

# FRANCIS CLINCHES HOLD ON GROUND GAINED

## Important Progress Made by the French Troops North of St. Quentin

### COUNTER-ATTACKS FAIL AGAINST BRITISH LINES

Forces Able to Forge Ahead Despite Stubborn Resistance, and Gain Additional Ground on Their Right Wing.

New York, Aug. 11.—The Associated Press issues the following: Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig clinched his hold last night on the ground won in Friday's attack on the Ypres-Ménin road north of St. Quentin. The Germans made their inevitable heavy counter-attacks, no less than six of them, during the night, but all without success. Not only did the British maintain their positions, but gained some additional ground on their right wing, near the Ypres-Ménin road. These new gains are probably important to the success of the British general plan, for it was in just this sector that the British had failed to make all the progress expected of them. On the remainder of the two mile front running north of the Ypres-Roubaix railway all the objectives were achieved in yesterday's assault and have since been held. The German resistance was especially stubborn on the British right, but as a result of the night's fighting, as reflected in the London official account, shows that despite this the British forces were able to forge ahead.

French Heavily Engaged. While the British and French have been making another forward thrust in the process of driving a wedge into the German lines in Belgium, the French forces have been heavily engaged on their own soil to the south of St. Quentin, on the Aisne front, and in the Champagne region. In the St. Quentin area Gen. Petain's troops regained nearly all the sections of line which the Germans had penetrated in their sudden thrust of Thursday night. North of Aisne they carried out a brilliant attack and re-occupied and held the whole of an important trench which the Germans had recently taken south of Aisne. The fighting in Champagne was of German initiative. An attack launched over a front of nearly two miles was broken up by the French, except at one point to the north of Carnillet, and even here the Germans were afterwards ejected from the elements they had penetrated, with the exception of a stretch of fifty yards.

### CAPTURE A TOWN TAKE PRISONERS

Russian Fighting Becomes More Energetic and Successful.

### REPULSE FOE ATTACKS

Teutons Driven Across the Putna River on the Rumanian Front.

Petrograd, Aug. 11.—Austro-German attacks yesterday in the region of the village of Vydra, Voloshkany and Ostroch, on the northern Rumanian front, were repulsed by the Russians, says the official statement issued today by the Russian war department and the Teutons were driven across the Putna river.

### REMARKABLE SERVICE ON EUROPEAN FIELD

By Stewart Lyon. Canadian Army Headquarters, Aug. 11.—One of the most remarkable burials services ever held on a European battlefield is described by the chaplain of the 7th Canadian Infantry. It was that of an Indian killed by a bomb. Sixty Indians, commanded by an Indian lieutenant, attended the funeral. They represented the Mohawks, Oneidas, Onondagas, Cayugas, Mississaugas, Delawares, Iroquois and Blackfeet. The dead soldier was a Presbyterian and the service was conducted according to the rites of the church.

### CENTENARIAN ODDFELLOW DEAD

Auburn, N.Y., Aug. 11.—Wm. Lamey, the oldest Oddfellow in America, a member of the order for 73 years, died today in his 101st year. On May 1 last his centennial was celebrated by the Oddfellow of the state, who sent high officers and many telegrams, and Auburn citizens paraded in his honor.

### NO PAYMENTS TO UNITED STATES

Berlin, Aug. 11.—The Bundesrat, or federal council, has passed a measure prohibiting Germans from making payments to citizens or residents of the United States.

### Six German Assaults Broken

London, Aug. 11.—Six German assaults were made on the British positions to the east of Ypres during the night, according to the British official statement today. They all broke down after fierce fighting. Field Marshal Haig reported that the British maintained their positions to the east of Ypres and gained ground near the Ypres-Ménin road.

### Ship in Canadian Port Sank Sub on Way Over

Enemy Vessel Crept Up Behind Sailing Boat, But Gunners Were Too Quick for It, and Soon Ended Its Career.

A Canadian Port, Aug. 11.—Officers on board a steamer which reached here today tell of an encounter with a submarine on the trip across the Atlantic in which the undersea boat was sunk. The meeting took place near the Irish coast. The lookout man notified the captain that a small sailing vessel was acting suspiciously. It was watched carefully, and a submarine was seen to emerge from behind it. The gunner on the steamer had his weapon prepared, and directly the submarine showed itself he fired. He hit the undersea boat with his first shot. A second struck the conning tower, and a third turned the submarine over and it began a nose dive. Its crew clambered out and waved white handkerchiefs. The steamer wasted no time in the vicinity, but left the wreckage of the Germans to a patrol boat that came up.

### FIVE PEOPLE KILLED ONE FATALLY INJURED

Mrs. Frank Walters of Toronto and Four Bowmanville Residents Dead Result of Collision in Motor Car With "International Limited."

