

TURKS FALLING BACK; ERZINGAN IS ABANDONED

Petrograd Has Heard that Russ Forces Already Have Taken Place.

ENEMY IS FALLING BACK.

Retreating in Good Time So as to Avoid Repetition Of Erzerum Rout.

London, July 26.—A despatch received late last night from Petrograd reports that Erzingan, the great Turkish stronghold in Central Armenia, has been taken by the Russians. The Caucasian armies of the Grand Duke Nicholas have been conducting a campaign against the city for months.

The report follows earlier advices that the Turkish army was routed some distance before the city. The Russians were reported at that time to be ten miles from Erzingan.

Russian aviators had reported that the Turks were removing their stores from Erzingan in great haste.

Yesterday's official report from Petrograd on the fighting in Asiatic Turkey said:

"The Turkish armies are retreating in disorder before the irresistible pressure of our troops. Some of our gallant detachments have already 15 versts (about ten miles) from the town of Erzingan, in Central Armenia, from which, according to the reports of our officers, the Turks are hurriedly removing their stores."

A later communication said: "In the Caucasus our offensive towards Erzingan continues. The Turks, closely followed by our troops, are fleeing, abandoning along the road cannons, rifles and munitions."

Grand Duke Nicholas' advance on Erzingan was started from Gumish Khaneh, 45 miles to the north, Baidurt and Mamakhatun, all of which were captured in the present offensive. Erzingan has been the objective of the Russians since the capture of Trebizond and Erzerum.

A Reuter despatch from Petrograd under yesterday's date says: "The Russian operations against the Turks, which lately have been overshadowed by the more sensational events on Gen. Brusiloff's front, are now reclaiming general attention."

As a result of a series of consecutive gains achieved by a skilfully organized offensive which ever since the fall of Erzerum has been slowly but irresistibly sweeping toward the objectives in Asia Minor, the Caucasian armies now command the heights which definitely threaten the important Turkish base of Erzingan, and make the fall of this city in the near future certain. The Russians, after having stolidly withstood most energetic counter-offensives without weakening, are now pressing forward in three directions — from Gumish Khaneh, 45 miles north of Erzingan; from Baidurt, 50 miles north-east of Erzingan; and from Mamakhatun, 45 miles east of Erzingan, all of which points have recently been occupied by the Russians and form an arc from which to focus attacks upon Erzingan.

The new points mentioned as having been occupied by the Russians possessed every natural advantage for defence, and the Turks made the most persistent efforts to hold them. Their loss not only brings the Russians within 15 miles of Erzingan, but gives them command of the chief approaches to the city.

It is reliably reported here that the execution of Erzingan has already begun, and that the present defence of the city is being conducted only with the purpose of giving the Turks time to withdraw to a new base at Sivas, 130 miles to the west. There being no railway system between Erzingan and Sivas, the Turks apparently are attempting to avoid a repetition of their flight from Erzerum and Trebizond, where they gave themselves insufficient time for an orderly withdrawal, and allowed their forces to be divided and surrounded by the advancing Russians.

TWO BADLY INJURED IN RUNAWAY ACCIDENT
Belleville, July 26.—Mr. L. Ketcheson and Mr. John Carter, of Humberston township, were yesterday victims of a runaway accident. The men were thrown violently to the ground with the result that Mr. Ketcheson sustained a compound fracture of his right leg and Mr. Carter was probably fatally injured. His collarbone was broken, several ribs were fractured, one of which penetrated his lungs, causing considerable hemorrhage. The latter is an aged man and no hopes are held out for his recovery.

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MAP SHOWING ADVANCE OF RUSSIANS ALONG FRONT OF 1500 MILES. The Russians have advanced some forty miles in Armenia, towards Erzingan.

