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## Fierce Fighting Continues Along the Western Front

### Ames More Than Holding Their Own in the Big Drive --- Hun Loss in Prisoners Extremely Heavy---The French Troops Repulse Enemy Attacks

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)  
PARIS, July 16.—Violent artillery fire continued last night on the fighting front. Residents of Paris again heard the roar and saw the flashes of the guns. There was a dim flickering in the sky resembling summer lightning, varied now and then by a red flash reflected from low clouds.  
The reports of the guns were faint on Sunday night and on Monday were felt rather than heard. An intermittent dull muttering punctuated by occasional heavier thunders from the French heavies, kept up during the night. Houses in the suburbs were shaken slightly, but in some places the rocking of the earth was sufficient to displace pictures on walls.

#### ENEMY LOSSES IN PRISONERS ON THE FIRST DAY OF THE BIG BATTLE EXTREMELY HEAVY

"The battle continues with redoubled violence," the official statement reads. "Between Chateau-Thierry and Rheims the enemy is launching furious attacks. French and American troops are resisting magnificently and are counter attacking many times with success and vigor. South of the Marne the Germans have not been able to advance their lines beyond St. Agnan. North of the Marne the French have held up the enemy in the outskirts of Chatillon. All German attacks during the night failed. The German loss in prisoners during the first day of the battle was extremely heavy. South of the Marne the French took one thousand prisoners."

#### BRITISH IMPROVE LINES AFTER SHARP FIGHTING IN VILLERS-BRETONNEUX SECTOR

LONDON, July 16.—The Germans this morning continued their attacks against the French line in pursuance of their offensive. The information received indicates that the offensive remains held up, the attacks having been everywhere repulsed with heavy losses to the enemy.  
In an operation conducted last night in the region east of Amiens, the British improved their line after sharp fighting, in the Villers-Bretonneux sector. The German guns were busy during the night at various other points on the British front.

#### HUNS SUCCEEDED IN THROWING SIX BRIDGES OVER THE MARNE BETWEEN REUILLY AND DORMANS

LONDON, July 16.—Little change in the situation has been created by the German offensive. The attacks yesterday were conducted by the forces of General Von Buelow and General Von Boehm, who are directing operations on the left wing of the German Crown Prince's army.  
West of Rheims the enemy attacked in very considerable strength and succeeded in throwing six bridges across the Marne between Reuilly and Dormans, but at no point on this 25 mile front has the enemy penetrated more than four metres into the French positions.

## GERMAN OFFENSIVE WAS DELAYED ON ADVICE OF WEATHER EXPERTS

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)  
Paris, July 16.—The German offensive which started yesterday morning had been held up for several days because the German meteorological experts had advised the high army command that the bad weather prevailing would soon end and conditions would be much more favorable for the attack. This statement was made by American army officers whose rank

### YOUNG CADET WAS TAUGHT A LESSON

Toronto, July 16.—Following what his comrades considered unseemly conduct towards one of the young lady stenographers at Hayden House Barracks, R. A. F., a young cadet was seized and stripped of his clothing, his hands tied behind his back, and carried into the yard. The culprit appeared in vain for quarter.  
"We'll teach you to insult our girls," shouted one of the airmen, and despite his struggles he was covered with what the men call "dope" and feathered, and then the fire hose was turned on him. He was admonished by a repetition of the offence would lead to more serious punishment.  
Mr. John A. Humble, C. G. R. Claims Agent is in the city today.

### KING MADE ENQUIRY ABOUT SIR WILFRID

(Canadian Press direct wire.)  
London, July 16.—His Majesty the King received at Lords cricket ground on Saturday afternoon during the return match of England vs. the Dominion, the editors from the Calgary Herald, the Vancouver Province and La Presse, Montreal.  
The King expressed his appreciation of Canada's war effort, gave his impressions of his visit to the Pacific coast some years ago, and, talking French to Mr. Mayrand, spoke feelingly of Dr. Beland's treatment in Germany, and enquired very sympathetically about the health of Sir Wilfrid Laurier.  
Mr. B. W. Greene of Toronto is in the city.