Four men and one woman were instantly killed, and one man probably fatally injured at 4:15 Saturday afternoon when the Grand Trunk International Limited from Montreal crashed into a motor car with six passengers at an intersection near the station. The train was traveling at 40 miles an hour. The car, which was a five-passenger, was smashed into splinters. The four men were caught by the cow catcher and showed no signs of life when picked up by the train crew. The car was waiting at the intersection for the passing of a long freight and when the last coach had passed it moved to cross the tracks, but failed to notice the approach of the flyer. The woman victim of the accident was Mrs. Frank Walters, 62 Duchess street, Toronto. She was approaching the intersection on foot with her husband when the car passed and they were invited to a lift. She took a seat in the body of the car and her husband rode on the running board. When the collision occurred she was thrown 75 feet and instantly killed. Her husband immediately before it was struck, and his action probably saved his life. He, however, was struck by the flying splinters and seriously injured, but it is believed that he will recover. Walters and his wife were spending a two-day vacation near Bowmanville, and were returning to Toronto Saturday night. The bodies were removed to a cottage nearby and an inquest opened by Coroner Tilly. Eye-witnesses stated that the driver of the motor car could have averted the accident. Chief Constable Jarvis is investigating the cause of the accident.

### CLAIM BRITISH ATTACK WAS UNSUCCESSFUL

Berlin War Office Says British Were Repulsed Near Westhoek After Bitter Struggle.

Berlin, Aug. 11, wa. London.—British attacks on a front of nearly five miles between Fremberg and Hohlbeke, in Belgium, were unsuccessful, the German war office announced today. After a bitter struggle, the British were ejected near Westhoek by the German reserves. Nineteen enemy aeroplanes and two captive balloons were shot down yesterday, most of them in Flanders. French attacks on the German positions near Fayet, north of St. Quentin, and Cerny, west of Leon, in the course of the night were only partially successful, says the official report issued today by the German general staff. On the Hochberg the Germans retook trenches from the French.

### HUDSON AND SIR WILFRID THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL OF MANITOBA INTERPRETS THE WINNIPEG RESOLUTIONS.

NOT COMMITTED TO LAURIER LEADERSHIP

Winnipeg, Aug. 11.—The political situation is still as full of lightning as when the Liberal convention was in session. Some of the leaders feel that explanations are in order, and the following statement, handed out last night by Hon. A. B. Hudson, attorney-general of Manitoba, who was an active spirit in the convention, is significant. There seems to be a good deal of confusion in the public mind about the position of many of those who took part in the convention. Being chairman of the resolution committee, I was not present in the body of the convention, and therefore personally know nothing about what occurred there. My position is that the resolutions should be read as they are written. They left the committee and were adopted by the convention without change. The war resolution, to my mind, states the most comprehensive war policy so far promulgated. It includes conscription, not merely for military service, but for other purposes of the state in any way relating to the war—conscription of men, money and resources, of which I apprehend there is no limit. The resolution as to Sir Wilfrid Laurier naturally expresses the admiration of Liberals for the "undoubtedly great services which he has rendered the country, their belief that he is now doing his duty as he sees it. It recognizes the great influence which he still possesses and hopes that influence may be utilized for the purpose of re-uniting the people in furtherance of the prosecution of our share in the war. It commits no one to his leadership. The door is still open for the formation of a truly national government, and I hope that one may be formed. Free Press Editorial. Bearing on the situation the following editorial in today's Free Press shows how wide the breach is in connection with the convention. "The cleverly devious and fatal brilliant tactics that transformed the late Liberal convention into a party catastrophe were intended to make possible a political coup. 'The west was to be made solid for Laurier by virtue of the excellent economic program adopted by the convention, which Laurier was to announce as a solid Quebec on the issue of anti-conscription. Then there was to be a bargain. Quebec was to dictate the war policy of the new government while the west can get the economic and fiscal reforms necessary to her advancement by honest means. 'Not even for this attractive menu of portage will the west sell her birthright.'"

### FRENCH PUSH FORWARD RETAKING LOST GROUND

Enemy is Ejected From Largest Part of Trench Elements in Which Foothold Had Been Gained, in Region of Fayet, North of St. Quentin, While on the Aisne Brilliant Attack is Carried Out.

Paris, Aug. 11.—North of St. Quentin French troops last night made important progress in the region of Fayet, says the official statement given out today by the French war department. The French ejected the Germans from a large part of the terrain which they had captured on the night of Aug. 9-10. In the Champagne the Germans launched several attacks over a front of nearly two miles in the region of Carnillet, and at one point succeeded in penetrating the French advanced trenches. In an energetic counter-attack, the French regained the lost ground with the exception of about fifty yards, which the Germans still occupy. On Aisne Front. There was a brilliant attack south of Aisne and recaptured an important trench which had been stormed by the Germans. Repulsing several counter-attacks, the French maintained the position of their own positions. The text of the statement follows: "North of St. Quentin we realized appreciable progress in the region of Fayet and ejected the enemy from the largest part of the trench elements in which he had gained a foothold on the night of Aug. 9-10. We took fifteen prisoners. "South of Aisne a brilliant attack carried out by us resulted in the capture of an important trench which had been solidly taken by the enemy. Our troops resisted several counter-attacks and maintained their new positions. We took ten prisoners. "In the Champagne, after artillery preparation extending over a front of 1 1/2 miles, the Germans launched simultaneously several attacks in the region of Carnillet. East and west of this hill our fire stopped short. The enemy assaulting waves which surmounted heavy machine-gun positions. "North of Carnillet the enemy succeeded in penetrating our advanced line, but energetically returning the offensive, we regained the lost terrain with the exception of fifty yards of ground which is still occupied by the Germans. "In the region of the Casque one of our scouting groups entered the German lines and annihilated a detachment of enemy prisoners. "German aviators in the course of the night dropped bombs in the region of Nancy. There were no victims and the damage was of little importance."

