

War News.

Messages Received Previous to 9 A.M.

BRITISH OFFICIAL.

LONDON, July 9. To-day's official announcement follows: A heavy rain, which fell in the afternoon and evening of yesterday, impeded operations, and between the Ancre and the Somme the night was chiefly spent in improving the forward position gained in yesterday's fighting. In the neighborhood of Gommecourt we bombarded the enemy's trenches with field guns and trench mortars. Near Neuville St. Vaast, in Northern France, southwest of Lens, and north of Reuillencourt the enemy showed some activity yesterday. In the last few days we have captured twenty guns, thirty-one machine guns, and a large number of automatic rifles, trench mortars, mine irons, canister throwers and searchlights, and a mass of other war material, not yet scheduled.

FRENCH OFFICIAL.

PARIS, July 8. Bad weather hindered operations along the Somme front yesterday afternoon and last night. A surprise attack delivered by the French yesterday evening in the vicinity of Bellon-Santerre was in all respects successful. We captured 360 prisoners. To the east of Estree our troops made progress with hand grenades in communicating trenches of the enemy. Fifty prisoners were taken by us. North of Escaigney a detachment of the enemy, which was endeavoring to occupy one of our minor posts was dispersed by infantry fire. To the north of Verdun there has been violent artillery fighting particularly in the sectors of Hill 304, Fenes, Souville, and at Damloup Battery. There were, however, no infantry engagements. In Lorraine we cleared up with hand grenades a German post near Bezaige, and brought back a few prisoners.

BRITISH OFFICIAL.

LONDON, July 9. The British in conjunction with the French, have advanced over half a mile to-day, taking important points, prisoners and munitions. The Russians have also made marked progress, and captured over 12,000 prisoners.

NO DANGER OF MUNITION SUPPLY.

LONDON, July 8. A question whether Britain will be able to maintain an adequate rate of wastage, received an answer in Parliament yesterday from Frederick G. Kelloway, Secretary of State for War. Lloyd George, is the most important in the Ministry of Munitions. Mr. Kelloway said we are not yet at the full flood of our output of guns and shells. If the Germans cannot be driven home, otherwise we shall have such supply of guns that the liners will touch each other in a continuous line from the Somme to the sea.

ALLIES' PROGRESS.

LONDON, July 9. In conjunction the Allies have advanced half a mile and made considerable progress at Contalmaison. The British also gained a firm footing in Bois de Trone, and advanced also in the region of Ovillers. One hundred and fifty prisoners and guns were captured.

RUSSIANS TAKE MORE PRISONERS.

PETROGRAD, July 9. As a result of two days' fighting in the Stokhod region, 12,000 prisoners have been taken, all unarmoured men. The enemy is overthrown everywhere, and falling back on the Stokhod River. The fortified positions of Ugly and Noveg have been captured, and a large number of guns and stores have also been taken from the enemy.

GERMAN SUBMARINE ON MISSION TO WILSON.

NORFOLK, Va., July 9. A German submarine arrived at Norfolk to-day. She is named the Deutschland, is unarmed, and stopped at Baltimore with cargo and letters from the Kaiser to President Wilson.

CARRIES DYESTUFFS AND MEDICINES.

BALTIMORE, July 9. The German submarine carries dyestuffs and medicines, and is consigned to a German firm in Baltimore.

BERLIN SAYS—

BERLIN, July 9. The British artillery has a devastating effect.

KING ISSUES ORDER-IN-COUNCIL.

LONDON, July 9. King George today issued a Royal Order in Council, withdrawing all previous Orders in Council under the Declaration of London. In announcing the new order, the King said that the blockade of Germany will be conducted, the new Order in Council stipulates that hostile destination of any ship carrying contraband of war, is presumed until the contrary is shown. The stipulation permits British warships to hold up suspected neutral ships, which must then offer proof of their cargoes, that are not ultimately destined for enemy countries to avoid seizure.

OFFICERS' CASUALTIES.

