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GERMANS ARE HARD HIT ON BOTH BANKS OF THE RIVER SOMME

Later Word From Paris Confirms Reports of Great Results From Panther Spring of French Troops at the Enemy; Joffre's Own Officers Surprised

Paris, July 22.—After ten days of preparation, the French army of the Somme has made another panther spring. The action was in two parts. North of the river, France's most famous division surpassed its records by accomplishing in the brief period between 5.25 and 9 o'clock yesterday morning a task which its own chiefs had calculated would take fully eighteen hours of daylight. Their progress automatically cleared Delville Wood and Longueval, where the Germans were stubbornly disputing with the British the ground they won back in Tuesday's great counter-attack. Moreover, the French have now a firm footing on the high ground north of Peronne, whence they can initiate an enveloping movement instead of a costly frontal attack over almost impassable marshes.

The second action, south of Peronne, was on a greater scale, but attended with equal success in its extensive objective. The forty-eight hour artillery preparation was so efficient that on the whole five mile front the German first line defences fell en masse.

SENTENCED PRIEST IN BELGIUM TO DEATH

Commutation to 12 Years Hard Labor and Deportation — But the Newspaper Comes Out Regularly

Australian, July 21.—Via London. The sentence of a Jesuit priest who was condemned to die by the German authorities in Belgium on account of his connection with the newspaper 'Libre Belgique,' says the correspondent of the Tyd Dubar, has been commuted to twelve years of hard labor and deportation to Germany. The secret publication of the Libre Belgique continues, despite German efforts to discover the editors and publishers.

A SUGGESTION EXTENDED

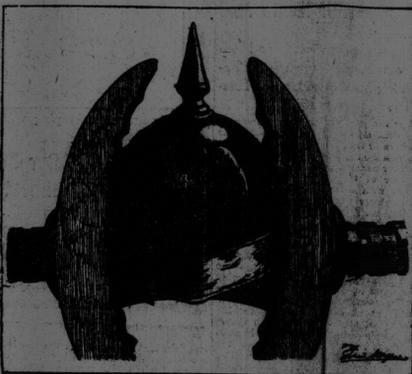
The claims of the men in the military hospital in St. James street are urged upon the attention of the citizens by a friend of that institution. An appeal was made yesterday for outtings for the men in the convalescent home and it is said that everything that applies to their case applies even more strongly to the men in the hospital. One of the points to be borne in mind is the fact that none of the patients in the hospital are allowed out at all, unless escorted, and they have very few opportunities to get away from the building. Their surroundings there are not as attractive as if the place was in the suburbs and the need for outtings is so much the greater.

Two Steamers Sunk London, July 22.—A dispatch to Lloyd's from Algiers says that the French steamer Cetina, 1200 tons, and the British steamer Karra, 2,534 tons, have been sunk. The crews were landed safely.

BRITISH OFFICERS' QUARTERS IN THE GARDEN OF EDEN



That the British are still in occupation of part of Mesopotamia is evidenced by the picture, showing a British officer's residence in the heart of what was once the house of Adam and Eve.



LOSING IN.

Sir Douglas Believes War Will be Decided On the Western Front

Paris, July 22.—Senator Henry Berenger, who has returned after a visit to the British field headquarters, quotes Sir Douglas Haig as saying: "We must impose a peace that is really valid as we shall have paid for it." "The technical skill of the British general staff," said the senator, "is on an equality with the heroism of the British troops."

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Certain Now That The Enemy is Employing Soldiers From Verdun

French Learn it From Prisoners—Even the Crown Prince's Ambition Must be Sacrificed in Hope to Stay Allies' Offensive

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DISCUSSES REASON FOR "DECLINE OF METHODISM"

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ENGLISH OPINION CONCERNING WAR

A St. John buyer, just home from England, says that the feeling in London is that the war will be prolonged and reverses suffered, but they have no doubt of a complete triumph in the end, because the Allies now have an unlimited supply of munitions, and have got the enemy everywhere on the defensive.

LOCAL SHIPPING

The schooner T. W. H. White was towed to St. Martins today to load lumber for a Sound port. Captain Clarke is in command. The schooner Mary A. Hall sailed for New York this morning with a cargo of lumber. The schooner W. F. Hatheway sailed from Boston yesterday for this port. The schooner is a four master and is 800 tons register. She will load lumber.

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