### EX-LI-GOVERNOR OF ONTARIO DEAD

Sir W. Mortimer Clark Passes Away on Saturday. DEATH UNEXPECTED

Altho He Had Been in Poor Health, End Came Suddenly.

Sir W. Mortimer Clark, 28 Avenue Road, formerly lieutenant-governor of Ontario, died somewhat suddenly at Cushing's Island, Portland, Maine, Saturday morning. This word was received in Toronto shortly after noon Saturday. Altho Sir Mortimer had been in failing health for some time his end came as a surprise to his relatives and attending physicians. He was taken suddenly ill on Friday night and sank very fast, death occurring early next morning. The body will be brought back to Toronto for burial. Sir Mortimer, who was 81 years of age, and had been in failing health for some months past, and left with his wife about the middle of July for Cushing's Island, where he usually spent his vacation. He was born in Aberdeen, Scotland, on May 24, 1836, and was educated at the Grammar School and Marischal College, Aberdeen and Edinburgh Universities. He came to Canada when a young man, and entered on the study of law in Montreal. He was a member of the Ontario bar, and held the position of chief justice of the province from 1891 to 1893. He was a member of the Ontario bar, and held the position of chief justice of the province from 1891 to 1893. He was a member of the Ontario bar, and held the position of chief justice of the province from 1891 to 1893.

### REORGANIZATION OF CABINET EXPECTED BEFORE THE WEEK IS OUT.

By a Staff Reporter. Ottawa, Aug. 11.—Political developments of next week promise to assume a character of extreme importance. It seems assured that before the week is out the reorganization of the cabinet will have taken place, in which case dissolution will not be long delayed. There will be at least half a dozen new ministers, and, indeed, the only ministers certain of portfolios in the new cabinet, besides the premier, are Sir George Foster, Sir Geo. Parley, Hon. Arthur Meighen, Sir Thomas White, Hon. C. J. Doherty, Hon. Dr. Reid, Hon. P. E. Blondin, and Hon. Albert Sewigny. It is still in prospect that some Liberals may be included. The western convention at Winnipeg has been shown to be a purely machine affair, and the delegates were able to turn the tables on three of the provincial premiers, Messrs. Morris, Sifton and Brewster, and the majority of the Liberal conscriptionist members of the federal parliament. It appears that the convention did not represent British Liberal opinion. This being the case there is still a probability that representative Liberals will be included, and some of the names mentioned most prominently are J. G. Turritt, W. A. Buchanan, John W. Dufour, Hugh Guthrie, F. F. Pardee, N. W. Howell, F. B. Carvell and K. McLean. The names of Justice Duff of the supreme court, is also mentioned.

### BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA SUE W. PERKINS BULL

At Osgoode Hall the Bank of Nova Scotia has entered an action against W. Perkins Bull, of London, Eng., to recover \$24,124.25, alleged due on a promissory note made in favor of the Metropolitan Bank. The note was for \$11,141.68, and was made payable on demand.

### BRITISH AIRPLANES RAID GERMAN MILITARY POINTS

Several Tons of Bombs Dropped With Destructive Effect on Airdrome and Railway Sidings and Junctions.

London, Aug. 11.—British naval aviators on Thursday night dropped several tons of bombs on the German airdrome in the Belgian town of Ghistel, on the Zuidweg Railway sidings and on the Thourout Railway junction, the British admiralty announced today. On Friday afternoon British aviators dropped bombs on the German airdrome at Spaarwalle. The text of the admiralty statement says: "Several tons of bombs were dropped by the royal naval aviators on Thursday night on the Ghistel airdrome, on the Zuidweg railway sidings and on the Thourout Railway junction. Dense clouds of smoke were caused at Zuidweg. The railway junction at Thourout also was attacked by gunfire from the air. On Friday afternoon a further bombing raid was carried out on the airdrome at Spaarwalle. All our machines returned safely."

### FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSIONER WARNS ANTHRACITE DEALERS

Washington, August 11.—Coal dealers who increase their prices for anthracite more than 10 cents a ton before September 1 will be considered by the federal trade commission as openly declaring "a policy of profiteering." Indications are that bituminous coal prices will be reduced in the future, the commission announces.

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