LONDON, July 9. The lists of casualties among British officers, issued the past four days, is apparently composed of losses suffered in the past week's advance, and gives a total of 94 killed, 504 wounded and 30 missing. A small proportion of these probably refer to other operations, while some casualties are probably included in the lists earlier than Thursday's. It is impos-

sible from the lists thus far issued to judge of the casualties in the ranks.

BRITISH TROOPS MAKE STEADY PROGRESS.

LONDON, July 9. The British troops have made steady progress in the face of stubborn opposition, in the neighborhood of Ovillers on the Somme front, according to an official statement from general headquarters last night. Two German counter-attacks near Bois de Trone were repulsed.

TEUTONIC LINES WITHDRAWN.

BERLIN, July 9. Withdrawal of the Teutonic lines along the bend of the Stry River in Volynia, where the advanced positions were exposed to pressure from notably superior hostile forces, announced in other Austro-Hungarian report of July 7th, was received to-day.

ITALIANS CONSOLIDATE POSITIONS.

ROME, July 9. Notable artillery activity along the Trentino front is reported by the War Office in to-day's official statement. The positions recently won by the Italians, up the Astico basin, were consolidated.

GERMAN STEAMER SUNK.

LONDON, July 9. The German steamer Doria, 3,659 tons, has been sunk by a Russian submarine off Oernskold, Sweden, after the crew had taken to boats.

BRITISH GAIN FOOTING IN BOIS DE TRONES.

LONDON, July 9. The British infantry, after fierce bombardment, stormed the line of trenches and gained a footing in Bois de Trones, according to the British official statement issued last night. An appreciable advance was also made in the neighborhood of Ovillers. The text reads: Fighting to-day was principally around our extreme right flank, where further important successes were gained by our troops. To the east of Bernafay Wood, after fierce preliminary bombardment, we stormed the line of trenches and gained a lodgment in the strongly defended wood known as Bois de Trones. There we captured 150 prisoners and several machine guns. The French on our right flank greatly assisted our advance by the fire of their artillery. Losses from the combined Anglo-French bombardment are severe. A strong German counter-attack in mass formation, was subsequently launched across the open against these captured positions, but it was completely broke down under the fire of 19-pounders and 75-millimeter guns, the enemy retiring in disorder. In the neighborhood of Ovillers, hand-to-hand fighting continues among the ruins of the village, but there, too, we made appreciable advances. Despite the cloudy weather our aeroplanes and kite balloons did some work in taking photos and directing the fire of our batteries. A large explosion in one of the enemy's ammunition depots, was caused from bombs which were dropped from our aeroplanes. Our machines, although disabled sustained a running fight of twenty minutes with three hostile aeroplanes, and afterwards landed safely in our own aerodrome. With this exception, few of the enemy machines were seen, and they were far behind our own trenches.

GERMAN SUBMARINE'S BIG CARGO.

NORFOLK, July 9. The German submarine Deutschland, arrived at Norfolk at 1.45 a.m. to-day. The Deutschland was met at the pier by the tug Thimble, which stood by until 4.45 a.m., when the submarine proceeded to Baltimore, piloted by Capt. Cooke. The pilot said the submarine is unarmed. She left the German port on June 23rd, and is commanded by Capt. Kalrig, with a crew of 29 men. The submarine has a cargo of 1,000 tons a quantity of mail, and a message from Emperor William to President Wilson. Shortly after 10 o'clock the coastguard cutter Ontario, with Norman Hamer, collector of the Port, steamed up the bay in pursuit of the submarine. The collector for Capt. Chadwick of the cutter would say what was the object, but understood that the visitor would be kept under surveillance as a neutrality precaution.

RUSSIAN DRIVE CONTINUES.

PETROGRAD, July 9. The Russians have pressed back the Germans further in the sector near the Czartorysk, occupying more towns. More than two thousand men were captured yesterday. In Galicia the Russians made further progress against the army of Count Von Bothmer. In this war theatre the Russians captured more than 1,000 men yesterday.

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Everyday Etiquette.

"Is the brother of the groom permitted to be best man at a wedding?" asked Ralph.

"There is no reason why a married man should not be either best man or usher at a wedding. Even if he is related, this would still apply," answered his aunt.

