at enormous cost. The despatches assert that at eleven o'clock this morning after two unsuccessful attempts, the Germans, on a front of six miles, pushed into the French lines to a depth of one and a half miles at its deepest point, at Rheims Mountains.

Paris, July 17—In its review Le Temps' military critic describes the situation as "relatively satisfactory, since the enemy has not been able to attain any of his presumptuous aims.

"It is true," he continues, "that at the most sensitive point of the front the Germans have been able to cross the Marne along a stretch of fifteen miles, from Fossoy to the other side of Reuil. But his progress south from the river has been in no way lightning-like, as he expected, and we have regained ground at certain points. We have recoiled at certain places, it is true, and to be regretted, but we are not beaten, far from it. The enemy is held everywhere.

"On the first day the battle went much as usual in every defensive operation. We recoiled on the Marne and between Rheims and Suippez. On the second day the enemy limited his effort to the region extending on both sides of the Marne, realizing fresh progress. Everywhere else the enemy has been checked."

Americans Less Active

With the American Army in France (By The Associated Press)—A downpour of rain over the battle zone between Chateau Thierry and Dormans, on the Marne front, has served to slow up the operations since early this morning.

In the neighborhood of Fossoy in the River Bend district, the Americans further improved their positions today.

Fighting continued throughout the day in the region of the counter-attack began by the American forces yesterday.

Many Germans between the railroad and south bank of the river appear to have made good their escape to the north bank at several points during the night.

Extraordinarily heavy artillery fire has been in progress today on both sides along the Marne front between Chateau Thierry and Dormans.

Hold Positions

East of Rheims the American troops in their sector are holding all their positions. In some localities periods of quiet, equalling that preceding the offensive prevail, but there appear to be signs of further activity.

About twenty enemy divisions have been identified in the first line of this sector of the front alone. By the end of the first day of fighting half of those divisions had been badly mauled. The precaution the French had taken before the Teuton offensive began was such that the Germans were unable to capture a single prisoner in the Champagne during the several days preceding the attack. The Germans thus were deprived of the possibility of obtaining information regarding the French plans.

SPANISH SHIP WITH MINISTER TORPEDOED

Italian Steamer Napoli Sunk in Collision Near Genoa.

A LAKE STEAMER FOUNDERS AT SEA

Steamship Ashore At Prospect, N. S., Two Weeks, Floated.

New York, July 17.—The Italian steamship Napoli, 9,210 tons, gross, register, formerly engaged in American-Italian trade, was recently sunk in a collision near Genoa, according to reports received here today in marine circles. The Napoli was in the service of the Italian government, transporting army supplies from the United States.

Spaniard Sunk.

Athens, Greece, July 17.—It is announced from a Spanish source that a Spanish steamship on which Minister Lopez was returning to Spain has been torpedoed by a German submarine. The ship flew the minister's flag. The diplomat and his family have been rescued. The German government had been notified of the minister's departure a week in advance.

Shipwrecked Crew.

London, July 17.—Thirty-five Americans, constituting the crew of the former great lakes steamer George L. Eaton, have arrived in London. Their steamer foundered at sea in a storm. They got away in the lifeboats, were rescued some time later by a warship and were brought to London.

Steamer Floated.

Ottawa, July 17.—The chief press censor announced today that the steamship Ockensfels, of 5,621 tons burden, which went ashore early in the month during a dense fog at Prospect, about twenty miles west of Halifax, has been floated and safely docked.

Cruiser Seized.

Amsterdam, July 17.—The Turkish cruiser Medjidieh, which was sunk in 1915 and subsequently raised by the Russians, has arrived at Constantinople, having been seized by the Germans at Sebastopol, according to the Constantinople correspondent of the Germania of Berlin.

WAR SUMMARY

Undated war lead by the Associated Press.—Although the Germans are still attacking the Allied lines viciously on both sides of the Rheims salient, what gains they are making continue to be small ones on isolated sectors and seemingly are confined to the region along the Marne and immediately southwest of Rheims.

Eastward from the Cathedral city through Champagne the French report that they everywhere are holding the enemy and keeping their line intact.

