

# The Allies Still Winning!

## The Germans Giving Ground All Along The Battle Front

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**Additional Areas of Territory and Many Villages Long Held By the Teutons Have Been Restored—British Take Places They Never Held Before—Retreating Columns of Germans Cut To Pieces—Thousands Captured.**

(By The Associated Press.)

From Flanders to Soissons the British, French and American forces are keeping up without cessation their strong offensive tactics against the Germans, who all along the battlefront are still giving ground, although at certain points not without strong resistance. Seemingly it is the full realization of the peril he is in that now is prompting the enemy to put forth his every effort to avert complete disaster.

Additional areas of territory which long had been held by the enemy have been restored; many thousands of Germans have been sent behind the lines to swell the great throng already there in prison camps, and many of the enemy's dead lying upon the battlefield testify to his heavy casualties.

Retreating columns of the Germans have been cut to pieces by the British artillery from captured vantage points before which the enemy was compelled to pass unsheltered from the fire of the British gunners.

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### RONALD BLAKNEY, MONCTON, KILLED

Was a Moncton Times Linotype Before Enlistment in St. John—Private Menzies Dies of Wounds.

Special to The Standard  
Moncton, Sept. 3.—Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Blakney received official notice from Ottawa today that their son, Pte. Ronald Blakney, had been killed in action in France, Aug. 28. Pte. Blakney enlisted with Col. Wedderburn's 15th Battalion, at St. John, and had been in France with another unit the past year. He was 23 years of age and when he enlisted was a linotype operator in the Moncton Times office.  
Mrs. William LeBlanc, Moncton, received word this morning that her only brother, Pte. Ernest Menzies, had died of wounds in France. He enlisted in North Shore Battalion and formerly lived in Roseraville. He was 24 years of age.

### CASUALTIES

- Infantry.**
- Died of wounds—Lieut. R. S. Macham, Fredericton, N. B.
- Wounded—J. L. Owen, North Tay, N. B. Engineers.
- Died—R. A. Brown, St. John, N. B. Artillery.
- Wounded—M. O. Bannister, Sunny Brae, N. B. Mounted Rifles.
- Wounded—S. W. McKim, Welsford, N. B.

### LENS NOT TAKEN!

London, Sept. 3.—The report of the German evacuation and the British occupation of Lens which was current here today, is not confirmed from any official source and seems at least to be premature. It is worthy of note that Field Marshal Haig's communication from British headquarters in France tonight mentions only a slight advance of the British outposts. French reports late this evening says that fighting is in progress in the suburbs.

### GERMAN ARMY IN FULL RETREAT

By Arthur S. Draper.  
(Special Cable to the New York Tribune and St. John Standard.)

London, Sept. 3.—The Germans are in full retreat. The enemy has suffered the heaviest defeat since Foch countered on July 18. Haig is reaping the greatest victory that has fallen to the Allied armies since the first battle of the Marne. None can say where the enemy will halt in his wild rush along the battle front of over seventy-five miles.

From the Messines Ridge to the Canal Du Nord the German troops are hastening eastward with hardly a show of defense.

The whole Drocourt-Queant line prepared by months of arduous labor and infinite pains is now in the rear of the British, who have also taken Buissey, Dognes, Veni, Bertincourt in the forest of the Hindenburg defenses have been occupied by the British without a fight. In two days Haig has captured over 15,000 prisoners and many guns and has effected the heaviest blow Ludendorff has ever experienced.

### BEAR ATTACKS AUTOMOBILE

Party of Ladies on Way To Church Have Thrilling Experience in Kent County.

Special to The Standard.  
Harcourt, Sept. 3.—A car driven by Mr. Alonso McIntyre of Harcourt, was attacked recently by a big black bear. Mr. McIntyre was driving a party of ladies to church and when between Harcourt and Adamsville the party sighted a bear lying in the brush on the side of the road. When the car approached Bruin sprang out and attacked one of the tires, taking a piece out.

### SALMON PACK IN HANDS OF GOVT

British Officials Cut Off Large Supply To Domestic Users—Relief For Sugar Refiners

Toronto, Sept. 3.—The following comment on the market situation as regards food stuffs appears in the Canadian Grocer:

The announcement that the War Purchasing Commission had arranged to take over the entire salmon pack (at least a very large portion of it) for the British Government came as a great surprise to the trade. The railways have been instructed to accept no shipments destined to domestic users, and no further orders are being accepted by the packers until the complete terms of the purchase are made known.

### DIED A HERO

Summerside, P. E. I., Sept. 3.—It is learned that Lieut. Archie Letourgey of St. Eleanor's, who was reported taken prisoner some time ago, was killed in action. He lost his life while aiding a wounded comrade.