It takes a good car "to make good." More than a MILLION FORDS have been sold to date. Jun 22, 16

At Cochrane St. Church.

The services at the Cochrane St. Methodist Centennial Church were well attended yesterday, notwithstanding the fact that a number of the families of the congregation are now absent from the city for the summer months. The Rev. N. M. Guy, M.A., was the preacher at the morning service, who, after making reference to the sad events of the week, addressed the congregation on the work of the Methodist Church in this Colony during the year just closed, gleaned from the reports of the annual Conference which closed its sessions at Grand Bank last week. The Rev. C. A. Whitmarsh, M.A., conducted the opening exercises of the evening service, the preacher being the Rev. Alfred Woods, brother of the Messrs. Woods, of this city. "I will give thee the treasure of darkness," was the text chosen from the Book of Isaiah. In chaste language the preacher spoke words of encouragement to all in this time of darkness and trial. The hour of darkness is a challenge to men, it brings out their noblest and best. Christianity gives the challenge to the world. The Gospel meets us in every crisis of life, and in every walk of life, and all were encouraged to follow in the footsteps of our Divine Master. The choir rendered the anthem "O for a closer walk with God," and a well balanced quartette consisting of Misses Vincent, Bowden and Messrs. Bowden and Hatcher rendered a very effective and touching gospel hymn.

Amusements.

GOOD SHOW AT THE 'CRESCENT'.

The Crescent Picture Palace presents to-day Neil Craig and Edmund F. Cobb in "The Laws Decree," a three-reel masterpiece produced by the Essanay Co. "The Selig Tribune" is the world's greatest news film. To-day's issue contains some interesting and instructive items. "His Wife's Lid" is a very laughable comedy featuring Billie Reeves, the celebrated English music hall comedienne. A new musical programme has been arranged by Prof. McCarthy to accompany this big week-opening show.

POPULAR SERIAL AT NICKEL TO-DAY.

"The Strange Case of Mary Page" will be continued at the Nickel Theatre to-day. It is the fifth chapter—"The Alienist," and a powerful one it is. Hundreds of our people are interested in this great serial and they should be sure to attend to-day. Edna Mayo and Henry Walthall who are in the leading characters, do some very clever acting. "The Victim" is a thrilling melo-drama in three acts produced by the Mestic Co., and featuring Robert Harrow; "Hartney Merven's Adventure" is a social drama by the Selig pictures. The comedy is "The Little Detective," one of George Ovey's best. On Wednesday Charlie Chaplin will appear in his funny story "Shanghai." There are two thousand feet of this film and a laugh in every foot.

Household Notes.

Mice do not like cayenne pepper. It is economical to buy soap in large quantities. Meat is much more an appetizer than it is an energizer. Just kerosene is a very good thing to stak a fire mop in. Gasoline is an excellent thing for cleaning greasy woodwork. Always rinse a complexion brush in borax water after using. Be careful to get the best cider vinegar for making pickles. Baking soda dissolved in water will clean painted woodwork. Take borax with you when you travel. It will soften water. Whenever the family says it is tired of meat, let it go without. Animal-shaped ginger cookies are a great delight to a small child. Initial letters on 'big bath towels' can be made of fine tick-rack braid. Tweezers are very useful for pulling out stubborn itching threads. Kerosene makes a very good silver cleaner. Apply it with a brush. One of the best of all soups is the simple milk soup with young peas in it.

Here and There.

Turkeys - and Chicken at ELLIS'. NOTE OF THANKS.—Mrs. Archibald Hall wishes to convey her most sincere thanks to Doctors Keegan and Anderson, also staff of the General Hospital for kind attention to her late husband during his stay there, and to friends for floral offerings and expressions of sympathy.—adv't

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PERSONAL.—

Mr. Phil Fahay, of the 85th Battalion Nova Scotia Highlanders, left by Thursday's express en route for Aldershot Camp, after spending a fortnight's leave of absence with his wife and family at Western Bay. He desires to thank the W.P.A. of Western Bay for two pairs of woollen socks given him before leaving, through the Secretary, Miss Flora Kennedy.

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CORPORAL W. G. BRADSHAW WOUNDED.

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