Everywhere the battles are being stubbornly contested, and where the French and Italians have been compelled to give ground it has been only after the infliction of extremely heavy casualties on the invaders. The Americans near bend of the Marne between Chateau Thierry and Dormans, have made further improvements in their positions.

It becomes increasingly apparent that the strategy of the Germans high command in the present battle has foremost in its consideration the blotting out of the Rheims salient and the straightening of the line east through Champagne towards Verdun.

The many friends of Mrs. Fred Emery, 20 Cliff street, will be pleased to learn of her recovery from a recent illness.

THE POLICE COURT

In the Police Court yesterday the case of two men charged with speeding and resisting arrest was resumed. After some evidence was heard the case was adjourned until tomorrow for judgement. Three drunks were remanded. John Lane charged with being drunk and selling liquor was remanded.

Frederick E. Spurr.

The death is announced in Haverhill, Mass., of Frederick E. Spurr, of Everett, formerly of Annapolis, N. S. He was 47 years of age.

Fredericton, July 16—E. Lorne Merrithew of Smith & Merrithew, and W. Benton Evans of the Rothwell Coal Company, have gone to Ottawa as a delegation from the owners and operators of coal mines in the Grand Lake district to protest against the regulations imposed upon the sale of Grand Lake coal by Fuel Controller McGrath, who visited the mines at Minto and vicinity recently.

NO STRIKE ON THE RAILROADS YET

American Federation of Labor and Other Railway Unions Said To Be Endeavoring To Prevent Walkout.

Montreal, July 17—R. J. Tallon, president of the Federated Trades of Railway Shopmen in Canada, said this afternoon that there is little probability of a strike order being sent out this week to the railway shopmen.

It is stated that while the members of the Canadian unions are anxious for a strike strong pressure is being brought to bear upon the committee by other railway unions and the American Federation of Labor to prevent it.

MAJOR J. HAMILTON LEAVES FOR LEVIS

Goes From Camp Sussex To Command Serbians—Lieut. Rankin Camp Engineer.

Special to The Standard

Camp Sussex, July 17—Major J. Hamilton who has been acting as the Assistant Adjutant General of Sussex Camp, left today for Levis where he will assume the duties of Commandant of the Serbian Camp.

Lieut. John A. Rankin has been temporarily appointed Camp Engineer, succeeding Lieut. W. B. Young, who has been transferred to another area.

AGREEMENT WITH HUNS

The Hague, July 17.—The text of the agreement for the exchange of prisoners between the British and German delegations, which was signed on July 14th, contains provisions for the exchange of officers, non-commissioned officers and men—British and German prisoners of war—and those interned in Holland, as well as civilians interned in Holland and Switzerland.

VON SEYDLER ASKS HUNS TO CHEER UP

Should Look Cheerfully Into the Future and Enforce End of World War.

Amsterdam, July 17.—Dr. Von Seydler, the Austrian premier, delivered his expected speech in the lower house of the Austrian Reichsrath yesterday.

Speaking on the situation in Austria-Hungary, Dr. Von Seydler said:

"The internal propaganda methods of our enemies are so absurd that they only testify to their profound ignorance of our conditions. Those arrows will rebound against our unshakable devotion to the dynasty, the loyalty of our citizens to the state and the firm internal cohesion of our state within the framework of the monarchy.

"We should look cheerfully into the future. In unity with our loyal allies we shall be able to enforce the end of the world war."

HONORS U. S. GENERALS

London, July 17.—General John J. Pershing has been awarded the grand cross of the Order of the Bath, and General Tasker H. Bliss, American representative at the supreme war council has been given the grand cross of the Order of St. Michael and St. George. This was officially announced today.

ROSS MAY RESIGN

Vancouver, uly 17.—Commander J. K. L. Ross, chairman of the pension board of Canada, stated today that, if the federal government does not see its way to give the pension board a free hand in the administration of its own, he will be compelled to resign.

Unlucky.

Tommy—Poor old Jenkins was sure unlucky!

Sammy—How's that?

Tommy—Had his head shot off just after he finished shaving.

