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Situation on Western Front Is Favorable to the Allies

Germans Great Peace Offensive Will be a Fiasco --- Allied Counter Attacks Will Work the Downfall of the German Effort---Enemy Losses Heavy

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)

PARIS, July 18.—In its review of the situation on the front the Havas Agency notes the agreement in the comment of the entire press that after the third day of the battle the situation remains as favorable for the Allies as could be expected.

"The battle for Paris has become a battle for Rheims," the Petit Parisien says. "There German manoeuvres were frustrated by the insufficient effect of the first shock. It can be considered as a failure as we are able to look to the future without apprehension."

The Echo de Paris also declares the situation at present is decidedly favorable and the prospects for the future entirely reassuring. "It appears now," says Premier Clemenceau's paper, "that the enemy's efforts will not even result in the capture of Rheims, and still less that of Epernay. Thus the great 'peace offensive' will be a fiasco."

The Petit Journal predicts that the counter attacks, which are bound to come at the proper time, will work the downfall of the German effort.

THE LOSSES SOUTH OF THE MARNE, ACCORDING TO CONSERVATIVE EFFORTS, ARE 60,000

PARIS, July 18.—In the pocket which the Germans have created south of the Marne, their losses, according to conservative estimates, reached the figure of 60,000 in the first two days' fighting, the Matin declares today.

Treating of the situation in this sector, the Echo de Paris says: "Because of the counter-attacks delivered by the army of General Degoutte and our American Allies, the Germans were unable appreciably to widen or deepen this pocket."

Premier Clemenceau returned last evening from a visit to the front, expressing himself very well satisfied with the situation.

FRENCH TROOPS MAKE SUBSTANTIAL PROGRESS IN AN ATTACK ON A TWENTY-FIVE MILE FRONT

PARIS, July 18.—The French this morning delivered an attack along the line from the river Aisne as far as the region of Belleau, a front of about twenty-five miles, an advance progress at certain points of between a mile and a half and two miles, the War Office announced today.

The situation on the Marne and Champagne fronts is unchanged. The northern point of the front of attack is the town of Fontenoy, nearly a mile north of the Aisne. In the fighting on the front of the German offensive, the French last night stopped the Germans in the face of violent attacks. Early in the morning prisoners taken in the advance began to come in.

THE BRITISH LINE SOUTHEAST OF VILLERS-BRETONNEUX ADVANCED MORE THAN A MILE

LONDON, July 18.—Southeast of Villers-Bretonneux, on the south of the Somme, the British line has been advanced on a front of more than one mile, says the official statement today from British headquarters in France.

British positions to the east of Bebuterne also were improved somewhat. South of Bucquoy, on the fronts southeast of Arras, a German raiding party was driven off. The German artillery showed considerable activity during the night on the Flanders front north of Bailleul.

STEAMER SUNK IN THE PACIFIC

Vancouver, B. C., July 18.—Passengers on a trans-Pacific liner brought news of the sinking off the New Zealand coast of the steamship Wimmera, a vessel of 8,000 tons, with the loss of 26 lives.

A heavily charged mine in the shipping route between Sydney and Auckland was responsible for the disaster. The liner had only passed within a few hundred yards of the spot where the mine was laid about thirty minutes before the Wimmera went down.

COUNTESS ARRESTED.

New York, July 18.—Suspected of having been associated with Dr. Friedrich Von Strensh in German propaganda in this country, the Countess Alexandra Viarda Von Scheele was arrested here yesterday as a dangerous alien enemy by agents of the Department of Justice. Owing to illness, the woman was taken to Bellevue Hospital.

MONTH'S EARNINGS OF C. P. R.
Montreal, July 18.—C. P. R. gross earnings for the second week of July are \$2,688,000, as against \$2,867,000 for the corresponding period last year. This is a decrease of \$179,000 or 6.3 per cent.

GETTING SPRUCE FOR AIRPLANES

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Prince Rupert, B. C., July 18.—There are 300 men logging in Cumsrewa Inlet, on Charlotte Island, and since the month of April, when operations started, more than 12,000,000 feet of air-plane spruce have been cut. There are at present seven camps along the inlet, all under one management.

Military Changes.

Major James Hamilton, who has been acting as A. A. G. at Camp Sussex, has been transferred to Levis, Que., where he will become attached to the Serbian camp. Levis is now the headquarters for the Serbians and for the present no more will be located at Sussex. Major Hamilton formerly commanded the Serbian camp at Sussex. Lieut. Guy L. Short, of St. John, has been promoted from a Lieutenant to the rank of captain with the Depot Battalion. Captain Short says service in France. Lieut. John Rankin has been temporarily appointed camp engineer, succeeding Lieut. W. B. Young, who has been transferred to another area. Lieut. Rankin recently was a resident of Fredericton.

