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THE GERMAN TROOPS ATTACK BRITISH POSITIONS NORTH OF THE SOMME

Gained a Footing in One British Trench But Were Elsewhere Repulsed--The American Troops Capture the Village of Vaux and 300 Prisoners.

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)

LONDON, July 2.—German troops last night, after a strong bombardment, attacked to northwest of Albert, north of the Somme, in an attempt to regain the positions lost to the British on Sunday night. The enemy succeeded in gaining a footing in one of the British trenches, the War Office announces but elsewhere were repulsed with loss.

The statement follows: "An attack carried out by the enemy last night under a heavy bombardment northwest of Albert, to recapture the ground taken by us on Sunday night, was repulsed with loss, except at one point, where the enemy succeeded in gaining a footing in one of our trenches. The enemy attempted raids in the neighborhood of Aveluy wood, but was repulsed. A few prisoners were captured in patrols."

ALLIED LINE WAS IMPROVED BY THE CAPTURE FROM THE GERMANS OF THE VILLAGE OF VAUX

PARIS, July 2.—The village of Vaux, west of Chateau-Thierry, and the height to the west of Vaux were captured last night by American troops in operations on the Marne front, carried out in conjunction with the French, the War office announced today. More than 300 prisoners, including five officers, were captured in this action. The success has resulted in an improvement in the Allied line between Hill 204 and the vicinity of Vaux. The French carried out raids on the front between Mont Didier and Noyon, and eastward of Rheims, in which prisoners were taken. German raiders were driven off the French front in the Belloy and in upper Alsace.

FRENCH, BRITISH AND AMERICAN TROOPS ARE NOT ON THE ITALIAN FRONT BECAUSE OF LACK OF MEN

NEW YORK, July 2.—The United States has sent more troops to France than her Allies have sent to the Italian front, declared Mr. Felice Ferrero, director of the Italian bureau of information, in an address here today.

"It is highly important from the standpoint of a complete understanding of the real situation in Italy," he said, "that the Allied peoples know that the French, British and American troops on the Italian front are not there because of any lack of men in Italy. There are today more Italian troops in France than there are troops of her Allies in Italy."

TORPEDGING OF HOSPITAL SHIP A DASTARDLY ACT

The Huns Are Now Pursuing a Deliberate Policy of Piracy--Attack on the Llandover Castle Based on a Lie.

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

LONDON, July 2.—That the sinking of hospital ships is a deliberate policy on the part of the Germans now is placed beyond all doubt by the torpedoing of the Canadian hospital ship Llandover Castle, the newspapers say in their editorial comment today. "In the presence of such unspeakable infamy, deliberately repeated," says the Daily Chronicle, "it is a waste of breath to reiterate the abhorrence which everybody with a spark of civilized sense must feel. But we would invite the German people to ask themselves what is the use of their statesmen appealing, like Foreign Secretary Von Kuehlmann, to be credited with 'probity and honor' while crimes so odious and dishonorable and unashamed continue to be carried out by the orders of their government."

The excuse for the attack on the Llandover Castle, says the Daily Mail, was a lie, and the German officer who told it did not believe it himself when he said to the captain, "You are carrying eight American flight officers." If there had been a particle of truth in the charge, the newspaper adds, the submarine commander had only to stop the Llandover Castle, seize the eight officers and take them to Germany as proof of Allied guilt in using hospital ships for transports.

Boston K. of P. Service
At a Knights of Pythias memorial service at Faneuil Hall, Boston last Friday there were over five hundred members of the order in line including the Uniform Rank, Rev. Allen A. Rideout of Dorchester, Mass., delivered the prayer. He formerly was pastor of the George Street Baptist Church in this city.

The Strawberry Crop
Cultivated Strawberries are ripening rapidly and large quantities are being brought to market. They are now selling from 18 to 20 cents a box with a prospect of a further decline before the end of the week.

Have You the Navy League Button?

MARYSVILLE UNION SERVICE ON SUNDAY

Day of Intercession Suitably Observed—Quiet Observa- tion of Dominion Day— Personal Mention.

Marysville, July 2.—A union service was held at the Methodist Church Sunday evening in accordance with the proclamation for a day of special intercession and was very largely attended. Rev. Dr. Harrison, Rev. J. B. Daggett and Rev. E. J. Barrass assisted with the service. A choir composed of members of the different church choirs throughout the town rendered very appropriate selections, and Mrs. W. J. Kelly acted as organist. Miss Edith Staples sang a very pleasing solo "Let us have Peace." The service terminated with the singing of the National Anthem.

The holiday was very quietly observed yesterday with fishing trips, auto parties, etc.

Mr. John Fletcher of Minto spent the week-end with his family here and returned to Minto this morning.

Mr. Chipman Brewer of the staff of The Minto Coal Company spent Sunday at his home here.

