

many men the allies are opposing against the 45 German divisions that are now actively engaged on the Soissons-Rheims front has not become apparent, but the fact that on the west the enemy is being not only held but driven back at points—and on the southern end of the salient he has been unable to make but slight new progress is apparent evidenced that a turn in the battle is not far distant.

Keep Up Trench Raids.

The British in the region of Arras, Lens and Bethune are keeping up their trench raiding operations against the Germans. Saturday night contingents from the London forces invaded a German trench southeast of Arras and took 27 prisoners and a machine gun, while east of Lens and north of Bethune similar manoeuvres were successfully carried out and other Germans made prisoner. There is considerable artillery activity by both sides on the northern sectors of the western front.

As yet the expected great battle has not broken in the Italian theatre. There has been only moderate artillery activity along the whole front. The Italian and allied aviators, however, are busily engaged in reconnaissance work and bombing attacks over the enemy lines.

German airplanes again have delivered an attack on Paris. Several persons were injured by the bomb explosions.

GREEKS ENLARGE GAINS NEAR SRKA DI LEGEN

Paris, June 2.—An official communication says: "Army of the east, June 1: During the night several enemy attempts against positions at Huma failed completely. During the course of the day Greek troops enlarged their gains west of Srka di Legen and captured 100 prisoners. There has been artillery activity on the front of Dohrah-Vardar, on the Dorro plain and on the Cerna Bend.

"Allied aviators have carried out with success numerous bombardments of stations and cantonments in the valley of the Vardar. An enemy airplane was brought down east of Duemguli."

TWO WARSHIPS SUNK

British Aerial Photographs Show Submarine and Destroyer Lying in Zebruggo Mole.

London, June 2.—The admiralty announced tonight that photographs taken by British airmen at Zebruggo, show a submarine or other vessel lying on its bilge close to the mole. This vessel, the admiralty statement says, was probably sunk by a torpedo fired from the destroyer North Star on April 22. Other photographs show a destroyer with decks nearly awash in low water about 300 yards from the mole. This probably is a destroyer sunk by bombs from an airplane on May 20.

CLAIM GAIN OF GROUND.

Berlin, June 2.—The official report from general headquarters this evening says: "On the front from Noyon to Chateau Thierry we gained ground, fighting all the way."

WAR SUMMARY
THE DAY'S EVENTS REVIEWED

Except in the Ourcq valley and near Ville-en-Tardenois, where the enemy has made some gains, the battle in France has raged on almost stationary lines for the past two days. The promptitude of the French high command in forwarding the reserves has checked the enemy in several sectors, and every hour that passes sees the allies growing stronger. The enemy has already thrown 50 of his best divisions or 700,000 men into the fighting, and these have not been changed. Much of the ground lost in the past two days has been retaken from the enemy. Rheims still holds out and, the enemy has entered Chateau Thierry on the northern bank of the Marne, the French appear still to hold the heights there, and so to some extent the field. The battle which began on a front of 35 miles has spread to a front of 75 miles. Instead of a war of trenches, it has become a war of the open field, and in open formation. French, British and American troops are converging on the battlefield from all directions.

Particulars of the battle as reported officially in the past two days show that on the northern half of the French left wing, between St. Quentin and Noyon, the climax in the fighting came sometime on Saturday night, when the French smashed many violent German attacks and upon losing Mont de Choley to four successive efforts of the enemy, they carried out a counter-attack and recaptured this position. On the southern part of the French left wing, from Soissons to the Marne, the French resisted the enemy with steadiness and determination, and when they lost the line of Longpont, Faveroles and Troesnes, they dashed forward and recovered these points from the enemy. Later they recaptured Faveroles, but the French in Longpont and Troesnes have resisted all attempts to dislodge them. In the centre, which rests on the Marne, the position was unchanged. On the French right wing the enemy, beaten at Fort La Pompelle in his efforts to take Rheims by direct assault, renewed his efforts to encircle this town from the south by way of Ville-en-Tardenois, and captured this village and cut the Rheims-Dormans road, but later French counter-attacks drove him back almost to Ville-en-Tardenois.

The battlefront is thus crystallizing into an apparatus of stability. The French are holding the Germans nearly firmly inside the new salient, and the lines are undergoing the ordinary fluctuations of a battle of manoeuvre. Paris believes from the numbers of Germans thrown into the conflict that the enemy has shifted the repetition of his attack towards Amiens and is making his new prin-

FOR PUBLIC SERVICES AS FOOD CONTROLLER

Baron Rhondda Elevated to a Viscount in List of King's Birthday Honors.

MORE PEERS CREATED

Two Editors and a Theatrical Manager Among the New Knighthoods.

