

GERMAN MOVEMENTS UNSUITED.

Franco-British Gallantly Holding On.

Paris the Chief Objective. Americans Fine Exploit. Fiendish Conduct of Hun Airmen.

10.30 A. M.

THE SITUATION ANXIOUS.

LONDON, To-Day. The situation is a very anxious one, not only because the enemy has made such rapid progress on an advance of 26 miles in four days, but because they will have such large reserves available to be thrown into the battle at any moment. Our transport of reserves has worked very well, and there is reason to hope that the Germans will not make any further progress, although the situation remains anxious so long as they have plenty of reserves. The immediate future depends upon what the reserves may take. The Crown Prince has used up virtually all his reserves and some from the German bulk of the German reserves are in the north. It remains to be seen whether the enemy will use them to develop his success towards Paris or to continue his original intention of attacking Amiens with a view to cutting the Allied armies in two. The attack during the past week has not been so serious as other attacks at other points in the Allied line, because we have more room for manoeuvring and can better afford to take back. Another thing that must be considered is that the Germans are rapidly using their effective reserves. Thus far they have employed probably 45 divisions in the present attack. The question has been much discussed in the past few days whether the Allies, but it can't be called a complete surprise, because of the fact that enemy concentrations in the area were known before the attack. Yet we had no indication of an attack on a big scale was intended. The Germans deserve credit for their planning and secrecy of their plans. The main masses of men were brought up in the actual front lines only on the night before the attack, which was preceded by only two hours of bombardment for the purpose of cutting wire. The Germans are not making the use of artillery as heretofore. They are using trench mortars in large numbers for wire cutting. It is the enemy's main attack, he probably didn't know, when he initiated it, whether it would prove to be subsidiary or a leading operation. The attack on Paris in the present operations he is doing all possible to develop his initial success by attacks on the centre and on the flanks of the salient. He has achieved considerable success in the centre, but on the flanks the French are holding well on the height west of Soissons, and the British are fighting hard on the heights around Rheims. No review of the past week would be complete without mention of the fine exploit of the American troops in the capture of Cantigny. It was an extremely well conducted operation, and in view of the fact that their troops were untried, it is notable that they not only captured their objective, but held it. It is always much more difficult to consolidate a certain position than to capture it, and the performance of the Americans shows a very high standard, as well as their training, bravery and fighting qualities.

ITALIAN STEAMER TORPEDOED.

NEW YORK, To-Day. Word was received here to-day, in marine circles, that the Italian steamship Verona, a vessel of 6,261 tons gross register, had been sunk by a German submarine. Officials here, of the Navigazione Generale Italiana, service of the Italian Government, and the sinking is said to have taken place last week.

NO IMPORTS WITHOUT LICENSE.

NEW YORK, To-Day. Preliminary to a measure to reduce exorbitant exchange rates on Italy, the Italian Government will permit no imports into that country after June 1st, without special Government authorization, and no exports will be allowed without the approval of the Italian National Exchange Institute. This announcement was made to-day by the Italian Bureau of Information here.

NATIONAL FAST.

OTTAWA, To-Day. The Government has fixed Sunday, June 3rd, as a Day of National Prayer and humiliation for the success of the Allies.

ALMOST A RIOT.

MONTREAL, To-Day. A riot was averted by the prompt action of one of the priests of the church of the Blessed Sacrament and the presence of the police, when a crowd of close on 10,000 people assembled to witness the Corpus Christi procession invaded the premises of the Mount Royal Methodist Church, on Thursday night. The ornamental iron gate of the church was torn down and carried some distance down the road by the crowd, and the grounds of the Methodist Church were at times raided, while the prospects of lively encounters seemed imminent, between the crowd outside and a dozen people within the ground of the church. The trouble is said to have arisen through the unwillingness of the crowd to enter the church.

number of young people and girls, apparently, connected with the Methodist Church, who refused to allow the property to be used as a grand stand from which to watch the celebration at the Roman Catholic church opposite.

