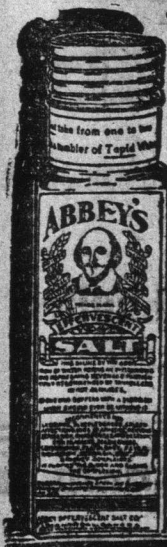




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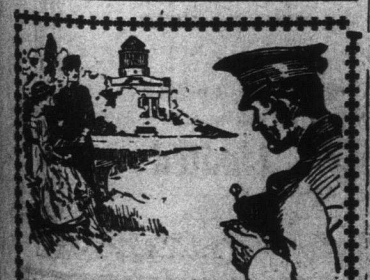
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WAR SUMMARY.

Over a front of thirty miles from the region of Arras to Peronne, Field Marshal Haig's forces have literally smashed the German front. The southern portion of the famous Drocourt-Queant switch-line, which has been heralded as the impregnable bulwark of the German defence in the north, has given way under the violence of the British onslaughts over its entire front from the Scarpe River to the south. A distance of virtually ten miles, and Monday night saw the Canadian and English troops, who carried out the manoeuvres, hard after the defeated enemy some three miles to the eastward. Thousands of prisoners have been taken from the strongly resisting enemy, who at last accounts was fighting violently as he gave ground towards the Canal du Nord. By this victory seemingly is ended the menace of the Hindenburg line to the south, which the British are gradually approaching over its entire front already. Thoroughly outfanked on the north and with the French well upon its south base, military necessity apparently will require the Germans to relinquish the Hindenburg fortifications and realign their front from Flanders to Rheims in order to avert disaster at the ends of their now swiftly moving antagonists. Already the roads to Douai, Cambrai and St. Quentin are thoroughly invested by the British and French armies, while north to Soissons the French and Americans are in a position of vantage from which to carry out turning movements which will outflank Laon and the Chemin des Dames and Aisne lines. The situation of the enemy, viewed from the map, is of the most perilous he has yet been in.

FEROCIOUS FIGHTING.

WITH THE BRITISH ARMY IN FRANCE, Sept. 2. (By the A.P.)—The British have pierced the Drocourt-Queant line in a fierce battle, which has been raging since dawn, and which will probably prove to be one of the most important of the war.



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of the most important of the war. Canadian and English troops at last reports had at one point driven in about five miles or a little more than three miles, and were still going. The fighting was as ferocious as any since the war began, and increased in intensity as the British battled their way forward, meeting the ever-growing resistance of the enemy, who had put in every available man, and was rushing up reserves at the rear. Thousands of prisoners have been captured. The roads to the British rear are literally jammed with them. There has been fierce fighting in Dury which has been taken by the British, and Mount Dury which the Germans held in great strength was stormed. The British went on after killing enormous numbers of the enemy. The Germans did the fighting here as elsewhere. Cagnicourt Wood and Cagnicourt have been captured, and Boisse de Doune, to the southeast, is reported to have been occupied also.

BATTLE RAGING ON A 120-MILE FRONT.

PARIS, Sept. 2. The Allies are keeping up the battle in the face of increasing resistance by the enemy, and more than that they have extended the fighting until it now embraces a front of some 120 miles from Ypres to Soissons. This is more than many well-informed observers had hoped for. Peronne has fallen, and with it the enemy's chance of holding on to strong defensive positions along the Somme. While the principal feints are now being performed on the British part of the battle line, General Mangin continues to forge ahead, adding every day to the enemy's losses and to his danger.

AUSTRALIANS' GOOD WORK.

LONDON, Sept. 2. The Australians who captured Mont Quentin with 1,500 prisoners, and thereby rendered the fall of Peronne inevitable, accomplished the feat within an hour and with a loss to themselves of only 25 men, according to the Daily Mail's correspondent at the British Headquarters in France. Continuing his narrative of the achievement of the Australians, the correspondent says that the latter part of the three German divisions crumbled to pieces before one Australian unit. The Germans appeared to have felt some sort of nameless terror, similar to that which takes possession of troops fighting against Indians in their native haunts. The capture of Peronne, according to the correspondent, should turn the enemy's present line and hasten his retreat. He has now in this southern quarter only one good position to hold before he reaches the Hindenburg line from St. Quentin northward.

AUSTRALIANS TAKE PRISONERS.

LONDON, Sept. 2. Le Transloy, the important point on the line between Elpasm and Peronne, where the Germans have been holding stubbornly, is considered by the British to-day as virtually in their hands. They have captured the village of Villers-au-Esle, to the north, and Le Transloy is now outfanked on both sides. The capture of Noreuil, northeast of Bapaume, was reported this morning. Between three thousand and four thousand prisoners were taken by the Australians in the vicinity of Peronne yesterday.

