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Begin Here for Latest Cables OUR FORCES ARE NOW STEADILY SQUEEZING LENS

Substantial Gains in Territory, Prisoners and Machine Guns, and Pushing Enemy in North Easterly Direction.

LONDON, July 2.—(Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency.)—Reuter's special correspondent with the British Army in France describing the operations around Lens says:—Down to Thursday evening we have been systematically pushing the Germans in a northeasterly direction by which time our line roughly ran from the fringe of Cote-De-Moulin across the Souchez River and Lens-Arras Road through an old trench system in front of Elu-Du-Lavite bending round so as to follow the trend of the Meneourt-Avon switch. The double operations which developed on Thursday evening although distinct in their phases were part of the same tactical scheme. The enemy's withdrawal from the outer defences of Lens had tended to weaken the resisting powers of the Oppy Line, between that place and Souchez, and so occasion was taken to strike a blow here with quite satisfactory results. As a consequence of the last few days around Lens salient, and south thereof, we made substantial gain in territory and have taken something like 400 prisoners, about 20 machine guns, and killed and wounded a large number of the enemy. Our own casualties in these operations have been slight, relative to the number engaged and the success achieved.

Prisoners and Captures In June

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LONDON, July 2.—The enemy's artillery has shown considerable activity during the day in the Scarpe Valley. In the neighbourhood of Lens and north of the River Lys, says a report from British Headquarters in France issued to-night, 17 prisoners were captured as a result of our attack last night on the north bank of the Souchez River. During the month of June we have taken in the course of our successful operations against Messines and Wytschaete Ridge, and on other parts of our front, 8686 German prisoners, including 175 officers, and have also captured 67 guns, including two heavy guns, 102 trench mortars, 354 machine guns, beside great quantities of other material.

Russian Troops Once More Take Up the Fight

Russian Troops Once More Take Up the Fight—Intense Duel Taken up in a Region Extending About 175 Miles—Germany Admits Attacks Are Powerful

LONDON, July 2.—The soldiers of Narayuvka have brought on new battle. New Russia have assumed the aggressive between opposing forces. The five for the first time since the revolution last March. Russian forces have begun an attack on an extensive scale. Along a front of eighteen and has been in progress from the region a half miles, in the region of Brzezany, Galicia, Russian troops have the middle Stokhod, in Volhynia, a dis stormed German positions. Berlin tance of about 175 miles. says the Russians suffered heavy, Berlin declares that the Russian losses, and were compelled to retire before German fire. The attack was made between Upper Stripa and Narayuvka River, a tributary of Gnita Lipa, in the section southeast of Lemberg, the Galician capital, here artillery firing has been heavy recently. Russians also made night attacks on both sides of Brzezany and near the keys to Lemberg. Field Marshal Zyzan, and Berlin reports that results between Zlota Lipa and the

CLOSING IN ON LENS

RUSSIANS ASSUME THE AGGRESSIVE

BRITAIN'S REVENUE SHOWS INCREASE OF \$215,000,000; EXCESS PROFITS MAKE UP \$175,000,000 OF THIS

The Guardian of Consumer Speaks

HAS THE HIDE OF A RHINOCEROS Not Satisfied With His Powers And Was Going to Take More

LONDON, July 2.—Lord Rhonda, Food Controller, speaking in Cardiff last night said he had a suspicion that Premier Lloyd George, who had conscripted him for his new post very much against his will, chose him for the almost impossible job after so many better men had refused, because he knew that he had the hide of a rhinoceros. I am going there, he added, and let there be no mistake about it, as guardian and trustee of the consumer and particularly of the poor consumer. Lord Rhonda said he was not satisfied with the powers he had and was going to take more powers. He is determined to put a stop to profiteering and speculation in food, but he wanted his hearers to know that it was impracticable to bring down prices to anything like standard before the war.

ENCIRCLING LENS

LONDON, July 1.—British troops continue to make progress in their encirclement of the French mining town of Lens. To-day's official statement from the British headquarters reports the capture of a German defence on a half mile front along the north bank of the Souchez river, southwest and west of Lens.

FRENCH REPEL ALL ENEMY ATTACKS

PARIS, July 1.—All enemy attacks north of St. Quentin were repulsed.

ROYALTY VISITS

AMSTERDAM, July 2.—Emperor Charles of Austria-Hungary, and Empress Zita have arrived at Munich. They were received by the King and Queen of Bavaria.

TRIBESMEN PUT DOWN

LONDON, July 2.—The return of a punitive expedition from the district of Waziristan in a northwest frontier province, on the border between India and Afghanistan is reported in an official statement. The opposition encountered was negligible. Our airplanes raided Makin and Marohi with considerable effect. Mohamed tribesmen who lived in northwest India gave the British Government much trouble early in 1915 and in November 1915 by breaking through the hills on raids into northwest frontier province. On each occasion the British disposed the hostile forces.

THE RUSSIAN ATTACK

LONDON, July 2.—Austrian troops in Eastern Galicia are on the defence against Russian attacks, says an official statement issued to-day from the Austro-Hungarian General Headquarters. Russian attacks south and southeast of Brzezany, near Koniuchy and west of Zalooz, the statement adds, were repulsed.

FRANCE RETURNS SHIPS

ATHENS, July 2.—An agreement has been reached whereby French will return to Greece, vessels of Greek light flotilla stationed at Salamis, ten miles west of Athens.

CHINA'S PROBLEMS

LONDON, July 2.—General Chang Hsun, says a despatch from Peking, has informed President Li Yuan Hung that he must retire, as the Manchurian Emperor Hsun Tung has been restored to the throne. Another Reuter despatch from Peking says that Tsun Tang issued a mandate Saturday morning, announcing his succession to the throne of China.