INTERNAL DISORDERS INCREASED.

LONDON, To-Day. Riots and internal disorders of all kinds are increasing in Bohemia. A Vienna paper says that what is happening to-day in Bohemia, resembles the Lombardy and Venetian uprising in 1840, except that to-day, the Empire is hampered by her engagements in a war from which she doesn't see a way to escape.

HAVE REACHED THE MARNE.

PARIS, To-Day. German attacks on the French positions on the right bank of the Ailette River have been repulsed. The Germans have reached the Marne, light detachments having penetrated as far as the River between Charvres and Jaulgonne, but on the right flank of the battle area, the situation is unchanged, also, the condition west and north of Rheims, according to the official communiques issued by the War Office last night.

GREEKS MAKE GOOD HAUL.

LONDON, To-Day. More than 1500 German and Bulgarian prisoners, among them 24 officers, and a large amount of war materials, have been captured by Greek troops on the Macedonian front, according to an official statement received from Salonika to-day. The statement follows: "Greek troops, supported by French artillery, have captured the strong enemy positions of Arki-di-Legin, on a hill, on a front, on a width of 12 kilometers, and a depth of two kilometers. More than 1500 Bulgarian and German prisoners were taken, including 24 officers. A large amount of material, also, was captured."

REVIEW OF OPERATIONS.

LONDON, To-Day. Plunging southward with its momentum still unspent, the German War machine has driven its wedge into the Allied lines along the front until its apex has reached the Marne River, south of Fontenoy. The desperate efforts of the French and British, to stem the tide against the invaders, have served only to slow down the rate of speed of the German advance. The defenders of the heights, north of the Marne, seem to have been swept aside in the rush of the enemy towards the road to Paris. Aside from the movement of the German armies southward, two other significant incidents of the tremendous battle have occurred. One is that the enemy has extended his attack to the northwest, along the Ailette River, from which the French have fallen back for some distance. The other is, that the battle has extended to the east of Rheims, which city during the first few days of the battle, formed the extreme end of the line of battle along the sides of the salient, formed by the rapid German advance to the Marne. The French and British have been holding their positions gallantly south of Soissons, where the French have defended their line with so much vigor that the Germans have not made any great impression upon them. On the other side of the salient, the front sags towards the south, the line from Rheims to the Marne running to the southwest, at a gentle angle, while the French are holding a front at right angles to the direction of the enemy advance. The occupation of Toulon-Thierry, marks the beginning of the expected turning move toward Paris, which the enemy was believed to have planned. If the town has been taken entirely, the Germans may be expected to move down the Marne. Before they can go far in this direction, however, it will be necessary for them to break the French line south of Soissons, for as long as the French stand along the Soissons-Hartennes Road the German advance is in jeopardy. The Germans, however, claim already to have crossed this line. The attack along the Ailette may be the beginning of a move that will seek to prevent the French from making a heavy attack somewhere in the neighborhood of Soissons. General Foch, Commander-in-Chief of the Allied forces, has not yet brought his reserves into action. All reports from the front tell of the Allies being vastly outnumbered. A German official says: over 400 guns have been taken since beginning of the battle, not counting large numbers of machine guns. American troops are in action in Picardy, and in the Toul sector. At Cantigny they repulsed repeated German attempts to push them from positions they captured early in the week, while in the Toul sector, they attacked German positions, stormed them to a depth of a half mile, and destroyed the enemy defences. German airmen have been adding horrors to the fighting by deliberate attacks on hospitals back of the Allied lines. One receiving station, behind American lines in Picardy, has been bombed and a Canadian hospital was also attacked and partly burned by another raiding party.

GERMAN SUB IN MID-OCEAN.

AN ATLANTIC PORT, To-Day. A steamer arriving here from a foreign port reports a German submarine attacked it in mid-ocean. The

torpedo missed its mark by a few yards.

Latest.

ENEMY ARTILLERY ACTIVE.

