

ANOTHER ADVANCE BY BRITISH; 300 YARDS OF TRENCHES GAINED

In Conjunction With the French They Pushed Forward the Line West and Southwest of Guillemont—French Consolidating Gains, and Artillery Very Active

By Special Wire to the Courier. London, Aug. 17.—The British have made another advance on the Somme front. Official announcement was made to-day that the line has been pushed forward west and southwest of Guillemont.

The communication is as follows: "As a result of fighting undertaken yesterday evening in conjunction with a French advance on Maurepas, we have pushed forward our line both west and southwest of Guillemont. West of High Wood we captured some 300 yards of a hostile trench about 300 yards in advance of our previous line. East of Mouquet farm our machine gun fire nipped in the bud a German attack.

Making a Last Stand

Russian Troops Held for a Moment By Foe Counter-Attacks.

By Special Wire to the Courier. Petrograd, Aug. 17, via London.—The Russian advance still being held up in the face of counter-attacks. These assaults, the War Office reported to-day have been repulsed.

Sweden Must Certify Imports

Otherwise Britain Will Prohibit Them, It is the Ruling.

By Special Wire to the Courier. London, Aug. 17.—A proclamation about to be issued prohibiting the exportation to Sweden of all commodities except on presentation to the customs officials of a Swedish trade commission guarantee.

ONCE AGAIN GREAT DRIVE

British and French Show Enemy Picardy Fight Is Not Over.

HEAVY GUNS BREAK UP TRENCHES. Three Miles of Trenches Taken, and Combles Is Pocketed.

By Special Wire to the Courier. New York, Aug. 17.—The London correspondent of The Tribune, calling last night's attack on the Somme a "great drive," says that the British and French showed no signs of stopping.

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Bulgars Tell Story

Heavy Fighting in Balkans Reported, but They Say Allies Defeated.

By Special Wire to the Courier. London, Aug. 17.—Heavy fighting on the Balkan front is reported in an official Bulgarian statement received here to-day from Sofia.

The fighting occurred in the region of Lake Doiran, northwest of Saloniki, near the Greco-Serbian border. Several encounters have taken place in this vicinity of late, but the official Bulgarian statement indicates that large forces are now being employed against the Bulgarians.

City Will Send Clothes to Victims of Northern Fires

Mayor Bowly Sets Out What Brantford Has Done and Will Do

In reply to a communication from the secretary of the Northern Ontario Fire Relief Committee, asking concerning the personnel of the local committee appointed in this matter, Mayor Bowly has sent the following statement:

I have the honor to state that the Brantford committee for the fire relief is composed of Madame Charlotte Livingston, president of the Women's Patriotic League; H. H. Powell, Esq., chairman of the Brantford Board of Trade; C. H. Waterous, Esq., chairman of the Hospital board, and the writer.

WIFE KILLED HER HUSBAND ON STREET

"Sought the Company of Others Too Much," She Declared

By Special Wire to the Courier. Montreal, Aug. 17.—Roy Pettit, 35 years of age, was shot and killed by his wife on a downtown street to-day. Dozens of persons saw the tragedy.

Press Agent Dead

Man Who Used to Prepare Public for B. & P. Passes Away.

By Special Wire to the Courier. Baltimore, Aug. 17.—Richard F. "Tody" Hamilton, one of the most famous press agents, died here yesterday of heart disease, after an illness of several weeks.

AT LAST GASP IN EAST AFRICA

British Under Gen. Smuts Have Cleared Difficult Hilly Country.

By Special Wire to the Courier. London, Aug. 17, 2 p.m.—The ring around the forced defending German East Africa is being drawn closer. An official statement received today from Gen. Smuts, commander of the British forces in German East Africa, reports that the British have cleared the difficult hilly country and captured several important positions, being separated from the central railway by only 25 miles of open country.

Accident or Suicide

Unidentified Man, 50 Years Old, Lost Off Steamer Near Buffalo.

By Special Wire to the Courier. Buffalo, N. Y., Aug. 17.—An unidentified man either fell or jumped overboard from the Cleveland and Buffalo passenger steamer a mile outside the harbor to-day. He was about 50 years old and weighed about 200 pounds. He was seen paddling the deck for about an hour. The life saving crew is grappling for the body.

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NATIONS ARE MORE FRIENDLY

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FROM THE SOMME TO SOISSONS MAYBE NEXT POINT OF ATTACK

Correspondent Goes Over Battle Line and Describes Terrific Effect of French Artillery Fire, Which Was Never So Great

By Special Wire to the Courier. New York, Aug. 17.—The Tribune's correspondent at Paris sends the following under yesterday's date: I returned to-day from a visit to the French front in the Somme offensive, and that part of the front extending south towards Soissons from the actual scene of present operations.

In this visit I saw all the details of the gigantic organization that goes to make up a modern victorious offensive. I crossed the ground captured in the first five days of the great attack and crept slowly forward into the very centre of the bombardment which the huge organization in the rear feeds unremittingly night and day.

GERMAN PEOPLE AGAIN CLAMOR FOR SUB WAR

"Never Mind the United States, Starve England!" Seems to Be Attitude.

By Special Wire to the Courier. New York, Aug. 17.—A cable to the Sun from Berne, dated yesterday, says: "Herr Von Heydebrand, Conservative leader in the German Reichstag, in a speech at Frankfurt to-day against her for a resumption of the unrestricted submarine campaign, regardless of the present hot controversy on the subject, Herr Von Heydebrand said the whole matter depended upon whether Germany was willing to accept war with the United States. He argued that all of Germany's enemies are held together against her by England, and that the only means of ending the war was by starving England.

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