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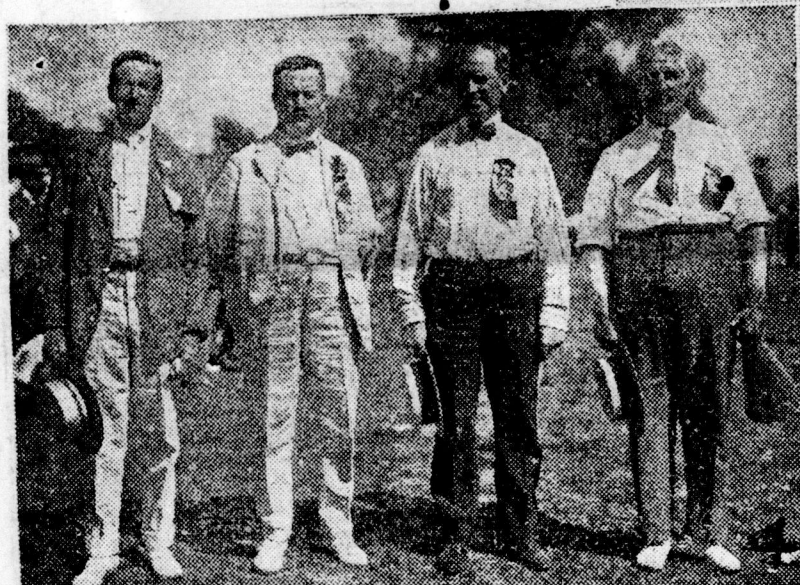
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FALL OF ROYE IS INEVITABLE; HUNS' RESISTANCE WEAKENING

EVERYBODY WHO WANTED TO CHASE THE GLOOMS WENT TO THE IRISH PICNIC YESTERDAY



(1) The finest and heaviest baby of 2 years—Alexander Ross (Irish?) and his proud mother. Sandy won first in his class. (2) General view of sports on beach as seen from a high-placed Advertiser camera. (3) The handsomest mother and baby on the grounds—Was it necessary to say what prize was won by Mrs. Walters and her baby? The picture tells the story. (4) The president of the I. B. S., Dr. W. M. Shobotham, and three past presidents, E. J. Carty, George H. O'Neill and B. C. McCann. (5) Finish of the hundred yards' dash, one of the best events on the program. (6) A little touch of the Kerry dancing—A lad and his colleen who won the hearts of all.

HUN LINES PENETRATED FOR NINE MILES IN ONE DAY'S DRIVE BY CANADIAN TROOPS

Soldiers From Dominion, Restless After Some Months' Rest,
Sweep Everything Before Them in Big Dash Against
German Positions in Picardy.

With the Canadian Forces, Aug. 15.—I. F. B. Liversay, Canadian Press Correspondent.—The Canadians captured Perwez Village in a small operation which enabled them to straighten out their line in that sector of the front. A number of machine guns and prisoners were taken. The latest report was that our troops were holding the village and reinforcements have gone in support. The strong point the enemy has in the vicinity.

Enemy artillery activity indicates a stiffening of resistance. Hostile aircraft have been considerably strengthened on the whole of this Amiens-Montdidier front.

Some thirty-four enemy divisions have been engaged, including eleven fresh divisions and two tired divisions from the reserve. The enemy has used every battalion of two of the four divisions holding this line in front of the Canadians, these being the 7th and the 18th.

The better one comes to know the Canadians, the more one realizes the value of their own particular job. There is a total absence of "swank." They have pride in their force and in the advance, but there is nothing personal about it. They are part and parcel of a wonderfully efficient machine, each carrying on his allotted job in humbleness of spirit.

Accomplished Hard Task.

The anecdote of battle that follows are gathered in a visit to a couple of units and are therefore typical of the entire force. The diaries of battalion commanders must tell them, and in time these will be available to the Canadian people as a priceless record of a great feat of arms. In the morning, when the battle opened, great difficulty was met in advancing to the extreme left. The nature of the ground and strength and depth of the many defenses made of this a much harder nut to crack than the comparatively free going over the prairie to the north. Finally it was decided that the only way to advance was to turn the left flank. A famous Quebec battalion was entrusted with the task. They had to take up their position in the dark by the aid only of the stars, maps and compasses. Only military men can com-

prehend the difficulty of the undertaking. At the appointed hour, 4:30 a.m., they were on their ground whence they advanced and took the position, forcing the entire enemy line in this sector to fall back, with trifling loss to us.

One officer had a bet with another that he would be in the heroic divisional headquarters at Quenel first on Thursday night. It was a wild race and was not settled till Friday morning, when the winner actually took possession of the quarters while his troops were still severely burned.