London, June 2.—The king's birthday honor list, which was issued tonight, contains only one announcement of striking public interest—the elevation of Baron Rhondda to a viscount, "for conspicuous public services as food controller."

Among the new peers created are Sir Matthew Arthur, president of the Scottish Union Association, and Sir William Tatem, chairman of the Tatem Steam Navigation Company. The fourteen new baronetcies include Guy Calthrop, controller of coal mines and Robert Leicester Harmsworth, son of the late Alfred Harmsworth. Forty-three new knighthoods were created, these including Alfred Butt, theatrical manager, and A. G. Jeans and John M. Leasing, editors respectively of the Liverpool Post and The London Daily Telegraph.

The honors bestowed by the king are almost exclusively for important war services. There is the customary long list of promotions to various orders for chivalry in the civil, military, naval, Indian and colonial services.

The Gazette announces the institution of two new decorations for distinguished services in the flying forces.

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NOTHING ON U. S. FRONT.

Washington, June 2.—There is nothing to report from the sectors occupied by our troops," said General Pershing's communique for Sunday, issued tonight by the war department.

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Sydney, Australia, June 2.—The federal cabinet will consider the question of prohibiting treating.

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FIVE NEW PASTORS OF METHODIST CHURCH

Impressive Ordination Service of Hamilton Conference is Held at Guelph.

Guelph, June 2.—The ordination services in connection with the Hamilton Methodist Church on Sunday morning, when five young men were made ordained ministers of the Methodist Church. Rev. G. W. Barker, president of the conference, conducted the service, and the ordination sermon was conducted by Rev. Dr. S. D. Chown, general superintendent of the church. The five who were ordained were John P. Barbaree, Elijah P. Coish, E. V. C. Lewis, Roscoe H. Smith and Geo. E. Trimble. The only other service of importance during the day was the public meeting in Norfolk Street Church in the afternoon, addressed by Rev. Dr. T. Albert Moore on the subject of "Social Services and Evangelism," which was well attended.

The stationing committee of the conference held another session on Saturday night, when delegations were heard from a number of churches relative to the appointments made. No further report will be made until Tuesday afternoon.

The conference got thru a large amount of routine business on Saturday morning and took a holiday in the afternoon. Rev. Dr. E. Albert Moore, general secretary of the social service and evangelism of the Methodist Church, spoke at some length on the work of his department. The receipts for the past year, the conferences were \$22,860.59; special contributions, \$2188.42. Other receipts were \$1222.34 a total of \$26,571.35, and there is a balance on hand of \$14,491.61.

Educational Fund. Rev. W. B. Smith of Oakville, who has been called to a charge in the Toronto Conference, bade farewell to the conference.

Rev. S. A. Laidman presented the report of the educational fund of the conference. The total receipts were \$12,121.01; total expenses, \$19.42, leaving a balance of \$12,101.59.

The report of the sustentation fund committee was presented by Mr. Thos. Hilliard of Waterloo. The total for the year was \$1896, an increase of \$290 over last year.

The laymen finished the election of their delegates to the general conference after a long and tiresome session. The ministers have not finished their election, and will not do so until Monday, although there are only four or five yet to be elected.

The board of examiners in connection with the educational department was elected, and is as follows, in the order of election: Revs. H. B. Christie, B.A., J. H. McEwan, B.A., J. J. Lewis, B.A., B.D., J. A. McLachlan, M.A., J. D. Fitzpatrick, S. A. Laidman, M.A., Ph.D., J. S. Ross, D.D., W. S. Daniels, B.S.D., D. W. Marshall, B.A., B.D., and C. L. McIrvine.

BIG STRIKE IN WARSAW.

Amsterdam, June 2.—A formidable strike is in progress in Warsaw among the employees of the various municipal departments, according to a despatch from that city to The Lokal Anzeiger of Berlin. The strike was begun by the employees of the food department, owing to a refusal of their demands for higher wages and other concessions, and necessitated the closing of all the public kitchens. The postoffice employees and park workmen later joined the strike movement.

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Sir George Foster is Created Grand Cross St. Michael and St. George.

OTHER CREATIONS

Announcement That British Empire Order List is Deferred Till September.

London, June 2.—The list of the King's birthday honors was announced tonight, and includes the following list of the colonial office:

Knight Grand Cross St. Michael and St. George—Sir George Foster, Sir Owen Phillips.

Knight Commander St. Michael and St. George—George Richard Stuart Lake, Lieutenant-Governor of Saskatchewan; Hon. John Douglas Hazen, Companion St. Michael and St. George—Austin Ernest Blount, clerk to the Canadian Senate; John William Borden, accountant and paymaster-general, militia department.

