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GERMANS ARE IN FULL FLIGHT IN THE CANAL DU NORD REGION

OVER 1,600,000 AMERICAN SOLDIERS HAVE GONE OVERSEAS

CANADIANS HAMMERED HUNS SO HARD THAT THEY BECAME WEST OF CANAL DU NORD

Germans Surrender Drocourt-Queant Line When Defence
Becomes Useless—Furious Counter-Attacks Were
Repulsed by Currie's Men.

With the Canadian Forces, Sept. 3.—By J. F. H. Lively, Canadian Press Correspondent.—The Boche has gone back across the Canal du Nord, surrendering to us, without further struggle, the Drocourt-Queant line, his last out post in time. The Canadian corps was driving in his front and the Canadian artillery was hammering him from the rear. Last night our line was also quiet. An alarm this morning reported that after firing all across the enemy line, he is convinced that there is not a Boche west of the Canal du Nord. He scouted the idea that he might be hiding in his dugouts. If this great news is confirmed it must lift a load off the minds of our commanders. No troops can fight many days together on the scale of yesterday without suffering serious losses. The price paid for the first breach of the Drocourt-Queant line was relatively cheap, doubtless less than the cost of the prisoners, but if the corps had had to fight forward to the canal on the same scale, it must have proved

terribly expensive. To gain the line of the Canal du Nord with no further blow, is a triumph indeed, and an unwilling tribute to the better enemy to the prowess of American arms. In this triumph British troops worthily participated.

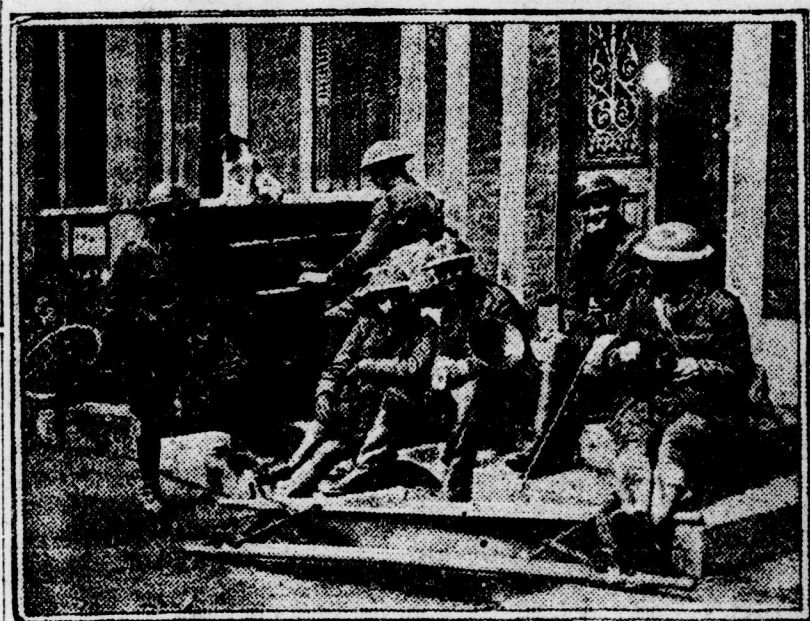
Furious Counter-Attacks.
The enemy inclosed in a cul-de-sac with the Scarpe on his right and the canal behind him, was in a desperate plight and desperately did he fight to escape it. He threw in no less than eight divisions. The fury of his counter-attacks equalled anything hitherto experienced by the veteran Canadian troops.

For miles behind the Canal du Nord he lacks such a great system of fortification as the Canadian Corps stormed early yesterday morning.

Thence the Canadian front alone the weight of metal was greater than that of the Amiens, Paschendaele or of Vimy, but in addition was the converging fire of the British armies to the right and left. As this barrage crept forward ahead of the infantry, lifting one hundred yards at a time, there could be made out amid the thunder and the lightning, the bulk of the slow-moving tanks.

