

ALLIES DOING WELL, REPORT FROM PARIS

ALLIES ON OFFENSIVE AGAIN IN LORRAINE

Battle Recommended and Still Raging--Germans Driven Back from Tunnal--Russian Troops Occupy whole of Eastern and Southern Part of Eastern Prussia.

London, Aug. 26--(7.30 a. m.)--A despatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company from Paris says that the French war office has issued the following communication:

"In Lorraine the allied armies have taken up a combined offensive movement. The battle recommenced yesterday, and is still raging at the time this bulletin is issued."

Germans Driven Back.

London, Aug. 26--(4.08)--A despatch to Reuters from Ghent says:

"A violent combat raged at Tournai on Monday, the cannonade lasting from four o'clock in the afternoon until ten the next morning. Workmen relate that the Germans were driven back and that the French flag was flying at Orlor in East Flanders."

Report of Germans Killed.

London, Aug. 26 (5.12 a. m.)--Returning from the front a correspondent of the Times sends the following under a Paris date:

"At Mons the British troops have made themselves at home. Preparations for the city defence were extremely comforting in their workmanlike detail. In the woods lurked innumerable field guns. Everywhere in the town confidence was dominant."

"When the heavy firing audible in the distance is heard, British soldiers can sit quietly on the banks of the canal, calmly fishing with bayoneted rifles and fishing rods, the spectacle inspiring confidence even though from all directions, the presence of the dreaded German cavalry is reported."

The next day the correspondent proceeded to Tournai where he found the populace in great alarm. Six German cavalrymen motored into the town and inquired whether there were any French soldiers. They were told that there were none, but later in the day French troops entered the place and killed the six Germans."

The next morning a large force of Germans attacked the town and was repulsed."

Stubborn Fighting.

London, Aug. 26--The Times St. Petersburg correspondent says that the Germans who retreated by forced marches after their defeat by the Russians at Gumbinnen, are assembling a part of their forces at Koensberg.

"North of Noidenburg, Sunday and Monday, there was stubborn fighting in which the Russians were again victorious, largely through their superb use of the heavy machine gun. The enemy here had assembled the entire 20th army corps in a fortified position. The Russians had to negotiate pits and barbed wire. Hand grenades were used. The Russians finally carrying the position at the point of the bayonet. The Germans retreated toward Osterode, leaving behind many guns, machine guns, caissons and prisoners."

"Meanwhile the Vilna army is driving the first German army corps toward Danzig. The question now is

GERMANY HAS GOOD SUPPLY OF WHEAT FOR SOME TIME YET

About half usual crop not harvested when mobilization began -- No unusual efforts to lay in store.

Claims of German authorities that the empire can feed itself for a year are not altogether unfounded. Germany has a population of 65,000,000 and wheat and rye crops, the main dependence for foodstuffs, average 615,000,000 bushels. On the average Germany imports 30,000,000 bushels of wheat, and ordinarily takes considerable rye from Russia. But her flour and wheat exports may possibly offset imports. If so, supply of wheat and rye per capita allows 9.4 bushels for each inhabitant. As six bushels of wheat is a liberal allowance for United States per capita consumption, Germany's breadstuffs are sufficient for annual needs and some to spare.

This depends somewhat on current year's harvest, fully average in yield, but not gathered fully when the war broke out. Ordinarily harvesting in North Germany east and west from Berlin is in full blast about middle of

TEN FRANCISCANS IN MONTREAL READY TO START FOR THE FRONT

Montreal, Aug. 26--Ten local Franciscan priests, including one who occupies one of the highest positions in the government in Montreal of the order, have signified their readiness to leave for the war, and to fight under the French colors against the German menace. All are French reservists and have seen service in their native country.

About 300 French reservists will leave for Europe Friday or Saturday, in addition to several hundred who have already gone to fight for France.

Target Practice and Skirmishing Yesterday At Valcartier Camp

Overseas Force Getting First Taste of Practical Work -- Twenty Thousand Likely Under Canvas Tomorrow.

Valcartier, Que., Aug. 26--Between five and seven o'clock 1,700 soldiers from the western provinces arrived in camp, including the 7th Cameron Highlanders of Winnipeg. All the units excepting the 48th Regiment of Toronto are now in training. It is expected that slightly more than 3,300 troops will put in an appearance before night, making the total strength of the camp around 20,000. Three specials arrived at noon and three more were due later in the day.

Among the units to reach Valcartier today are 101st of Moncton, 12th Dragoons, Brandon; Manitoba 20th Horse, Pipestone, Man.; 32nd Horse, Roblin, Man.; 99th Brandon, 106th Winnipeg, 13th Mounted Rifle, Portage La Prairie; 38th Kenora, 96th Fort Williams and Port Arthur, 27th Horse, Moose Jaw,

about three thousand men were marched there for target practice, while the rest of the troops were given a three hours' drill at skirmishing and the rudiments of soldiery.

There has been no official information as to when the contingent will leave for Europe, despite the many reports going.

As a finishing touch to the strenuous training the troops will be marched from Valcartier to Quebec city, a distance of 16 miles, over rough country. Every man who passed the medical test yesterday was inoculated with a heavy dose of bacilli, which will act as a preventative of typhoid fever.

Colonel Hodgetts of Ottawa is in charge of the hospital where the men are stationed.

It is not expected that all the troops will be treated at the camp, and those who are not will be treated on board the troop ships. A larger staff of doctors will be engaged today, and probably a thousand men or more will be handled.

The Minister of Militia will arrive at the camp tomorrow morning. An office building is being erected near the headquarters to accommodate him.

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CORPS OF GUIDES.

Recruiting for the Corps of Guides Contingent for foreign service will be continued for a few days. Applications will be received at 73 Dock street from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m., or in other parts of the Maritime Provinces may be handed to any officer of the militia for transmission to undersigned.

C. J. MERBEREAU, Major Corp. of Guides.

FOR HOME AND COUNTRY VOLUNTEERS ARE REQUIRED

The 62nd Regiment, St. John Fusiliers, formerly on a peace footing, and lessened in strength by a large number of its members offering for Overseas Service, is now to be recruited

TO FULL WAR STRENGTH

At the present time instructions from Ottawa state that this enlistment is to be without cost to the public. This means that until later instructions are issued no pay will be allowed for any drilling that may be done. It is, however, anticipated that before long remuneration will be granted to those who may now volunteer for Home Defence, and that such remuneration will be at the rate of one dollar per day.

Such enlistment means:---

That in case of necessity the regiment may be called upon, or a certain portion of it may be called upon, for service in defence of Canada.

That in event of such a call, the men under arms will be remunerated at the rate mentioned above.

That under the existing military regulations, no person enlisting for militia service, or in home defence, can be ordered for foreign service, but will remain in Canada.

That those who now enlist for home defence and who may hereafter desire to offer for foreign service, will have the benefit of the training they may now receive and will thus be more acceptable than any who are lacking in such training.

That the duty of each member of the British Empire is to perform that which falls to his lot, and that at the present time such duty and such opportunity to serve is offered to all who may desire to enlist.

THE 62nd REGIMENT NEEDS 500 MEN These Are for Home Defence Only and May Not Be Compelled to Serve Overseas

They are required to bring this regiment to a war footing, according to instructions from Ottawa. There are many men in St. John at the present moment who perhaps may feel that this call does not mean them. THINK IT OVER.

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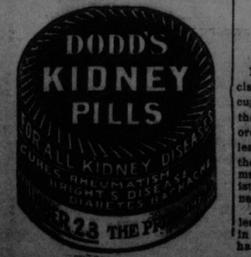
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