AIRPLANE LANDS ON TRAM CAR, KILLING FOUR PASSENGERS

Marseilles, Aug. 15.—An airplane returning from a flight because of engine trouble today, fell upon a tram car, which was preparing to leave the station. Four persons in the car were killed and several others injured. The two aviators in the machine were severely burned.

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NEED 9,000 MEN TO HARVEST THE MANITOBA CROPS

Rains of Last Two Weeks
Created a Greater
Demand.

Ottawa, Aug. 16.—The Canada Food Board today issues the following message from James D. McGregor, reporting on the harvest outlook and help requirements in Manitoba:

"Status of the past fortnight have caused an increased demand for farm help, which, up to the present, has been fairly well met. Barley cutting has already been begun in many districts, and harvesting will be general by the end of the week.

"It is estimated that 9,000 men will be required. The local supply of available farm help is estimated to be equivalent to 4,000 men, leaving 5,000 still required from outside provinces."

MANITOBA WHEAT YIELD TO EXCEED 47,000,000 BUSHELS

Winnipeg, Aug. 15.—Manitoba will produce 47,124,000 bushels of wheat this year on a conservative estimate, according to J. A. Bowman, superintendent of immigration and colonization for the province. In an interview today, he said that the average yield would be 18 bushels per acre at least. The total acreage is 2,618,000.

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HUNS HAVE LOST 6,000,000 MEN DURING THE WAR

Paris, Aug. 16.—The total of German losses from the beginning of the war to the end of July, 1918, are understood to be six millions, according to the morning newspapers.

The figures include 1,400,000 killed up to the beginning of the German offensive last March. From March 27 to June 17 the Germans are said to have lost 120,000 killed alone.

CANADIANS HAVE SUFFERED 159,084 CASUALTIES IN WAR

No Estimate of the Losses Sustained in the Recent Fighting
Have Been Received, the Above Figures Represent
Casualties Only Up to the End of June.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Ottawa, Aug. 16.—So far no estimate of the casualties suffered by the Canadians in the present fighting has been received, but up to the end of June the total casualties suffered by the corps since the beginning of the war are 159,084, made up as follows: Killed in action, 27,040; died of wounds, 9,280; wounded, 113,007; died of disease, 2,257; prisoners of war, 2,774; presumed dead, 4,342; missing, 384; total, 159,084.

By periods the casualties are (in approximate figures) as follows: From beginning of war to December 31, 1915, 14,500; calendar year 1916, 56,500; calendar year 1917, 74,500; to the end of July, 1918, 15,000.

LOSSES IN BIG BATTLES.
The casualties suffered in the principal battles in which the Canadian corps took part are: Second battle of Ypres (St. Julien), April, 1915, approximately 6,000; Vimy Ridge, April, 1917, 13,461; Lens fighting, June, 1917, 10,134; Hill 70,

August, 1917, 10,080; Passchendaele, November, 1917, 24,530.

The department does not seem to have available individually the casualties suffered in the principal fights of 1916: St. Eloi (Easter fighting of spring); Zillebeke and Mount Sorrel in June, and the Somme from September 15 until November.

**FAVORS NATIONAL
SCHOOLS UNDER
GOVT. CONTROL**

Montreal, Aug. 16.—The trades and labor council here, a two-thirds majority of which is French-Canadian, last night on a vote of 52 to 25, supported a minority report of a committee in favor of national schools directly controlled by the state and with free and compulsory education. Two reports were handed in and they both agreed to the extent of free and compulsory education and the establishment of a ministry of education in the Province of Quebec. The majority report, however, advocated no change in the management of the schools.

The minority report as carried will be placed before the forthcoming labor congress.

ALLIED ARMEN DROP BOMBS ON GERMAN TOWNS

Heavy Casualties Inflicted in
Night Raid Over Hunland.

Geneva, Aug. 15.—An official dispatch received here from Frankfurt, Germany, says that Monday morning at 9 o'clock that city was attacked by twelve enemy aviators, who dropped 25 bombs, killing twelve persons, and injuring five others. Reports from Basel, however, assert that the casualties were far more numerous. These say that a bomb fell in the crowded Kaiserstrasse, killing many persons and stopping the street cars; that another fell in the middle of the large station and several in its vicinity, while two more fell in the barracks and still another near Goethe's house, which was undamaged.

The Basel dispatch says the aerial attack has increased the panic reigning in the Rhine towns.

SOVIET MAIL DECREE.
London, Aug. 16.—The Soviet Government, says a Russian wireless message, has issued an order that correspondence to foreign countries must not be accepted "for some time to come except for the Ukraine and Germany, localities in German occupation and for war prisoners."