Hardly had the show opened when the British tanks rolled over the ground where but a few minutes before infantry had stood at attention waiting the word to go in.

MUSIC HATH CHARMS



British officers take a little relaxation at a piano while the German shells play an accompaniment. The dog was apparently enjoying himself as much as the players, but who was the stretcher for?

NO SIGNS YET OF EXPECTED COUNTER- STROKE BY HUNS

German Prisoners Speak of a
Great Mysterious Army.

MACKENSEN TO LEAD

Stand Likely To Be Attempted
On Brebieres-Moeuvres
Line.

London, Sept. 4.—Canadian Press Dispatch from Reuter's.—Today there was still no sign of the expected German counter-stroke, which must soon be delivered if Ludendorff wishes to save the situation. Prisoners speak of a great mysterious army headed by Mackensen, which is ready to pounce on the Allies, but its whereabouts is unknown. The chief problem of the moment is where the enemy will turn. Experts expect that he will attempt to break the Brebieres-Moeuvres line, but this will be the most uncomfortable, as it covers Cambrai and Douai on such a narrow margin that there will be no elbow room left for defence. It would appear that the Germans in the last attempt to save the situation, packed 70,000 men in front of 8,000 yards. The name of the Hindenburg line has not yet appeared in the German communiqué while it has utterly vanished from the German papers in which it was the chief feature for some weeks past. So far no indication of the feeling in Germany could be secured.

Official writers are elaborately explaining the advantages of an elastic defence preparatory to breaking the news.

ARAB FORCES ARE HARASSING TURKS

Raid Made Upon the Hedjaz
Railway Line.

London, Sept. 4.—Arab forces, under the king of the Hedjaz, fighting on the side of the Entente Allies, are continuing their harassing raids upon the Hedjaz railway, which runs northward from Medina and passes to the east of the Dead Sea on the Palestine front, according to advices from the Arab and Arabian sectors. A Turkish attack on the Arabs near Abuhannan was driven off with loss to the enemy.

ELECTED G. W. V. A. PRESIDENT.
Ottawa, Sept. 4.—Capt. W. P. Grant was unanimously elected president of the Great War Veterans' Association at a general meeting of the members which was held on Tuesday night for the purpose of filling the office of president, which was vacated a short time ago by Lieut.-Col. Pidgeon, who resigned.

SLIPPING FROM HIS GRASP

Paris, Sept. 4.—Between Ypres and Rheims, with General Mangin menacing the St. Gobain forest and the Chemin-des-Dames, and the Franco-American on the Vesle, with Rawlinson before Peronne, General Byng before Lens, and General Plumer before Arras, the enemy feels the weight of the French slipping from under his feet.

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

TEUTONS IN DISORGANIZED RETREAT IN REGION OF THE CANAL DU NORD; RUMANCOURT CAPTURED BY THE BRITISH

Nearing the Winning Post

London, Sept. 4.—(Canadian Press dispatch from Reuter's).—Paris papers print the following semi-official statement: "The hour seems close at hand when the superb efforts of the Allies will begin to bear fruit," one of our great chiefs said yesterday. "We are on the last lap and close to the winning post."

GERMANS STILL HOLD SECTIONS OF LENS CITY

The British Official Statement
Fails to Confirm Report-
ed Capture.

London, Sept. 4.—Information from the front today is that the coal mining city of Lens is still mainly in German possession. British patrols, however, are reported to be in the western portion of the town.

There were widespread reports yesterday that Lens had been evacuated by the Germans and occupied by the British. These reports emanated from an authoritative source in London, and were generally accepted as correct until the receipt of last night's official British communication which failed to confirm them.

OVER 1,600,000 SAMMIES HAVE GONE OVERSEAS

General March Announces the
Total Embarkation of
American Soldiers.

Washington, Sept. 4.—General March announced today that the total embarkation of American soldiers for all fronts, including the Siberian expedition, had passed the 1,600,000 mark August 31.