CANADIANS' ATTACK.

LONDON, Sept. 2. The Canadians attacked this morning astride the Arras-Cambrai road on a front of five miles and broke through the Drocourt-Queant switch-line on a front of five miles. They have reached the western edge of Cagnicourt, about two miles northeast of Queant.

CANADIAN-ENGLISH LAUNCH NEW ATTACK.

LONDON, Sept. 2. (Official.) An attack was launched this morning by Canadian and English troops in the important sector of the Scarpe in the Arras region. The war office reports that good progress was being made to the northeast of Queant, and the village of Rencour-le-Cagnicourt, and the German positions south of that village were captured last night by the British, together with several hundred prisoners. Southeast of Bapaume the British have drawn nearer to the village of Le Transloy, and on the line between Bapaume and the Scarpe a further advance has been made toward Noreuil. On the Flanders front the British have advanced as far as the Lys River east to Estaires, while further northeast in the direction of Ypres the British of Neuve Eglise has been captured.

BERLIN REPORT.

BERLIN, Sept. 2. Ground was won by the British in Sunday's fighting in the Arras region to the north of Hendrecourt in the direction of Cagnicourt, says to-day's official statement. A German counter-attack, however, it is declared, drove back the attacking force to Hendrecourt. The town of Morville remained in German hands, the statement announces. The occupation of Peronne by the British is conceded.

AMERICAN STEAMER TORPEDOED.

A BRITISH PORT, Sept. 2. The American steamer Omega has been torpedoed. The vessel foundered on Friday night. Twenty-nine persons were saved and 26 are missing. Many bodies have been washed ashore. The Captain of the Omega was drowned, and his body has been landed.

WHEAT AT \$2.50 A BUSHEL.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 2. By a proclamation issued to-day President Wilson set \$2.50 a bushel as the minimum price guaranteed by the Government for the 1919 wheat crop. A disinterested commission, the President stated, will be appointed next spring to see whether the increased cost of farm labor and supplies would justify an increase above that price.

RACE RIOT AT SYDNEY.

SYDNEY, Sept. 2. One man killed, two wounded and 35 arrests were made as the result of a race riot in Glace Bay last night. The dead man is Herman Yard (coloured), and the injured men are John Hart, of New Aberdeen, and Billy McLean, of Dominion No. 6. Mr. Hart is suffering from a bullet wound in the abdomen, and Billy McLean, who is about 15 years old, was shot in the thigh. Both are in hospital. The shooting was done from houses. Yard was killed while in his shack through a shot believed to have been fired from across the street. A picket of about fifty soldiers was sent from Militia headquarters with the police, and they arrested every person who acted in any way disorderly.

MORE HUN VICTIMS LAND.

A CANADIAN ATLANTIC PORT, Aug. 31.—One hundred and fifty-nine men of five Lunenburg, Newfoundlands, and French fishing schooners and a Norwegian steamer arrived here Saturday after having been nearly a week in making land. They were picked up by a trawler off the coast of the Grand Banks. Thirty-one dories were



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nested on the trawler. The men reported that they were not allowed to go back to their schooners to obtain food, clothing or money.

HEAVY FIGHTING.

WITH THE BRITISH ARMY IN FLANDERS, Sept. 2. (By the A.P.)—At Mont St. Quentin the Germans have counter-attacked again and again at great cost, but the line there remains intact. The enemy seems to have moved virtually everything he had in Peronne, for he realized that the town must soon come into British hands, nevertheless there was heavy fighting there before the place was captured. There has been more hard fighting around Le Transloy, which fell to the British a few days ago. The Germans here were firmly established in the cemetery at the edge of the town, but the place has now been stormed and captured and the Germans driven south and east. The enemy delivered powerful counter-attacks east of Froment, on the Bapaume-Cambrai road, the infantry being assisted, according to reports, by a few tanks. The Germans succeeded in penetrating a short distance, but the British immediately re-attacked and the ground which the Germans had occupied quickly became a shambles. In this operation the British captured many prisoners. Among the German dead at this point was a battalion commander. The British were also counter-attacked at Vaux-Vraucourt. The Germans gained a corner in the northeast section of the village and held it for a time, only to be driven off again. South of the Arras-Cambrai road the advance continues. During the night it was held up by a strong fire from a lone trench just south of the road. The Germans appeared determined to hold on here and fought desperately. Finally the British "kicked off" from their positions and charged the enemy. During the fight that followed the British either killed or captured every man of the enemy garrison, and in addition bagged fifteen machine guns. This was accomplished with casualties so light as to sound incredible. In fact the number was so small that it was not made known.

