

# HAIG CAPTURES ALBERT!

## Sweeping Allied Successes Endanger Entire Hun Line

Over One Hundred Miles of German Front Is Now Under Fire From Point South of the Scarpe To City of Rheims and Closing Pincers of Haig and Mangin Are Squeezing Enemy Back To Line He Held Last March Before His Great Drive.

Numerous Villages and Many Prisoners Captured By British and French--Germans Find Withdrawal Decided Necessity, But Their Retreat in Places Disorderly and They Are Probably Losing Many Guns and Large Quantities of War Stores.

Special cable to New York Tribune and St. John Standard. (By Arthur S. Draper).  
London, Aug. 22—Over a hundred miles of the German front is now under fire from a point south of the Scarpe to the city of Rheims.  
Haig's latest attacks represent the left arm of a gigantic pincer, biting eastward to the northernmost end of the bulging German line between these two points. Near the other end the French tenth army under General Mangin is pressing forward between the Oise and Aisne, while Americans along the River Vesle are awaiting the word from Foch to move forward on the right arm, the great pincer movement.

The Germans all along the line where attacks are expected have adopted a plan of defense which defeated them in their Champagne offensive. They employ only machine gun posts for defending the first wide stretch of ground between them and the enemy. Behind this forefield lie the battle positions which form the real defense.

The British attacked without preliminary bombardment, using tanks to cut the wire. The town of Albert has fallen.

Many Villages Taken.  
It is announced that they, for the first time on the front near Cambrai, some ten miles east of Bapaume, have captured all the villages along their line of attack.  
According to some reports, the Germans have already recognized the necessity of carrying out a great withdrawal from the western front, and in the problem now before Foch lies in forcing a disorderly retreat before the enemy is able to carry away the guns and supplies.

If the test of successful operations against the retreating enemy lies in the number of prisoners captured, therefore Mangin's capture of 5,000 prisoners on the first day of his latest advance shows a great success. Northward shows a great success. Northward shows a great success. Northward shows a great success.

Cautious military opinion, despite defeat, still attributes to the Germans the intention of resuming the offensive in some form before long. The near east, the Balkans or Russia may be the scene for the new German activity. It is recalled that the German fleet still remains at the Kaiser's last great stake, and Hindenburg's threat to invade England still remains untried.

Enemy Lines in Danger.  
London, Aug. 22—(Canadian Press despatch from Reuters' L.A.)—Chaulms and Royo are as yet unoccupied but they are closely invested by the combined operations of General Rawlinson's fourth army, General Debyer's first French Army and General Humbert's third French Army. Between Thursday and Friday of last week these Franco-British forces advanced across the Amiens-Broye Road to the western outskirts of Royo, while the important key position of Laasigny or Laasigny Massif was captured by General Humbert after a strenuous struggle.

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## EIGHT OR NINE CANADIAN FISH VESSELS SUNK

Practically Entire Fleet of Maritime Fish Corp. Are Submerged.

RAIDER TRIUMPH GOT NO SHIPS YESTERDAY

Eighty Men From Sunken Schooners At Canadian Port—Hun Spies?

Montreal, Aug. 22—Practically the entire fleet of the Maritime Fish Corporation has been destroyed by the trawler Triumph, which was captured by a German submarine and armed, according to reports to the company's office here today. The fleet was operating off the Grand Banks of Newfoundland. It was composed of boats of the Canadian and American registry.  
The exact number of vessels destroyed is not known but the fleet attacked generally composed eight or nine ships.  
German Spies.

Augusta, Maine, Aug. 22—The opinion that enemy spies are operating in this state in connection with German submarine activity was expressed today by the Maine committee on public safety. Information received by the committee is said to have disclosed many suspicious circumstances along the coast and evidence of this nature has been presented to the federal authorities.  
Capt. Myhre Talks.

A Canadian Atlantic Port, Aug. 22—In an interview with Captain Myhre of the seized trawler Triumph today he said that a shell fell so close that the men on deck were drenched with spray. The submarine signaled to Captain Myhre to lower his boats, and row them up to the U-boat, and he complied. The Canadians were obliged to stand upon the deck of the submarine, while their own dories conveyed guns and supplies to the Triumph. Captain Myhre and his men spent over two hours on the U-boat. The commander of the U-boat was courteous, but the under officers, particularly the second in command, were "fussy and proper brutes." The crew of the submarine consisted of from sixty to eighty men, all very young. The commander told Captain Myhre that there were five other U-boats operating off this coast. He said that he was going to annihilate the entire fishing fleet, but would not kill any man who obeyed his orders.