In answer to a question General March said it was estimated that more than 250,000 had landed in France during August. The record for monthly shipment, he added, was 255,000.

The chief of staff identified the American unit which participated in the Flanders advance as the 30th division, composed of troops from Tennessee, North Carolina and South Carolina.

LENINE'S CONDITION IS REGARDED AS CRITICAL

Surgeons Remove Bullet From
Body of Bolshevik Premier.

London, Sept. 4.—The condition of Nikolai Lenin, the Bolshevik premier, against whom was an attempt was made last Friday, has become highly critical, according to a Moscow dispatch to the Central News Agency. The crisis is expected within three days. Surgeons have removed a bullet from Lenin's body.

LORD SOUTHBOROUGH ELECTED DIRECTOR OF GRAND TRUNK RY. CO.

Montreal, Sept. 4.—A cable message received here from London announces that Lord Southborough has been elected a director of the Grand Trunk Railway in place of the late Col. Frederick Firebrace. Lord Southborough has been a prominent figure in public life for many years, is an acknowledged authority on railroad problems, and is widely known in Canada and the United States. The new director, who was recently elevated to the peerage in recognition of his services to the Empire, is better known as Sir Francis Hopwood.

TEUTONS MAY BE FORCED TO ABANDON THE NORTH FRONT

Allied Advance Has Endan-
gered Entire Front Position.

ALLIES' HOLD IS STRONG
Germans Have Been Unable
To Establish Any Defence
Lines in Retreat.

London, Sept. 4.—The progress of tremendous events on the battlefield 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 German attempt to restore the position of the broken Wotan line did not materialize. The failure of the enemy to make such an attempt apparently is attributable to the speed and energy with which Field Marshal Haig's armies were able to press the advance on the retreating enemy. Observers continue to speculate on when and where the enemy will pull himself together.

Disaster has been the blow already and the prestige and security of the German position is endangered. Experts here are not expressing anticipation of an early debacle, and admit that the probability of some defence being organized behind the enemy lines in an attempt to check the Allied advance. Some German prisoners taken in the battle talk confidently of the impending arrival of a great reserve to their front in France during the next few days.

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 by the British as a promising one for the Allies, and containing the possibility of the compulsory abandonment of the entire northern German front, including the Flanders coast.

Allies Have Whip Hand.
While featuring the dramatic developments on the British front commentators do not neglect to emphasize the great importance of the operations of the southern end of the battle line, where the French and Americans are holding against large enemy forces and making progress. French official communications deal almost exclusively with these operations, but their value as a contribution to German defeat are not overlooked here. Recognition 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 possibility of a counter blow dismisses the subject with the remark that "the counter menace of the American reserves will bind the German reserves like a spell." Commenting on the same subject the Daily Mail critic says: "In previous successes the lack of strong reserves prevented victory being exploited to the utmost. On this occasion Marshal Foch has in our American armies ample forces available if he determines to press the blow."

RAIN RESULTED IN POSTPONEMENT OF WORLD SERIES GAME

Fair Weather at Chicago Pre-
dicted for Tomorrow.

Chicago, Sept. 4.—The first of the world series games between Chicago and Boston was called off today because of a steady rain, which, falling for hours, showed no signs of cessation. In addition, the weather bureau predicted continuance of the down-pour.

Fair weather is predicted for tomorrow, and the diamond is protected by heavy canvas. The postponement gives the Boston team a day of rest after their hurried trip from the east.

COMPTROLLER ISSUES CALL.
Washington, Aug. 4.—The comptroller of the currency today issued a call for the condition of all national banks at the close of business on Saturday, August 31.

Taking of the Town of Moeuvres By Forces Under Field Marshal Haig Is Reported But Not Confirmed— 97 German Divisions Engaged On Battlefront Since August 6th.

With the British Armies in France, Sept. 4.—British troops were reported this morning to have taken the town of Moeuvres, 3½ miles southeast of Queant, but the capture of the place was not confirmed.

