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Big Battle Being Fought On a Front of Twenty Miles

British Troops Are Making Progress at a Number of Points---Enemy Attacks Repulsed---Fall of Roye and Noyon is Expected Soon

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)

LONDON, Aug. 23.—A battle is being fought on the line between Lihons, south of the Somme, to the Conjeul river, to the southwest of Arras, on a front of more than twenty-five miles, according to today's War Office statement. The British troops are making progress at a number of points, the statement says, and adds that two enemy attacks near Beaucourt were repulsed during the night. On the Lys front the British line was slightly advanced east of Le Touret, northwest of Neuf Berquin and east of Outterstein.

The Franco-British successes Thursday increased the menace to Roye and Noyon and rendered their fall near, says the Echo de Paris. It adds that Paris has been made safer by the operations of the army of General Humbert, and that Soissons has been made more secure by the capture of Pommers and Vauxrezis. L'Homme Libre says there is reason to hope for important events in the next few days in the region of Noyon.

FIGHTING TAKING PLACE ON THE WHOLE FRONT BETWEEN LIHONS AND THE CONJEUL RIVER

The text of the official statement today is as follows: "Fighting is taking place along virtually the whole front between Lihons, south of the Somme, and the Conjeul river. Our troops are reported making progress at a number of points. During the night the enemy twice attacked our positions in the neighborhood of Billescourt Farm, east of Beaucourt. He was repulsed. On the Lys front our line has been advanced slightly east of Le Touret, northwest of Neuf Berquin and east of Outterstein. A hostile attack northwest of Bailleul broke down before our positions."

FRENCH LINES ADVANCED DURING THE NIGHT TO A POINT SOUTH OF THE AILLETTE RIVER

PARIS, Aug. 23.—Between the Oise and the Aisne during the advance of Wednesday and Thursday, General Mangin's army took five thousand prisoners, according to news reaching Paris. Between the Oise and the Aisne French troops advanced their lines during the night to Guny and Pont St. Mard, just south of the Aillette river. They held the right banks of the Oise and the Aillette from Sempigny to the railroad west of Couchy le Chateau, according to the official statement issued by the War Office today.

Huns Retiring Hastily.

With the French Armies in France, Aug. 23.—So hot on their heels was the French advance guard, that the Germans had no time to destroy the bridges behind them over the Oise. Some of these were found intact; others only partially destroyed. While the German rear guard were making a last stand to protect the crossing of the stream, long lines of wagon trains could be seen across the river encumbering the roads leading to the north.

TELEPHONE CO. ANNOUNCES A WAGE BOOST

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Toronto, Aug. 23.—The Bell Telephone Company of Canada, Ltd., announces a general increase in wages to all employees receiving \$200 per month or less. Since the outbreak of the war the company repeatedly increased its wage schedules in order to assist its employees in meeting the increased cost of living. This additional increase, which has been under consideration for some time, varies from 25 per cent. in the case of the lower paid employees to ten per cent. in the case of those receiving higher wages.

The increases granted amount to approximately one million three hundred thousand dollars per annum, of which eight hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars per annum goes to the operators alone. This large additional expenditure is chargeable to the public and is incidental to the service it receives and the company will at once apply for a proportional increase in its rates.

The wage increase becomes effective September 1st.

THE HOUSING PROBLEM

Ottawa, Aug. 22.—It is practically certain that some attention will shortly be given by the reconstruction committee of the cabinet to the housing problem in Canada.

Coun. Hiram Manuel of Dumfries is in the city.

TEN THOUSAND PRISONERS WERE CAPTURED

London, Aug. 22.—The total of prisoners captured between the Oise and the Aisne from Sunday to Tuesday exceeds ten thousand. This number is likely to be considerably exceeded when the capture of yesterday and today are added.

A further retirement of the Germans from the Serre salient is reported. They have also evacuated some trenches on either bank of the Scarpe river. In the Lys salient the German withdrawal has been continual accompanied by successful hustling tactics by the British who have captured nearly one thousand prisoners.

PREACHER HELD FOR MURDER

Harrington, Maine, Aug. 23.—The body of Mrs. Minnie C. Stevens Hall, whose husband, Henry S. Hall, pastor of the Union church at Wells, Maine, is under arrest charged with her murder, was exhumed late yesterday and preparations were at once made for an autopsy. It was not expected the result would be made known before August 29, when Hall is to be given a hearing. Mrs. Hall was killed on the night of June 2nd. Her husband said at the time that while they were walking on the railway tracks Mrs. Hall fell from a bridge crushing her skull on the rocks below.

SAYS HE SAILED UP THE HARBOR OF HALIFAX

U-Boat Captain Indulges in
Some Boasting—Converted
Trawler Flies Union
Jack.

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

A Canadian Atlantic Port, Aug. 23.—No vessels were sunk yesterday by the converted trawler Triumph. Many fishing schooners made port safely. Patrols sent out to warn vessels on the banks, reported passing through large quantities of wreckage, but saw no sign of the marauding craft.

