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THE COURIER, BRANTFORD, CANADA, WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 1918.

Advance North of Peronne and Arras-Cambrai Road Approach Neuve Chappelle On Flanders Front

Continues

Entered the

Town

London, Sept. 4. - Informa-

ion from the front today is that

still mainly in German posses-

sion. British patrols, however,

are reported to be in the western

ed as correct until the receipt

of last night's British official

communication, which failed to

HAVE SECURED HOLD

London, Sept. 4-Bulletin.-

The British have secured a hold

on the west bank of the Canal

Du Nord by taking Rumancourt,

to the north of Sains-lez-Marqu-

ion, according to advices from

the battle front today.

two miles north of Peronne

From Hermies southward the British line is indicated as running to

the west of Royaulcourt, a mile and a half east of Bertincourt.

Midway between Nieppe and Sailly, in the Lys salient, the British have captured the village of Croiz-

Clearing Jun Nests.

tch says: "The Americans finally gained the

confirm them.

portion of the town.

By Courier Leased Wire.

FRENCH CONTINUE TO PUSH GERMANS BACK BETWEEN THE AILETTE AND AISNE RIVERS

Take Chapitre Wood and Reach Out-SOIL OF FRANCE skirts of Coucy-Le-Chateau—British Forces Continue Progress With Satisfactory Results

By Courier Leased Wire. London, Sept. 4 .- In their push beyond the Drocourt-Queant line, the British troops have reached the line of the Canal Du Nord, says Field Marshal Haig's official statement today. North of the Arras-Cambrai road they have occupied the town of Ecourt St. Quentin.

North of Peronne the advance has carried the British through the Vaux woods, above Moislans. Slight advances have been scored at other points.

Continuing their advance in Flanders the British are approaching Neuve Chapelle and Laventie In the same region they have gained possession of Sailly-sur-Lallys and

FRENCH PUSHING ON. PARIS, Sept. 4.—Bulletin.—French yesterday and last night continued to push back the Germans to the east of the Canal Du Nord, and between the Ailette and the Aisne, says today's war office announcement.

In their advance the French took the Chapitre wood, northeast of Chevilly, and approached the town of Criselles, three miles north of Noyon. North of the Ailette the French reached the outskirts

of Coucy-le-Chateau and Juvincourt, and south of the river they drove further east from Louelly, and attained the suburbs of Clemecy and Braye. On the Aisne the town of Bucy-le-Long was penetrated,

Prisoners to the number of 1,500 were taken. Along the Vesle parties of French troops crossed the

river at several points.

FRENCH OFFICIAL. The text of the statement

"Yesterday during \ the day and night the French continued to press back the enemy east of the Canal du Nord and between the Ailette and the Aisne. "French troops captured the Chapitre Wood, northeast of Chevilly, and further south French elements advanced, pur-

suing the enemy, and are ap-

proaching Crisolles. "North of the Ailette the French carried their lines to the western outskirts of Coucyle-Chateau and Juvencourt. To the south the French progressed east of Leully and reached the outskirts of Clamecy and Braye and penetrated Bucy-le-Long. The number of prisoners taken

Present Series of Hammer British Patrols Have Blows Most Extended of the Entire War FORTY DAYS' PROGRESS By Courier Leased Wire

Paris, Sept. 4.—Between Ypres and Rheims with General Mangin menacing the St. Gobain with Generals Humbert and De Beney advancing on St. Quentin and the Franco-Americans on the Vesle with Rawlinson before Peronne, General Byng be-fore Lens and General Plumer pefore Armentieres, the enem feels the soil of France slipping from under his feet.

Commentators point out that in the present offensive continnity has been maintained, lasting forty-six days without a break and that not since the beginning of the war has such an extended series of hammer dismay. The enemy is unable to reorganize his forces to make a stand arresting the onward march of the Allies.

Further south along the canal they are reported to have captured Inchyen-Artois, Demilcourt, to the east of Doignies and Hermies, three miles northeast of Bertincourt.