LONDON (Bulletin) To-Day. The German artillery was extremely more active this morning in the sectors of Villers-Bretonneux, east of Amiens and Hebuterne, and north of Albert. It is announced officially.

VATICAN DISCLAIMS KNOWLEDGE.

LONDON, To-Day. According to the Daily Mail, the Vatican has written to the Catholic Union, disclaiming all knowledge of the priest who will be on the lines of that set to Germany concerning the sinking of hospital ships.

WHAT GOOD WILL IT DO?

GENEVA, To-Day. The members of the International Red Cross Committee are preparing a strong protest against the bombing of German airmen, of hospitals behind the British and American fronts. The committee expressed deep indignation when the official facts and figures on the bombing raids were presented to it. The protest will be on the lines of that set to Germany concerning the sinking of hospital ships.

READY WHEN IT COMES.

WITH THE ITALIAN ARMY, May 31. (By the Associated Press.) It is considered a question of only a short time when the Italian offensive, long heralded by the meeting of the German and Austrian Emperors, will break violently and this is further indicated by local actions at both extremes of this front. However, a high Italian official in a statement to the Associated Press declared that Italy's armies are thoroughly prepared, perhaps better than ever before, so far as concerns up-to-date war material.

AIR RAIDS PARIS.

PARIS, To-Day. Bulletin. German airmen attempted two air raids on Paris last night. The first was a failure, but in the second bombs were dropped on the capital.

FIGHTING ENDED IN FAVOR OF ALLIES.

PARIS, To-Day. Against the western wing of the battle field, from the Oise, western wing, along the Ailette River, the Germans advanced nearly five miles, and the reason for this new push is probably because the Germans feared a counter attack in that region, that might cut the famous "cut-and-throat" for the bulging salient. Where the enemy progressed during the first day, the Allies so receded leaving in the possession of the Germans a patch of territory approximately stretching from the extreme limit of Verres, on the Oise, passing by Elerancourt, to Compagny.

In the vicinity of Soissons further combats of extreme violence to-day ended in favor of the Allies. In this region the resistance of the French division was the absolute acme of reason, fighting as they were against odds immensely superior. All the men seem to know that when they retire it is simply for strategic purposes. They say we may be told to do so in order to hold firm, and we will do it. The same is true throughout the forces which are retreating. The forward flank of the Allies is showing wonderful tenacity, not only preventing the Germans from advancing, but even counter attacking and retaking important points. Officers and men at these critical periods participate in all the dangers of personal combat in which the enemy has lost fearfully.

SIGNS ARE REASSURING.

PARIS, To-Day. The military critics, says a Havas agency review, to-day still view the situation as serious, but consider the signs increasingly reassuring. The most important development is regarded as the enemy's attempt to advance westward, and push toward Paris, thus, it is considered, revealing his strategic intentions unmistakably. In the first shock of the new push it is pointed out that the Allies were obliged to give ground in some places, but they held their own on the Aisne, and the Durcq, and their vigorous counter attacks are considered a prelude to the stoppage of the enemy advance. At present the most important part of the battle field is that of Noyon or in the region to the south of it, on the one end, and the district north of Chateau Thierry, on the Marne, on the other. It is here that the German rush toward Paris demands unlimited attention.

CUBAN RED CROSS.

LONDON, To-Day. The British Government has accepted the Cuban Government's request to express to the Cuban Government their cordial appreciation of Cuba's generosity in authorizing the expenditure of up to \$500,000 yearly on Cuban Red Cross activities in Europe and in assisting \$250,000 for the aid of civilians in the war zone, relatives of those killed in the war and incapacitated soldiers.

Wife Beater in Court

BRUTALLY ASSAULTS BRIDE OF THREE MONTHS.