Mr. Elias White has returned from a visit to St. John.

Miss Rose Stafford spent the week-end at St. John returning home today.

The Misses Mabel and Frances Logan have arrived home to spend the vacation from Plaster Rock where they have been teaching for the past year.

Mr. E. S. Pettigrove paid a visit to St. Andrews and Calais returning home last evening.

The regular monthly meeting of the Town Council will take place this evening. Several important matters will be dealt with.

Messrs. G. B. Fullerton and A. Lyons have returned from a successful fishing trip on the Nashwaak.

AN APPEAL FOR THE ARMENIANS

London, July 2.—An appeal has been made to the British labor conference on behalf of the Armenians. After declaring that the Brest-Litovsk peace treaty will prove, perhaps, the greatest calamity in Armenian history, as it hands over to the Turks a large portion of Armenia, the appeal speaks of the unprecedented atrocities committed since the war began in Turkish Armenia. It says that nearly a million persons have been massacred and the life of the country has been brought to a standstill.

MEMORIAL TO THE LATE HON. G. J. CLARKE

St. Stephen, July 1.—McColl Methodist Church in St. Stephen held a very large congregation Sunday morning, assembled to witness the unveiling of a bronze tablet to the memory of the late Hon. George J. Clarke, Premier of the province. An appropriate sermon of great force and eloquence was delivered by Captain the Rev. G. M. Campbell, D. D., and the handsome tablet was unveiled by Chief Justice McKeown, who delivered a brief but eloquent and fitting address. The tablet bore the following inscription:

To the Glory of God
and in loving memory of the
Hon. George Johnson Clarke,
K. C., LL.D.
1857—1917
Premier of New Brunswick,
1914-1917
"Having served his generation
as by the will of God, he fell
asleep and was gathered unto
his fathers."
Erected by his widow.

The memorial is chaste in design and beautiful in workmanship, and has a position between two windows on the north wall.

Intercessory Services
The services of intercession which were held Sunday by all religious bodies in accordance with the proclamation issued by His Excellency the Governor General, were largely attended. Special sermons were preached by all clergymen in which the war and the duty of the hour were particularly mentioned.

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An Admiralty Statement On Latest Hun Outrage

Sinking of the Canadian Hospital Ship Llandover Castle a Wanton Act of Piracy--Huns Invented the Lie That She Had U. S. Aviators on Board.

LONDON, July 1.—The hospital ship Llandover Castle, R. A. Sylvester, master, which was sunk by a German submarine on June 27, was chartered by the Canadian government to convey their sick and wounded from England to Halifax.

The Llandover Castle had on board a total of 258 persons, including 80 Canadian Army Medical Corps men and fourteen female nurses. One life boat containing 24 survivors, has reached port so far. An Admiralty statement says:

It was during the night of June 27, towards 10.30, that the attack occurred. The Llandover Castle, steaming on her course about ten knots, showed the usual navigation and hospital ship lights. Under the overcast sky it was plain to see she was not afloat for any but what she was—a ship immune by every law of war and peace from attack or molestation.

No one on board saw the wake of the torpedo and the first indication of the presence of the submarine was a jar and the road from aft. Then all the lights went out.

CAPTAIN AND CREW MAINTAINED WONDERFUL COOLNESS IN THE FACE OF AN AWFUL PERIL

All that followed, save when a dim light was obtained from the emergency dynamo, just before the ship foundered, took place in the darkness. The engines were given orders to stop, then full speed astern, but from the engine room came no answer. The rehearsed routine of the ship, however, held good. With the German enemy one must be prepared for any emergency, and along the darkened decks the crew groped to the boat stations and stood by for orders to leave.

From the bridge the captain's megaphone, loud in the night, bade them hold till way was off the ship. The carpenter was aft making an examination of the damage. The wireless operator tried in vain to transmit the ship's position. His key gave no response; the spark was gone.

The carpenter's report was that number 4 hold aft was blown in and that the ship could not remain afloat. The order was given to lower away the boats and abandon the ship.

BELIEVED THAT ALL ON BOARD SUCCEEDED IN GETTING AWAY FROM THE DOOMED SHIP

The officer commanding the Canadian Army Medical Corps reported that his people were out. This is important, in view of the fact that no lifeboat but the captain's has been picked up. Save any of the ship's company or the engine room crew, who may have been killed by the explosion or torpedo, it is clear that every one got away.

One of the small boats was held back for those last to leave the ship. All the others were away but the captain, who went to his cabin for an electric torch, and on returning to deck he found this boat also had gone.

The submarine hailed this boat in English: "Come alongside." The boat was stopping to pick up a drowning man. The second officer stood up and shouted back, "We are picking up a man from the water."

"Come alongside," repeated the brusque voice from the submarine. The boat held on its way and forthwith two revolver shots were fired at or over it. "Come alongside; I will shoot with my big gun," shouted the submarine commander.