Knights Bachelor—Hon. Hormidas Laporte, chairman of the Canadian War Purchasing Commission.

Companion of the Imperial Service Order—Francis Kent Bennett, assistant clerk to the Canadian Privy Council; Ernest Frederick Jarvis, assistant deputy minister of militia.

Announcement is made that the list of appointments for the order of the British Empire for the dominions is deferred till September.

Included in the general list of Knights Commander of the Royal Victorian Order is Lieut.-Col. Sir Edward Worthington, formerly of Toronto, and medical officer to the Duke of Connaught.

The Distinguished Flying Cross has been awarded to Capt. Bert S. Wemp, of Toronto.

The following decorations are conferred on soldiers:

Knight commander of the Bath—Major Gen. Henry Edward Nurstall.

Companion of the Bath—Brigadiers Huntley, Ketchum, Robert Ramo, Frederick Loomis, Col. Arthur Edward Ross (Medical), Brigadiers James Elmsey, Victor Odium.

Companions St. Michael and St. George—Lieut.-Col. William Clarke Kennedy, Arthur Henry Bell, Charles Edward Bent, James Sutherland Brown, Raymond Bruton, John Munroe Elder, William Waring Gibson, Brigadier William Birchall King, Lieut.-Col. George Eric McCuaig, Hon. Angus McDonnell, Col. Arthur Evans Small, Lieut.-Col. Andrew Lorne Hamilton, Thomas Louis Tremblay.

Bar to Distinguished Service Order—Lieut.-Col. Cameron Edwards, Brigadier Edward Hillman, Lieut.-Col. James Kirkcaldy, Lieut.-Col. William Smith Latta, Lieut.-Col. Lionel Page.

Distinguished Service Order—Lieut.-George Boyce, Majors Jeffrey Bull, Geo. Cameron, William Chandler, Arthur Chastell, Edward Cleary, Lieut.-Col. Frederick Cole, Major Cormack Craig, Lieut.-Col. Ashton Cutcliffe, Anson Donaldson, Major Archer Duguid, Lieut.-Col. Archibald Earchman, Charles Edgett, Majors Douglas Ellis, Charles Flint, Lieut.-Col. Rev. Francis French, Majors Norman Gentles, George Gibson, Lieut.-Col. Archibald Guldady, Edward Gilmore, William Green, Lieut.-Col. Colin Harbottle, Joseph Haynes, Major Hugh Heasley, Daniel Hillman, Albert Humphreys, William Hurst, Major Daniel Kappeler, Walter Kingwell, Major Gordon Leighton, Lieut.-Col. Ibnoton Leonard, Majors Theodore Lomer, Neil Maclean, Walter Maxfield, Lawrence MacLennan, Robert Mackenzie, Nelson, Lieut.-Col. LaRue, Lieut.-Col. Major Alexander Paterson, Lieut.-Col. John Penhale, Majors Henry Penne, Norman Perry, William Rhodes, Norman Robertson, Cecil Russell, Charles Saunders, John Semmens, Wallace Sharpe, George Sheares, Lieut.-Col. Stewart, Major Allan Taylor, Brigden, Herbert Thacker, Lieut.-Col. Connelly Thompson, Lieut.-Col. Hugh Walkers, Majors Arthur Walker, Donald White, Edward Wilcox.

DRINKING FORBIDDEN.

Paris, June 2.—A decree was issued today by the French army authorities categorically forbidding the selling or consumption of alcoholic drinks in the war zone. Violations of the order will be strictly punished.

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King George expects to spend next week in inspecting troops in the Aldershot district.

CONVICT REGIMENTS.

Copenhagen, June 2.—The Prussian diet has sent to the German Reichstag a proposal by which persons imprisoned for several years would be allowed to enter the army for the formation of special regiments.

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British Air Attacks on Zebruggo Hinder Repairing of Stices.

Amsterdam, June 2.—During the British aerial attacks on Zebruggo on May 20 the De Jaeger works, employed in repairing guns and sorting ammunition, were partially destroyed. Many soldiers and a few civilians have been killed in the frequent allied air raids, which have greatly delayed the work of repairing the Zebruggo stices, which are still out of commission.

SWEDEN UNFRIENDLY.

Count Von Reventlow Denounces Allied Shipping Agreement With Stockholm.

Amsterdam, June 2.—"The entente allied shipping agreement with Sweden is an unfriendly act on the part of Sweden towards Germany," writes

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Count von Reventlow in The Times Zeitung. Continuing, he says: "The agreement does not breathe a neutral spirit. Germany may be depended upon to watch Swedish harbors to see that Swedish vessels lying there do not fall into enemy hands."