Word reached here late last night that seven members of the crew of the Sylvania had landed off the coast of Cape Breton. Eighty men from various vessels reached here last evening and are put up at the Sailors' Home and the police station for the sake of accommodation.

The Sylvania was sunk by the submarine, not by the Triumph. Most of the men were out in dories fishing and could not return to the ship for their effects. The submarine was half-submerged and had an inverted dory over her periscope. Both the submarine and the Triumph flew British flags, which were changed to German colors after the vessels had been boarded. No shots were fired. Fishermen saw the Triumph sink two other vessels as they pulled away. They were obliged to row to Canso, 62 miles away.

It is reported that the De la Garde, the French vessel, whose crew reached Gabarus yesterday, was armed and fired several shots at the Triumph.

The captain of the submarine which sank the Una P. Saunders boasted that a week ago he had come five miles up Halifax harbor and had lain for several hours in sight of the town.

HUN PAPERS STOP LYING

Amsterdam, Aug. 22.—At last the German press has given up struggling against the truth. In a short notice, which appears in virtually all the papers, the identical nature of which suggests official inspiration, the reluctant admission is made that secretary Baker's figures regarding the strength of the American forces in France are about correct.

TO HAVE POSTAL AIR SERVICE

Toronto, Aug. 22.—Mail by air has become an actuality. The postmaster general has now given his authority for a weekly return aerial trip to be made between Toronto and Ottawa, which will be carried through the medium of the Royal Air Force. The service is to continue for two weeks.

SERIOUS ERUPTIONS.

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Buenos Aires, Aug. 23.—Government telegraph stations report that eruptions of Mount Llana and Llanan, in the territory of Neuquen, are considered serious. The inhabitants of two towns near the mountains were reported to have left their homes.

ALEX. TURNER KILLED IN ACTION IN FRANCE

Native of Scotland and Former
Resident of Fredericton—
Manager of Bank at
Chipman.

Many Fredericton friends will learn with deep regret of the death in action of Mr. Alexander Turner, a former resident of this city, who was for some time on the staff of the local agency of the Bank of New Brunswick. Mr. Turner was an experienced banker and was one of a party of young men whom the bank authorities induced to come here from Scotland some years ago.

While here he took an active interest in St. Paul's church. He served as treasurer of the church and was also a member of the choir as well as taking an active part in the young peoples' societies.

After the merger with the Bank of Nova Scotia, he was appointed agent of the Bank of N. S. at Chipman. In the second year of the war he resigned his position and enlisted for overseas service.

While training in England he became very expert in the use of bombs and was detained in that country to act as an instructor. It was only recently that he was sent to the front.

The late Mr. Turner was a young man who possessed many splendid qualities which endeared him to all who made his acquaintance. He is survived by a widow who was formerly Miss Hanna, a daughter of Dr. Hanna, of St. John.

CANADIANS DO NOT FUMBLE IN THE DARK

(By J. B. Livesay, Canadian Press
correspondent.)

With the Canadian Army in France, Aug. 23.—It is proper to make a brief record of the remarkable work being done by the intelligence branch of the Canadian Force. Unremitting and unflagging this great military detective force does its work silently and without any sort of public recognition but through its executions the Canadians have the infinite advantage that instead of fumbling in the dark they can walk straightly in the light of day.

Since August 8th the number of enemy divisions identified by the Allied armies on the Amiens-Montdidier front approach forty with the addition of "milked" battalions from another division. Of these divisions some 18 have been drawn from reserves.

The fourth army with which the Canadian corps is incorporated, alone has captured prisoners from 26 divisions.

Mrs. MacMillan and Miss Jean MacMillan of Boiestown and Miss Melissa Murphy of Portland, Me., are at the Barker House.

THE UNITED STATES PREVENTED A FINANCIAL CRISIS IN INDIA

Financial Member of the Viceroy's Council Tells How it was
Done—Legislation in Washington Relieving Large Quantities of Silver Relieved the Currency Situation—India and the Empire Owe a Debt of Gratitude.

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)

LONDON, Aug. 23.—That the United States helped India this year over one of the most serious financial currency crises in the history of the British Empire, was the statement made today to the Associated Press by Sir James Meston, financial member of the Viceroy's Council.

"Probably few people in America," he said, "realize how vitally important to India and to India's share in the war was the legislation passed in Washington releasing large quantities of silver for use in alleviating the currency situation there. For this action, India, as well as the British Empire and the Allies owe a debt of gratitude to the United States which it is hard to overstate. The first cargo of American silver arrived in July and more is on the way. This act of the United States has stabilized the whole currency situation in India, and came just in the nick of time, when things looked very critical.

THE FUTURE LOOKED DARK.