CROWN PRINCE'S ARMY MAKING BIG EFFORT TO CAPTURE EPERNAY

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anticipated, though it is said that an attack might be made by Gallwitz's army group in the Argonne to help the offensive further west. Every indication points to the fact that Ludendorff drew up the most ambitious program for the present "Peace offensive," one of the objectives being to continue the Paris front southward from Chateau Thierry to the Seine, enabling an approach to Paris between the Seine and the Marne, and at the same time cut the most direct railway communication between Paris and Verdun. The Germans have nowhere succeeded in penetrating through the French battle positions. According to French military opinion the Germans must now pause for time to bring forward new troops or abandon the offensive altogether.

Great German Defeat

If this view is correct, the present battle is the greatest defeat experienced by the Germans on the western front since the beginning of the campaign. The Germans are unlikely to accept the present situation. The Crown Prine's reputation is again at stake and new attacks are probable as soon as fresh divisions can be brought forward. The French praise very highly the American fighting units which General Foch threw at the very vital sector south of the Marne near Chateau Thierry. The sector of the line held by the Americans is said not to have been atacked in the main German drive, but later the Americans were thrown in on the line from Chezy westward. The Americans were thus at a vital point of the German attack across the Marne.

When the attack starte the Germans dealt a subsidiary blow at the American sector near Vaux to prevent them from helping further south. The Americans smashed the Vaux attack in the north. Later when the Germans crossed the Marne, General Foch threw in the American troops at the hinge of the new salient. The Americans earned the admiration of the French by their magnificent attack, which completely upset the German plans here and drove the enemy back some four kilometres over the Marne at Mezy.

FUNERALS.

The funeral of the late Naval Cadet Edward Thurston Lee was held yesterday afternoon from the Mission Church, St. John Baptist, Paradise Row, and was very largely attended. A detachment of sailors under Lieut. A. J. Mulcahey with petty officers and a bugler attended and six sailors were pall bearers. The casket was covered by the Union Jack and the impressive funeral service was conducted by Rev. J. V. Young assisted by Rev. H. E. Bennett. The floral rememberances were numerous and the tribute from the Navy League was a floral anchor with navy blue colors and the badge of the League. Interment was in Fernhill.

The funeral of Mrs. Mary Donahey took place yesterday morning from the Mater Misericordiae Home following funeral services conducted by Rev. J. J. Ryan of Woodstock. Interment took place in the new Catholic cemetery.

SMALL BOY INJURED

The youn gson of Capt. and Mrs. D. B. Pidgeon was injured at Hampton on Tuesday when run over by a wagon. The injuries are not considered of a serious nature.

A Slacker Shot By An Officer In Sunbury Co.

Dominion Police Under Inspector Phillips Have Exciting Clash Before Daylight, on the Oromocto River — Coles Cogswell Attempts To Stab Phillips and Is Shot—He Will Recover.

The Dominion Police, under the direction of Inspector Phillips, had an exciting experience at Waterville, on the Oromocto river, at an early hour yesterday morning. It all grew out of a quest, on the part of the officials, for two defaulters, under the M. S A., who have openly boasted they would never be taken by the authorities. It is said they had even declared that they would shoot to kill the first officer that attempted their arrest.

The defaulters are brothers, Coles and George Cogswell, who have been successfully eluding the military authorities during the last month Different officers have been on their trail, on various occasions, but were never successful in throwing the net over the men.

Forces Ready.

Inspector Phillips gathered a forge at Fredericton and started for the spot on the Oromocto river where the men were reported to be living in boats. At 4 o clock yesterday morning, the officers arrived at a secluded spot on the Oromocto, where two motor boats, one built on the lines of a scow, with a cabin, and another with a canopy top, were moored. In the first-mentioned boat were three men asleep. In the second, alone, was Coles Cogswell, with a shotgun by his side, and a sheathed hunters' knife lying across his chest, within handy reach. Officer James Merrifield jumped into the boat in which Coles was sleeping. Coles awoke and finding an officer near, began to start something.

Grabs Knife.