The boat lay alongside the submarine, and the captain (probably the man picked up) was ordered on board. In case he should be held a prisoner and kept on board, he gave the second officer, who remained in the boat, the course to steer.

THE SHIP CHARTERED BY THE CANADIAN GOV'T TO CARRY WOUNDED SOLDIERS FROM ENGLAND

He was then taken to the conning tower of the submarine, where two officers awaited him.

"The commander asked him sharply "What ship is that?"

"It is the hospital ship, Llandover Castle," answered the captain.

"Yes"—the commander did not attempt to appear surprised—"but you are carrying eight American flying officers."

"We are not," replied the captain. "We have seven Canadian medical officers on board. The ship was chartered by the Canadian government to carry sick and wounded Canadians from England to Canada."

To this the submarine commander reiterated, "You have been carrying American flight officers."

The captain said: "I have been running to Canada for six months with wounded. I give you my word of honor that we have carried none except patients, medical staff, crew and sisters."

The commander then demanded if there were any Canadian medical officers in the boat and he was told that there was one. He ordered him to come aboard.

Handled Roughly.
"Where are our other boats?" asked the captain.

The submarine commander did not answer. He was watching the Canadian medical officer being roughly hauled on board and thrust along the deck. This was done so violently and with such plain intention to injure the Canadian, Major T. Lyon, of the Army Medical Corps, that he actually had a small bone in his foot broken by the handling he received.

There was another German officer in the conning tower, the second in command, who had not yet spoken. In reply to the captain's question, he motioned over his shoulder with his field glasses northwards.

Major Lyon was interrogated, after protesting as a medical officer, and ordered back into the boat. The captain also was allowed to go. The boat was cast off and pulled away from the submarine.

Invented New Excuse.
The submarine began to circle about the wreckage at full speed. Several times it shaved the boat narrowly, and once swirled past within two feet of it. Once it stopped and again took the second and fourth officers aboard and questioned them.

By this time the submarine commander had a new excuse invented. He stated that there was a big explosion as the vessel sank, and that therefore she must have been carrying ammunition. The second officer explained that this was the explosion of

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REGULATIONS RE LUXURIES HAVE EFFECT

Duty Collected at This Port in June Shows Falling Off— Quarter Shows an Increase.

The customs returns for June and for the quarter ending with June show a decrease for the month but an increase for the quarter in duty collected and value of imports. The regulations regarding the importation of luxuries are making their influence felt and collection of duty is falling off.

The returns are as follows:—
Monthly

June, 1918.
Free Goods \$ 9,841
Dutiable 77,688

Total value \$87,529
Duty Collected \$9,956.60

June, 1917.
Free Goods \$15,905
Dutiable 73,471

Total value \$89,376
Duty Collected \$11,951.13.

Decrease in duty collected in June, 1918, as compared with same month last year, \$1994.53.

Decrease in value of imports in June, 1918, as compared with same month last year, \$1847.00.

Quarterly

Quarter ending June 30th., 1918.
Free Goods \$ 34,371
Dutiable 577,797

Total value \$612,168
Duty collected \$62,695.98

Quarter ending June 30th., 1917.
Free Goods \$ 32,725
Dutiable 348,874

Total value \$381,599
Duty collected \$52,234.50.

Increase in duty collected for quarter ending June 30th. 1918, as compared with same quarter last year, \$10,460.68.

Increase in value of imports for 1918 quarter as compared with same quarter last year, \$230,569.

MARITIME MEN IN CASUALTIES

Ottawa, July 2.—Only two men from the Maritime Provinces appear in today's casualty list of 46 names. They are H. Watson, Annapolis, N. S., who is wounded, and F. W. Somers, St. John, Ill.

THREATENS TO RIP UP THE MILITIA SYSTEM

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Winnipeg, July 1.—The Winnipeg Tribune says that it learns from the governor of the provincial legislature here that former Major G. H. Welsby has applied to Ottawa for release from the jail on parole, when he states that he can make a statement which will "rip up the militia system from Halifax to Vancouver."

Welsby is serving a twenty-three months term in jail for embezzling funds entrusted to his keeping in his former capacity of paymaster for Military District No. 19.

Car Turned Turtle

An auto containing two returned soldiers and two girls upset in the ditch at Anderson's Crossing near Springhill last evening, although the machine turned upside down none of the occupants was hurt. The girls had to crawl out from under the rear seat or rather were helped out. It was found necessary to hitch a horse to the car in order to haul it on the road again. A large number of motor parties returning from the picnic at Kingsclear stopped at the scene of the accident. So numerous were the motor cars at one time the highway was blocked. It was after midnight when the right of way was cleared and the overturned car was righted again.

Misses Jennie Belmore and Annie Kirk spent the week-end in St. John.