ALLIED TROOPS NOW PREPARE TO SMASH FOE THIRD LINE

Heavy Fighting North and South of Somme, in Which Fierce German Counter-Attacks are Repulsed With Severe Losses

London, July 26.—Under cover of a strong artillery fire the French and British are engaged in feeling out the German third line in Picardy, which has been greatly reinforced and strengthened. A series of scattered but violent engagements, each in itself a battle of some proportions, marked the day. Especially heavy fighting took place before dawn yesterday morning on many parts of the front, both north and south of the Somme.

The most extensive of these attacks was launched simultaneously by the British and French on the six mile winding front from Pozieres to Maurepas. The German lines were found to be tremendously strong, and an official statement yesterday, says that the German fire was effective in stopping this attack at certain points, while at others the allies were repulsed in sharp hand-to-hand fighting.

Gain North of Pozieres.
North of Pozieres, however, the British and Australian troops moved further gains, as well as in the village itself, while south of Estrees the French straightened and strengthened their lines by seizing a group of strongly fortified houses. The French also had a local success north of Verdunvillers, on the southern tip of the Picardy battle front, occupying some German trenches.

Of these advances the most important was that made by the British north of Pozieres. Here the wedge that was driven across the Bapaume highway, was widened and strengthened, so that now a firm grip has been established on this strategic artery.

Germans Are Reinforcing
Huge numbers of reinforcements have been poured behind the German front, according to news from France, and have made their presence known by a series of the most violent counter-attacks yet delivered on this front. Throughout the night the Germans battered at the French and British lines, but Gen. Haig notified the war office that they were uniformly repulsed by the British gunfire. The heaviest attacks were aimed at the British centre, but unassisted batteries poured so terrific a fire into the closely packed ranks which could be dimly seen advancing in the weak moonlight that the Teutons were not even able to reach the British trenches.

Violent as were the night attacks of the Germans were completely surpassed by an assault launched yesterday afternoon against Pozieres practically all of which is now in the hands of the Australian and New Zealand corps. This smash, aimed with the full power of the reinforced Teutons divisions, it was met with a furious shrapnel fire which sprayed the advancing columns with lead, while the heavier shells tore great gaps in the ranks. The attack was completely broken up. Gen. Haig wired late last night.

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Social and Personal

The Courier is always pleased to use items of personal interest. Phone 276.

Miss Daisy Austin, of New York, is visiting Miss F. Eames, city.

Miss F. B. Eames has returned home from a short trip to Detroit and Pontiac.

Mrs. M. P. Walker has returned home, after holidaying at Orchard Lake, Mich.

Miss Mae Chason, 124 Alfred St., has moved, after an extended visit to Port Maitland, Dunville and Buffalo.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Barrett, of Toronto, former well-known Brantford residents, are spending a few days with friends here.

Mr. W. L. Hughes is a business visitor in Toronto to-day.

FAMILY REUNION
The C. P. R. has arranged for another of those family reunions which it inaugurated some time ago, and it will be held in Winnipeg from the 17th to the 20th instant, with a delegation which will number from 200 to 250, representing all departments of the great system in every corner of the Dominion.

The departments represented will include operating, mechanical, freight, passenger, steamships, sleeping and dining cars, stores, telegraphs, fuel, car service, etc.

To this official family gathering all parts of the company, from all parts of the compass, are now turning, and from the East yesterday between 50 and 75 officers took train for Winnipeg.

The object is to stimulate and energize all concerned, so that, efficient as may have been the work in each department, that efficiency which made more pronounced, through fresh inspirations derived from the meeting together of the men who are responsible, under supreme direction for the success of the vast organization in all its features and departments. Papers will be read on subjects relating to each of the departments. Free discussions will be formulated and resolutions will be formulated and carried, based upon the tenor of the discussions, and these, subject to the supreme authority, will be acted upon in practice.

It is desirable that the members of the great family should know one another at close grips, as it were, that being established, it is comparatively easy to get at the individual and general thought. These are crystallized in the papers and discussions. The results of past family councils have been of the utmost value, according to the testimony of the higher officials. This forthcoming meeting will be the most representative of any yet held, as all departments of the vast system will be represented.