The Germans are in full flight in the region of the Canal du Nord and appear to be more than ever disorganized. A thousand more prisoners were captured by Field Marshal Haig's forces last night.

The British have secured a hold on the west bank of the Canal du Nord by taking Rumancourt, to the north of Sains-lez-Marquion, according to advices from the battlefield today.

Further south along the canal they are reported to have captured Inchy-en-Artois, Demicourt, 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 north of Peronne.

From Hermies, southward, the British line is indicated as running to the west of Ruyaucourt, a mile and a half east of Bertincourt.

Midway between Nieppe and Sailly, in the Lys salient, the British have captured the village of Croix-du-Bac.

Since the opening of the combined Franco-British operations on August 6, no less than 97 German divisions have been engaged on the battlefield.

AMERICANS BOMB LONGUYON.

With the American Forces in Lorraine, Sept. 3.—(By the Associated Press).—American airmen successfully bombed Longuyon twice today. About thirty airplanes flew over the German lines last night and dropped a few bombs.

HAIG'S FORCES ADVANCE BEYOND THE DROCOURT-QUEANT LINE

London, Sept. 4.—In their push beyond the Drocourt-Queant line, 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 Ecoust 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-Lallies and Nieppe.

The text of the statement reads:

"On the battlefield minor actions are reported in different localities. We have reached the east side of the Vaux Woods, north of Moislans, and have advanced 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 Ecoust 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."

FRENCH FORCE FOE BACK EAST OF CANAL DU NORD

Paris, Sept. 4.—French troops 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 Crissoles, 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 Louilly and attained the suburbs of Clamecy and Bray.

On the Aisne the town of Buey-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.

The text of the statement reads: "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."

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MAYOR WILL SPEAK OPENING NIGHT OF HEARTS OF WORLD

British Government Gets Part
of Picture Proceeds.

BIG DEMAND FOR SEATS

Some Blocks of Ten and
Twenty Taken for Great
War 'Movie.'

Mayor C. R. Somerville will speak in the Majestic Theatre at 8:15 o'clock last Monday evening, the occasion being the first night presentation of "Hearts of the World," the great British war picture, which comes to the city for a week's showing.

The British Government is interested in the net receipts of the picture to the extent of 25 per cent, and its appearance is regarded as considerable assistance to the cause wherever it is shown.

Mayor Somerville gladly consented to officiate at the opening performance, and will give some idea of the value of the picture and the work undertaken in France to secure it.

Good Seat Sale.
The sale of seats opened this morning, with demands from many parts of the city and district for reservations. Some blocks of ten and twenty seats have been reserved, and it is expected that the house will be sold out for every performance. Many out-of-town people are planning to attend the performance, and their visit to the city will be a most profitable one. Mr. W. W. Logan says that all mail orders will be promptly filled, and advises Londoners to make their reservations early.

THE WEATHER

Following were the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 75; lowest, 64.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 6 a.m. today were: Highest, 67; lowest, 54.

TOMORROW—FAIR AND COOL.

Forecast, Sept. 4—8 a.m.
Today—Fresh northeast winds; rain tonight.

Thursday—Northerly winds; cool and clearing.

TEMPERATURES.

The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today:

Stations.	High.	Low.	Weather.
Victoria	70	54	Clear.
Ottawa	76	58	Clear.
Winnipeg	72	55	Cloudy.
Port Arthur	68	58	Clear.
Vancouver	74	48	Cloudy.
Port St. George	70	58	Cloudy.
Buffalo	70	59	Cloudy.
Toronto	81	62	Cloudy.
Kingston	74	62	Cloudy.
Ottawa	72	64	Fair.
Montreal	78	62	Cloudy.
Quebec	78	60	Cloudy.
Father Point	76	58	Cloudy.

The shallow disturbance which was over the Lake Region yesterday morning has moved to the Gulf of St. Lawrence, raising showers in Eastern Ontario and Quebec.

In the Western Provinces the weather has been fair and cool.