Many Vessels Safe.  
A Canadian Atlantic Port, Aug. 22—No vessels were sunk today by the converted trawler Triumph. Many fishing schooners made port safely. Patrols sent out to warn vessels on the banks, reported passing through large quantities of wreckage, but saw no sign of the missing craft. Word reached here late last night that several members of the crew of the Gloucester schooner Sylvania had landed on an island. Eighty men from the various vessels reached here tonight.

The Canadians saw the Triumph sink two other vessels as they pulled away. They were obliged to row sixty miles.

It is reported that the Duke George, the French vessel, whose crew reached Gibraltar yesterday, was armed, and fired several shots at the Triumph.

The captain of the submarine which sank the U.S. Fishery boat reported that it was only a few miles off Halifax harbor and had been seen for several hours in sight of the town.

A Canadian Atlantic Port, Aug. 22—The crew of the fishing schooner Fandona, of Mahone Bay, arrived here today and reported that they had been sunk last Tuesday. A St. Pierre schooner was also sunk.

Cardinal Farley Ill.  
New York, Aug. 22—Cardinal Farley is seriously ill at Oyster Point, Hamamock, Long Island.

## General Mangin's Rush Throws Enemy Columns Into Great Confusion

With the French Armies in France, Aug. 22—(By The Associated Press)—(Afternoon)—The retreat of the Germans before the third and tenth French armies continues today, with increased speed, over a large part of the battle front, and in some cases in disorder.

General Mangin's men are approaching the Coucy Forest and are nearly on the line held in April along the River Ailette. They have also widened their hold on the Oise to Bretigny, midway between Noyon and Chauny.

The French advance towards the roads leading to Chauny adds another menace to the German line of retirement and explains the acceleration of the enemy's retreat. Bourignon, Paul-Aux-Bois and Quincy fell into the hands of the French today, giving them command of the valley of the Ailette from the region of Coucy-Le-Chateau to the Oise.

General Humbert's troops also are pressing the enemy vigorously. Having occupied the height of Plomont, just south of Laasigny, which they surrounded yesterday, they have captured Thiescourt, which completes the conquest of the group of hills known as the Thiescourt massif. The enemy now has but a precarious hold on the valley of the Divette river, in which French cavalry is now operating.

Several thousand prisoners have been taken since Wednesday evening and trophies in such great quantities that it has been impossible thus far to count them also have been captured.

General Mangin's troops advanced seven miles during the night and this morning were rushing the enemy's rearward so energetically that the retiring columns were thrown into confusion.

## NO NOMINATION BY CARLETON FARMERS

At Convention of United Farmers' Organization Attitude of Both Political Parties Stated—Request Made That Department of Agriculture Consult Farmers—Tax on Victory Bonds Favored.

Special to The Standard.  
The delegates of the United Farmers of Carleton County, representing 1,500 members, met at the Vocational School this afternoon, and after hearing the committee appointed to interview both political parties, decided that the society would not put a candidate in the field against the old political parties if a by-election should be called before the death. There were about 125 delegates present. Some 50 delegates were here yesterday, making a mistake in the date, but they had returned home.

Committee Reports.  
Messrs. A. A. H. Margison, Thomas Caldwell and C. L. Smith, the committee appointed to wait upon the two political parties, reported that they were well by both parties. The Conservatives said: "Nominate your man and we will call a convention to see if it will satisfy your nomination." The Liberals said: "Nominate your man and we will support him if he promises the government an independent support."

The following were appointed a resolution committee: Messrs. A. A. H. Margison, Thomas Caldwell and C. L. Smith. This committee reported as follows: First—It expressed satisfaction at the progress of the war in France, would do its best for greater production, appreciated the fact that the soldier boys were let off for farm work, and approved of the act of the Ottawa government in forbidding the harvest exemption.

Second—In the past the farmers have not been consulted in connection with the Department of Agriculture and demand that the United Farmers' executive be consulted in future.

Third—A demand that they be not bought by the government through produce dealers, but direct from the farmers or from the United Farmers' Cooperative Company and that it should not set a price on any below cost of production or below the price obtained in the local market.

Fourth—Inasmuch as Canada is to raise \$1,000,000,000 under the new Victory loan, this body protests against accepting Victory bonds now or later on from taxes, because these bonds will be almost altogether taken up by millionaires, and but few farmers will be able to purchase these bonds. These resolutions were carried unanimously.

