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ALLIES DRIVE CONTINUES UNCHECKED, MORE PRISONERS, MORE GUNS, MORE VILLAGES CAPTURED

Prince Rupprecht's Army in Trying to Evade its Pursuers is Being Mercilessly Pressed And Suffering Fearful Casualties. Haig's Troops Have Met With Unbroken Success And Have Taken Positions of Immense Strategic Value. Cavalry, Tanks and Aeroplanes in Hot Pursuit of The Enemy.

(Special to the Guardian) LONDON, August 13.—With heavy Allied pressure on both his wings the enemy's flight from the Albert-Compeigne salient is being retarded and his material losses are being increased. Having retreated to plateaus of moderate elevation on his right flank in the region of Bray-sur-Somme, and on his left flank around Thiesscourt, about six miles west of Noyon, the foe is now making desperate efforts to stay the advance of the armies under Rawlinson, Doheny and Humbert, until a little security can be gained for the sorely beset columns of soldiers and supply that are now threatened with complete destruction.

In spite of this resistance Haig's forces made important progress yesterday especially at the extremes of the battleline. In eight divisions or about 170,000 men. The armies of Von Outier and Von Der Marwitz have been seriously cut up and the resistance now being encountered by Haig's men is largely that of the heavier German artillery and some tanks. The morale of the German soldiers has shown a notable deterioration during the past three or four days so that it is not at all improbable that within the next few days there may be a more complete collapse of the foe's line than occurred last week in the initial stages of Haig's drive. North of the Somme the English and American troops are having a rather difficult task to perform. The Huns with their backs to the Somme are clinging tenaciously to the high ground near Tinheim, which village is firmly held by the Allies.

importance. Courtrai station and its sidings were heavily bombed by some of our squadrons in broad daylight from a low height without loss to us. Many direct hits were observed at night. The stations at Peronne and Cambrai were severely attacked with good effect. All our night bombing machines returned safely.

launched and according to the latest reports the old positions of the Allies on the north bank of the river have been restored.

TWO MORE VILLAGES CAPTURED

The British war office last night announced that the front had been pushed forward in the neighborhood of the Roye road east of Fouquetcourt and on the south bank of the Somme. In the latter locality Proyart was captured after sharp fighting in which heavy losses in prisoners and men killed were inflicted on the Germans. On the right wing General Humbert's troops took the village of Gury, two miles southwest of Lassigny and Lesloges about the same distance northwest of Lassigny. Progress was also made to the north of Roye sur Matz and Chevincourt. The French are steadily gaining control of the Massif Lassigny which has been of tremendous value to the foe in covering the rapid withdrawal toward the Chaulnes Noyon line.

GERMAN REPORT

The German official report last night said that on the battle front between the Ancre and the Avre the day was quieter and that between the Avre and the Oise Allied attacks failed.

LARGE ZEPPELIN BROUGHT DOWN IN FLAMES

LONDON, August 13.—British airmen today brought down a German Zeppelin in flames off the English coast. The machine was one of the largest and newest of this type of aircraft.

EMPEROR KARL WATCHES AERIAL BATTLE

AMSTERDAM, August 13.—Italian and Austrian aviators recently engaged in an air battle over the Adige Valley in which Emperor Karl was reviewing his troops, according to a Vienna despatch received today. The Emperor is said to have dismissed the troops and to have remained on the field with his staff until the battle was over.

FEARFUL SACRIFICES OF GERMAN

Fearful sacrifices are being made by Prince Rupprecht's soldiers to hold up their pursuers and their losses in the Thiesscourt region are terrific. Their dead are reported to be lying all over the field in shell holes and nooks where they sought protection from the fire of the French guns.

GERMANS VAINLY ATTEMPT TO OUST AMERICANS AND FRENCH FROM VESLE BANK

Violent efforts are being made by the enemy to clear the north bank of the Vesle river between Rheims and Soissons of the French and American troops, who have succeeded in establishing several bridgeheads with which later to attempt a crossing of the river in force. The French war office last night announced that in the region of Fismes on the north bank, two heavy German counter attacks were repulsed.

ALLIES NOW HOLD CONVERGING ROADS SOUTH OF NOYON

PARIS, August 13.—The allied forces in Picardy made a heavy attack today along the entire front from Chaulnes southward in a determined effort to break the resistance of the enemy. The allied artillery now has full control of the converging roads south of Noyon near the Southern end of the line, notably that running towards Ham, and to the north. The difficulty of the enemy in carrying out a retrograde movement is thus markedly increased.

WILL THE GERMAN FLEET COME OUT AGAIN?

Certain authorities in naval circles think that the German fleet will perhaps attempt a sortie for the purpose of aiding the army to regain the initiative which it has lost to the Allies.