A fisherman-farmer from Toppall, who brutally assaulted his wife, appeared in court this morning to answer for his unwarranted actions. The couple are of middle age, the husband being about forty and the wife about 35. They were married just three months when the husband began to play the leading stunt, feigning illness as the excuse. The ill-treated wife appeared in court and showed on her face several cuts and bruises that the brutal husband had inflicted with his fist. On being asked to state her case, the woman told her story, which briefly is as follows: "I belong to Toppall. I am married now 3 months. On last Thursday night, at 9 o'clock, my husband hit me in the face in my own house. I then ran out into the field and he followed me and struck at me six times and cut and bruised my face with his hands. He kicked me in the legs three times; then I became unconscious. He went off and left me on the ground. The row started by my husband to get him to get out of bed and do some work. I have been in a delicate condition for the past two months; I told him before and at the time, also to be careful, but he did not mind me." On being further questioned she said she formerly belonged to Pouch Cove and intended to go home and live with her mother. The husband was then asked to explain his position, and in pleading guilty put forward some flimsy excuses in extenuation of his conduct, which, however, were not satisfactory to His Honor Judge Morris, who strongly denounced the husband's actions, calling him a coward and unfeeling. The boys were not guilty, and were fined \$50 or two months hard labor, and in the event of the fine being paid it is to be handed over to the neglected wife.

Casualty List.

RECEIVED JUNE 1st, 1918.

At Wandsworth.

2346—Pte. Thomas Lomond, Grand Bay, Burgeo. Previously reported. 3492—Lt.-Corp. Thomas Murphy, 55 Long's Hill. Debility after Diphtheria. Still Seriously Ill—Improving, May 27. 2325—Pte. Raymond Cornick, 61 Power Street. 754—Lt.-Corp. Michael F. Murphy, 47 Patrick Street. Accidentally Drowned Whilst Bathing in France, May 23rd. 3160—Lt.-Corp. Ellwood Reid, Green's Harbor, T. B. W. F. RENDELL, Lieut.-Col., C.S.O., For Minister of Militia.

Military Funeral.

The remains of Private Christopher Dave, who succumbed to pneumonia at the Military Hospital, Military Road, last night, takes place at 4.30 this afternoon from Mr. J. C. Oke's mortuary parlors, Prescott Street, to the Railway Station, where the remains will be placed on board the home train and forwarded to his late home at Cupids, where interment takes place.

The Opera.

The opera Pandora will be performed in the Casino on the 12th and 13th June by the pupils and ex-pupils of the city schools, under the direction of Messrs. Hutton and Cooper. They have secured the invaluable services of Mr. Charles Hutton for the final touches so that we feel certain that when it emerges from his hands the public may be assured of a finished performance. Some of the boys who distinguished themselves in the "Sorcerer" will take part, while the orchestral accompaniments will be entrusted to those who played so magnificently in Gilbert and Sullivan's masterpiece. The proceeds go to the Jensen Camp and the W.P.A.

TRAIN MOVEMENTS.

Yesterday's outgoing express arrived at Port aux Basques at 8.35 p.m. yesterday. The incoming express is due at 4.30 p.m. to-day.

Obituary

MISS WINNIE COFIELD.

There passed peacefully away yesterday morning at the home of her parents, "Hope Cottage," Long Pond Road, after a very tedious illness, Winnie, darling daughter of William and Annie Cofield, aged 23 years. Although being a sufferer for many years death came unexpectedly. Deceased leaves a father, mother and two brothers (one of whom is with the Mtd. Regiment in France) to mourn their loss. Interment takes place in the S. A. Cemetery on Sunday, at 2.30 p.m. Our sympathy is extended to the sorrowing ones whose hearts are saddened by this bereavement.

Cross Fund.

EMPIRE DAY APPEAL.

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Reids Boats.

May 31, 1918.
The Argyle left Burin at 2.30 p.m. yesterday, outward.
The Clyde at Lewisport.
The Dundee at Port Blanford.
The Home arrived at Lewisport at 12.30 p.m. yesterday.
The Diana not reported since leaving Bonne Bay on the 29th inst.
The Fogota arrived at Placentia at 4.10 p.m. yesterday.
The Petrel left Heart's Content at 5.10 p.m. yesterday, outward.
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