

HEAVY FIGHTING CONTINUES, ALLIES WINNING

THE GERMANS AND FRENCH IN DESPERATE COMBAT FOR HILL

Enemy Charges Up Mount Choisy, North of the Aisne, Five Times, But Unable To Hold It and His Losses Are Heavy—Enemy Still Bringing Up Fresh Units at Various Places on Line For Vicious Mass Attack.

Special Cable to New York Tribune and St. John Standard. (By Wilbur Forrest).

With the French Armies in the Field Between Soissons and Rheims, June 5—The heavy fighting continues. The enemy is still bringing up fresh units at various places on the line, but even his vicious mass attacks are finding the allied reserves the masters.

The enemy losses have been heavy. The character of the fighting was shown today on Mount Choisy, north of the Aisne. The enemy was determined to take this hill at all costs. French troops faced the Germans. The Germans charged and took the hill with the heaviest losses.

Enemy Hurled Back. The French counter-attacked and hurled the enemy back. And these wonderful troops killed the Germans as they came on for a second time until the enemy surged over his own corpses and then the French were forced to fall back momentarily. They reformed and charged again. The enemy was unable to withstand the French fighters and fell back. It continued thus five times until the French retained the hill and the beaten enemy gave up the fight.

The Germans everywhere have made a desperate effort to put over a knockout blow. It has failed to date.

The rules and practices of modern warfare were entirely upset during the past week. Fringe of Hill Fire. What was the battle line, about two score miles, between Soissons and Rheims is today a sagging bulging fringe of hell fire, three times that length, where men have done superhuman feats, where on bravery is the cheapest thing of all and where everything that belongs to a modern army, is called upon to do inconceivable stunts. If hour by hour the history of the past of this slow sapping line sagging under the sheer weight of the Teuton manpower against the purest valor ever known in warfare could be told, it would force a base world to discard the present standards of valor and adopt a new one.

For nine days the real story has been unavailably locked in the breasts of the dead and dispirited. In the heat of conflict the man who survives tell disconnected stories. Probably only a tenth, therefore of what really happened is available today.

Remarkable Fighting. Eliminate further details of this remaining tenth, which must be suppressed due to military prudence, and listen to a few which establish this new standard of bravery.

French divisions were also held a position before Chemin des Dames. The prisoners taken said that the Germans were planning an attack on the Sunday night. Due precautions were taken and every man was ordered to fight to the end. The enemy after three hours of bombardment with shells filled with deadly gasses as well as high explosives, threw his masses against the French line, Monday morning.

The French line overlooked the valley of the small river Ailette where concentration, gas, smoke and explosives, mixing with the early morning haze nature to this region, allowed the enemy waves to dash, hideous in pig like gas masks almost to enter the French positions before they were seen. Here the fighting was in semi-darkness, and this line of French defenders fought mostly to the death. The Germans fired a day and a half supply of ammunition in two hours, then the grey waves overwhelmed them.

Gun crews then fought with their side arms until they dropped. A small unit of reserves came into the line and also fought to the end. The Germans employed the same tactics of mass play as in the first offensive. Division after division struck the French line with the regularity of the ocean waves, only the waves were men of hurried ranks, coming constantly from behind.

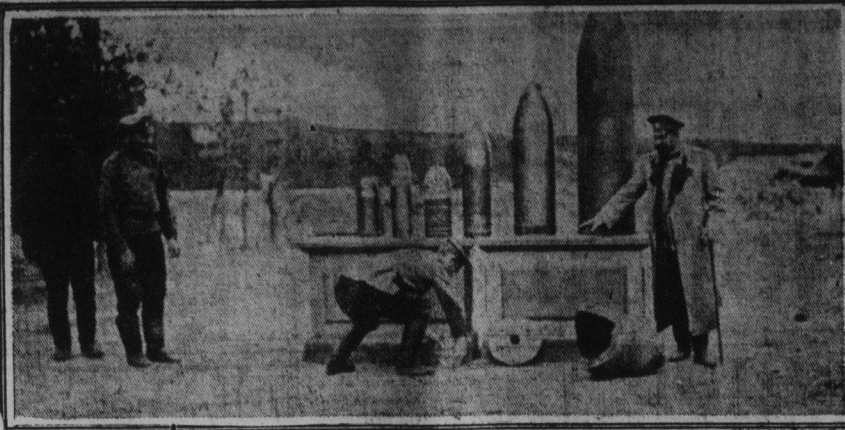
Fresh Waves. As the first wave fought onward, it became tired and its speed slackened. There was another fresher wave behind it carrying the flood tide constantly forward. As the second fatigued the third passed forward, and so on until this many fold superiority of men crushed the defenders, whose valor outweighed their strength.