EARNINGS OF C. P. R. NEARLY UP TO RECORD
London, July 26.—Commenting upon the Canadian Pacific's improved earnings, the Statist anticipates that the accounts will show a rate of profit not far short of the highest ever attained. The factors responsible for the remarkable recovery in traffic and earnings are the 1915 crops and the increased traffic resulting from good prices and war industries. "We, too, are pleased that the rate of dividend is anticipated, the Statist says that any increase would be impolitic in view of the swing-back-likely to occur after the war."

New Orleans demands heavy indemnity bonds from Jitney
J. C. Montague, 29, has been appointed a justice of the peace in Bandera, Texas.

Summer Punch and Pep come from a food that is rich in muscle-making material and is easily digested. It is what you digest, not what you eat, that makes healthy tissue. Every shred in Shredded Wheat Biscuit is full of body-building nutriment. The burden of years of food folly can be unloaded by going on a Shredded Wheat diet and sticking to it. Get back to Nature before it is too late. Shredded Wheat contains all the body-building material in the whole wheat grain prepared in a digestible form. A satisfying Summer food. For breakfast with milk or cream; for luncheon with berries. Made in Canada.



THE WICKEDEST WITCH

Marta longed and longed to visit about in the bog of flowers, her feet guided from place to place of safety by the whispers of the flower fairies in the sun-dew blossoms, but when at sundown she came to the foot of the hill, the fairy rope was gone.

Marta wept. Then looking around she saw a beautiful bed of marsh violets, all in bloom. They were lilac in color.

"Marta," crooned the violet fairies. "Come sleep here on this beautiful bed of violets and when King Night comes we will ask him to get the fairy rope from the Wickedest Witch. She fears him and his darkness and his alone."

So Marta, tired and sad, curled up on the bed of marsh violets and the fairies whispered:

Daily Store News J. M. YOUNG & CO. Daily Store News

Offerings of Unusual Interest on THURSDAY and FRIDAY

Very Large and Unreserved Reductions in Women's Dresses, Suits and Separate Skirts Have Been Made For Selling as Follows:

- Dainty white dresses in Voile and Lace Cloth, made in pretty designs with tucks and insertion trimming. All this season's models, formerly \$6.50 and \$6.75 **\$3.95**
- Several lines of flowered and striped muslin, also black and white, made in popular styles, full range of sizes. Regularly \$8.50, Thursday and Friday **\$5.75**
- Large assortment of Ladies' House Dresses, made of gingham and percale, in light or dark shades, sizes 34 to 46, regularly \$1.50. Special **98c**
- Ladies' light blue, navy, grey and white sport skirts, made with slash pockets and belt, pearl buttons to yoke depth. Remarkably priced **\$1.75**

More Than Ordinary Reductions in the Whitewear Department

- Ladies' Princess Slip lace and embroidery trimmed, odd lines. Regularly \$1.25 to \$2.00, sale price **98c**
- Ladies' white cotton combination corset cover and drawers, nicely trimmed, all sizes. Regular \$1.25, to clear **79c**
- Ladies' Cotton Corset Covers lace insertion and edging; others embroidery trimmed, sizes 34 to 46; regularly 50c. **39c**
- Ladies' and Children's Middy Blouses in white or white trimmed with navy, cadet, red. Regularly \$1.00 to \$1.25. Sale Price **79c**
- Children's white lawn dresses, odd lines, sizes up to 14 years, trimmed lace and embroidery. Sale Price **98c**
- Children's Cotton Vests, all sizes, short sleeves. Sale Price **25c**

Beautiful Cut Glass on Sale

- Tall cut glass jug, height 10 in., brilliantly cut in special design, consisting of alternating hob star, fluted lip. Regular \$12.00, clearing **\$9.00**
- Cut glass olive dish, scalloped edges, formerly \$3.50, selling **\$2.50**
- Cut glass sugar and cream set, handsome carnation star with star bottom. **\$6.00** per set
- 8 in. glass berry bowl, Venice star design, deep, diagonal basket and star cuttings, scalloped edges. Young's Price, **\$5.00** clearing

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- \$1.50—Chiffon Dress Taffetas, regularly \$1.75 and \$2.00 in a good line of wanted colors, including blue, 35 and 36 inches wide.
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- \$1.50—All Silk Shirtings, regularly \$2.00 a yard; colored, plain and satin striped, on white grounds, 34 in. wide.

