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British Gain Ground in Lys Salient British Troops Establish New Line South of the Meteren Activity of Guns Along the Oise River

Over 10,000 Foe Machine Guns Taken in Last Offensive

Foe Attack Along Vesle Repulsed by Franco-Americans —German Submarines at Very Gates of New York, Sink New Oil Tanker—British Recognition of Czecho-Slovaks—Canadian Transfers Capture Entire Brigade—Air Raid Damage at Karlsruhe.

FOE BRINGING UP MORE GUNS

With the British Army in France, Aug. 14.—There was no change in the situation on the new Somme battle front this morning except for the fact that considerable increased artillery fire indicates that the enemy has finally decided to bring up more of his guns.

BRITISH CASUALTIES FOR THE WEEK

LONDON, Aug. 14.—British casualties reported to week ending today total 8,900 compared with aggregate of 9,866 reported in previous weeks. These are divided as follows: Died or died of wounds 1956, wounded or missing 6,944.

STORMING OF NOYON IMPENDING.

PARIS, Aug. 14.—General Humbert operating on the southern end of Picardy battle line is reported today to be progressing steadily towards Noyon. The desperate German defence of the Chaumes-Roye road has caused a delay in the storming of Noyon position which is now said to be impending. The British army of General Rawlinson which is holding the line just to the north of the French positions is meeting most desperate resistance along its whole front. The Germans seem determined to retain Chaumes heights at all costs.

TO MAKE FINNS MARCH AGAINST ALLIES

WASHINGTON, Aug. 14.—A report from Stockholm reaching the State Department today from sources considered reliable says the German government has addressed an ultimatum to Finnish Government requiring that the Finnish army be prepared to march against the Entente forces on Murmansk coast within two weeks.

ALLIED ULTIMATUM TO SOVIET LEADERS

LONDON, Aug. 13.—It is reported from Moscow by way of Berlin that the diplomatic representatives of the entente have handed a collective note to War Minister Trotsky, demanding within three days an explanation of Premier Lenine's threat that Russia would declare war against Anglo-French imperialism, the Central News states today.

GERMAN SOLDIERS SICK OF WAR

LONDON, Aug. 13.—Major Percival Anderson, formerly of the Canadian Ordnance Corps, Ottawa, gave an interview today on his experiences in a German prison camp. He was in Germany for his children's education at the opening of the war, and he spent three years in confinement. Major Anderson, Polish priests, and a few British subjects, and some French active officers, were huddled half a dozen together in one room. Soon this bunch was sorted out. The British were sent to Phulebah, but Anderson was sent to the Schloss Celle, an old castle belonging to the kings of Hanover, which still has the British arms over the gate.

Speaking about conditions in Germany, Anderson says: "Every soldier I spoke to was absolutely sick of the war. We told them that it was going to last five or six years longer. They did not like it. We used to see German soldiers occasionally in civilian overcoats, which showed that their resources were apparently dwindling. Their uniforms often were rather poor, but I should not say that they were starving, although food is undoubtedly very short. Germany, of course, adopted the rationing system right from the start, has created a really wonderful system. Their women though would follow our orderlies and beg for bread. I lived entirely on parcels from England in the last eighteen months."

Major Anderson was eventually sent to Holland and he returned to England this week.

BRITISH AND FRENCH CAPTURE 28,000 MEN

LONDON, Aug. 13.—Since the allied offensive began on the Montdidier-Amiens sector Aug. 8, the total captures by the French first army and the British fourth army have aggregated 28,000 men and 600 guns, says Field Marshal Haig's communication from headquarters tonight. The communication adds that Tuesday passed in comparative quiet on the battle-field.

FRENCH RESUME OFFENSIVE ON OISE RIVER

PARIS, Aug. 13.—The French resumed the offensive today between the Matz and the Oise rivers, making progress to the north and east of Gury and thereby increasing the menace to the Germans at Lassigny, according to the war office statement tonight. Strong enemy resistance was unavailing to stop the attackers. The text of the statement reads:—"During the day our troops resumed their attacks in the wooded region between the Matz and the Oise. In spite of strong enemy resistance we succeeded in making progress to the north and east of Gury. We have gained a footing in the park of Plessier de Roye and reached Belval. Further east we have advanced our lines about two kilometres to the north of the village of Cambroune.

