

LETTERS AND PHOTOGRAPHS FROM CANADIAN CAMPS

taken today. It is claimed that the French not only captured the guns of the invaders, but have brought up a number of 75 millimetre pieces and succeeded in shelling the Germans as they fall back.

ALLIES MAKE FURTHER GAINS. The following official communication was issued by the French War Office this evening: "Between the North Sea and the Oise the attacks made today by the Germans have been less violent than those of yesterday."

"In Belgium we have progressed at the south of Dinuzde and at the south of Ghelavet, and we have maintained all our other positions."

"In the region of the Aisne a violent German offensive between Braye-en-Lanoois and Vailly has completely failed."

SLIGHT PROGRESS REPORTED. The official statement of this afternoon says: "On our left wing, the German offensive continued yesterday with the same violence in Belgium and in the north of France, particularly between Dinuzde and the Lys. In this region, in spite of attacks and counter attacks on the part of the Germans, we made slight progress on almost the entire front, excepting at the Village of Messines, a part of which was again lost by the allied troops."

"The enemy undertook an important movement against the suburbs of Arras. This resulted in failure, as did other movements against Libons and Le Quenoy-en-Santerre."

"On the centre, in the region of the Aisne, we made slight progress in the direction of Tracy-le-Val, to the north of the forest of Aigle, as well as at certain points on the right bank of the Aisne between this forest and Soissons."

"At Amont-de-Vailly an attack directed against those of our troops who are in possession of the heights on the right bank of the Aisne also resulted in failure. The same outcome attended several night attacks delivered on the heights on the highway Des Dames."

RHEIMS AGAIN BOMBARDED. "In the region of Rheims, between the Argonne and the Meuse, and on the heights of the Meuse, there was noticed yesterday a recrudescence of activity on the part of the enemy's heavy artillery. The bombardment of these pieces, however, did not show any appreciable result."

"On our right wing an offensive movement of reconnaissance by the enemy on Nomeny was repulsed."

"In the Vosges, in addition to the fact that we have recaptured the heights which dominate Mount Sainte Marie, we have made progress in the region of Bam de Sapt, where we occupy the positions from which the artillery of the enemy has been bombarding the Town of St. Die."

GERMANS OCCUPY MESSINES. German army headquarters issued the following this forenoon: "In our attacks on Ypres further ground has been gained, and Messines has been occupied by us."

"In the fighting in the Argonne, some successful forward movements have been made, and the enemy suffered severe loss."

"In the eastern theatre the situation is unchanged. Russian attempts to break thru near Teutleben failed."

NINE MORE OFFICERS KILLED. A casualty list received from headquarters today under date of Oct. 28 gives the names of nine officers killed and fourteen wounded. Among those wounded is Lieut.-Col. H. L. Richardson of the 47th Sikhs, an Indian regiment.

BULGARIA MOBILIZES SECOND LINE. A despatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company from Rome says: "A message received here from Sofia says that Bulgaria has ordered the mobilization of her second line of troops. The first line troops already have been mobilized."

TURKEY GIVEN FINAL CHANCE. It is understood here that the foreign office has given Turkey one last chance to disavow her intention of making war on the powers of the entente, but much hope is expressed that she will respond to this chance to remain neutral.

This step was taken because the foreign office is not positive that its first note ever reached the Turkish Government. The advanced stage of the preparations of the Turkish ambassadors to depart from London was not permitted to operate against this final endeavor.

MARTIAL LAW IN EGYPT. Martial law was proclaimed today by Great Britain through Egypt. An official notification by the British charge d'affaires at Cairo was delivered to American diplomat agents. On orders from London the commander-in-chief of the British forces took command of the general situation with orders to suppress all outbreaks.

GERMANS DECISIVELY BEATEN. Switching the battle front to operations in Belgium, it is authoritatively stated that the German forces were decisively beaten in a series of violent assaults on the Franco-British front, from Dinuzde to the River and after losing thousands as the result of especially accurate French artillery fire, the French and British turned them back with the bayonet.

Despite all hammering the Germans continue to hold positions on the allied side of the Yser and are stubbornly contesting every effort to push them back. The cutting of the dykes by the Belgians has effectively stopped any effort of the enemy to advance further. All of the fields in the country bounded by Ninport and Dinuzde are under several feet of water and Belgian troops, supported by their own very effective artillery and numerous batteries from the French and British armies, are posted along the railroad and electric road embankments, on the high ground and every high spot of ground. To advance, the Germans must come up narrow routes a few feet wide. Such a target as their masses would offer in operations of this character could mean nothing less than utter annihilation for the foe.

FOUR MILES FROM OSTEND. West of Ninport to the coast, the country is free of Germans and the allied fleet continues to frustrate every effort of the Kaiser's men to pierce this country. It is said on good authority that the allied are now within four miles of Ostend and can take that town at their leisure, as it is defended by only a handful of the foe.

A courier bearing despatches to the Duke of Wurtemberg, from the Kaiser, has been captured. Under the terms of the capture, the Kaiser, the German war lord, the invaders must fall back. He bid the duke exert every means within his power to carry the town.