LLOYD GEORGE AND OTHERS ARE HOME

British Government Officials Attended Supreme War Council in Paris.

London, June 5.—Premier David Lloyd George, J. Balfour, secretary of state for foreign affairs; Viscount Milner, secretary for war; Sir William Webb, secretary of state for air forces, and Major-General Sir Henry Hughes Wilson, chief of the imperial staff, returned to London today from Paris where they attended the sixth session of the supreme war council.

TYPES OF SHELLS FIRED BY THE GERMANS



DIFFERENT GERMAN SHELLS FIRED AGAINST ALLIES LINES. This view shows samples of the heavy metal which the Germans have been flinging against the lines of the Allies. It was obtained in the fortress of Ossovetz, which held out so gallantly and successfully for many months against huge odds. The biggest shell must measure fully 5 ft. 6 in. in height. Compare with the height of the commander of the fortress, who is standing by. Note also the weight of the metal forming the nose of the shell lying at the feet of the commander.

N. Pemberton-Billing Now a Popular Hero

Member of Parliament Exhibited Wonderful Tact in Trial of Sensational Libel Case Which Divided Public Interest With War.

By Arthur S. Draper. (Special Cable to the New York Tribune and St. John Standard). London, June 5.—The trial of Noel Pemberton-Billing, M. P., which ended yesterday with a verdict of "not guilty" on the charge of publishing false and defamatory libel concerning Maud Allan, the dancer, will go down in the history of British courts as one of the most dramatic ever heard in Old Bailey.

By pleading his own case, abandoning all legal procedure, and appealing constantly to the patriotism of the jury, Billing, who is a member of parliament, created an atmosphere in the court and the country which makes the verdict highly popular.

Lively Trial. There was hardly a minute in the long trial which was not enlivened by some sharp exchange between Billing and Justice Darling, who enjoys a reputation for his wit. By reference to the mysterious black book in which the Germans were supposed to record the views of thousands of British people, Billing dragged into court the names of Asquith, Lord Haldane, Neil Primrose, the late son of Lord Roseberry, and dozens of others.

By clever questioning he sought and succeeded in building up the impression that his object in attacking Maud Allan's appearance in Salome was really only part of his bigger campaign in breaking the alleged hold which Germany had on people of position in this country.

Lord Alfred on Deck. His witnesses included every type from Lord Alfred Douglas, the self-confessed neo-dandy, to Father Vaughan. He called dramatic critics, former secret service agents, doctors, and alienists to prove the degrading influence of Salome and the cleverness of the Germans in getting British leaders in their power.

The trial made a tremendous impression all over the country and divided interest and popular favor with military events. Time after time Billing attacked the judge and the prosecuting counsel. He made charges which if substantiated should lead to criminal proceedings against even those of the famous Bolo affair.

Yesterday he withdrew the allegation which he said he had never made that Miss Allan was addicted to the vice mentioned. He alleged that he said she pandered to vice. That naturally helped him in the eyes of the jury and gave a new turn to the case. Billing is now a popular hero.

RACE COURSE FOLLOWER DEAD. New York, June 5.—Sol Lichtenstein, sixty-two years old, one of the most prominent race course followers in the country, was found dead on the sidewalk under a window of his home here today. It is presumed that he fell from the window, whether by accident or design, could not be determined.

He was reputed to have amassed a fortune at the race tracks.

At a Late Date. Dusty—Willie, wuz you born tired? Willie—No, but de people in de town where I wuz born made me tired.

JOIN U. S. COLORS. The management of the Opera House will lose a valuable member of their staff in the person of Ray Stilling, who has resigned his position to answer the call to join the American colors. Mr. Stilling has for some time been drummer with the orchestra and player of the trap.

QUOTATIONS IN ST. JOHN MARKET. Market quotations show very little change in prices this week. Groceries remain the same. Spring lamb is selling at from \$19.00 to \$22.00 and veal is eleven to fourteen cents a pound. Potatoes are \$2.25 to \$2.50 per barrel. Lemons have advanced and are now \$8.00 to \$9.00. California oranges are \$6.00 to \$9.00. Texas onions are \$9.00 per box.