(Early Morning Despatches)

ARTILLERY ACTIVE BETWEEN AVRE AND OISE

PARIS, Aug. 14.—(Official)—Only artillery was active during the night on certain sectors between the Avre and the Oise. Along the Vesle where French and American troops are stationed, the Germans made an attack but failed. The French took prisoners in raids in the Champagne.

BRITISH GAIN GROUND IN LYS SALLIENT

LONDON, Aug. 14 (Official).—British troops have gained further ground at the apex of the Lys salient in Flanders. East of Meteren the line was advanced slightly while east of Vieux Berquin, south of Meteren, patrols established a new line.

TANKER SUNK AT VERY GATES OF NEW YORK HARBOR

NEW YORK, Aug. 14.—(Associated Press)—This morning carries the following: German submarines approaching the very gates of New York harbor sunk the oil tanker Frederick R. Kellogg, off Ambrose channel last night. Thirty-five of the crew brought here today reported that seven others are missing. These survivors were picked up by an American steamship. The Frederick R. Kellogg was a new tank ship of 4,450 tons owned by the Pan-American Petroleum and Transport Company, of Los Angeles. She was 450 feet long with a beam of 57 feet and was built at Oakland, Calif. last year. The tanker was commanded by Capt. White and was bound from San Pedro, Mexico for Boston.

OVER 10,000 MACHINE GUNS CAPTURED FROM FOE

PARIS, Aug. 14.—More than ten thousand machine guns were captured from the enemy in the last offensive.

442 LIVES LOST WITH FRENCH TRANSPORT

PARIS, Aug. 14.—Four hundred and forty-two lives were lost in the sinking of a French transport in the Mediterranean.

AIR RAID DAMAGE AT KARLSRUHE

GENEVA, Aug. 14.—In the recent bombardment of Karlsruhe by British airmen, Queen's Place was badly damaged as well as the railway station and arsenal.

BRITAIN RECOGNIZES CZECHO-SLOVAKS

LONDON, Aug. 14.—The Government has issued a declaration formally recognizing Czecho-Slovaks as an allied nation.

Forty Evaders Are in Hiding

Living in Woods Near Terreboune
—4 Discovered From R. C. Here

Montreal, Aug. 14.—Forty alleged invaders of the Military Service Act are living in a cabin in the woods near Terreboune, Que. the Star announces. They have laid in a supply of defensive arms. Four of these, when they were ordered to report for duty, went to Kingston and enlisted with the Royal Canadian Horse Artillery, but deserted.

Fires in Last Night's Storm

James Boyd's Barn Struck By
Lightning—Season's Crop Gone

Last night's terrific electric storm caused considerable damage. Grain, trees and corn was blown down and some buildings were struck. Between Belleville and Madoc five fires are reported and others occurred in Stirling and Plover districts. The storm was one of the severest on record, for it was in its earliest stages accompanied by a heavy wind. The electrical effects were most startling. The heaviest downpour occurred about two-thirty o'clock this morning. Rain fell now and then for the greater part of the night.

Mr. James Boyd, who resides on the third concession of Thurlow, just west of the Madoc road, lost his large barn which were filled with hay and grain, the season's crop. It was expected that the threshing outfit would have been engaged at Mr. Boyd's in a few days. Mr. Boyd had just time to get his implements out. One hog was burned. The buildings were worth with contents about \$4,000. The insurance is \$3,800. A milking machine was among the consumed articles of the barns.

How Local Horses Raced

Result of the Peterborough Races
on Monday.

A number of horses known in Belleville and district took part in the Civic Holiday sports, in Peterborough on Monday. The finish was as follows in the three events:

Two-Twelve Race.
Armada—A. Hayes . . . 1 1 1
Dick Blison—G. Powell . . . 2 2 2
Furioso—W. H. Egerton . . . 4 3 3
Indian—J. Watson . . . 3 4 4

Two-Thirty Race
Danger—Dr. J. E. Aleya . . . 2 1 1
Mona Hal—P. W. McLean . . . 1 2 2
Robert Patch—W. J. Orr . . . 3 3 3
Sidels—N. D. Redpath . . . 4 3 4
Little Wans—B. Stapleton . . . 6 6 5
Frank McKerron—J. Elmhurst . . . 5 5 6

Named Race
Jim Elliott—Wm. Elmhurst 1 1 1
Bertie Wilkes—E. Jackson . . . 2 2 3
Path Seeker—S. Redpath . . . 3 3 2
Dr. Johnson—Charles Pife . . . 4 7 4
Dan Direct—E. Jones . . . 6 4 5
Minnie Brino—H. Ingram . . . 5 6 6
Bessie Direct—N. D. Redpath 7 5 7

TO-DAY'S CASUALTIES

Classed—
D. G. Yardy, Bancroft
J. T. Bell, Ayr
Wounded—
Lillian J. O'Neil, Lindsay

CANADIAN HORSEMEN CAPTURED BRIGADE

LONDON, Aug. 14.—Canadian cavalry in last offensive captured an entire brigade securing much valuable information

KING GEORGE VISITED FRONT.

