FRENCH STATEMENTS.

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The official communication issued by the French war department tonight says:

"With the exception of an advance of some importance in the vicinity of Berry-au-Bac (on the centre) there is nothing to report."

The communique issued at 3 o'clock says:

"On our left wing our forces have resumed the offensive in the regions of Hazebrouck and of Bethune against detachments of the enemy composed in large part of cavalry coming from the front along Bailleul, Estaires and La Bassee.

"The Town of Lille, held by a territorial detachment, has been attacked and occupied by a German army corps.

"Between Arras and Albert we have made notable progress.

"On the centre also we have made progress in the region of Berry-au-Bac and we have advanced toward Souain in the west of the Argonne and north of Malancourt.

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"Between the Argonne and the Meuse, on the right bank of the Meuse, our troops who hold the heights of the Meuse to the east of Verdun have advanced.

"To the south of the road from Verdun to Metz, in the region of Apremont, we have gained a little territory on our right, and repulsed a German attack on our left.

"On our right wing, Vosges and Alsace, there has been no

"To sum up, yesterday was marked by perceptible progress on the part of our forces at various points on the field of battle.

"In Calicia the Austrian corps defeated in Galicia are endeavoring to re-form at a point four kilometres west of Przemysl."

WILL REGARD STATUS OF SCHELDT.

Canadian Press Despatch.

BERLIN, Oct. 13, via The Hague and London, 4.32 p.m.—The government of the Netherlands has again been officially notified by the German Government that the status of the River Scheldt, the waterway which leads to Antwerp, will be regarded by Germany as heretofore. There will be no question of forcing the Scheldt or using it for purposes not sanctioned in treaties with the Netherlands.

The notification to this effect was sent this morning.

HEAVY FIGHTING IN ARGONNES.

BERLIN, Oct. 13, via Amsterdam and London, 11.00 p.m.—Heavy fighting continues in the Argonnes, two chains of hills in northeastern France, according to an official statement received here today from the German general headquarters, under date of Oct.

13. Violent attacks made by the enemy east of Soissons have been repulsed, it is said.

"There is no important news from the western war theatre. Violent attacks made by the enemy east of Soissons have been repulsed. Heavy fighting continues in the Argonnes. Our troops are moving forward thru dense underwood in very difficult ground with siege trains for use against the fortifications. The French troops offer obstinate resistance, firing from trees where machine guns are

"Beside rifle pits, which are arranged in tiers, they have built strong points of support."

The statement contradicts news given out by French army authorities regarding success met with by the allies in the Woevre region, and denies other reports. It continues:

"All the French attacks at St. Mihiel have been repulsed. Etain (12 miles northeast of Verdun) remains in our possession."

BRESLAU TO ESCORT STEAMERS.

ROME, Oct. 13.—Advices from Bucharest say that the armored cruiser Breslau, bought by Turkey from Germany, arrived yesterday at Sulina and that her German commander declared menacingly that he had come to escort the German steamers Eresos and Seros, carrying war materials to Constantinople. These steamers left Braila under the Breslau's protection. Their departure was reported by wireless to the Russian fleet.

ENEMY STILL OCCUPIES ROYE.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 13.—The following cablegram was given out today by the French ambassador, received from his gov-

"The Fourth Corps of the German cavalry were thrown back to the north of Lys toward Armentieres. Two other corps were stopped between the Lys and the Canal of La Bassee at noon. Roye is still occupied by the enemy."

MORE BOMBS FOR PARIS.

PARIS, Oct. 13.—A German aeroplane dropped six bombs into the city today. One went thru the roof of the Gare Du Nord and fell between two railway carriages.

Pupils Will Construct Actual Houses Inside New Technical School HAMILTON COUNCIL

Classes in Building Trades Will Make Their Own Bricks and Then Build With Them-Advisory Industrial Com- Toronto-Hamilton Highway mittee Yesterday Inspected Finest School in Canada.

Toronto's \$2,000,000 school under- importance is one in which students of went its first examination yesterday the building trades will build two comafternoon when members of the advisory industry committee and others were told of the secrets of this new mighty educational factor which is dewtined to be the finest in the Dominion. The school is yet far from complete, but in its present state a splen-did idea can be obtained of what it will look like when it is handed over to the educational authorities on June 1. In size it far outclasses any other in the country, on a site which covers to the country to the count dressmaking and cooking classes will

One room which is of particular

Hamilton Hotels.

