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THE TIDE OF BATTLE TURNS AGAIN IN FAVOR

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Paris, June 12.—The French troops have made further advances around Pelloy and St. Maur and have captured four hundred additional prisoners, some cannon and machine guns, according to the war office announcement tonight. They have also reoccupied Montcourt and part of Bussiaries, north of the Marne. The official report says that the French troops were withdrawn east of the Oise, along the line of Bailly, Tracy-Le-Val, and Nampcel, under the protection of covering detachments, without the enemy being aware of the movement.

While most of the German attacks were repulsed, the enemy succeeded in getting a foothold on the southern bank of the Matz river, occupying the village of Melicocq and adjoining heights.

The text of the statement reads: "Between Montdidier and the Oise the enemy renewed his pressure during the day. On our left all his attempts to wrest from us our gains of yesterday, failed.

"We made progress in the region of Belloy Wood and St. Maur and took four hundred additional prisoners, as well as numerous cannon and machine guns. On the front of St. Maur-Anteuil there was no change.

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Presbyterian Wants Fewer Seminaries

London, Ont., June 12.—The Presbyterian General Assembly decided this morning to accede to the request of the Presbytery of Toronto that in all cases military chaplains be permitted to transfer from the constituent call of the Presbyteries in which they reside to the roll of the Presbyteries to which their military work takes them. In a further discussion of theological college education, President Murray of the University of Saskatchewan said that concentration of the student in fewer colleges would be difficult, as a larger number of students than ever were married, owing to the Military Service Act.

YOUNG GIRLS ARE TAKEN ON STREETS

Boston Police At Request of Militia Authorities Arrest Thirty-Four Undesirable Females.

Boston, June 12.—As the result of a conference between the military and civil authorities, 34 women and girls were taken into custody by the police. Some of the girls were only 15 or 16 years of age. They were all charged with being idle and disorderly.

Folicemen in civilian clothes were sent through the downtown North and South End sections during the early evening and for several hours the patrol wagons were kept on the go bringing the girls and women to the station houses. The arrests were made in an effort to clear the streets of nightwalkers in the interest of military efficiency.

MILLION U. S. MEN

West Point, June 12.—More than a million American fighting men will be in service in France in the near future declared Secretary of War Baker in an address here today.

U. S. STEEL CORP. PAYS \$233,435,000 TAXES

Corporation Has Probably Largest Tax Bill in History of World.

New York, June 12.—The United States Steel Corporation announced tonight that its federal income and excess profits tax bills, aggregating \$233,435,000, have been paid. The payment is declared to be the largest for tax purposes ever made by any American corporation and probably in history.

MRS. A. G. VANDERBILT IS MARRIED AGAIN

Widow of Lusitania Victim Wife of Raymond P. Baker, Director of U. S. Mint.

Lenox, Mass., June 12.—Mrs. Alfred Gwyn Vanderbilt and Raymond P. Baker, director of the Mint, were married here today. Mrs. Reginald C. Vanderbilt was her attendant and the best man was United States Senator Key Pittman of Nevada. Mrs. Baker's first husband was lost on the Lusitania.

GERMANS MADE LITTLE PROGRESS YESTERDAY

French Forces Operating on East Bank of Oise River, South of Noyon, Have Evacuated Carlepont Wood and Germans Are Closely Pressing Them Southward — Nowhere Else Has Enemy Been Able To Do Anything—Americans in the Fighting.

The French forces operating on the east bank of the Oise River south of Noyon have evacuated the Carlepont wood and the Germans are closely pressing them southward, according to the German official communication, Wednesday. The communication also asserts that the territory on the opposite side of the river near where the Matz enters the stream, has been cleared of Allied troops.

Nowhere else along the battle front resulting from Montdidier to the region around Noyon is any claim made to further advances by the Germans. On the contrary the latest communication shows that the enemy everywhere has been busily engaged in attempts to hold back the French and other Allied troops, among them some Americans.

Berlin Silent.

No mention is made in the communication of the Allies having advanced their front east of Mery and the Genlis Wood, or of the repulse of violent German attacks along the Aronde River and at the Loges Farm and Ansel. Neither is there any mention of the fact that the enemy, notwithstanding his numerous attempts, has been enabled to abduct south of the Matz River.

The communication asserts that all the counter-attacks of the Allied forces have been repulsed and that they suffered heavy casualties. It declared that the number of prisoners taken by General Von Hutier's army has now risen to more than 13,000. It had been admitted that the position of the defending line on the west of the outflanking hills to the west, and a successful drive through the Carlepont Wood on the opposite side of the stream seemingly would have necessitated a strategic retreat if the troops were not to be entirely cut off.

YOUNG WOMAN IS MURDERED MYSTERIOUSLY

Police of Bridgeport Have Hard Task To Find Man Who Strangled Girl Whose Body Found in Harbor.