Groceries.	
Sugar—Standard	\$9.15 @ \$9.20
Yellow	8.85 " 8.70
Rice	10.25 " 10.35
Tapioca	0.17 " 0.18
Beans—Yellow-eyed	10.00 " 10.25
White	9.50 " 9.75
Cream of Tartar	0.78 " 0.81
Molasses	0.88 " 0.90
Peas, split, bags	10.50 " 11.00
Barley, port, bags	6.50 " 6.75
Cornmeal, gran.	0.00 " 14.90
Haisins—Choice, seeded	0.12 1/2 " 0.12 3/4
Fancy, seeded	0.12 1/2 " 0.13
Salt, Liverpool, per sack, ext stor.	3.10 " 2.15
Soda, bicarb.	4.85 " 4.10
Canned Goods.—Corn, per doz.	2.60 " 2.55
Beans	2.40 " 2.95
Baked	2.40 " 3.55
String	2.50 " 3.55
Beef—Corned Is.	4.00 " 4.35
Corned 2s	3.00 " 3.25
Pineapple, sliced	2.50 " 3.00
Peas	2.00 " 3.00
Peaches, 2s	2.20 " 2.30
Plums, Lombard	2.00 " 2.05
Raspberries	3.10 " 3.20
Salmon—(Per case). Pinks	11.00 " 11.25
Cohoos	13.75 " 14.00
Clams	7.50 " 7.75
Cysters—(Per doz.) 1s	2.25 " 2.30
2s	3.40 " 3.70
Tomatoes	2.70 " 2.75
Strawberries	3.10 " 3.20
Flour.—Government standard 0.00	12.05
Ontario	12.05
Utah	0.09 " 0.09
(No quotation).	
Oatmeal, rolled	12.00
Provisions.—Pork, Am, clear	61.00 " 64.00
Beef, Am, plate	41.00 " 42.00
Lard, pure	0.38 " 0.32 1/2
Lard, comp, tubs	0.27 1/2 " 0.27 3/4
Meats, Etc.—Beef—Western	0.21 " 0.25
Country	0.13 " 0.19
Butchers'	0.20 " 0.23
Eggs, case	0.34 " 0.35
Eggs, fresh	0.00 " 0.33
Spring lamb	10.00 " 13.00
Pork	0.24 " 0.25

PRESBYTERIAN GEN. ASSEMBLY MEETS

Rev. Dr. Colin Fletcher, Rural Minister, Elected Moderator.

London, Ont., June 5.—For the first time in twenty-five years the general assembly of the Presbyterian church of Canada elected a rural minister—Rev. Dr. Colin Fletcher, of Thames Road—as moderator, at its opening session tonight. Two other nominations were made—Rev. Dr. Donald MacGillivray, of Shanghai, China, one of the church's most eminent missionaries, and J. K. MacDonald, a prominent layman, of Toronto. Uncertainty regarding the election prevailed to the last moment. In nominating Mr. MacDonald, Rev. Dr. Baird, of Winnipeg made the appeal: "If we are going to be democratic why go all the way and elect an elder?"

The question was raised whether the motion was in order. Dr. Campbell, of Montreal, the senior clerk, objected on the grounds that the motion was illegal. The assembly ruled, by a vote of 83 to 81, that Dr. Campbell's decision be upheld.

Rev. Dr. Neil, the retiring moderator, in his charge, took as his subject "The Open Door," laying special emphasis on the many avenues of service which lie before the church in the present and immediate future, through conditions created by the war.

BRITISH LABOR WILL NOT DEAL WITH HUNS

Arthur Henderson Says Englishmen Will Converse With German Labor But Will Not Negotiate.

London, June 5.—(Via Reuter's Limited)—"We are willing to converse but not to negotiate with German labor or leader in the House of Commons in a statement referring to an announcement made by Chester M. Wright, a member of the American labor mission which visited England, which implied that the policy of Mr. Henderson and his party had been radically modified, especially regarding the question of a conference between the Allied and German workers.

Mr. Henderson emphasizes the fact that the policy of the Allied workers is not that of compromise on any essential issues and still less of surrender to the militaristic and imperialistic central powers.

A FLIGHT LIEUTENANT ALIGHTS IN MONTREAL

Lieut. Flaichaire Started From Washington at Nine a.m. Tuesday.

Montreal, June 5.—Lieutenant G. Flaichaire, the French Flying Ace, arrived here tonight landing without mishap on Blue Bonnets race track. His flight was from Washington via Buffalo, Toronto, Deseronto and Brockville.

At nine yesterday morning, Lieut. Flaichaire is one of the star attractions at the "Foire Montrealaise Pour L'Aide A La France" which opens tomorrow in this city.

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Summer Clothes

Outing Trousers, \$1.10 to \$5.75. Summer Shirts, silk bosoms and cuffs, \$2.25 and \$2.75. All silk, \$5. Palm Beach Suits—20th Century Brand, \$15.