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plete houses. Estimates will be ten-dered by the students for every branch of the work and every class will undertake the building of its particular branch and even the bricks which will be used will be manufactured on the

basement are to be seen machine rooms of exceptional interest. Engineering apparatus to the value of \$40,-000 is to be installed. There are two large dining rocms and a large room for exhibition purposes.

Some idea of the size of the building can be learned from the fact that there is one and one-half miles of halls, 175,000 feet of electric wire and

AUTHORIZES ROAD

A damaged doorway of Rheims Ca-thedral, the ancient place of corona-tion of French kings, after the bom-

Plans Also Approved by Wentworth Council.

HAMILTON, Wednesday Morning, Oct. 14.-At the afternoon session of the Wentworth County Council yesterday a resolution was passed endorsing the proposed Toronto-Hamilton roadway scheme, and Warden Bertram was authorized to premises by pupils of that class.

There is to be a theatre capable of holding 1600 people, fitted with a stage and a motion picture cabinet.

Another large lecture hall suitable for 200 is also fitted with a motion picture.

Good Roads Commission urged the council to take immediate definite action, so that the work could begin.

Council Passes Scheme,
The finishing touches to the Toronto-Hamilton permanent roadway scheme were put on last evening, when the city council unanimously endorsed it, and authorized Mayor Allan to sign the agreement. The board of control recom-mended that the clauses calling for the erection of a bridge at the Hamilton end, and the paying of the civic minimum wages to laborers at this end of the roadway, be dropped, and this was done. The only clause inserted was that Hamilton should maintain its share of the highway

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Single man, thirty or younger. Must have executive and buying ability. State experience and salary desired.

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ROME, Oct. 13.—It is announced by the French ambassador stationed here that on September 22 heavy French guns of long range were landed at Antivari and have now been put in position on Mount Lovchen. They are trained on the Austrian port of Cattaro, in Dalmatia.

In there is one and onel-half miles of halls, 175,000 feet of electric wire and task should maintain its share of the highway for not more than twenty years.

Cut in Teamsters' Wages.

For several weeks the reducing of the civic teamsters' wages has been dealt with by the council, board of control and works committee without definite with by the council, board of control and works committee, without definite with by the council, board of control and works committee, without definite with by the council, board of control and works committee, without definite with by the council, board of control and works committee, without definite with by the council, board of control and works committee, without definite with by the council, board of control and works committee, without definite with by the council, board of control and works committee, without definite with by the council, board of control and works committee, without definite with by the council, board of control and works committee, without definite with by the council, board of control and works committee, without definite with by the council, board of control and works committee, without definite with by the council, board of control and works committee at the civic teamsters' wages, and to 50 cents for steamsters, and to 50 cents for water carts. Controller horris objected, saying that the teamsters did not make enough to feed their horses and live on. Mayor Allan sald that it was a waste of civic money to continue to do that an agreement of the party were entertained by f

Closer view of the same doorway, showing damage done to figures and stained glass window above the door.

Steps will be taken to have the work evenly divided between the teamsters of the city.

Wants Anderson Dismissed. Alderman Chester Walters presented a resolution to the council asking that the bylaw appointing John Anderson as building inspector be rescinded, and that he be permanently dismissed, the dismissal to take effect from Sept. 17, on which date he was suspended.

Dispense With Shovel.

It was decided by the city council to dispense with the services of the steam shovel at the mountain quarries, and in its stead place forty or fifty men, as a means of providing work for unemployed.

Ald. Young stated last evening that, despite reports to the contrary, he would still agitate the forcing of the United Fuel and Gas Company to reduce its minimum charge of 90 cents per 1000 ft.

Over 1000 men registered at the employment registration bureau of the Hamilton United Relief Association in the McLaren building, 25 South McNab street, yesterday. Those who registered are willing to take any class of work to secure enough money to buy food and coal and pay their rent.

charge the city more for their work than other contractors.

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The city more for their work owned by James Hope and Charles Lewis, last evening. One hundred dollars' damage was done to the building, and a horse belonging to Lewis was burned. Still Wants Cheap Gas. Thousand Idie Men Register.

Some of the wreckage in the interior of the building

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