Moved by Joseph Palmer, seconded by Mr. Lashley that we take a standing vote of the convention as to how many will stand by the nominee. This was carried. Every man agreed to stand by a nominee if one was selected. The resolution committee again retired and brought in the following resolution: "That Carleton County United Farmers of New Brunswick appreciate the vote that pledges us to stand together, and although dissatisfied with the answers of the two political parties when we asked for an election by acclamation, in view of the fact that this convention does not fully represent all the members of the society in this county, we recommend that the matter of choosing a candidate be laid over for future consideration."

## BRITISH CAPTURE 5,000 PRISONERS

Town of Albert Falls Into Hands of Field Marshal Haig's Men Who Bag 1,400 Germans There—British Attain All Objectives in Brilliant Drive.

Haig's Army Between Albert and Bray-Sur-Somme Advance Two Miles on Front of More Than Six Miles—Germans Retreat.

London, Aug. 22—The town of Albert, eighteen miles northeast of Amiens on the Ancre river, has been recaptured by the British who also have obtained all their objectives in the fighting today between Bray-Sur-Somme and Albert, according to the official communication from Field Marshal Haig tonight. Over the six mile front the British advanced two miles.

The text of the communication follows: "In our attack between Bray-Sur-Somme and Albert we have been completely successful, capturing the whole of our objectives at an early hour and advancing two miles on a front of more than six miles.

"We have retaken Albert. "There was considerable resistance at certain points, especially on the slope north of Bray, the town itself not forming a part of our objective. "We have captured over five thousand prisoners in two days.

Albert Important Point.  
"We captured in Albert 1,400 prisoners and a few guns.

In counter-attacks in the Miramont sector the enemy entered our positions, but was driven out again. The same thing happened northeast of Achiet-Le-Grand. Hostile attacks east of Courcelles and east of Moyenneville were also repulsed.

Albert is a town in the department of Somme, eighteen miles northeast of Amiens. It is situated on the Ancre river and is a railroad centre. Before the war it had a population of more than 7,000.

Albert has been the scene of some desperate fighting and in the recent British drive the town was surrounded on three sides by the armies of Field Marshal Haig, the village of Aulny on the north and Mesnil on the south having been reached by them. It was at Albert that for more than three years the famous "leaning Virgin" hung from the top of the cathedral. The base of the statue of the Virgin which surmounted the spire was hit by a German shell while the town was under a heavy bombardment in August, 1914, and the image toppled over. It did not fall from the pedestal, however, but hung in a horizontal position until April of the present year when a German shell again struck the statue and sent it crashing to the ground.

Enemy Retreating.  
With the British Army in France Aug. 22—(By The Associated Press)—On the ground between the two points where the British armies are hammering them and where they are threatened with being left in a pocket, the Germans seem to have started retreating.

## CURRIE THANKFUL TO OTTAWA GOVT.

With the Canadian Army in the Field, Aug. 19—(By F. B. Livesey, Canadian Press Correspondent)—Speaking on today's victory Sir Arthur Currie, commander of the Canadian forces, said to the Canadian Press: "The Canadians have kept up today our old practice of taking all our objectives and taking them on time. "Altogether it was the biggest surprise packet the Canadian forces ever put over. Many of the Boches threw up their hands as soon as they realized they were up against the Canadians. As our men leapt down into their trenches they carried with them the slogan, 'remember the Landover Castle,' and with that on their lips they were not to be denied. The Boche dead were never so thick on any of our battlefields as there, but our own casualties were very light. Everybody is very happy. The force has never been in such good shape for a fight. It is well trained, well organized and, thanks to the measures taken by the Ottawa government, is up to strength, with sufficient reinforcements on the ground to replace all casualties. Tell the Canadian people we got the Boche today where we want him and intend keeping him there."

## NO TRACE OF MISSING SHEDIAC MAN YET

Special to The Standard.  
Shediac, Aug. 22—Search was continued today for Fred Fortier, the typoid fever patient who while delirious, escaped from his home Tuesday morning, but up to the present not the slightest trace of the missing man has been found. It is feared by many that the delirious man has made away with himself. Fortier has a wife and family.

## BAGGAGEMASTER FINED

Moncton, Aug. 22—A C. G. R. baggage-master was today fined fifty dollars on a charge of selling liquor to another C. G. R. man in violation of the Prohibition Act.

## HOLD ENEMY SUSPECT

Special to The Standard.  
Moncton, Aug. 22—Louis Donald, of Donald & McIver, received a cable today informing him that his brother, Lt. Stanley Donald of F. B. I., has been slightly wounded in the recent fighting in France and is now in the hospital.

Lieut. Donald Wounded.