THE WEATHER

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.
Following were the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 64; lowest, 49.

The official temperature for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 73; lowest, 53.

TOMORROW—FINE AND COOL.
Toronto, Aug. 16.—8 a.m.

Light to moderate winds; fine today and on Saturday; about the same temperature, or slightly lower.

Temperatures.
The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today:

Station	High	Low	Weather
Toronto	78	52	Cloudy
Victoria	78	52	Cloudy
Calgary	78	52	Cloudy
Winnipeg	78	52	Cloudy
Port Arthur	78	52	Cloudy
Port Stanley	78	52	Cloudy
Toronto	78	52	Cloudy
Kingston	78	52	Cloudy
Ottawa	78	52	Cloudy
Montreal	78	52	Cloudy
Quebec	78	52	Cloudy

ENEMY ARTILLERY ACTIVITY ON THE SOMME MAY MEAN RENEWAL OF FIGHT

British and French Have Made
Slight Gains Near Morlancourt
and Roye—Canadians Capture
Two Villages.

FALL OF ROYE INEVITABLE.
Paris, Aug. 16, 1 p.m.—Roye is being held in a vice-like grip by the French. Stubborn resistance by the Germans is being crushed by the French, who are slowly encircling the town.

The French advance at Villers-les-Roye make the fall of Roye inevitable, it is believed by military men. Possession of the town by French troops would make necessary a rectification of the German lines and an enemy retreat to the Vesle-Noyon line would be probable.

The Germans are clinging desperately to a range of hills east of Ribecourt. They are also stubbornly defending the Lasigny-Oise Canal, the loss of which would entail the evacuation of Noyon.

ENEMY ARTILLERY IS AGAIN ACTIVE ALONG THE SOMME

With the British Army in France, Aug. 16.—(By the Associated Press, 10:30 a.m.)—The enemy artillery was active last night from one end of the British front to the other. The activity was especially marked along the new Somme battlefield, in the Essarts sector and in the region of La Bassee, on the northern front, where there was a heavy gas bombardment. There was no development of activity by the enemy infantry.

All along the Somme front the British are continuing various slight forward movements to gain advantages of position. It was in movements of this kind that Damery and Parvillers came yesterday into British hands.

The situation north of the Ancre has not yet been clarified, the enemy's intentions being obscure. There are no further reports of widespread withdrawals in this region, although the enemy seems to have abandoned several of his forward positions. On the other hand, British patrols that crossed the Ancre last night were fired upon and forced to return.

GERMANS EVACUATE VIEUX BERQUIN

London, Thursday, Aug. 15.—Further slight enemy withdrawals from the Lys salient were announced in London today. The enemy has evacuated the village of Vieux Berquin, south of Merris, and has retired between one and two miles on a front of nine miles.

On the eastern bank of the Ancre local fighting took place last night on the outskirts of Thiepval Wood, west of Thiepval.

Further north our patrols progressed between Beaumont-sur-Ancre and Puisieux-au-Mont.

The hostile artillery has shown increased activity south of the Somme and between La Bassee Canal and Ypres.

AMERICAN AVIATORS BOMB RAILROADS

With the American Army in France, Thursday, Aug. 15.—(By the Associated Press.)—American aviators successfully bombarded the railroad yard at Dommary Barcourt, in the Verdun-Metz area, this morning. Longuyon, north of Verdun, and Thiaucourt were attacked Wednesday.

Several bursts were observed in the central and southern parts of the yard at Dommary-Barcourt, and the installations there are believed to have been wiped out.

Three direct hits were made on the track in front of the station at Longuyon and 23 bombs fell upon surrounding military objectives.

FRENCH TROOPS ADVANCE ON 2-1/2 MILE FRONT NEAR ROYE

Paris, Aug. 16.—The French troops made an important advance on a front of 2 1/2 miles west of Roye, according to the war office statement today. The French progress was in the region of Villers-les-Roye, about 2 1/2 miles west of Roye, Staurin and Arman-court.

In Champagne the French took prisoners and also checked a German raid. The statement reads:

"On the Aves front French troops have made progress in the region of Villers-les-Roye and Staurin. East of Arman-court our troops have occupied the old first lines.

"In Champagne we took prisoners in the sector of Perthes-les-Hurlus and repulsed an enemy raid east of Maisons-Champagne. Elsewhere on the front there was no activity."

BRITISH LINES NORTHEAST OF MORLANCOURT ARE ADVANCED

London, Aug. 16.—South of Albert, the British have advanced their line slightly in the region northeast of Morlancourt, says the official statement today from Field Marshal Haig.

Further to the north further progress has been made by the

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