British Headquarters in France, Aug. 13.—King George, who arrived here several days before the offensive began, has left the front. While here he surveyed the battlefield and visited Amiens and Villers-Bretonneux, his tour taking him to all the army headquarters, where he congratulated the officers and bestowed several decorations notably the Great Cross of the Bath on Generals Byng and Plumer.

The King also visited the American and French troops, and congratulated them warmly for the work they had done. General Debeney of the French army was made a Knight of the Bath by the King. His Majesty was everywhere cheered.

During his tour King George renewed his acquaintance with the Belgian Sovereigns, President Poincare, Marshal Foch, General Petain and General Pershing. The people of the towns through which the King passed greeted him with enthusiasm.

BULGARIA MAY BE REPUBLIC.

LONDON, Aug. 14.—The demonstration to the world that Germany thanks to American reinforcements, cannot hope for a military victory already has had an extraordinary effect. Apart from the open dismay suggested by the German newspapers and the corresponding exhilaration of the allies and pro-Entente nations, there are other developments worth surveying. Spain is at the breaking point with the German bully. Bulgaria is at the breaking point with the German robber. Reports emanating from Sofia of a Republic movement in Bulgaria are not confirmed, but men here in the closest touch privately with Bulgaria have been hearing persistent rumors. Two or three times before Ferdinand has found it necessary to leave his country at critical periods.

GERMANY PERTURBED OVER RUSSIAN AFFAIRS

AMSTERDAM, Aug. 13.—The German newspapers show much perturbation over the situation in Russia as it affects Germany.

"Inexorable fate is driving Germany toward a fresh state of war with Russia unless a remedy shall be found at the last moment," says The Vossische Zeitung of Berlin.

The newspaper describes the German embassy's flight from Moscow to Pskov as a "retreat from Russia" and continues:

"A nation torn asunder by a thousand conflicts and weakened by revolution and civil war, has yet found the enmity and enough unanimity to tear up the Brest-Litovsk peace treaty. This much is clear. The peace made at Brest-Litovsk no longer exists."

FORTY-FIVE TONS OF EXPLOSIVES DROPPED ON ENEMY

LONDON, Aug. 13.—The following official communication dealing with aviation was issued this evening:

"Work in the air was actively carried on in all branches Aug. 12. On the battlefield our balloons were pushed forward close behind the line and sent down much useful information. Our artillery and reconnaissance machines were busily occupied all day.

"Enemy airplanes were active and there was much air fighting. Thirty hostile machines were brought down and seven driven down out of control. One German machine was shot down in flames.

"Forty-five tons of bombs were dropped by us during the 24 hours, the Peronne and Cambrai stations being heavily assailed. Twelve of our airplanes, including one night bombing machine, are missing."

Marriage

MULLEN—RANKIN

A very pleasing, but quiet wedding took place this morning at nine o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Rankin, 10 Purdy street, when their daughter, Miss Jean Campbell Rankin was united in marriage to Mr. William Leonard Mullen, of Acton, Ont. The Rev. D. C. Ramsay, of John St. Presbyterian church officiated in the presence of about thirty guests. The happy couple were unattended. Mendelssohn's wedding march was played by Miss Irene Rankin, sister of the bride.

Mr. and Mrs. Mullen left on the noon train for Cornwall to spend their honeymoon. The best wishes of many friends will follow them to their home in Acton.

Miss Emily Lynch, of Campbellford is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fitzpatrick.

Mr. Arthur Watson, of Toronto, is visiting his mother, Mrs. W. W. Watson, Catherine St.

Miss Ina McCaulay, B.A., Dundas street is enjoying a vacation at Oak Lake Camp.

Miss Muriel Anderson, of Prince Edward County is visiting her aunt, Mrs. McCaulay, Dundas street.

Mrs. Ward and two children, of Toronto, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. Rowsome, 12 Molra street West.

Mrs. Leigh and child, of Olean, N. Y., and Mrs. Zimmer, of Rochester are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Cahill, Geddes Street.