St. John Times: Mrs. T. L. Coughlan and son, Cyril, have gone to Fredericton to spend the summer.

RELATION PUTS TREASON TRIAL IN BACKGROUND

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Paris, July 18.—The proceedings of the second day of the trial of Louis Malvy, former Minister of the Interior, charged with high treason, were overshadowed by the feelings of elation at the failure of the German offensive.

Parisians, ignored the Senate chamber, which looked deserted as compared with the squares in which the newspapers were being sold.

The reading of the remainder of the indictment against Malvy occupied a little more than three hours. The second part of the indictment related more especially to Malvy's intimacy with persons of unsavory reputation, including Miguel Almereyda, and others connected with the Bonnet Rouge.

A hush fell over the court room as the name of Duval was mentioned, for he was executed in the morning.

Malvy appeared to shrink and shudder as his name was coupled with that of Duval, but he soon recovered and followed the proceedings in what appeared to be a bored manner.

Home From Trip

Dr. W. H. Irvine returned yesterday from a six weeks trip to Chicago and other cities in the United States. He visited a number of the leading hospitals and otherwise devoted his time in the interests of his profession.

Farm Changes Hands

Mrs. E. W. Darcus has disposed of her large farm at Fern Hill to a Mr. Chatwell, an English gentleman who has had some agricultural experience in Western Canada. It is the intention of Mrs. Darcus and her mother Mrs. Staveley and the Misses Staveley to remove to British Columbia about the first of September.

Successful Opening

The Palace Bowling Alleys owned by Messrs. A. McMillan, Staples and Thomas G. Powers were opened most successfully last night. The special match between Mr. A. B. Kitchen of this city and Mr. Joseph Dolphin superintendent of the Marysville Cotton mill resulted in a victory for Mr. Dolphin, 89 to 70. After the match the alleys were open to the public and there was lively play until closing time at eleven o'clock. Some good strings were rolled. Among the best were John Searies 106, Chester Monahan 103, Ernest Howes 102. Patrons are delighted with the new alleys and an extensive patronage is assured.

Mr. P. C. Pope of Halifax is in the city.

ALLIED TROOPS LAUNCH VIGOROUS COUNTER ATTACK

Reported to Be Making Good Progress North of Chateau-Thierry -- Americans Regain South Bank of the Marne

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)

LONDON, July 18.—News received in London indicates that the attack started by the French on the front between Chateau-Thierry and Soissons is on a considerable scale. The attack was believed to be making good progress.

Advices this afternoon stated that the Germans had made no further attacks east of Rheims and that the French at various points of the front had regained ground. The French have recaptured Montvoisin, south of the Marne, at the point where the Germans had advanced furthest, and several other villages overlooking the Marne.

A Big Offensive by the Allies.

On the French Front in France, July 18.—The Allied forces today are engaged in an important counter attack between the Aisne and the Marne, north of Chateau-Thierry. The attack is progressing favorably.

Reports up to noon all along the line of the French attack showed the situation to be excellent. The attack is the biggest offensive move made this year by the Allies.

General Pershing's Report.

Washington, July 18.—General Pershing's communique for yesterday says: "In the German sector our troops have entirely regained possession of the south bank of the river. To the northwest of Chateau-Thierry the enemy yesterday repeated his attempts of preceding day to penetrate our lines near Vaux. His attack was completely broken by our infantry and artillery fire before reaching our lines. 'Yesterday, in the region of Thiaucourt, a hostile airplane was shot down by our aviators.'"

SUDDEN DEATH AT MARYSVILLE THIS MORNING

Mrs. Harry Pheeneey Expired During Sleep—Has Three Brothers in Imperial Army.

Marysville, July 18.—The community was shocked to learn of the sudden death of Mrs. Harry Pheeneey which occurred during the night at her home Allen Street. Mrs. Pheeneey was enjoying her usual good health yesterday and was attending to duties, and last evening was apparently as well as usual and in the best of spirits. At an early hour this morning her husband spoke to her and not receiving a response was terribly shocked to discover that life was extinct. Dr. Ross was immediately summoned but it was found that death had ensued some time previously. The late Mrs. Pheeneey was thirty-five years of age and was formerly Miss M. Chance of England. She is survived by her husband and four children. She is also survived by three brothers all in the Imperial Army, and four sisters Miss A. Chance in England, Mrs. W. Hallimore of California, Mrs. R. Gardiner of Honeydale, Carleton County, and Mrs. Sylvester of England. Rev. J. B. Daggett will conduct the funeral service and interment will be made at the Baptist Cemetery. The hour of the funeral will be announced later.

