

ALLIED ARMIES PREPARING FOR A NEW THRUST

Keep Battering Enemy While
Consolidating Their
Gains.

LITERAL FLOOD OF FIRE
No Halt in Shelling on Any
Part of British
Front.

LONDON, July 7.—12:10 a.m.—Reuter's correspondent at the Press camp of the British army in France sends the following dispatch under date of July 6:

"The impetuous forward movement of the Allies has been checked, but certainly not arrested. The allied armies are busily consolidating their gains and drawing a deep breath in readiness for the next mighty thrust. In the meantime they are battering, bombing and bayoneting the enemy by night and day with the most effective results.

"The fighting is reminiscent of the Verdun battle, with the important distinction that the position is reversed, and that the enemy has no such line upon line of fortified positions to retreat upon in the face of our smashing blows, as the French have had defending their great fortress. At any moment the weakest link in the chain may snap and the broken ends fly apart.

"Enemy Straining Every Nerve.
"The enemy is straining every nerve, but is being attacked as never before. From the coast to the trenches of Northern France our flowing streams of khaki are pouring in a literal flood of fire on the enemy.

"Modern warfare is terrible and no offensive is possible without the execution of a dreadful toll.

"Many of our regiments suffered heavily as they advanced almost without cover in the face of a murderous enemy fire, the machine guns in particular wreaking awful havoc. We must face the truth bravely of the heavy price we must pay, and the heavy price must be paid to the inexorable penalty."

Official Statement.

The British official statement issued tonight reads:

"As a result of violent bomb fighting we made further progress at certain points in the battle area. Low clouds interfered with aeroplane work, but in the Bapaume area one of our machines, dropping to three hundred feet, successfully bombed a trench on the enemy.

"In another area a British heavy battery secured direct hits on a German battery and a battalion in column, inflicting many casualties.

"In other parts of our line the situation is unchanged.

"Later details of the raid made by the Royal Welsh Fusiliers show that three enemy mine shafts were destroyed and that, excluding 43 prisoners brought back, the Germans suffered about 150 casualties."

GERMANY ADMITS
LOSSES ON WEST.

BERLIN, July 6.—Via London.—Between the Aene brook and the River Somme, and in the region south of the river, says today's German official statement, fighting continues. Minor progress made by British troops near Thiepval, it is added, was balanced by counter-attacks. Further to the south the British succeeded in capturing a firm foothold in an advanced trench salient.

The headquarters staff announces that the small village of Hem in the Somme valley, has been evacuated by the Germans.

Belloy-en-Santerre, southwest of Peronne, has been captured by the French. The fighting around Estrees, it is added, has come to a standstill.

French troops yesterday made an attack along a narrow front in the Aisne district to the south of Villers-Aux-Bois, northwest of Rheims, the official statement says. The attack was not successful and cost the French serious losses.

FRENCH AND FOE
EACH GAIN WOUNDS.

PARIS, July 6.—Last night was generally quiet north and south of the River Somme, says today's official statement of the war office.

There were a few local engagements north of the Somme during the night, in which the Germans captured two small woods a kilometre north of Hem. The French also captured a wood.

South of the Somme the night passed quiet. A German counter-attack on the Verdun front, the war office says, was repulsed easily.

The French have captured 76 cannon and several hundred machine guns. There was no infantry fighting on the Verdun front. The war office says the Germans are attempting to bombard the cathedral at Verdun.

GRAND CIRCUIT MEETING AT
PITTSBURG.

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., July 6.—The Grand Circuit harness meeting scheduled for Grand Rapids the second week in August has been transferred to Pittsburg. Sprinkling of calcium chloride on the track at Comstock Park here, in preparation for the 100-mile automobile race Saturday, has made the turf unfit for a harness race this season.

The Summer "Life-
Savers" are fruit, cereals
and green vegetables. Meat
in summer overtaxes the
liver and kidneys, potatoes
cause intestinal fermentation.
Get away from the heavy
winter diet; give Nature a
chance. One or two
Shredded Wheat Biscuits,
served with milk or cream
or fresh fruit, make a deliciously
nourishing, satisfying
meal. Such a diet means
good digestion, good health
and plenty of strength for
the day's work. All the
goodness of the wheat in a
digestible form. For breakfast
with milk or cream; for
luncheon with fresh fruits.

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LIBERALS' CHOICE IN NORTH PERTH HAS STRONG HOLD

F. Wellington Hay Is Most
Popular Man.

EX-MAYOR OF LISTOWEL

Believes Every Man Should
Devote Time to Interests
of Community.

