

THE ALLIES SWEEP ON!

VICTORIOUS PROGRESS OF THE ENTENTE ALLIES CONTINUES

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German Line in Noyon Sector and That Running Eastward From Soissons To Rheims in Grave Danger—Allies Have Taken Seventeen Thousand Prisoners Since Wednesday—Enemy Hastens Reinforcements To Stem Torrent.

(By The Associated Press.) Notwithstanding the fact that the Germans have brought up strong reinforcements on both wings of the battlefield, the British and French forces everywhere have beaten off the enemy and continued their victorious progress.

Many additional towns have been captured by Field Marshal Haig's men in the north, while the French have successfully overcome obstacles placed in their way and reached territory north of Soissons which adds further to the danger of the Germans in the Noyon sector and to their line running eastward from Soissons to Rheims.

All along the front from Arras to the Somme the Germans are gradually being driven back to the old Hindenburg line by the British. Along the Somme the enemy is being harassed well to the east of Bray, while further north strong counter-attacks have been repulsed and the town of Mametz, the Mametz Wood, Martinpuich, Le Sars, and Le Barque have been captured.

Fighting at Bapaume.

It is around Bapaume that the Germans are keeping up the strongest efforts to hold back the tide that is surging against them, but the British are continuing to make slight gains daily in the process of surrounding the town, which seemingly soon must be evacuated.

The taking of Le Sars and Le Barque appears to be a forerunner of this eventuality. Le Barque is only two and a half miles southwest of Bapaume. Everywhere, except directly south of Bapaume, the British are well across the Bapaume-Albert Road, and north of the town they are fast pressing forward toward the Hindenburg line.

Unofficial reports have placed the British in the outskirts of Bullecourt, which is just west of the old line. Since last Wednesday the British have taken more than 17,000 prisoners and large numbers of guns and great quantities of supplies also have fallen into their hands. Some of the prisoners taken have been identified as coming from Austro-Hungarian units.

The Germans are launching strong counter-attacks against the French between the Oise and Ailette Rivers, in an endeavor to hold back General Mangin's army which is threatening the entire German front in this region. Here also the Germans have been reinforced by troops from the Dual region of Soissons, in the French have made further progress eastward and now are abreast the railroad line running from Soissons to Laon. A considerable number of additional prisoners have fallen into French hands.

As yet there has been no movement by the Germans along the Vesle River to indicate that a retirement toward the Aisne is in immediate prospect. The Americans and French in this region continue to heavily shell the enemy's back areas.

Further east, in the Voges region, the Americans are keeping up their patrol activity against the enemy. The Americans also are busily engaged in bombing German points behind the line. Thirty-eight bombs were dropped from airplanes on Combaux Saturday, and ten direct hits were scored.

Considerable fighting in the air is also taking place, one American aviator apparently having disposed of two German fliers and two other Americans each sending down one enemy plane.

FREEDOM OF ACTION LEFT FOR CANADA

Sir Robert Borden Tells of Momentous Conferences Held Overseas.

OUR ORGANIZATION AN EXCELLENT ONE

Feat of Canadian Soldiers This Month Was Never Equalled.

Ottawa, Aug. 25.—The Canadian representatives, declared Sir Robert Borden today, referring in the course of an interview to the work of the imperial war conference, "carried out a definite policy of preserving complete freedom of action to the government and parliament of Canada in the policy and methods to be adopted for co-operation with other parts of the empire in any common purpose."

Great Canadian Victory.

"The magnificent spirit and efficiency of the Canadian Army Corps," he proceeded, "were never more manifest than in the signal victory which they recently won when they penetrated the German lines during the first two days to a depth never equalled on either side in the like period."

"During my stay in England," Sir Robert said "my colleagues and I were actively and exclusively occupied in public affairs. The work of the imperial war conference, a summary of which has already been made public, covered a great variety of subjects."

"Nearly all the conclusions reached in the imperial war cabinet were of a confidential or secret nature and therefore cannot be made public. They had a very intimate relation to the conduct of the war in the various theatres. Only of action, further preparation, co-operation in the utilization of resources, the most effective employment of striking power whether on land, at sea, or in the air—these and many other cognate subjects were under most close and prolonged consideration from first to last; with the assistance and advice of the highest expert conclusions of great moment were reached, and before the close of the year further important decisions must necessarily be taken."

