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Sergy Held Against Enemy Counter-Attacks and Line Pushed Northward—French Troops Also Gain Some Headway Northeast of Fiere-En-Tardenois—Allied Line Holds Solidly Against the Enemy Thrusts.

American troops fighting north of the Ourcq river in the Soissons-Rheims salient have enlarged their victory of Monday at Sergy, where they defeated divisions of Germany's picked troops and took and held the village against counter-attacks.

Notwithstanding continued heavy opposition by guns, machine guns and large numbers of the enemy, soldiers from the Middle-Western and Eastern states drove their line northward from Sergy Tuesday for a distance of about two miles and were resting at night on the slopes approaching the woods beyond the town of Nesles, where they stood at last accounts. The Americans formed the apex of the long line running across the salient.

While the bitter fighting was in progress between the Americans and Germans the French troops on both sides of the fighting front also moved forward for gains northeast of Fere-En-Tardenois and east of Sergy.

In the Nesles Forest the Germans are holding strong positions, from which they are shelling, but thus far ineffectively the menacing Allied line before them.

Prussian Guards and Bavarians were in the thick of the fighting throughout Tuesday, but again they were out-manoeuvred and out-fought and again suffered heavy casualties.

To Make a Stand

The Germans apparently are on the eve of attempting to end their retreat from the Soissons-Rheims Salient, and turning and offering frontal battle in France to the Entente Allied armies.

The day of rear-guard actions seems drawing to a close. Violent counter offensive measures against their antagonists already are in progress by the Germans over most of the battle front, and seemingly, for the present, at least, the Allied advance has been materially slowed down.

Further gains have been made by the Allies but only after the bitterest kind of fighting. And these gains have been considerably less in extent than those of previous days, before the Germans stiffened their retreating armies by rushing numerous fresh divisions to their aid and adding greatly to the aggregate strength of their fighting force within the fast disappearing pocket between Soissons and Rheims.

As a result of violent counter attacks, delivered with huge effectiveness the Germans have been able to force the falling back of the Americans and French on several positions, but nowhere were they able to find a spot weak enough through which they could penetrate the Allied line. Standing firmly, and giving ground only under absolute necessity, the Allied troops everywhere have exacted a huge toll in men killed, wounded or made prisoners from the Germans.

Particularly heavy has been the fighting in the centre of the salient and on the right and left anchor points of the salient resting respectively southwest of Rheims and south of Soissons. It is still on the two anchor points that the Germans are keeping a watchful eye, fearful that the Allied troops may yet press back the line and threaten the armies of the Crown Prince with the pincer manoeuvre, for the Germans are not yet far enough out of the pocket to have passed the danger of such a contingency.



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In the centre of the pocket, north of the Ourcq River, the Germans in a counter-attack drove the Americans out of Cierges, but this slight gain was more than overcome later by the penetration of the Americans northward from Sergy. Beugneux, lying on the west side of the pocket, northwest of Fere-En-Tardenois, also was taken by the Germans, but later the French and Americans re-captured it and, with Grand Rozoy in their possession, they still hold vantage points for a small turning movement toward Fere, which if successful would give them a goodly number of prisoners.

Southwest of Rheims, the Germans delivered a violent attack against the French from both sides of St. Euphrase. Their effort to capture the village, however, was futile, although they pushed their line slightly forward on the west side of it.

Southwest of Ypres the Australians are keeping up their attacks against the Germans and have captured the town of Merris and with it 169 prisoners and a number of trench mortars and machine guns.

The Germans at last reports were heavily bombarding the new positions of the British.

DESCRIPTION OF THE TUSOCK

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night and the butterflies in the day time. The feelers or antennae of the moths are usually feathered, while those of the butterflies are more or less thread-like and knobbed at the end.

Description of Caterpillars

The full grown tussock caterpillar has a coral red head with a pair of long black plumes just over it, and a similar plume at the end of the body, four yellowish-white tufts or tussocks on its back and just behind these two small red spots. Along the back there is a broad black band bordered by yellowish narrow stripes. The sides are dark grey with spots indicating the position of the breathing pores. The under part of the body is yellowish, on which are the three pairs of legs and the five pairs of pro-legs. Some six or eight weeks ago this insect was hatched from eggs laid early last fall, and in growing shed or crawled out of the skin five times. It is now getting ready to enter the resting state and is forming a cocoon consisting of two silken coverings with an air space between.

Eggs on Cocoons

These cocoons are numberless and of a bright color and may be found on trees, buildings, telephone poles, etc. In a few weeks the insect will emerge from the cocoon. The female is larger than the male and has no wings. She deposits her eggs generally on the empty cocoon, laying from one to five hundred, covers them over with a frothy substance which soon hardens, and shortly after dies.

The most effectual methods of controlling this insect are (1) destroying the egg clusters; (2) poisoning the food of the caterpillars by spraying.

Fortunately, this moth has many natural enemies. In country districts the caterpillars are eaten by birds, and large numbers succumb to the attacks of parasites.

PERSONAL.

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Dr. C. G. Folkins of Stanley is at the Queen.
Mr. Jacob Layton of Blackville is a guest at the Queen.
Hon. E. G. Smith, Minister of Lands and Mines is at the Queen.
Mr. W. B. Murdoch of Montreal is at the Queen.
Mr. A. Wright of St. John is at the Barker House.
Mr. L. B. Smith of St. John is a guest at the Barker House.
Lieut. H. C. Parker, Canadian Engineers, St. John, is at the Barker House.
Mr. Daniel Mullen, K. C., of St. John is registered at the Barker House.
Brigadier General Macdonell is at the Barker House today.
Mr. E. S. Carter arrived from St. John today by motor and is a guest at the Queen. Premier Foster accompanied him as far as Gagetown.

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