Coles grabbed the knife and started to cut up the representative of the Dominion Government. This Cogswell is some powerful man, and it is no boy's play to handle him. The officer brought him down, however, and tried to remonstrate against the too free use of the carving knife, sharpened and ready for business. Cogswell squirmed from under the officer, grabbed the knife a second time and made several desperate lunges at the officer, who, for self-protection, drew his revolver and shot his assailant in the right shoulder.

Not Bad Wound.

The men were taken to Fredericton and the wounded prisoner was sent to the Military Hospital, where surgeons attended to his wound, which they do not consider of a serious nature.

Along with the prisoners were taken a loaded rifle, and shotgun all ready for action.

There is no question, in the minds of the officials, but that bodily harm would have been done them, had Coles got the first draw on them. The prisoners will be dealt with in St. John.

GERMANS CLAIM 18,000 CAPTIVES

Berlin Further Asserts Thirty-Seven Allied Airplanes Were Shot Down Tuesday — Admits Allies Are Deilvering Some Strong Blows—Bitter Fighting on Banks of Marne.

Berlin via London, July 17.—Eighteen thousand prisoners have been taken by the Germans in the present offensive, according to the claim of the war office in its report from general headquarters today. It is asserted also that 37 allied airplanes and two captive balloons were shot down Tuesday over the battle front.

The text of the communication follows:

"The fighting did not revive until evening. We captured prisoners in reconnoitering thrusts southwest of Ypres. South and west of Hebuterne the enemy renewed his attacks unsuccessfully.

"There have been local attacks in the Savieeres region, and west of Chateau Thierry.

On Marne Front.

"Southwest of Courtemont (on the Marne front, west of Chateau Thierry) we pushed our lines forward as far as the Surmeli nsector. The enemy is directing violent counter-attacks with strong forces against our front on the south bank of the Marne. His attacks broke down before our lines with the heaviest of losses.

"After bitter fighting on the north bank of the Marne the successes of the first storming day were extended. After warding off French counter-attacks we pushed on after the enemy as far the heights north of Venteuil and fought our way through the Bois De Rodemat.

In Rheims Sector.

"On both sides of the Ardre we thrust back the enemy on the mountain of Rheims between Mantenal and north of Pourcy.

"The situation east of Rheims is unchanged. We have held the enemy line under a heavy fire and improved our positions on the Roman Road and on Suippes. Northwest of Massiges we captured some fortified heights.

"The number of prisoners captured has increased to 18,000. Further 37 enemy airplanes and 2 captive balloons were shot down yesterday over the battlefield."

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MINATURE ALMANAC.

July—Phases of the Moon.

Last Quarter, 1st.....4h. 43m. a.m
New Moon, 8th.....4h. 22m. a.m.
First Quarter, 16th.....2h. 25m. a.m.
Full Moon, 23rd.....4h. 55m. p.m.
Last Quarter, 30th.....9h. 14m. a.m.

Date	D. of W.	Sun Rises.	Sun Sets.	H. Water a.m.	H. Water p.m.	L. Water p.m.	L. Water a.m.
18	Thu	5.59	9.00	8.06	20.30	1.51	13.56

THE WEATHER

Maritime—Moderate winds; showers and local thunderstorms; much fog off the coast.

Washington, July 17.—New England Partly cloudy Thursday; showers in general and East Maine, Friday fair moderate northwest winds.

Toronto, July 17.—A few local showers and thunderstorms may occur today in the maritime provinces, while in all parts of the Dominion the weather has been fine. The temperature has been very high in British Columbia.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	54	78
Vancouver	60	84
Kamloops	66	102
Edmonton	52	86
Calgary	56	92
Battleford	56	90
Moosejaw	51	89
Regina	49	85
Medicine Hat	56	92
Port Arthur	46	78
London	63	80
Parry Sound	58	72
Toronto	62	78
Kingston	62	72
Ottawa	62	80
Montreal	64	74
Quebec	60	76
St. John	52	68
Halifax	54	68

J. R. Burpee, of Devon, is in the city.

DIED.

McLELLAN—In this city on the 17th inst., Mrs. Margaret McLellan, leaving one son, two daughters, five brothers and three sisters to mourn. Funeral Friday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock from the residence of her son-in-lay, Joseph Byrne, 354 Haymarket square.

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