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ITALIANS DRIVE LAST DEFENDER FROM GORIZIA; BRITISH WREST MORE GROUND FROM GERMANS

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GERMANS STILL FIGH

"You will recall that last year the
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to do it again.

"Every Austrian killed or capture
Infantr cannot be over.

Rome, Aug. 9, via London.—Italian official statement follows:

"This morning our troops entered the town of Gorizia.

"Yesterday morning, in the Gorizia area, after intense artillery preparation, our infantry completed occupation of the heights west of the town, driving out the last remaining hostile detachments. Trenches and dugouts were found full of the bodies of Austrian soldiers. The enemy, completely routed, had left large quantities of arms, ammunition and material.

"At nightfall detchments of the Casale and Pavia brigades crossed the Isonzo and consolidated themselves on the left bank. A column of cavalry and Bersaglieri cyclists promptly launched a pursuit of the enemy beyond the river. In the meantime, our engineers were throwing new bridges across the river and repairing those damaged by the enemy.

"On Carso plateau our troops repulsed several counter-attacks on the summit of Monte San Michele and captured more trenches in the neighborhood of San Martino.

"Up to the present time we have taken about 10,000 prisoners. More are coming in. The exact quantity of material taken by us has not yet been ascertained, but it is very considerable."

ITALIAN COMMANDER'S HEROIC DEATH.

Paris, Aug. 9.—The dramatic death of the commander of the Italian troops that stormed the Austrian second line trenches on Monte San Michele is described in a despatch to the Petit Parisien from its correspondent on the Italian front. The despatch says: "The enemy offered their most intense resistance at the second line trenches on Monte San Michele. Our men dashed forward at a run, to find one trench still protected by wire entanglements. The commander of the attacking battalion said: "Boys, we've got to pass." Taking a hatchet, he cut a passage through the wire calmly and deliberately. Just as he completed his task he fell into the arms of the soldiers, shot through the heart. But the breach had been made and the Italians swarmed through into the Austrian lines.

6,000 TROOPS REVIEWED AT ALDERSHOT

Premier Borden Reviews Men and Delivers Stirring Address—"3rd Year of War will See Country Fighting as Never Before."

Halifax, N. S., August 9.—Premier Borden, who arrived in Nova Scotia on Sunday and has been spending some time at his old home Grand Pre, visited the Methodist Camp meeting at Berwick this morning, where he delivered a patriotic address, and this afternoon reviewed the Nova Scotia Highlanders and other troops at Aldershot Camp.

In his Berwick speech the premier reviewed the work of the Canadian army at the front, paying special tribute to the splendid accomplishments of the Canadians at Ypres. Now that preparations were ready, the third year of the war would see the country fighting as it had never fought before.

At Aldershot six thousand troops marched past the premier, with an evidence of general appearance equal to seasoned troops, although the majority of them had only half a year's training. The premier expressed strong admiration for the splendid showing made by the Nova Scotia Highland Brigade.

Premier Borden is expected in Halifax tomorrow morning.

250 RETURNED HEROES ARRIVE AT HALIFAX

Five St. John Men Among Them—Several of the Party with Artificial Limbs.

Halifax, Aug. 9.—Among the two hundred and fifty officers and men who arrived at Halifax today from the front, were several men with artificial limbs, an officer who was blinded in action, a number of men who were driven insane by scenes at the front, and ten or eleven men who are subject to epileptic fits.

Among the officers in the party are Lieut. Col. O'Leary of Quebec; Majors Hume and Blake, of Toronto; Captain Morton, of Toronto; Captains H. and H. P. Molson, of Montreal; Captain J. E. Martil, of the C. A. M. C.; Captain G. R. Bellamy, of a western regiment; Lieut. Cameron, of Winnipeg; Lieut. McIvor, C. P. A. S. C.; Lieut. R. T. Smith, of the artillery; Lieut. Adams, of Picton, Ont.; Lieut. Skinner, of an Ontario regiment; Lieut. Woodward, of Vancouver; Lieut. Gales, of Alberta; Lieuts. Gillies and Bland, of the artillery and Lieut. Lloyd of Ashamont, Mass. All are on leave.

Lieut. Baker, of the Kingston Engineers, is the officer in the party who has lost his sight.

Among the men are a number from the P. P. L. I., some from western regiment and some army medical men.

The names of the Maritime Province men who returned with this party are:

Private H. Smith, Fredericton; Private H. Wagg, St. John; Private A. Morrison, Pictou; Private R. Murphy, Bass River, Colchester Co., N. S.; Pte. Ashford, Fredericton; Pte. H. Lockhart, Kentville, N. S.; Pte. C. Bailey, Campbellton; Pte. N. Noble, St. John; Pte. R. Bennett, Centreville, Kings Co., N. S.; Pte. E. Furlett, Halifax; Pte. James Harfer, New Waterford, C. B.; Sergt. Major L. E. Brooke, St. John; Pte. Cambridge Orr, St. John; Staff Sergt. Duplesis, St. John; Pte. B. Kennedy, St. John.