STRAFFORD, July 6.—When the riding on North Perth became vacant by the resignation of Mr. James Torrance, who has since been appointed collector of customs for the port of Stratford, and the Liberals were face to face with the question of selecting a candidate whose daily principles might in every respect coincide with those of his distinguished leader, N. W. Rowell, the unanimous choice of the nominating convention was F. Wellington Hay, ex-mayor of Listowel, and one of the most popular and highly-respected men in the riding.

It is doubtful if another could be found who would carry the banner of Liberalism with greater distinction and who would represent North Perth in the Legislature with more dignity and attention to the needs of the province as a whole and the district from which he was elected.

Native of Listowel.

Mr. Hay is a native of Listowel, where he has resided all his life. His family has long been associated with the town.

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PIANO AND BRASS BAND IN THE GERMAN TRENCHES

Luxury of Arrangements Showed
Germans Thought Defences Im-
pregnable.

Paris, July 7.—The work of sorting the booty taken by the French troops in the fighting at the Somme brings to light many curious facts. In the Marescourt woods a heavy German battery was found completely dismounted. The battery commander's shelter alone remained intact.

The luxury of the arrangements in the German positions on the Santerre plateau showed that they were considered impregnable. In the positions occupied by the battery mentioned a piano, a brass bandstand and a complete hot and cold water supply.

The greatest booty fell to Gen. Balfour's famous "Iron Corps," which distinguished itself at Verdun. This corps took enough material to set up a whole army.

French Accomplish
A Notable Feat In
Forming New Front

Solid Line Established in New
Positions.

PARIS, July 6.—6:30 p.m.—The French offensive along the Somme has made steady progress so that the left of the advance now rests on Hardecourt and right on Estrees, while the entire front has been transformed.

Within the last four days from one of irregular lines that exposed some positions to a flanking fire, into a homogeneous line without fissures or dangerous wedges.

The solidity of this front is in marked contrast with the front in the battles of the Champagne and the Marne, the irregularity of which permitted of a heavy cross fire being brought to bear upon the more advanced positions.

The new front facing the Somme is a classic form of two echelons on two sides of Peronne, which is said to be the one of the well-known dispositions laid down in ancient tactics that has survived the revolutionizing developments of the present war.

The right of this formation is protected by a defensive curve that united the new front with the old line. Tacticians declare the manoeuvres that accomplished this formation constituted one of the most notable strategic phases of the war.

German Counter-Attacks.
Violent counter-attacks by the Germans on the Somme were repulsed, with heavy losses to the attackers, according to the official statement issued by the French war office tonight.

The text of the statement follows: "On both sides of the Somme the enemy endeavored today to recapture the two ends of the line held by the French."

"North of the Somme a series of German counter-attacks, directed against our new line north of the village of Hem, were successively shattered by our artillery, without the enemy being able to obtain the least success."

Enemy Losses Heavy.
"South of the river counter-attacks launched by the Germans from Berny-en-Santerre on our positions between Estrees and Belloy, were stopped by our barrage fire, and the enemy was unable to debouch from his trenches. In this region the Germans suffered heavy losses. Two companies, caught in a trench northwest of Berny, were annihilated by our machine-guns."

"On the left bank of the Meuse the activity of the artillery on both sides continued in the sector of Chantilly. On the right bank of the river the enemy violently bombarded the Fumin wood, La Lauree, and our machine-guns at Damouville. North of La Morville a salvo from our batteries exploded a German munitions plant."

"A group of our aviators dropped a number of shells last night on the railroad from Ham to Nesle. Fires broke out in the railroad stations at Ham and Voves. The railroad was damaged at several places."

"The German artillery has shown little activity on the front of the Belloy-Santerre. At this point the continued success of our destructive fire provoked an artillery duel, which was terminated in our favor."

Attacks About Rigas.
"In the region of Rigas the Germans launched counter-attacks against a position which we had captured from them, and our troops retired to their former positions, taking with them prisoners. On the night of July 5, 1916, the Germans launched a counter-attack on the Dvina front, and further south, there has been lively artillery fire at numerous points."

"Near Boyare, on the Dvina above Friedriehstadt, our light artillery smashed a German light battery. Attempts by the Germans to remove the guns were unsuccessful. The sun team, which endeavored to save one, was annihilated. All the guns were eventually abandoned."

"In the direction of Baranovichi, the fighting continued, the Germans taking advantage. The enemy delivered repeated counter-attacks in order to regain positions captured by us, but each was repulsed."

"Between Monday and Wednesday we captured altogether 73 officers and about 3,040 men."