"India has been doing well in the war for the past four years, but the crisis which we faced a year ago owing to the silver situation was acute, and for a time the future looked dark, with the possibility of serious difficulty in recruiting, the shut down of war work and the cutting off of those highly valuable raw material exports for which the Allies are so largely dependent upon India. At the height of the crisis came the United States and helped us. Now we shall be able to get on better than ever. Thanks to the United States, India today is ready to fulfill all demands upon her for assistance in the war."

ALLIES REAPING FRUITS OF RECENT DECISIVE VICTORIES OVER HUNS

Franco-British Troops Are Giving the Enemy no Quarter --- 100,000 Prisoners Taken by General Mangin's Army---Huns Obligated to Call on Re- serves

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)

PARIS, Aug. 23.—The Allies are reaping the fruits of the victory of July 18 and August 8, in the present critical position in which the German command finds itself. The German retirement around Noyon, it is said here, is the logical sequence of those victories. The French and British are proving the enemy so close that he is obliged to throw in his best troops to save himself from disaster. In the north and in the south the Allies are dashing upon the Germans and snapping up prisoners and booty, sometimes getting into the main enemy defence positions.

General Mangin's pressure between August 18th and 20th resulted in the capture of more than ten thousand prisoners, and on the 22nd he forced the enemy beyond the Ailette. The army of General Von Eben is in such a predicament, it is believed, that he is bound to make a formidable counter attack to halt General Mangin or be obliged to withdraw from the Aisne and Nesle to the Chemin des Dames. If the enemy does not counter attack along the Ailette, it probably will mean that General Von Eben is in a sadder plight than is thought here.

THE ENEMY FORCES DRIVEN ACROSS THE AILLETTE VALLEY BY GENERAL MANGIN'S ARMY

With the French Army on the Oise, Aug. 22.—General Mangin now has driven the Germans across the valley of the Ailette on a front of several miles. The enemy's forces on the right wing on the battle line are on the plateau between the Ailette and Soissons and between the Ailette and the Oise.

To the left of Bretigny the Germans are north of the Oise, except those that are hiding in fields and thickets, dead or prisoners. It is impossible to estimate the number of captives being sent to the camps in the rear, and army headquarters itself does not have more than an approximate count. Only a partial count has been made of the booty, which includes at least two hundred guns, many of them of large calibre.

FRENCH TROOPS ARE ADVANCING WITH GREAT RAPIDITY AND HUNS ARE MUCH CONFUSED

The Germans still are stoutly resisting the first French army around Roye. General Debeny's men, however, forged ahead again today both north and south of that town. Cavalry is rendering marked service in the pursuit of the enemy. Not only are there cavalry advance guards, but other troops are following the infantry to take care of the guns left behind by the Germans to be sacrificed in a effort to check the advance.

Aviators preceded the cavalry. These are dispersing enemy rear guards who attempt to make a stand and are breaking up and scattering convoys on the crowded roads with machine gun fire. General Mangin's army has advanced with great rapidity. Up to noon it had advanced ten kilometres from yesterday's line in certain places.

Confusion Among Hun Forces.

The Germans have been harassed in their retreat. Confusion reigns among their units. The French line is uncertain, owing to the swift movements in this open warfare. Cavalry is advancing in the open field continually at a gallop, exploring woods and farms. Tanks are following everywhere, reducing machine gun nests. Batteries of artillery are coming up at full trot and taking up new positions.

MARITIME MEN IN CASUALTIES

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Ottawa, Aug. 23.—In this morning's list of casualties, 248 are reported killed in action, 46 died of wounds, three died, one prisoner of war, 7 ill, 17 missing and 505 wounded.

The names of those from New Brunswick followed:

Killed in action—Lieut. A. Turner, St. John; C. O. Johnson, Richardson; B. L. Wadman, Moncton; A. C. Doyle, St. John.

Wounded—F. Furlotte, Jacquet River; Capt. R. C. Jackson, Millville; R. DeMerchant, Bath; A. Call, Pine Ridge; H. L. McKenzie, Pine Ridge; K. Crocker, Millerton.

Woodstock Sentinel: Dr. W. C. Crockett, M. P. P. Mrs. Crockett of Fredericton, and Dr. J. Roy Campbell M. L. A., and Mrs. Campbell of St. John, composed an auto party spending a few hours here on Sunday.

SEDITIONS CIRCULARS

New York, Aug. 22.—Thousands of seditious circulars, attacking the American policy "toward Russia" were thrown from the roofs of buildings into the streets of the lower East Side tonight. Police reserves and agents of the department of justice were immediately sent into the district and began a search of the buildings in an effort to run down the distributor.

ASKED TO RESIGN.

Calgary, Aug. 22.—Premier Stewart of Alberta, over the long distance telephone admitted that a rumor that he had asked Charles W. Cross for his resignation was correct. Hon. Mr. Cross was attorney general.

Mr. J. C. Phillips of Toronto is at the Queen.