## DIVORCE COURT ADJOURNS TILL AUGUST 6TH

The court of divorce and matrimonial causes adjourned Monday afternoon until August 6 at 10.30 a.m.  
The case of George Hetherington vs. Priscilla Hetherington was completed. Mrs. Margaret Maunder and the plaintiff were recalled for brief re-examination. Counsel waived argument, each making a brief statement as to the points on which each based his case.  
The case of Allen vs. Allen was struck from the docket and that of Annie Southan vs. Walter Southan was withdrawn. Judgments will be given on August 6th.

## SHOULD CASH THE COUPONS

(Canadian Press direct wire.)  
Ottawa, July 16.—It has come to the knowledge of the Minister of Finance that many of the holders of Victory Loan bonds, particularly of small amounts, are not aware that the coupons are payable semi-annually, and consequently have not cashed them. The Finance Department points out that the first coupon was due and payable on June 1st. The coupon should be detached and presented at any chartered bank for payment.

## HUN LOSSES WERE HEAVY

LONDON, July 16.—Great numbers of German corpses are hanging on the tangle of barbed wire in front of the French positions and all the reports state that the losses of the Germans must have been exceedingly heavy.

### SUCCESSFULLY FLOATED

Ottawa, July 16.—The chief press censor announced today that the steamship Sewell's Point, a new steamship of 3,354 tons, which went ashore in a fog at Five Fathoms Harbor, about 25 miles east of Halifax on July 1, had been successfully floated and taken to Halifax and docked.

### SETTLEMENT ANNOUNCED

Montreal, July 16.—No settlement of the wage differences between the federated shopmen's brotherhood and the Canadian railways was announced this morning.

## LONDON MORNING PAPERS PRAISE AMERICAN TROOPS

Their Work the Most Encouraging Feature of the First Day's Fighting—Allied Forces Still Holding Back the Germans—Americans Recapture Towns from the Enemy—Confidence Reigns Within the French Lines.

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)  
LONDON, July 16.—The brilliant contribution of American troops to the Allied defence at Fossey figures conspicuously in the battle reports under big heads and is made the subject of special mention in the editorial columns of the morning newspapers. "Splendid men," is the description contained in the Times, while another paper calls the American defence the "most encouraging feature of the day's fighting."

### A DEFEAT FOR THE HUNS.

PARIS, July 16.—The first day of the offensive was a big defeat for the enemy says the Havas correspondent on the French front. On the entire attacking front the enemy was not able to break positions. A general impression of confidence reigns within the French lines. French aviators destroyed two bridges loaded with German troops.  
Word this morning from the battle front to the east of Rheims shows that the Allied defence is not only still holding up the German attempts to advance but appears to have broken the enemy's spirit. American troops have recaptured Fossey and Crezancy, towns on the south bank taken yesterday by the Germans when they crossed the Marne.

## AGREEMENT FOR EXCHANGE OF PRISONERS

(Canadian Press direct wire.)  
London, July 16.—A despatch to the Exchange Telegraph from Amsterdam says the Holland News Bureau, announces that the agreement between Great Britain and Germany for the exchange of prisoners was signed on Sunday at The Hague and will be submitted to both governments for ratification. The despatch adds that the agreement includes a number of provisions regarding the treatment of prisoners and settles the lot of interned prisoners in Holland and Switzerland.  
Andrew Bonar Law, Chancellor of the Exchequer, in announcing in the House of Commons last night that a provisional agreement for exchange of British and German prisoners had been reached, said the terms would have to be examined carefully by the British government before ratification. For that reason he could not make a more detailed statement at present.

## AMERICAN HOSPITAL WAS BOMBED

Paris, July 16.—German aviators at eleven o'clock last night dropped bombs on the American Red Cross hospital at Jour, two enlisted men were killed and among the personnel nine persons were wounded. Miss Jane Jeffery, an American Red Cross nurse, was among those wounded though her injuries are not serious.  
The hospital was deliberately bombed by the German aviators. The hospital was full of wounded at the time and doctors were performing operations at four tables. The operations continued notwithstanding the explosions. At least three bombs were dropped on the hospital. One destroyed three tents. Additional doctors were telephoned for immediately and the work of the hospital was continued without interruption.

## CARPENTERS ON STRIKE

Toronto, July 16.—Asking the payment of the Union minimum wage, nearly two hundred carpenters went out on strike here yesterday. One hundred and forty five of the men are from one factory. These carpenters are now being paid from forty-five cents to fifty cents per hour and are asking for the minimum union wage, which at the present time, is fifty-five cents per hour, but which will become sixty cents on August 1.