On Caucasus Front.
"On the Caucasus front: In the region of Platons our troops are progressing. Between the Taurus and Thorok we repulsed enemy counter-attacks and drove back a Turkish attack on Thorok itself, where our men carried an enemy work on the heights. In their attacks the Turks used asphyxiating gas bombs."

"In the region of Balbut, where some enemy positions were carried, we captured a large quantity of arms, cartridges, grenades and other war material."

"In the direction of Diarbekir, in the eastern Euphrates valley, our forces attacked with the bayonet Turks who took the offensive at dawn and drove them westward, leaving over one hundred dead."

U. S. ARMY REFUSES
TO SIGN DESERTERS

VIENNA, via London, July 6.—10:28 p.m.—A defeat for the Austrians, in which they were driven back nearly five miles on the Delatyn-Kolomea road, is officially admitted in the statement issued by the Austrian war office today. The text of the statement follows:

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HALF MILLION HUNS WIPED OUT IN WAR WITH THE RUSSIANS

Advance of Months Cripples
Germans and Austrians.

PRISONERS REACH 235,000

Russian Guns Within Reach
of Railway Junction at
Baranovichi.

[Canadian Press Cable.]

PETROGRAD, via London, July 6.—10:06 p.m.—Nearly half a million Austrians and Germans have been put out of commission since Gen. Brusilov began his great advance a month ago today. The grand total of prisoners to date is figured at numbers 235,000, of which 4,500 are officers.

Without the actual figures regarding the dead and wounded, careful estimates by military experts, based on the best information places the latter at 200,000 to 220,000. The Austrians predominate overwhelmingly among the prisoners, but among the dead and wounded it is said that the German losses in stopping the Russian advance are heavier than those of the Austrians in solid ranks were storming.

Boaty Is Enormous.
The booty captured reaches incalculable figures. It is figured that 250 guns of various sizes and upwards of 700 machine guns is a conservative estimate. In addition, vast quantities of munitions, supplies and transports have fallen into the hands of the Russians.

The success of General Letichitzky's advance west of Kolomea, where he has cut the railroad into Hungary at Mikuliczyn, is emphasized as a new blow to the Austrian defence of East Galicia. Northwest of Kolomea his troops are within ten miles of the city of Lemberg.

Austrian right flank facing Tarnopol between the Strupa and Zlota Lipa rivers.

German Lines Broken.
On the extreme right flank of Brusilov's front the Russians are attacking the Germans at Czartorysk and Kolk. They have broken through the German lines of the enemy's fortifications here, breasting the flank of the German positions before Lutsk. These successes have considerably lessened the pressure on the Russian centre in that district.

Another interesting situation is developing at Baranovichi, where the advance of the Russian offensive has brought their heavy guns within reach of that important railway junction.

NEW SUCCESSES
FOR RUSSIANS.

PETROGRAD, July 6.—Via London, 10 p.m.—The official communication from general headquarters issued today reads:

"South of the Pina marshes we had important new successes yesterday. In the region of Kostionkivka, we captured an entire enemy battery, and took prisoner 20 officers and 350 soldiers."

"Northwest of Ruzhichy, on the Sty, north of Kolk, we yesterday captured two cannon, three machine guns and 2,300 prisoners. North of Strogouzhitsa, we captured enemy trenches, and took more than 300 prisoners and one machine gun."

"Between the Sty and the Stokhod, in the region of General Cocker's front, the Russians were repulsed. Enemy launched vain counter-attacks, under the protection of artillery."

Victory in Galicia.
"In Galicia, after intense artillery fighting, we took an energetic offensive west of the Lower Stokhod, and on the right bank of the Dniester. The enemy was defeated and driven back. On the right bank of the river the Russian and Soudouk Rivers, tributaries of the Dniester, we took yesterday nearly 5,000 prisoners and eleven machine guns. We lost the brave Capt. Logolubsky, killed in action."

"In the course of an attack on the village of Vertniki, the Germans repulsed our troops with liquid fire. Owing to their liquid fire, we put the Germans to the bayonet when we captured the village. We took prisoner in this region more than 1,000 men. At one point the enemy our Crimean Tatars charged the enemy and put him to flight."

"Yesterday a band of twenty Cossacks swam the Dniester. Doline, and took prisoner on the right bank five officers and 108 soldiers. They captured a cannon."

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UNLESS YOU ARE CARELESS OF HOW YOU SPEND YOUR MONEY
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Summer Hosiery for All

Whether you go away or stay at home
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sheer, double sole and deep garter top.
Black or white. Sizes 8½ to 10. 35c
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