The communication of the Belgian Government, issued from Havre, lays great stress on the fact that the Belgian army has been surrounded, Ypres, Roulers and Thourout. The Belgians also rejoice over the compulsory evacuation by the Germans of Hamcapelle, which they held in part. Many prisoners were taken and the statement, and the Germans throw back an important railway line.

LILLE MAY BE EVACUATED. The outskirts of Arras were reached today by an advancing column of the foe before a heroic charge drove them back several miles. Bloody conflicts have taken place around Lille, which appears to have been vacated by the Germans. The situation is very confused in this region and Lille can be accurately told. Following a previous defeat at Amont-de-Vailly the French have won a success of considerable importance.

This town is on the northern side of the River Aisne. Ground has also been won by the French in the neighborhood of Tracy-le-Val and between Soissons and the forest Aigle. All of these points are on the line having reached a low ebb during the Flanders campaign. The fighting here was again under bombardment today. French artillery repulsed so vigorously that the invaders did not attempt an infantry attack. The city suffered only slightly.

VICTORY OF MUCH VALUE. North of the Meuse, French forces have driven the Germans further back. To the east, around Ban de Sapt, a number of high points have been taken depriving the Germans of artillery bases that commanded several towns, including St. Die. This is regarded as a victory of much value.

A despatch to Washington from Henry Albert Johnson, American consul-general to Belgium, advises his government that he has left Ostend for Ghent, and ordered the consulate that he has left Ostend would indicate that fighting on the coast is extremely severe and that all Americans in Belgium are retiring to the interior. The most significant line in the despatch is that the consul general is going to Ghent where he will "be safe, but without communication." This would lead to the belief that Ghent is isolated. The message was sent from Fluis, Holland, carried there by courier from Ostend.

HEAVY GERMAN DEFEAT REPORTED. A despatch from Amsterdam says that contrary to all reports, Ostend and Roulers are still in the hands of the Germans.

It is reported, the despatch adds, that the allies yesterday occupied Steffinge, on the Ostend-Ninport Canal, which, if true, means that the Germans suffered a heavy defeat.

A strong detachment of German troops with heavy Austrian guns and much war material arrived at Bruges yesterday from Ghent. Fresh troops are going unintercepted to the front.

CANADIANS MAY SOON BE IN LINE

They Expect to Be Sent to Belgium in a Few Weeks.

NOT MUCH SPARE TIME

Everyone is Kept Busy Drilling and Preparing for Winter.

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SALISBURY, Eng., Oct. 21.—On an immense plateau 15 miles from the ancient cathedral town, the Canadians are today waging sham warfare. For two months they will be in the actual fight. There are no more classes. The last shouts of greeting and hearty responses have been heard. The people of Plymouth and other points in this section of England have given the Canadians a warm welcome, one that was inevitable. Now the troops are encamped 12 or more miles from any town and are not in an isolated section of the country's greatest manoeuvring grounds. Except for a Territorial regiment some distance to the north, there are no soldiers but those from Canada to be seen in the locality. The Canadian division is a separate unit, being trained separately and will go to the front as such. They are now in the hands of an Imperial officer—Major-General Alderson—and are being whipped into proper fighting shape as an army division. Outside of this division there are just two units—the Princess Patricia's Light Infantry and the Royal Canadian Horse Artillery. These are not embraced with the others but they will go to France or Belgium, it is understood, at the same time.

Men Are Needed Now. If you should ask any officer of high standing when the Canadians will see the theatre of war, he will undoubtedly indulge in guessing. No one appears to know. It seems to depend entirely on the readiness of the troops. They are usually taken over by the war office, but much training is essential before they will see active service. All sorts of opinions are bandied about as to the probable date of departure, some say two months, others three months or next spring. The fact that the new recruits are not in the making and is scheduled to leave in the winter, according to the general belief, gives cause for a similar opinion with respect to the Canadians.

This was in reality the first day of the camp. The troops are all here. The roads were muddy with rain from the morning. It had taken five days to unload the transports at Plymouth, from where the train was taken to Salisbury, and it took eight miles from West Down and Bustard, the camp site. Over these eight miles came the Queen's Own, the 1st and 2nd battalions, the 4th and 5th battalions, the 6th and 7th battalions, the 8th and 9th battalions, the 10th and 11th battalions, the 12th and 13th battalions, the 14th and 15th battalions, the 16th and 17th battalions, the 18th and 19th battalions, the 20th and 21st battalions, the 22nd and 23rd battalions, the 24th and 25th battalions, the 26th and 27th battalions, the 28th and 29th battalions, the 30th and 31st battalions, the 32nd and 33rd battalions, the 34th and 35th battalions, the 36th and 37th battalions, the 38th and 39th battalions, the 40th and 41st battalions, the 42nd and 43rd battalions, the 44th and 45th battalions, the 46th and 47th battalions, the 48th and 49th battalions, the 50th and 51st battalions, the 52nd and 53rd battalions, the 54th and 55th battalions, the 56th and 57th battalions, the 58th and 59th battalions, the 60th and 61st battalions, the 62nd and 63rd battalions, the 64th and 65th battalions, the 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