### ARRESTS IN MOSCOW

Amsterdam, Sept. 3.—The Russian newspaper Pravda says that numerous officers and members of the Socialist revolutionary party have been arrested at Moscow in connection with the attempt to assassinate Nikolai Lenin, the Bolshevik premier.

### HON. O. M. MELANSON ILL

Shediac, September 3.—The many friends of Hon. O. M. Melanson, former Speaker of the Legislature, will regret to learn that he is not in the best of health. He is now a patient in the Royal Victoria Hospital, Montreal. His many acquaintances hope for a speedy recovery.

### SOLDIER MISSING

Campobello, Sept. 3.—John McCurdy of Eastport has been reported missing in action.

## British Much Closer To The Important Town of Cambrai, Announces Haig

London, Sept. 3.—Between Peronne and the Senne river the British are continuing their successful advances against the Germans, according to Field Marshal Haig's communication issued tonight.

The British now have reached the general line of Ytres (south of Bertincourt), Beaumetz-Lez-Cambrai, Baralle, Rumaucourt and Lecluse.

The attachment says: "After the heavy defeat inflicted on the enemy yesterday our progress on the battlefront between Peronne and the Senne river continued today and our troops reached the general line of Ytres-Beaumetz-Lez-Cambrai, Baralle, Rumaucourt and Lecluse.

"Hostile rear-guards which resisted the advance of our infantry have been captured or driven back with loss and heavy casualties were inflicted on the retreating German columns by our artillery. Large numbers of the enemy retiring in close formation over the ridge northwest of Equancourt were successfully engaged by our batteries over the open heights.

"In his hurried retreat quantities of stores and material of all kinds were abandoned by the enemy and have fallen into our hands.

"As a result of a successful operation this morning south of Lys, English troops have taken Richebourg-St. Vaast and established themselves on the line of La Bassee road and between there and Estaires, which is in our possession. A number of prisoners and a few guns were captured in this attack.

"Our posts have been pushed forward slightly in the western outskirts of Lens and east and north of Givenchy-Lez-La Bassee. During the night we made progress northeast of Steenwerck and entered Wulverghem."

## CANADIANS TAKE 6,000 PRISONERS

Boys From Dominion in One of Greatest Actions of War and Meet Furious Opposition—Steady Progress Made By Currie's Men—Heaviest Artillery Engagement Canadians Have Been In.

Special to The Standard  
With the American forces in the field Sept. 3, via London. (By J.F.B. Livesay, Canadian Press Correspondent.)

The Canadian corps captured yesterday between five and six thousand prisoners, but it was only by intensive and sanguinary fighting. More than ever the enemy relied on his machine guns' nests. A single gunner-entrenched in one of these might inflict a hundred casualties on our advance infantry. It is small solace that the destruction of such a nest led invariably to the capture of a hundred or more Boche sheep in the dug-outs behind. Their machine guns had paid their price.

With the Canadian Forces in the field, Sept. 2. (By J. F. B. Livesay.) At noon today the Canadian forces attacking had passed through the portion of the Queant Drocourt switch

### MRS. C. S. YOUNG OF L. MILLSTREAM DEAD

Was Wife of United Baptist Pastor and Daughter of John R. Peterson of Tracey Mills.

Lower Millstream, Sept. 4.—The wife of Rev. C. S. Young, pastor of the United Baptist church of this place, passed away about 11.25 Tuesday night, after an illness of three weeks, in the 36th year of her age, leaving her husband, twin daughters, three years old, and an infant son to mourn the loss of a kind and loving wife and mother.

Mrs. Young before her marriage was Miss Helens Belle Peterson, eldest daughter of John R. Peterson, of Tracey Mills. She was married to Rev. Mr. Young four years ago and the first two years of wedded life were spent at Plaster Rock. They have resided at Lower Millstream a little over one year, where Mrs. Young had by her kind and Christian life made many friends who will sincerely sympathize with the stricken family in their bereavement.

A funeral service will be held in the United Baptist church this (Wednesday) evening at 8 o'clock, and at the Tracey Mills United Baptist church on Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock, at which place interment will be made.

## WONDERFUL FEAT OF BRITISH ARMS

Piercing of Wotan Line on Wide Front Greatest Achievement Since Aug. 8—English and Canadian Storm Troops Batter Their Way Through Strongest Point in German Defences.

Performance Is Beyond Praise, Arthur S. Draper States—Position of Entire Enemy Army Is Now Critical and General Retreat Well Back of Hindenburg Line May Be Necessary.

Special cable to New York Tribune and St. John Standard. (By Arthur S. Draper.)

