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GAINS MADE BY HUNS HAVE BEEN VERY SMALL

The Enemy Found It Impossible to Press Forward in the Initial Stages of This Battle--Berlin Admits That the German Hordes Have Been Retarded --- Only Local Successes Are Claimed by Berlin

The German offensive east and west of Rheims has had the brakes thoroughly applied to it by the strong resistance of the American, French and Italian armies.

Nowhere has the enemy found it possible in the initial stages of this battle as in days gone by to press forward, although in the same formidable array, and tear his way through opposing positions to points of vantage chosen as early objectives.

True, some gains have been made by the Germans, but they are infinitely small when compared with those of other attacks. Instead of in miles they may be reckoned almost in yards. And from some of the positions captured, the enemy has been ejected under vicious counter-attacks delivered by the Americans fighting alone as a unit and Americans fighting shoulder to shoulder with their French comrades in arms.

Berlin's Admission

Tacit admission that the enemy hordes have been retarded in their assaults, if not halted, seemingly is contained in the latest German official communications, which, in dealing with the fighting of Tuesday, asserts that the Allied troops on the Marne front have delivered "violent counter-attacks" and that to the east of Rheims, "the situation is unchanged." The only claim made to any success by the Germans is that there were "some local successes to the south-west of Rheims."

The successes of the Americans and the French give back to them points of strategic value on the heights dominating the Marne valley. The Americans alone recaptured Fossy and Crezancy, east of Chateau-Thierry, and at one point near Fossy drove back the enemy across the river and took a number of prisoners. Aided by the French the recapture of St. Agnan, Hill 223 and La Chappelle-

Monthonod, south of Dormans, was later accomplished.

Throughout the region lying to the west of Rheims, especially south of the Marne, the Germans made desperate attempts on various sectors to increase their penetration of the Allied front, but where they were able to gain any advantage it was only a foot at a time--the French meeting their onslaughts with great bravery and making them pay dearly for every inch of ground he took.

Eastward from Rheims hard fighting is still going on almost to the western fringes of the Argonne Forest, but apparently the enemy here also is meeting with ill-success. Attacks attempted near Prunay and Suippes came to naught under the French fire, while further east near Prosnès and Tahure, efforts to break the French lines were repulsed with heavy losses.

The German official communication in dealing with the fighting on Monday says the Germans took 13,000 prisoners. The French on their part are reported to have taken thousands of captives, and it is known that the Americans have made prisoner of between 1,000 and 1,500 Germans. In addition the Americans, French and Italians have inflicted terrible losses on the enemy by the accuracy of their cannon, machine gun and rifle fire.

Although the Allied troops seemingly have the situation well in hand, it is not improbable that the Germans soon will throw large numbers of reserves into the fray. They are known to have thousands of these men behind the battle line, especially north-east of Rheims.

On the other battle fronts only minor operations are in progress, but on various sectors held by the British in northern France and Flanders the Germans are carrying out spirited bombardments, which may be the forerunners of early infantry attacks.

FAILURE OF HUN DRIVE WILL CAUSE SENSATION THROUGHOUT GERMANY

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

PARIS, July 17.—All the Paris military critics are in agreement today with the view that yesterday still further accentuated the failure of the German offensive. "It is perhaps too early to speak of victory," says the Echo de Paris, "but we say that the enemy has suffered a gigantic failure which will cause a sensation throughout Germany."

"It may be asserted that the fifth German offensive is a very severe defeat for the enemy," says Henry Bidou in La Journal. The newspapers generally declare that when the time comes, Allied counter attacks may be expected to drive the Germans rapidly back to the north of the Marne.

THE GERMAN POSITION IS DIFFICULT

No French troops from other points on the western front were sent to the present fighting line, says a review issued by the Havas Agency. Only the troops in the line and their reserve bore and countered the shock of the German attack. All circumstances point to a favorable outcome of the battle. On the southern bank of the Marne the German position at present is difficult. The French artillery and aerial forces are working actively to prevent the enemy from being reinforced and to hamper his supply lines. The spirit of the French troops remains strong.

GERMAN PROFESSOR SAYS THAT BELGIUM MUST BE MADE FREE

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)

LONDON, July 17.—German newspapers give prominence to an interesting statement concerning Belgium by Professor Hans Delbrueck, in the Neue Wiener Journal, says an Exchange Telegraph despatch from Amsterdam.

The statement reads: "Germany now will lose nothing by declaring her readiness to evacuate Belgium without conditions, and to reinstate her independence and integrity. Germany has plenty of other safeguards. Belgium is not only a German question, it is a world question. No peace is possible in the world unless Belgium is as free as before the war. Even America has the greatest interest in Belgium. Until Belgium becomes free, the world cannot accept even the indirect rule of Germany over her."

Visitor From Spokane

Miss Mary Shortill of Spokane, Wash., is visiting relatives and friends in this city and vicinity. Miss Shortill went west about twenty years ago and is a successful teacher in the Roosevelt school in the city of Spokane. She left there on May 21st and on her way across the continent stopped at many points of interest. She speaks rightly of N. B. people in the west, there being quite a few in her vicinity. She expects to return about the first of August. She is being warmly welcomed by her many friends.

Mr. C. L. Fenderson of Jacquet River is a guest at the Barker House.

Band Concert Tonight

The Fredericton Brass Band will play tonight at 8.30 at Smythe Street. The program is, O Canada, March, Belpagor, Brepant; Overture, Vanessa, Laurendeau; Waltz, Millicent, Corby; March, The Wallabies, Leetigrow; Descriptive, A Hunting Scene (by request) Bucalossi; Capricci Espagnol, La Castagnette, Ketten; Fox Trot, I'm Hitting the Trail for Normandy, Hilbert; March, Step Lively, Roberts; God Save the King.

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