ZEPPELIN BOMBS FELL WIDE OF MARK

British Anti-aircraft Guns Balked Raiders in Attack on England.

MAJORITY OF VICTIMS WOMEN AND CHILDREN

Indiscriminate Destruction of Property Main Object of Raiders who Avoided the Inland Towns.

London, Aug. 9—German airships raided the east coast of England and the southeast coast of Scotland early today, according to an official statement issued by the war office.

The raiders did not penetrate far inland, but dropped a number of bombs in various localities near the coast.

No damage of military importance is reported.

Correspondents in the districts visited by the Zeppelins telegraph that the airships flew at a great height. They were subjected to a very heavy fire from anti-aircraft guns, which compelled them to make a hasty retreat.

One airship dropped twenty and another fifteen incendiary bombs, some of which fell into the sea. As on all recent raids, many of the bombs fell on open ground or into the water as the airships were making off.

Kept Near the Sea.

The official statement is as follows:

"The eastern coast of the United Kingdom was raided by hostile airships this morning, between 12.30 and 2.30 o'clock. The east and northeast coast districts were visited by raiders at widely distant points, more or less simultaneously. The attack was carried out by the enemy by single ships or by pairs of ships. Independent observers of the raiders estimate their numbers variously at between seven and ten.

"None of the airships ventured more than a few miles inland, except in the extreme north. The attack seems to have been solely directed against towns situated on the coast. Indiscriminate destruction of property seems to have been the main object of the raid. Anti-aircraft guns came into action at four places and seem to have been successful in nearly every case in driving off the raiders. One raider was pursued several miles to sea by one naval aeroplane.

Bombs Fell Wide.

"In view of the action of the guns and the apparent uncertainty of the movement of the airships, it is not surprising that the enemy failed to attain his end. The bombs mostly fell wide of their mark. Exception must be made in the case of one northeastern town, where the following casualties have now been reported: One man died of shock, two men and three children were killed and four men and five women and three children were injured. In another northeastern town one man, one woman and three boys were injured. The total damage amounted to four houses partly burned, numerous windows broken in several different towns and villages, 50 feet of railway blown up, one horse killed, and some lesser insignificant damage. None of the damage was of the slightest military importance.

"About 100 high explosives and over 60 incendiary bombs have been traced. The enemy probably disposed of more bombs, as several were heard exploding on impact in the sea and others fell on waste land. None of these is included in the above figures."

AUSTRALIANS IN ANOTHER BRILLIANT DASH ADVANCE BRITISH LINE AT POZIERES

Colonials Attacking Northwest of Town Capture 200 Yards of German Trenches Along Front of 600 Yards.

British and French Continue New Offensive All Along Somme Front, Strengthen Grip on Ground Won and Wrest More Territory From Enemy.

London, Aug. 9.—The British official statement issued tonight reads:

"Northwest of Pozieres the Australians advanced our lines 200 yards in a frontage of six hundred yards. Otherwise the situation is unchanged.

"As a result of aeroplane co-operation with our artillery, several enemy guns were destroyed and some magazines exploded. A train was set on fire by bombs dropped from our aeroplanes.

"Hostile aircraft have been most active, but obviously have been trying to avoid combats. Several enemy machines, however, have been damaged by our aeroplanes and infantry fire."

French Win Another Trench.

Paris, Aug. 9.—The official communication issued by the war office tonight reads:

"North of the Somme, we completely re-occupied a trench north of the Hem Wood, where the enemy had taken foot. We took about fifty prisoners in the course of this action. Our progress continues in the region north of the Hem Wood, where a spirited engagement occurred, the advantage being on our side.

"On the right bank of the Meuse there was great artillery activity in the sectors of Thiaumont, Fleury, Vaux-Chapitre and Chenois. No infantry action took place.

"The day was relatively calm on the rest of the front.

"The French aeroplanes which bombarded the powder mill at Rottweil-On-The-Neckar (mentioned in the morning communication) was manned by Adjutants Baron and Emmenuelli."

The Belgian communication:

"Our guns of all calibres successfully resumed this morning the destruction of German works in the region of Dixmude."

300 GERMAN TROOPS KILLED OR INJURED

In Raid on Metz by Allied Airmen—Station and Barracks Badly Damaged.

New York, Aug. 9.—A news agency despatch from The Hague today says:

"Two hundred German soldiers were killed or injured in the recent Allied air raid on Metz, capital of Lorraine, according to word received here today.

"The station and barracks were seriously damaged."

The German war office stated that "some damage" was done in the raid on Metz.

QUEEN CONGRATULATES LADY DRUMMOND

London, Aug. 9.—(Montreal Gazette Cable)—Queen Mary made an unexpected call at the Maple Leaf Club of the Daughters of the Empire branch, yesterday, and was welcomed by Lady Drummond, who received a pleasing tribute from Her Majesty on the excellent arrangements that are made for the soldiers comfort.