London, Sept. 3.—The piercing of the Wotan line on a wide front is the greatest feat of British arms since August 8. English and Canadian storm troops, supported by tanks and aeroplanes, have attacked the strongest point in the German defenses and battered their way through, capturing vital positions and large numbers of prisoners.

The performance is beyond praise, because Ludendorff had prepared for the blow and was fighting with odds in his favor. Haig wanted to break the northern hinge of the Hindenburg line and he has succeeded. Seven divisions of Germans (91,000 men) were concentrated on the narrow front east of Arras, but though they fought desperately Haig's troops proved to be their master. They are approaching the line drawn through Douai and Cambrai, two vital centers of the whole German system of communication.

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### THREE DROWNED IN A MAINE POND

Two Women and Man Spilled Out of Canoe and Lose Lives.

Andover, Me., Sept. 3.—Three persons are dead as the result of the overturning of a canoe in B pond. The drowned are Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Cummings of Paris Hill and Mrs. Guy I. Sweet of South Paris. The bodies have not been recovered.

Mr. and Mrs. Cummings leave seven children. Mrs. Sweet is survived by her husband, Lieut. Sweet, now in France, and two children.

### WAS WIDELY KNOWN THEATRE MANAGER

John B. Schoeffel of Tremont Theatre, Boston, Dead—Wife Was Agnes Booth.

Boston, Sept. 3.—John B. Schoeffel, for many years one of the most widely known theatrical managers in the United States, is dead at his home here. Mr. Schoeffel was for twenty-five years manager of the Tremont theatre. His wife was Miss Agnes Booth, a well known actress and a member of the famous Booth family of tragedians. She died about a dozen years ago.

### FRENCH CROSS SOMME

Paris, Sept. 3.—French troops have crossed the Somme, near Epaucourt, according to the war office announcement tonight. They have also gained a foothold on the east side of the Canal Du Nord. The statement says: "Our infantry has crossed the Somme before Epaucourt. Further south our troops have gained a foothold in the village of Geuvry (Genry) east of the Canal Du Nord, taking 200 prisoners.

"East of Noyon we made new progress and reached the outskirts of Salency. The artillery fighting is lively in this region.

"In the course of the battle yesterday between the Ailette and the Aisne we took 1,200 prisoners.

"An enemy raid in the Violu sector (the Voeges) brought no result.

### BURN VILLAGES

Special to The Standard  
American Headquarters in France, Sept. 2. (Reuter's).—A great fight has been in progress all day north and northeast of Solsois. The Germans are defending the Pont Rouge Plateau, northeast of Solsois, and the Laon railway with great vigor.

The Americans are bombarding German positions from the south and west. The lines of the enemy for hours have been a seething inferno of smoke and dust. The villages he has been holding are burning like vast torches. Fires are spreading through the woods and about them in scarlet wreaths of flames.

### WEDDING AT SHEDIAC

Shediac, Sept. 3.—A quiet wedding was solemnized Monday morning in St. Joseph's R. C. Church, when Miss Janie Thibodeau, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Thibodeau, was united in marriage with Frank Lyons, of the C. G. R. offices, Moncton, and a son of J. M. Lyons, of this town. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Father LeBlanc, parish priest. Mr. and Mrs. Lyons left in the afternoon on a wedding trip to Boston and New York. They will reside in Shediac.

### NEW STEAMER LINE

Summerside, P. E. I., Sept. 3.—Capt. Bernier, the famous Arctic explorer, is here arranging for a steamship service between Montreal, Summerside, Charlottetown, Cape Breton ports and the Magdalen Islands. Several trips will be made this year.

### NEW SUGAR ORDER

Ottawa, Sept. 3.—New regulations governing the use of sugar in public eating places, and by manufacturers are announced by the Canada Food Board.

### GET 40,000 SLACKERS

New York, Sept. 3.—Federal officials estimated shortly before midnight that more than 40,000 suspected slackers had been arrested today in New York and nearby cities in the great round-up of draft evaders conducted by 25,000 soldiers, sailors, police and government agents.

Most of the prisoners, it was said, come from other parts of the country.

### ESCAPED FROM HERE

Special to The Standard.  
Moncton, Sept. 3.—Ralph Paris, the colored youth who escaped from the St. John Reformatory and was recaptured here, was today sentenced by the police magistrate to a month in Dorchester jail for escaping from the local lockup while serving a twenty days' sentence for trespassing on the C. G. R.

### RUNOFF ON C. G. R.

Special to The Standard.  
Moncton, Sept. 3.—Today's Ocean Limited from Montreal was delayed about ten hours west of Levis by a freight wreck near Levis.