Jack Leonard Won at Springfield  
At Springfield, Mass., last Friday in the 212 Trot of the Short Ship Circuit, Jack Leonard won after five heats. The first was won by Director Todd, the second by Allewood of the Great and the others by Leonard's M. L. J. This driver is well known in Fredericton having been located here several years ago.

## GERMANS GET SMALL RESULTS FROM FIRST DAY OF BIG OFFENSIVE

### Splendid Defensive System of French in no Way Affected --- Huns Had Planned to Do Great Things --- Enemy Losses Were Heavy

(Canadian Press direct wire.)  
PARIS, July 16.—The first day of the present German offensive clearly is favorable to the Allies, says a semi-official statement issued late Monday night. The French offensive system has been in no way affected and is still intact.  
"While in previous attacks," the statement says, "the enemy, thanks to surprise, carried important positions like the Chemin des Dames, and advanced several miles, this time the battle has entailed only fluctuations of a few hundred yards."  
"The failure of the enemy appears all the more striking if the infinitely small results he obtained be compared with the important advantage which he thought he was going to attain."  
**THE GERMAN GENERAL STAFF HAD LEFT NO STONE UNTURNED TO GAIN A BIG SUCCESS**

Orders found on prisoners show that the troops of the Crown Prince were to have camped at Epernay on the night of July 15, at Chalons on the 16th, and at Sezanne (26 miles south of the Marne) on the 17th. The imperial general staff left no stone unturned to gain a decisive success, and 30 to 35 divisions had been put into the line. That is about one division to two miles. The enemy's losses were considerable. One shock division, which according to plan was to have been relieved on the evening of the 15th, had to be sent to the rear to be patched up on the morning of the 15th. East of Rheims hundreds of German dead hang on the French wire. Beside them are many smashed tanks which the enemy used to support the infantry in their advance.

### FRENCH MILITARY CRITICS UNABLE TO CONCEAL THEIR SATISFACTION OVER THE HUN FAILURE

To sum up, the first day's operations were perfectly satisfactory. The enemy neither surprised our command as to the date nor as to the place of his offensive.  
That the Germans failed at the start is the common view of all French military critics and even the most cautious are unable to conceal their satisfaction over the results of Monday's fighting. "It would be silly," says Col. de Thomasson, "to prophesy after one day's fighting, but one can certainly say that the beginning was altogether encouraging for us. Nowhere have the Germans made any particular advance."

### GERMAN PAPERS WILL NO LONGER BE ABLE TO INDULGE IN TWADDLE ABOUT THE AMERICANS

"East of Rheims they lost heavily and made practically no progress. West of Dormans they crossed the Marne, but we hold the bridgehead and mean to defend it from the left bank. They, however, soon lost the few miles gained south of the river. There, beside our men, were American regiments, who for themselves so that German newspapers can hardly continue the usual twaddle about their new adversary."

Writing in the same tone, Henri Bidou, of the Journal des Debats, says: "Whatever local advantages the Germans may have gained, one already has the feeling that the first shock, so redoubtable in an affair of this sort, and in which lie the best chances for the assailant, has been parried and one has the right to look ahead with confidence."

## CROWN PRINCE HAD HOPED TO TURN STRONG POSITIONS NEAR RHEIMS

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)  
On the French Front, July 15.—The reason the German infantry did not attack in the vicinity of Rheims probably was because the German Crown Prince, whose armies are bearing the brunt of the offensive, hoped by attacking each flank to turn the strong position surrounding the cathedral city.  
The extension of the enemy's line of attack to the eastern limits of the Champagne seems possibly an endeavor to secure his right flank and to attract entente Allied reserves from other parts of the front to that battleground. The French opposed a firm barrier to any advance in that direction although the ground in many places was well suited to the use of tanks.

## AWARDED BAR FOR HIS M. C.

Toronto, July 16.—For engaging fifteen German airplanes which were making for an Allied artillery observation machine, Capt. W. J. Duncan has been awarded a bar to his military cross and has been promoted to flight commander with the rank of captain. He is the son of Mrs. Duncan, and the late Rev. W. A. Duncan.

## AMERICANS ON MURMAN COAST

London, July 15.—American and British troops have occupied the whole of the Murman coast, in northern Russia, says a despatch from Moscow to the Central News agency by way of Amsterdam.