"Sixty per cent. of the immense armies that have left the shores of the United States during the past five months have been transported in British ships without which no such task could have been accomplished."

"Besides the work of the war conference and the war cabinet my colleagues and I took up with the many departments of the British government questions which could not be effectively or thoroughly dealt with by correspondence. All of us were impressed with the thoroughness of the Canadian organization and with the earnestness and devotion of officers and men in the discharge of their duties."

British Army Wins All Along the Line Despite Powerful Enemy Attack

London, Aug. 25.—The British troops made further progress today and have taken many prisoners, notwithstanding the arrival of German reinforcements on the battlefield, according to Field Marshal Haig's report tonight.

The statement says: "Resistance increased today with the arrival of German reinforcements on the battlefield. Many hostile counter-attacks were broken down. Our troops with great gallantry have overcome the resistance and have made further progress; they have taken many prisoners."

"North of the Somme the Australians carried the enemy's positions on the high ground east of Bray. British troops advanced in the direction of Carnoy and have taken Mametz."

"Welsh troops captured Mametz Wood. "In the center we captured Martinpuich, Le Sars and Le Barque."

"North of Bapaume there has been severe fighting in Favreuil and about Mory and Crossillea. We made progress east of Behagnies and in Neuville-Vitasse."

London, Aug. 24.—"Despite considerable hostile reinforcements," says Field Marshal Haig's report from the British front in France tonight, "progress has been made along the whole front of our attack. Bray has been captured and a number of prisoners has been captured."

"Further progress has been made along the high ground southeast of Albert. Several hundred prisoners were taken."

"La Boisselle, Oviliers, Mouquet Farm, Thiepval and Grandcourt have been captured with over 2,000 prisoners. Our troops are astride the Thiepval Ridge and are advancing eastward."

"There was heavy fighting about Miraumont, where the enemy held out until outflanked by advancing columns."

MORE PRAISE FOR PREMIER BORDEN

Orono, Ont., Aug. 24.—Speaking of the premier's life, and the country under patriotic auspices to his constituents in the Town Hall, Hon. N. W. Rowell, president of the privy council, explained the duties of the imperial war cabinet, told of the splendid work of the Canadian corps and the announcement of Mr. Rowell that the prime minister had arrived. The prime minister of Canada was never called upon to take part in graver deliberations, and no prime minister ever stood more stoutly, courageously or effectively for Canada's rights and interests, said Mr. Rowell.

BISHOP BARRY IN CRITICAL STATE

Was Exceedingly Low Saturday Night, But He Rallied Yesterday—Heart Is Very Weak.

Special to The Standard. Chatham, Aug. 25.—Bishop Barry of Chatham, N. S., Saturday. The clergy of the episcopal residence and the nurses in attendance did not expect him to live until morning, but he rallied and was quite bright today. His heart is very weak. For the past few days he has been very low at times, but has brightened up again to a remarkable degree.

His illness began about two months ago with a slight stroke of paralysis. His illness began about two months ago with a slight stroke of paralysis. driving of Malow was returning.

ENEMY NEAR THE HINDENBURG LINE

British Continue Smashing Germany in Northern Battle Zone, Capturing Town of Bray and Twenty Villages—Bapaume and Noyon Both Untenable and Practically in Allied Hands.

Hindenburg Rushes Austro-Hungarians To Jack Up Crumbling German Lines—British Reached Outskirts of Bapaume Sunday Morning.

With the British Army in France, Aug. 25.—(By The Associated Press)—The British continue smashing the Germans towards the old Hindenburg line, which has almost been reached in the northern battle zone. The defences of Bapaume have either already been captured or are in process of being captured.

London, Aug. 25.—The British have continued their attacks against the Germans north of the Somme and have made much progress. They have captured the town of Bray and also La Boisselle, Oviliers, Moquet Farm, Grandcourt, Greville, Biefvillers, Irlies, St. Leger, Neuf Bequin, Contal maison, Narlencourt, Sapignies, Behagnies and have reached Avesnes-les-Bapaume, on the outskirts of the town of Bapaume. Several other villages were also taken.

The British captured several thousand prisoners as well Saturday and today.