Bridgeport, Conn., June 12.—Urged by Coroner John J. Phelan, five Bridgeport detectives began a concerted effort to solve the mystery surrounding the finding of a woman's body in the local harbor. A cord loosely knotted about the neck is the only clue they have to work on.

Every effort to identify the body, which shows evidence of having been in the water for more than two possibly four weeks, has been futile. It evidently is that of a woman of 25, bearing a scar three inches long on the back of the head. Convinced that she was murdered, the coroner today ordered a thorough investigation and declared that the local police will not be called on until the perpetrator of the crime has been uncovered. The police are convinced that the woman was strangled.

The cord was found knotted around the neck in such a manner that it could have been drawn taut without difficulty. From the peculiarity of the knots the police are convinced they were made by a foreigner, probably a Chinese. Search of police records for more than two months back reveal no instance where a woman of 25 years

Americans in Fray.

Southwest of Montdidier, where the Allied forces on Tuesday in violent counter-attacks made notable gains against the enemy, American troops have been thrown into the fray, but how many or to what branch of the service they belong has not yet been indicated. To the north of Montdidier the Germans several times have tried to drive out the Americans from the village of Chantigny, but each time they have been repulsed.

One party of forty Germans was routed by revolver fire of the defenders of the village. Northwest of Chateau Thierry the Germans have thrown five divisions against the Americans fighting side by side with the French, but without effect. Attempts by the enemy to recapture the villages of Bourches went for naught.

South of Aisne.

South of the Aisne River there has been fighting down to the region of Villers Cotterets where the Germans are attempting to break through and bring their line west of Soissons toward Compiègne. Except that the best known law practice in Canada as well as a gentleman of high courage, honor and intelligence. Besides his extensive legal practice in the interests of which he frequently presided before the Supreme Court and the Privy Council, the late Mr. Stuart was a director of the Royal Bank of Canada, Price Brothers and Company, Limited, and the Quebec Chronicle Printing Company.

Mr. Stuart was born in Quebec in 1845 and was a graduate of McGill University. He was one of the council for the Crown in the Mercer-Pacaud case, in which he highly distinguished himself. The outcome of the proceedings was the downfall of Mercer.

FIGURED IN THE TRIAL OF MERCIER - PACAUD CASE

Gustavus George Stuart, K. C., One of Best Known Lawyers in Canada, Passes Away.

Quebec, June 12.—The death occurred here today of Gustavus George Stuart, K. C., son of the late Sir Andrew Stuart, chief justice of Quebec. The late Mr. Stuart was one of the best known law practice in Canada as well as a gentleman of high courage, honor and intelligence. Besides his extensive legal practice in the interests of which he frequently presided before the Supreme Court and the Privy Council, the late Mr. Stuart was a director of the Royal Bank of Canada, Price Brothers and Company, Limited, and the Quebec Chronicle Printing Company.

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of age was reported missing. The coroner inclines to the belief that the woman was of a well-to-do family. On what grounds this belief is based could not be learned, as no articles of jewelry or wearing apparel, aside from the raincoat in which the body was wrapped, were found on it.

SHIP STRANDED ON N. S. COAST BADLY LISTED

Canadian Atlantic Port, June 12.—The American 2,000 ton steel steamer, which went ashore last night at a point on the Nova Scotia coast is in an exposed position but, according to advices from the scene of the stranding, there is a possibility of refloating her if the weather continues fine. The steamer, which was recently built at a United States lake port, was on her maiden voyage from there to a New England port with a cargo of coal loaded at a Cape Breton port. When the ship struck, wireless calls for help were sent out and at midnight life-boats and fishing boats went out in search of the wreck. It was not until after day-break that the ship was located, when the crew of thirty-four was rescued and landed at a Nova Scotia port. Latest reports from the wreck state that the ship rests firmly on a ledge and is heavily listed to port.

AN AUSTRIAN BATTLESHIP GOES DOWN

Italians Accomplish Wonderful Feat in Adriatic, Near Dalmatian Islands.

ANOTHER ENEMY SHIP IS DAMAGED

Feat Considered Probably Most Remarkable Performed By Any Navy.

Paris, June 12.—The loss of the Austrian battleship Szent Istvan torpedoed in the Adriatic, is officially announced in Vienna, according to a Havas despatch from Basel, Switzerland.

Remarkable Feat.

Venice, Tuesday, June 11.—One Austrian naval vessel was destroyed and a second one damaged in the torpedo attack made by Italian torpedo boats upon an Austrian naval division near the Dalmatian Islands on Monday, it was officially stated tonight in a Vienna communication by the Chief of the Staff of the Italian Navy.

The attack, made by Commander Rizzo and Luigi De Milazzo with two small Italian torpedo boats was delivered at dawn on Monday.

All Italy was thrilled with the news of this feat which is considered probably the most remarkable performed by any navy during the war, inasmuch as it was effected by such small means.