TO HELP SUFFERERS IN FIRE-SWEPT AREA

Toronto, Aug. 9.—A central organization to help the fire sufferers in Northern Ontario was formed here this morning, with representatives of the city, Dominion and provincial governments, Toronto Board of Trade, associated boards of trade, and Canadian Manufacturers' Association. The organization will look after temporary needs of fire sufferers till they are able to look after themselves.

SIR SAM HUGHES SEES A IRMEN IN ACTION

London, Aug. 9.—(Montreal Gazette Cable)—General Sir Sam Hughes was one of the principal spectators of a flying demonstration held today, when several types of machines soared high and performed some marvellous evolutions.

Among the pilots who participated in the events was Major Edgar Kennedy, of Sherbooke, an officer who has done good work at the front and is now engaged in instructional duties in England.

LIEUT. ED. BASSETT A.D.C. TO LORD BROOKE

London, Aug. 9, (Montreal Gazette cable)—Lieutenant Edward Bassett, formerly of Montreal, and of the 21st Battalion, has been appointed A. D. C. to Lord Brooke, of the 12th Brigade, with promotion to a captaincy.

Lieut. Duval, of the London Territorials, son of Dr. Duval, of Winnipeg, who was wounded in war five months ago, will sail for Canada on Friday on two months' sick leave.

Captain Thomas Riley, who has just died in France from wounds, was minister in charge of Kennington Mission in British Columbia when the war broke out.

EXPLOSION IN MINE OF CROW'S NEST PASS COAL CO.; TWELVE BELIEVED DEAD

Disaster Worse than that of Fernie in 1902—Believed that Lightning Ignited Gases in Mine Causing the Explosion —Twelve Men in Mine at time are Missing.

Michel, B. C., Aug. 9.—Twelve men are believed to have lost their lives in the explosion in new No. 3 mine, of the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company shortly before midnight Tuesday. The cause of the explosion is not yet known, but it is supposed that a flash of lightning resulted in ignition of coal dust or gases far down in the mine.

An official list of missing given out by the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company includes the names of twelve men who were in the mine at the time. One body has been recovered, that of Thomas Phillips, fire boss. Eleven workmen are listed as missing, but are believed to be dead. The official list follows:

Thomas Phillips, fire boss, dead, body recovered; Dan Hall, hoistman; M. Marbell, battman; M. Dufriv, road rider; B. Hopka, timber man; H. Evans, laborer; A. A. Ficon, laborer; J. Mittus, laborer; G. K. Metz, miner; C. Devalder, miner; T. Hampton, miner; D. Davies, miner.

The explosion was the most terrific ever experienced in these coal mines, and of much greater intensity than the Hillcrest explosion of 1913 or the Fernie disaster of 1902

The effects of the blast were felt on the surface at Natal, two miles distant, while glass was broken in all buildings within a radius of half a mile, and timbers, rocks, coal and debris are strewn over a similar area.

Buildings Nearly Blown To Atoms.

The main mine entry is completely blocked for an unknown distance, as is the travelling entry. The return air course, at present the only means of access to the underground works, is badly wrecked, making the progress of exploration extremely difficult and dangerous. Buildings adjacent to the mine were demolished beyond recognition, and mine cars, hoists and other equipment near the mine mouth were totally destroyed.

Prompt attempts at rescue were prevented by the discovery of a large fire in the return airway, which was not extinguished until seven o'clock this morning. As far as can be estimated at present, the loss of life will be twelve. Thirty-six miners in old No. 3, which is connected with the new No. 3, where the explosion originated, escaped, but the force of the blast was distinctly felt there.

The direct cause of the explosion is stated to have been lightning striking the signal wires which enter the mine, and coming into contact with the inflammable gas.

A great effort to recover the imprisoned men is being made. A special train from Fernie reached here within two hours after being notified, and expert rescue crews are now exploring the ruined mines.

RECRUITING MEETING AT YARMOUTH

In Interests of American Legion—Lt. Col. Bullock Pays Striking Tribute to Canada's War Minister.

Special to The Standard.

Yarmouth, N. S., August 9.—A large and enthusiastic open air recruiting meeting was held here tonight under the auspices of the 237th Battalion (American Legion). The principal speaker was Col. Bullock, O. C. In fluent language he held the attention of his audience for a long time and urged upon the young men the advisability and desirability of donning the khaki. He evoked great applause from his audience when he declared General Sam Hughes to be "the greatest bunch of military efficiency the Almighty has created in past hundred years."

Dr. Flint, clerk of the House of Commons, also gave an interesting address.

AUSTRIAN SUBMARINE TORPEDOED

Hit by French Destroyer off Island of Corfu—Believed U-Boat Sank with Entire Crew.

London, Aug. 9—"A French torpedo boat destroyer torpedoed an Austrian submarine Tuesday, north of the Island of Corfu," says a despatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company from Athens.

"It is considered certain," the correspondent adds, "that the submarine sank with its crew."

Winnipeg, Aug. 9.—The Royal Commission appointed to investigate contracts and sub-contracts granted in the construction of the Manitoba Agricultural College, held its first session this morning and then adjourned for three weeks, until August 29.

Mr. Justice Galt is the commissioner and Hugh Phillips, K.C., is government counsel.