Near the Somme the British, the advices state, have crossed the canal of Haut Allains, slightly more than two miles parts of Percents. Opening of World's Series At Chicago Postponed Till Tomorrow

By Courier Leased Wire
Chicago, Sept. 4.—The first of
the World's Series between Chicago and Boston was called off
to-day because of a steady rain,
which falling for hours showed
no signs of cessation. In addition, the weather bureau predicted continuance of the downnour

Fair weather is predicted to-morrow, and the diamond is be-ing protected by heavy canvass. The postponement gives the Bos-ton team a day of rest after their hurried trip from the east.

The Battle for Lens

- BATTLE OF THE MARNE

some of the large amount of cannon captured by Gen. Mangin's army in the Marne battle is here shown in the photo. It was Gen. Mangin, the hero will pull himself together. of Soissons, who delivered the third and distinct blow of Gen. Foch's Picardy daive when he began his offensive along the Aisne.

FOE, NOWHERE ABLE the coal mining city of Lens is TO RESIST ALLIES

At No Place Along Battle Line Has Halt Been Caused of a great reserve army under Gen. There were widespread reports yesterday that Lens had in Offensive Movement—Germans are Giving Ground Rapidly been evacuated by the Germans,

and occupied by the British By Courier Leased Wire These reports emanated from New York, Sept. 4.- The Asan authoritative source in Lonsociated Press to-day issued the don, and were generally accept

At no place along the battle line extending from Soissons to Flanders has the enemy been able to resist the Allied armies in sufficient strength to cause a halt in the offensive movement. The Germans after repeated defeats at various points have given ground apparently content to save their retreat with rear-guard actions. Where, if at all, the Germans plan to make a determined stand, is problematical. The failure to counter

attack for possession of the Queant-Drocourt line gives added credence to unofficial reports that still another line has been prepared—a switch line from Brebieres to Mocuvres—and that here a valiant effort will be made to etem the tide of the battle. The British already have reached Rumancourt, a short distance from this new line and both from the north and the south they are ap-

ching it. While the greatest progress continues to be made southeast and east of Arras momentous events apparently are impending north of Soissons. Here General Mangin has for several days been pushing forward in a slow, but steady advance until he now holds the key position to the

Vesle front, from which, if their movements are an indication of their plan of manoeuvre the Germans plan to retreat back of the Aisne or to the Chemin Dames. The Germans been forced out of the Ailette River sector and the main defences of the Hindenburg are endangered. A thrust by the Franco-American forces at this point would be a serious menace to 'the German lines south and east of Soissons.

The British continue to make progress in the Lys salient, where Richeborg and St. Vaast have been captured. In the vicinity of Lens a furious battle is in progress for the possession of that city. Lens is one of the strongest points of the German defences in the north.

South of Queant, east of which the British have advanced to Barelle, the enemy's position at Cambrai is endangered. Barelle is eight miles west of Cambrai and at the rate of the British advance will soon be under artillery fire. The British line west of Cambrai is almost where it was last March when the German offensive began. South of Queant to Peronne, the British have advanced, while further south from Peronne to Novon the French have crossed the Canal du Nord and occupied

England Breathlesly Watching Progress on the West Front

NATION IS AROUSED.

By Courier Leased Wire.
London, Sept. 4.—The progress of tremendous events on the battle front in France is being followed with almost breathless eagerness by the whole British nation. The most significant feature of Tuesday's developments was that the expected Jerman attempt to restore the posi-tion of the broken Wotan line did nemy to make such an attempt apparently is alttributable to the press the advance on the retiring late on when and where the enemy

Disastrous has been the blow already and the prestige and security of the German position is endangerd. Experts here are not expressing admit the probability of some defences being organized behind the nemy lines in an attempt to check eral von Mackensen, who will turn the tables on the Allied forces, but obviously it is impossible here to throw any light on such reports. Whatever the future may hold the actual situation is regarded as one of extraordinary promise for Allies and containing of possibility of compulsory abandonment of entire northern German front, in-

cluding the Flanders coast.