U. S. Liner Smashes Sub

LONDON, July 1.—The gun crew of an American liner fired upon two German submarines during the voyage from the United States to England. Both targets were at a considerable range but in his report to Washington the Commanding Officer will express the belief that one of the periscopes was shattered. A third submarine was sighted but at a great distance and it submerged immediately. Passengers expressed the greatest admiration for the marksmanship of the American gunners.

REPORTED OFFER OF ARMISTICE

COPENHAGEN, July 1.—It is reported from German sources that Hindenburg has again offered an armistice to ussia. He wished to suspend hostilities during the election of delegates to the constitutional convention.

AUSTRIANS EJECTED FROM POSITIONS GAINED

ROME, July 1.—In a surprise attack last night Austrian troops entered Italian advanced trenches southeast of Verteba and southeast of Gorizia, but the Austrians were driven out later by Italian reinforcements, says an official statement from the War Office today.

HARD FIGHTING

PARIS, July 1.—French and German troops were engaged in lively fighting last night west of Deadman's Hill in the Verdun sector. The position changed hands five times and was finally abandoned by both sides. The German infantry attack on the French fort of Avicourt failed. Surprise attacks on Aisne and Champagne fronts also were repulsed by the French.

HUNS OFFER ARMISTICE TO RUSSIA

COPENHAGEN, July 1.—It is reported from a German source that Field Marshal Von Hindenburg, chief of the General Staff, in a wireless again offered an armistice to Russia. This time his wish is to suspend hostilities during the election of delegates to the Russian Constitutional Convention. The report is not confirmed officially, but in accordance with preliminary intimations last week it is thought that Von Hindenburg's new offer was contemplated.

FIVE HUN AIRPLANES BROUGHT DOWN

LONDON, July 1.—(Official)—The British have captured a further portion of the German lines in the vicinity of Lens. In air encounters five Hun planes were brought down. One British plane is missing.

FRENCH WAR CORRESPONDENT KILLED

BRITISH HEADQUARTERS, July 1.—Serge Basset, French War Correspondent with the British, was killed yesterday whilst watching the fighting in Lens.

AMERICA TO USE CAPTURED SHIPS

WASHINGTON, July 1.—The eighty seven German merchantmen seized in American ports at the outbreak of the war were turned over by the President to the Shipping Board yesterday afternoon for their operation. The other fourteen already are in possession of the Navy Department.

BELGIANS REPULSE ATTACK ON POST

BELGIAN, July 1.—(Official)—An enemy attack on advanced post was repulsed. Artillery very active.

GREEK MATTERS

ATHENS, July 2.—Premier Venizelos has invited the chiefs of the Greek Army Corps at Peloponnesus to come to Athens. Most of the officers have accepted the invitation and are arriving in the Capital. The Premier will discuss with them the question of sending forces to Macedonia.

READ THE ADVOCATE

London Papers and Premier's Speech

QUESTION HIS OPINIONS Thinks He Knows Nothing of the Spirit of the German People

LONDON, June 30.—The speech yesterday of Lord George in which he said the war will come to an end when the Allied armies have reached the aims which they set up to obtain, when they accepted the challenge thrown down by Germany, although mainly approved by the morning newspapers, does not escape criticism the moderate papers' comment consists of little more than an accordant paragraph of the Premier's statement, but the more extreme press of opposite camps, radical and Tory, questions the soundness of his verdict. Thus some conservative papers strongly dissent from his assumption that any difference of opinion exists between the German Government and the German people, and declared the German people are faithful to their Government because it accurately mirrors the spirit of Germanism. The Post says the Germans are all in this war up to the neck, and if the Premier thinks any change in system of Government would alter their spirit he knows nothing of the German people.

GERMAN ATTACK ON VERDUN AND AISNE FRONTS

PARIS, June 30.—The Germans resumed their violent attack on the Verdun front west of Deadman Hill last night. Picked German troops were annihilated by the French, the Germans penetrated the first French line over the entire front attacked but ere driven out excepting on the eastern slope of Deadman Hill. The French made a counter attack east of Hill 304 and took back most of the trenches lost on Thursday. On the Aisne front the Germans attacked north east of Cerny, employing burning liquid. They occupied a salient after the defences had been levelled by shell fire but ere repulsed elsewhere.

Artillery a Great Weapon

BRITISH HEADQUARTERS IN FRANCE, July 1.—American officers who have been studying conditions on this front for some time past say that they are wonderfully impressed with the British artillery which made them more than ever conscious of the immense efforts the United States will have in that direction. Artillery solved most of the problems of modern war. It was artillery that blew the Germans from their grim grip on Vimy Ridge; it was artillery that shook them loose from their nearly three years' hold on high ground about Messines. It was artillery that shattered and bumped the steel and concrete defences of the Hindenburg Line from Arras nearly all the way to Queant. It was artillery today that is harassing the Germans until they are fairly dazed when the infantry attacks begin.

GREECE RE-UNITED

SALONIKI, July 1.—The Provisional Government which was established here nine months ago by Premier Venizelos and his followers, was merged in Saturday into a legal Government of United Greece. Officials of the Provisional Government have left Saloniki for Athens and steps are being taken to repatriate refugees. Saloniki thus returns to normal conditions. The Greek Steamship Co. announce the resumption of service between Saloniki and other Greek ports.

U. S. USES REMAINDER OF SEIZED GERMAN SHIPS

WASHINGTON, July 1.—87 German merchant ships seized in American ports were today turned over to the Shipping Board by President Wilson for operation. The other 14 have already been turned over to the Navy Department.

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