A Few Unparalleled Values for Thursday Only

- Ladies' Fancy Handkerchiefs 2 for **25c**
- Ladies' Colored fibre silk hose in a full range of colorings and sizes. Regularly \$1.25, Thursday **85c**
- Ladies' Initial Linen Handkerchiefs, 3 for **25c**
- Ladies' Silk Lisle Hose in black and white, all sizes. Regularly 35c. **25c** Clearing

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BIG BRITISH CRUISER IN CHESAPEAKE BAY

Enters Three Mile Limit and Steams Out Again—Legal Point Arises.

Norfolk, Va., July 5.—Pilotless, and without warning to United States officials, one of the British cruisers lying off Cape Henry awaiting the appearance of the German submarines Deutschland and Bremen, steamed through the Virginia Capes early to-day, proceeded to the vicinity of Fortress Monroe, cruised about for an hour or more, and then returned to a point just outside the three-mile limit.

The United States warship Louisiana and the collier Neptune were the only Government vessels which sighted the ship, and a detailed report of the incident was made to Washington by naval officers. Upon being pressed for her identity the ship put out man-of-war lights and signalled "British cruiser." Authorities here and they can see no violation of international law or navigation regulations.

The cruiser was a three-funnelled vessel of the type of the Berwick, being pressed to carry twenty-six guns ranging from three-inch to six-pounders, and eighteen-inch torpedo tubes.

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NOTED GERMAN EDITOR DEAD IN BERLIN
London, July 26.—A despatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company from Dresden says that Dr. Ernest George Oertel, leader of the Agrarian party in the Reichstag, is dead.

Dr. Ernest George Oertel became editor of the Deutsche Tages Zeitung in 1884. Later he assumed an active part in politics. Since the beginning of the war he has been a strong advocate of a relentless prosecution of submarine warfare and was a staunch supporter of Admiral von Tirpitz.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

NEWS NOTES OF ST. GEORGE

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Coleman Hamilton, were the week-end of Mr. and Mrs. Swyer.

Miss Hunt of Burford is visiting her aunt, Mrs. J. B. Howell.

Mrs. Christie of Brantford, the week-end with her parents, and Mrs. E. Little.

Miss Blanche Little of Brantford spent the week-end at her home.

Mr. Kingsmill of London is staying at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Nixon.

Miss Kate Reid of Niagara is visiting Mrs. Ed. Ellis.

Miss Hilda Mills of Hamilton is visiting Mrs. Morden.

Mr. and Mrs. Whitaker and family of Brantford, spent the week-end with Mrs. Woodard.

Pte Gordon Tucker of 215th Battalion, spent the week-end at home.

Miss Muriel Thompson of Lyr was the week-end guest of Dr. Mrs. Addison.

Miss Edna Graham of Toronto spent a day of this week at her home.

The Presbyterian Sunday school held their annual picnic at Victoria Park, Galt, on Tuesday.

The local club of bowlers met to Brantford on Monday evening for a bowling contest.

John Ewchinson and Pte. St. Sims were the week-end guests of Mr. Geo. Oliver.

The first of the union services the summer months of the Baptist and Presbyterian churches will be held next Sunday in morning in the Baptist and in evening in the Methodist, Rev. S. Haverstock in charge.

A million-dollar campaign fund which \$250,000 has already been subscribed, is planned by the Prohibition Party, according to a statement Daniel Poling, of Boston.

Readers Going Out of Town

Readers of The Courier may have their paper sent to any address in Canada or the United States during the summer months by merely phoning or sending their address to Telephone 133, The Courier.

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