The Italian Admiralty statement which first reported this attack consisted of two large battleships of the (Viribus Unitis) class, 20,000 ton vessels, escorted by ten destroyers, and that the leading battleship was hit by two torpedoes and the other by one. The Italian's craft returned to their base undamaged, it was added, and one of the destroyers which pursued them was seriously damaged.

GETS MAD AND QUITS

Charlottetown, June 12.—Robert Jenkins, prohibition prosecutor, has resigned as a protest against the release of a violator from jail.

DANGEROUS BRIDGE.

The road from Chatham to Richibucto is reported to be in condition, but there is a dangerous bridge to be crossed at Nicholas River. Careful motorists make a long detour rather than take the risk. Why don't the county members get Mr. Veniot to rebuild the rickety structure? — Chatham World.

FURIOUS ATTACKS BY THE ENEMY CONTINUE

Germans Continue Vicious Attempts To Enlarge a Pocket Toward the West in Order To Reach the Montdidier-Estrees-St. Denis Railway — Everywhere Here His Waves Have Been Stopped.

French Black Troops Attacking Behind Tanks Attack Enemy Masses, Retaking An Important Height and Des Loges Farm—French Also Retake Mery Village.

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

With the French Army in France, June 12.—On the third day's offensive enemy attacks are unabated. With the same fury that characterized the assaults of the last few days the enemy continued his attempt to enlarge a pocket toward the west in order to reach the Montdidier-Estrees-St. Denis railway. Everywhere here his waves have been stopped.

French black troops, attacking behind tanks, with the greatest dash, counter attacked the enemy masses after the latter had driven forward many times. The blacks penetrated two kilometres, retaking an important height and the Des Loges Farm. Further northwest another counter attack has retaken the village Mery.

German Dead Thick.

Scenes greeting the troops upon recaptured ground amply illustrate the effective work of the French artillery and machine guns. German bodies are found everywhere.

West of the Oise, in Zoneville-Marest, which is a series of small wooded hills and ravines, the enemy has intensified his pressure with the usual mass attacks. French troops here ran the risk of being encircled because of enemy infiltrations through ravines. They gradually withdrew and the same moment the artillery drenched these ravines with high explosives. The Germans have thrown more than twenty divisions (250,000 men) into the fighting in the last three days. Fresh troops seem to be used. Desperation evidenced in this fighting indicates that they will not hesitate to use all additional fresh troops that are available.

When these are employed, I believe another stage of the battle will begin. And it will be of a different character from the foregoing three. It is known that no German troops are being relieved and sent to the interior of Germany and that the slightly wounded are even forced to remain at the front to be used as soon as convalescent for the purpose of relieving the more able-bodied who were thrown into the battle line.

SUBMARINES SANK EIGHTEEN SHIPS IN U. S. CAMPAIGN

Latest Victims the Henrik Lund and Vindeggen, Norwegians.

New York, June 12.—Two Norwegian steamships, the Vindeggen and Henrik Lund, were sunk by a German submarine when about 200 miles east of Cape Charles, Va., on last Saturday and Monday respectively. This brings the total of vessels sunk by U-boats since they began their campaign in these waters to eighteen.

Their crews totalling sixty-eight men were brought here today by a Danish steamship which picked them up at sea after they had been set adrift in their small boats. Eighty tons of copper ingots, part of the cargo of the Vindeggen, were taken aboard the U-bent before the steamship was sunk by means of bombs. The vessel was stopped by the submarine on June 8, and the crew was obliged to unload the copper into the ship's small boats and transfer it to the U-boat. The small boats were taken in tow until the Henrik Lund was sighted on June 10.

KNIGHT BORN AT BINGEN-ON-RHINE IN BAD ODOUR

Lord Mayor of Sheffield Arrested on Charge of Giving Information To Enemy — Sir Joseph Jonas Held For Week.

London, June 12.—Sir Joseph Jonas, Lord Mayor of Sheffield, in 1905, and a steel manufacturer, was in Bow Street police court today on the charge that with various other persons whose names were not known he "did obtain and communicate certain information prejudicial to the interests of the enemy and information relating to prohibited places and things therein."

Sir Joseph was remanded for a week on bail. Sir Joseph Jonas was born at Bingen-on-the-Rhine in 1845 and was educated at Bingen and Cologne. He was naturalized.

Geo. McCure. The treasurer's report showed total receipts for the year \$25,200.64. The matron's report showed 531 patients admitted to the hospital during the year.

MONCTON HOSPITAL HAD 831 PATIENTS

Institution Doing Excellent Work—Ald. Chapman Re-elected President.

Special to The Standard. Moncton, June 12.—At the annual meeting of the Moncton hospital board tonight, Ald. A. C. Chapman was re-elected president; J. H. Harris, vice-president; Reid McManus, treasurer and F. W. S. Colpitts, secretary. Six directors were elected to replace the retiring directors as follows: A. C. Chapman, Reid McManus, C. H. Belliveau, Norman Sinclair, J. H. Harris,