Austro-Hungarian reinforcements have been sent to the western front.

The town of Noyon is expected to fall at any moment, according to information received from the battlefield.

MR MONTGOMERY IS AGAIN MAYOR

Able and Popular Citizen of Dalhousie Returned Unopposed and His Position Is Vindicated—Came For Ex-Alderman Theriault.

Special to The Standard. Dalhousie, Aug. 24.—William S. Montgomery was tonight elected mayor of the town of Dalhousie for the eleventh time. The election was caused by the resignation of ex-Mayor James Stewart, who has left to spend the winter with his children in the Canadian West. Mr. Stewart succeeded Mr. Montgomery, who last winter still retaining the confidence of a people of opposition to a certain bill fostered by Messrs. Currie and Le Blanc, M. L. A. S. the last session. After a strenuous fight the bill was passed by the legislature and now Mr. Montgomery has again been chosen by acclamation to fill the position.

The Right Man. Liberals and Conservatives alike agree that he is the right man in the right place. Dalhousie has been particularly lucky in stamping out the breed of small men who in every town devote their assistance to opposing progressive mayors and town councils. Those that are left here could not muster enough support to bring an opponent in the field. The election of Mr. Montgomery, let Mr. Currie, of stamper fame, resign his seat and he will find that contrary to Mr. Montgomery he has lost the confidence of the people.

Ex-Alderman Nicholas Theriault, who is moving to Eel River Crossing, was tonight presented with a gold headed cane and a Morris chair by the citizens to show their appreciation of the splendid services he has given to the community as an alderman and as an industrious citizen. He leaves with the good wishes of everybody.

Wolfeville, N. S., Aug. 25.—Last night at 10:30 a team driven by Ainsley McDow, of Gasperau, collided with an automobile in front of Kent Lodge. The horse mounted the rear running board, and the shaft struck Miss Flora Bishop of New Minas, in the heart and above the temple, killing her instantly. McDow was on the wrong side of the road. At the inquest today a verdict of accidental death due to the careless driving of McDow was returned.

Montreal, Aug. 25.—The province of Quebec has lost one of her most distinguished jurists by the death early this morning at the residence of his brother-in-law at Trois Pistoles of the Hon. Horace Archaibeault, chief justice of the Court of King's Bench. Mr. Horace was sixty-one years old. He had spent the greater part of the summer vacation at Ste. Irene, Quebec, prolonging his stay there in order to be at the bedside of his colleague, Mr. Justice Lavergne, during the latter's recent serious illness. Two weeks ago the chief justice went to Trois Pistoles and seemed to be in his usual good health. This morning he complained of illness. Death ensued from heart failure.

A. C. G. R. FOREMAN DIES ON VACATION

James Archibald Wilson of Moncton Passes Away in Cape Breton—Buctouche Man Wounded.

Moncton, Aug. 25.—James Archibald Wilson, C. G. R. bridge foreman of Moncton, died suddenly Saturday at the home of his wife's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Gillis, George's River, Cape Breton. Word to this effect was received here by friends last night. The deceased with his wife and two children had gone to Cape Breton on a holiday trip, arriving at the home of Mrs. Wilson's parents the day before death. Besides his wife and two children the deceased is survived by his mother, Mrs. Jane Wilson of Moncton, two brothers, Richard of the C. G. R. electrical department, and Lawrence. Three sisters, Mrs. Nelson Geldart, Little River, A. C., Mrs. R. G. McCready and Miss Rene at home. Death was due to heart trouble.

Word was received here today that John Ward, a former member of the Moncton police force, was wounded in the recent fighting in France. Pte. Ward belongs to Buctouche, whose death occurred recently at Chatham, Ont., was brought to his home here today for burial. He was a son of James Legere of Lewisville.

THE STANLEY FIRE

Fredricton, Aug. 25.—Stanley Douglas states that he has not determined whether to rebuild his lumber mill which was burned at Stanley Friday night. The loss is \$20,000; insurance, \$6,000.

BERIBERI AT SYDNEY

Sydney, N. S., Aug. 25.—Nineteen cases of beriberi have broken out in the Chinese crew of the steamer Brocove at North Sydney and one death has occurred this afternoon. Patients have been quarantined.