"Food will win the war"—then grow more of it.

Gilmour's, 68 King St.

Open Friday evening; close Saturday at 1.

THE WEATHER.

Light to moderate winds, fair; stationary or a little higher temperature. Washington, June 5.—Northern New England—Fair Thursday; Friday showers, moderate south winds.

Toronto	45	67
Ottawa	38	66
Montreal	48	70
Quebec	46	72
St. John	44	64
Halifax	42	74

NON-SUPPORT CASE

J. Gillespie was before the police magistrate yesterday afternoon charged with non-support of his wife and little child. The case was soon settled as the defendant promised to make a remittance to his wife on the first of next week.

CHANCERY SALE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that there will be sold by Public Auction at Chubb's Corner, corner of Princess and Prince William streets, in the City of Saint John in the Province of New Brunswick, on SATURDAY, the FIFTEENTH day of JUNE A. D. 1918, at the hour of twelve o'clock, noon, pursuant to and in pursuance of certain Decree for Foreclosure and Sale made in the Supreme Court, Chancery Division, on the nineteenth day of March A. D. 1918, in the matter of the undersigned Master of the Supreme Court and pursuant to the provisions of the Judicature Act, 1909, all the right, title and interest of the said defendant in and to the lands and premises described in a certain Indenture of Lease and in said Decree for Foreclosure and Sale, to-wit: ALL that certain piece or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in the City of Saint John and County of Saint John and Province of New Brunswick, bounded as follows:—Beginning at the southern side line of Metcalfe Street at a point thereon distant forty five (45) feet measured westerly along the said line of the said Metcalfe Street from the western line of a lot of land at present under lease to one Anthony A. Pirie, the said point or place of beginning being also distant two hundred and thirty six (236) feet measured westerly along the said line of Metcalfe Street from the western line of Durham Street, going thence southwardly in a direction at right angles to Metcalfe Street, aforesaid, eighty four (84) feet, ten (10) inches to the rear line of lots fronting on Main Street, thence eastwardly along the said rear line being parallel with the said Main Street thirty five (35) feet six (6) inches more or less to a point distant thirty five feet measured at right angles from the line last described, thence northwardly parallel with the said line and in a direction at right angles to Metcalfe Street aforesaid, eighty (80) feet more or less to the said street and thence eastwardly along the same thirty five (35) feet to the place of beginning, saving and excepting therefrom a strip of five (5) feet in width eastwardly from the western line of said lot of land hereby demised and extending southwardly preserving the said width of five (5) feet from Metcalfe Street aforesaid, to the rear line of said lot, the said strip of land of five (5) feet in width being half the width of a common alley or right of way of ten (10) feet in width, the remaining five feet being measured westwardly from the aforesaid western line of the said lot of land so demised." and in and to the indenture of lease of the said lands and premises and in and to the benefit of the covenants in the said indenture of Lease contained.

At witness hand all parties have leave to bid.

For further particulars apply to the undersigned Master or to Plaintiff's Solicitor.

Dated the fifth day of April A.D. 1918.

S. A. M. SKINNER ESQ. Plaintiff's Solicitor.

GEO. H. V. BELYEA, Master of the Supreme Court for the City and County of Saint John.

M. T. Laustalun, Auctioneer.



CER... EXPECTED... ATTEM... All France Ca... Manoeuvring... Utmost To... At Tremen...

(Special Cable to The... Paris, June 5.—Germ... being kept for a renew... channel ports in a fu... separate the main... French and British... reaction officers and... facing determinedly... confidence. All Fran... unafraid. Meanwhile... manoeuvring in the... carrying with minutu... man host which outbu... to one. In this momen... too great stress shoul... the taking of a given... advance of an army w... much or nothing in... game which the high c... ing. In order to get t... edge of the real situat... it is necessary alway... the difference of the al... ing men economically... at the price of saving... German method of us... forces regardless of t... with a view to securin... ccess that will paralyz...

Considerable P... It cannot be denied t... this German thrust des... concealed preparation... ing numbers has been... or that the loss of the... team and Chemin des D... French dearly won last... add the Aisne line ar... serious. But there is... here among the militar... lation that the Germ... be stopped but beaten... is in the air today a fe... ing on the verge of a... cession. France, which... dun, is not to be emb... other challenge of the... The Boer is trying... always to capitalize hi... won at such high pri... been too dear. That i... of these heavy attacks... and promise large, but... good investment and... never can stand the p... is too costly.