While featuring the dramatic developments on the British front, commentators do not neglect to emphasize the great importance of the operations on the southern end the operations on the southern end of the battle line, where the French and Americans are holding against large enemy forces and making progress. French official communiques deal almost laconically with these operations, but their value as a contribution to Germany's defeat are not overlooked here. Recognition equally is given to the incalculable bearing on the entire situation of the presence of the rapidly growing American army.

The military critic of The Telegraph' in discussing the pussibility of the Germans organizing reserves for

the Germans organizing reserves for a counter blow dismisses the subject with the remark that "the counter menace of the American reserves will bind the German reserves like a

Commenting on the same subject. The Daily Mail's critic says; The Daily Mail's critic says;

"In previous successes the lack of strong reserves prevented victories being exploited to the uttermost. On this occasion Marshel Foch has in our American armies ample forces available if he determines to press the blow.

"We are witnessing the collapse of the prestige of the Prussian military machine. We have the waip hand as we never had it before in this war and we hold it with a censtantly increasing reserve of power.

stantly increasing reserve of power, both in men and material against which the enemy has nothing com-

my has not yet been thrown into the scale, but it is there waiting to be released in positions which fill us with the highest expectations and the enemy with the deepest con-

SITUATION TO-DAY

By Courier Leased Wire.

yet their progress is not reported wp the British temporarily along the

Already the wedge they have driv-



system in the west. New York, Sept. 4.—The Associat- Disorganization in the German ed Press to-day issued the follow- ranks is reported in unofficial advices from the front, however, and The British have driven home there seems to be more than a possibility that the enemy command will not be able to reconstruct its defendance. as far as the Canal Du Nord and as sive formations even in time to hold

in that region exceed 1,500.

"On the Vesle front French elements crossed that river at several points."

BRITISH OFFICIAL

London, Sept 4.—The text of the statement reads:
"On the battle front minor

actions are reported in different localities. We have reached the east side of the Vaux woods north of Moislans, and have ad-vanced slightly at other points. "Generally our troops have

vanced slightly at other points, "Generally our troops have reached the line of the Canal Du Nord and north of the Arras-Cambrai road have occupied Ecourt St. Quentin.

"In the Lys sector, further progress was made by us yesterday and last night, both south and north of the river. Our troops are approaching Neuve Chapelle."

The menace to both Cambrai and Douai may be indicated by the fact en into the German defences in that the British are within 5 1-2 miles the sector between the railway centres of Douai and Cambrai is a menace to the euemy, who must from Douai. At Inchy-en-Hartois stop the British on the canal line they are more than two miles from

Since the opening of the combined Franco-British ownstions on August 6, no less than 97 German divisions have been engaged on the battle London, Sept. 4 .- The clearing of machine gun nests around Terny-Sorney is being continued by the Americans despite the stabborn op-position of German patrols, says The Daily Mail's corresondent in a des-patch from the American headquar-HUNS, CROWN PRINCE ADMITS ters in France. Continuing the des-

Little Willie on German War Aimsmach and line work the hope to save those bases, with points in the German defensive of the hope to save those bases, with points in the German defensive of the hope to save those bases, and the point of the condance of the hope to save those bases, and the point of the condance of the hope to save those bases, and the point of the condance of the hope to save those bases, and the point of the condance of the hope to save those bases, and the point of the condance of the hope to save those bases, and the point of the condance of the hope to save those bases, and the point of the condance of the hope to save those bases, and the point of the condance of the hope to save those bases, and the point of the condance of the hope to save those bases, and the point of the condance of the hope to save those bases, and the point of the condance of the hope to save those bases, and the point of the condance of the hope to save those bases, and the point of the condance of the hope to save those bases, and the point of the condance of the hope to save those bases, and the point of the condance of the hope to save those bases, and the point of the condance of the hope to save the hope to the hope to