FRENCH OFFICIAL.

PARIS, Sept. 2. In the region of the Canal du Nord artillery activity was violent. The French repulsed two counter-attacks by the enemy upon the village of Champagne, maintaining their positions. In the region of the Ailette the French made fresh progress in the wood west of Coucy Le Chateau and east of Pont St. Mary. One hundred prisoners remained in the hands of the French. In the Champagne an enemy raid in the region of Auberville was without result.

VILLAGES CAPTURED.

LONDON, Sept. 2. British troops last night captured the villages of Salliyel and Salliy Salliel, on the line north of Peronne, to-day's war office announcement states.

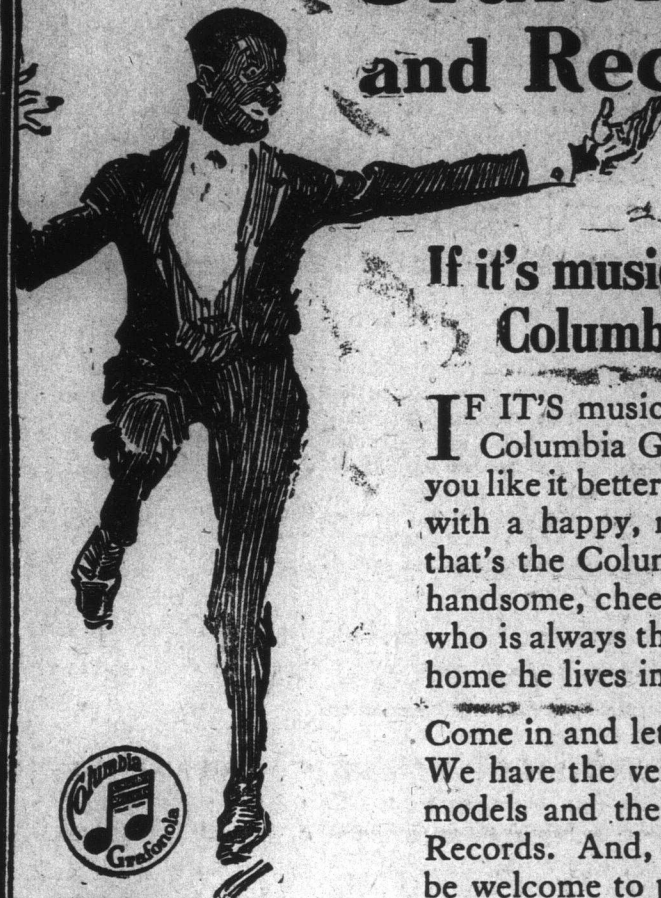
ALLIED CAPTURES—CORRECTED STATEMENT.

PARIS, Sept. 2. In the course of their offensive from July 15 to Aug. 31, the armies of the Allies have taken 128,892 prisoners, including 2,674 officers and have captured 2,069 guns, 1,734 mine-throwers, 13,783 machine-guns and a considerable quantity of munitions, supplies and material of all kinds.

Baseball at Grand Falls.

It is likely that a city ball team will go to Grand Falls soon to play the men there in the inter-town series, but it is not known yet if the Bell Islanders will compete this season. A meeting of the League will be held tonight to discuss arrangements for the series.

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Burin	33,980
Fortune Bay	45,410
Burgeo and LaPoile	40,340
St. Barbe	34,540
Twillingate	10,470
Fogo	7,200
Bonavista	62,900
Trinity	32,550
Carbonar	2,135
Hr. Grace	12,835
Port de Grave	2,580
Hr. Main	480
Blanc Sablon	23,000
Pt. Amour	4,500

No reports have been received for

the districts of St. George's and Bay de Verde.

The Right Spirit.

Mr. F. J. Canning, of the General Motor Supply Company, in sending his yearly subscription to the Motor Association, also enclosed check for \$50.00, an extra subscription toward road improvement; we have 250 active motorists in St. John's. If all followed Mr. Canning's example a fund of \$2,500, including annual subscription would be raised, sufficient to very materially improve the pleasure of driving through all our suburban roads, and make a commencement on our main highways.

ON HEALTH SERVICE.—Health Inspector Lawlor leaves during the week for Musgrave Harbor and Watling Island in connection with several cases of smallpox reported.

Straits Arrivals.

Following is a list of the vessels, with their catches, reported as arriving from the Straits up to Aug. 24th:—

Port.	Vals.	Qts.
Trinity	4	2200
Westerville	35	15900
Greenspond	10	4710
Twillingate	4	750
Little Bay Islands	10	2450
Bonne Bay	3	900
Burgeo	1	300
Channel	1	500
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