MAY REVISE RESTRICTIONS ON IMPORTS

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Ottawa, July 18.—Revision of import restrictions, it is understood, is now under consideration and it is likely that a more extensive scheme of licensing may be adopted than is now in vogue.

Acting on the recommendation of the War Trades Board, the government some time ago prohibited the entry of certain imports, classed as non-essentials, except under license. This order was modified later in its relation to certain fruits and vegetables. Announcement of further revision, it is stated, may be expected in a short time.

A further question now under consideration of the government is that of the mail carriers' increases.

Mr. A. W. McQueen of Shediac is a guest at the Queen.

ITALIANS CARRY OUT A BRILLIANT COUNTER ATTACK IN THE WEST

Drove the Huns Back Into the Valley of the Arder River---Small Local Actions on Other Sectors---Hun Troops Reported Exhausted

On the French Front, Wednesday, July 17.—While both the enemy and Allied armies generally were marking time, the Italians this evening carried out a brilliant counter attack near Pourcy, north of the Marne, after the Germans had harried them by incessant attacks during the day. They drove the enemy back into the valley of the Ardre river.

Other sectors both north and south of the river Marne saw many small local actions, but nothing partaking of the character of a general action. Most of these minor operations, though limited in extent, brought about the most violent encounters between small detachments, the number engaged sometimes being only a company or a battalion. Often both sides prepared to attack at the same time, consequently the men at full tilt midway between the lines. Numerous hand to hand encounters resulted.

FRENCH TROOPS RECAPTURE SOME TRENCHES AND REPULSE ENEMY ATTACKS NEAR SILLERY

The enemy is still trying hard to make progress toward Epernay by way of Venteuil, south of the Marne. Montvoisin changed hands several times, the French eventually gaining some ground.

Nowhere along the front did the Germans obtain an advance during the day. Heavy fighting with constant attacks and counter attacks had been taking place in the vicinity of Courton wood, where, owing to the nature of the ground, the situation is most difficult.

East of Rheims the way was comparatively quiet, but the French recaptured some trenches in the vicinity of Prunay and repulsed attacks between Beaumont and Sillery.

CONSTANT BRITISH RAIDS HAVE DEMORALIZED GERMAN SOLDIERS IN SOME PARTS OF FLANDERS

With the British Army in France, Wednesday, July 17.—German troops in some portions of the trenches in Flanders have been so exhausted and demoralized by constant British raids, attacks and bombardments that many of them have fallen asleep at their posts, not caring whether are killed or captured. An order issued to a Bavarian infantry regiment reveals a condition of affairs which up to this time would have been thought unbelievable in an army notorious for the strictness of its discipline.

NO ATTEMPT HAS BEEN MADE BY THE HUNS TO RECOVER GROUND LOST TO THE BRITISH

The commanding officer wrote on June 25th: "While making a tour of the line this morning I came across complete sections fast asleep, in spite of it being dawn and misty. These sections had removed their equipment and had not the faintest idea of the country, of dispositions, of their orders or of the troops on their flanks. Only yesterday I requested that all men should be instructed on these points, and their particular duty explained to them. This is all the more important as only a few days ago three men and a light machine gun were captured by a hostile patrol. This state of affairs must not continue."

The infantry of the enemy has remained very quiet since the beginning of the present German offensive around Rheims. No attempt has been made to recover the ground lost at Ridge road on Monday, when the British captured a total of 341 men and seven officers. The Germans have remained passive under repeated British thrusts around Bailleul and only the artillery has indulged in retaliation.

MUCH BEEF SENT ABROAD

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

New York, July 18.—The federal food board announced last night that it had received a statement from the United States food administration, showing that nearly 100,000,000 pounds of beef was sent abroad in May, principally to England, France, Italy and Belgium.

MACHINISTS WANT MORE PAY

New York, July 18.—Between 15,000 and 18,000 machinists, tool makers and apprentices, the majority of them employed on government work, were on strike here last night to enforce demands for higher wages, according to a statement made by C. P. Gibson, the national organizer of their union.

GREAT STUNT BY AVIATORS

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Niagara Falls, Ont., July 18.—Two Beamsville aviators yesterday performed the feat of flying under both bridges on Niagara River, the first time this has been done. They sailed through the gorge like two great swallows.

STARVATION FACES SERBIA

London, July 18.—It is learned from official Serbian sources that Austria-Hungary has confiscated the whole of this year's Serbian harvest as well as the rations allowed the previous year. The Serbian people, therefore, are faced with starvation, besides which they are experiencing a further reign of terror and cruelty.