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A Reuter's despatch from the British army last night stated that the French during the day added 2,000 prisoners and more than 30 guns to their captures. Lassigny is now in imminent peril of falling into the hands of General Humbert; Roye is being speedily enveloped; Allied guns are raking the foe's positions around Noyon. This week will be critical for the foe. So far Prince Rupprecht has been compelled to draw heavily upon what reserves he commands to cover the retreat and the reserves are being severely punished by Allied infantry, artillery, armored cars, tanks and airplanes. The Prince has thrown

NEW FORM OF GERMAN FRIGHTFULNESS

German frightfulness at sea has assumed a novel form. It was announced by the navy department in Washington last night that a U-boat attacked the coast guard station and lighthouse on Smith Island, off North Carolina with poisonous gas. Six men were overcome by it. The gas was released from oil spread over the surface of the water by the submarine. Though large areas of the oil were announced to have grounded near the island, the gas was effective for about forty minutes.

ENEMY COUNTER ATTACK FAILED

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY ON THE VESLE, August 13.—The Germans directed counter-actions against the Franco-American line between Soissons and Rheims today, but without bringing about any change in the situation nor did the enemy reveal any intention of an immediate attempt to recover any portion of the territory lost north of the Marne.

GERMANS WILL TRY TO OCCUPY PETROGRAD

LONDON, August 13.—The Germans intend to occupy Petrograd, a despatch to the Copenhagen Politiken from Helsingfors declares. The Exchange Telegraph correspondents in the Danish capital report that troops for this purpose are already being brought toward this objective.

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MORE STEAMERS SUNK IN THE ATLANTIC

More steamers have been sunk off the North Atlantic coast, while a fishing fleet is reported to have been destroyed by the submarine. Driven from the lanes of Atlantic traffic by efficient American patrols, because of the necessity of conserving fuel at such a distance from the bases of supply the German commerce raiders are turning their attention to lightships and light-houses so vital to navigation along the Atlantic coast. Serious damage can be done by the pirates if they can cross the Atlantic in considerable numbers. It is highly gratifying to recall in the face of these minor sea perils that many American soldiers are being safely transported to France every week to swell the mighty army of manoeuvre with which Foch is tearing gaps in the German line that cannot be effectively barred again.

WITH THE BRITISH ARMY AT THE FRONT, August 13.—American soldiers buried seven dead German airmen in two great holes made by a bursting bomb from a giant plane the Germans had sent over in the night for the purpose of bombing the British lines of communications. This second hostile Leviathan of the air descended during the battle and was caught in the rays of a search light north of Amiens and was brought down by the British. It measured 135 feet spread

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ANNOUNCEMENTS, COMING EVENTS, MEETINGS, ETC.

Reserve Thursday evening 15th inst for the festival at Hunter River. Ice cream will be served from 5 to 10. Proceeds in aid of Red Cross. Should evening prove unfavorable will be held first fine evening following.

SUCCESSFUL AERIAL OPERATIONS

LONDON, August 13.—An official communication dealing with aviation issued tonight says fifty tons of bombs were dropped by our airmen August 11th, and the following night the two chief objectives both by day and by night were the Somme crossings and certain railway junctions of military

HEAVY FIGHTING ON THE VESLE RIVER

LONDON, August 13.—Heavy local fighting is reported in progress at Fismes on the north bank of the Vesle, where the Franco-American forces are holding the line. The Allies here were attacked by the enemy and forced to retire to the south bank of the river. An immediate counter attack was hours and six minutes

THE WEATHER TEMPERATURE, TIDE, MOON, ETC.

TORONTO, August 14.—A few local showers but generally cool. The tide will be high this afternoon at 4.43 and tomorrow at 5.42; it will be high tomorrow morning at 4.13 and Friday at 4.39. The sun sets this evening at 8.13 and tomorrow at 8.11; it rises tomorrow morning at 6.29 and Friday at 6.30. The moon rises this evening at 7. There was a new moon on Tuesday August 6th at 4.30 p. m. The first quarter of the moon will be on Wednesday Aug. 14th at 7.16 p. m. The length of today will be fourteen hours and six minutes

PRINCE ARTHUR VISITS TORONTO

(Special to The Guardian) TORONTO, August 13.—Prince Arthur of Connaught, son of the Duke of Connaught, former Governor General of Canada, was in Toronto this morning from midnight until four a.m. at which hour he went on to Niagara Falls and Bemsville aviation camp. He will return to Toronto tonight for his local visit.

CANADIAN SUCSESSES WERE MAGNIFICENT

(Special to the Guardian) OTTAWA, August 13.—The following cable was received today by the Department of Public Information from Sir Edward Kemp, Minister of Overseas Military Forces. Official reports received today emphasize the prominent part played by the Canadian forces in the present offensive. The extent of the advance and the capture of prisoners and war material are greater than anticipated in earlier reports. All objectives were achieved and held. These gratifying results were obtained with very moderate casualties.

LOCAL BRANCH NAVY LEAGUE LAUNCHED

A large and representative meeting under the auspices of the Navy League of Canada was held in the Market Hall last evening for the purpose of launching the Prince Edward Island branch. Chief Justice Mathieson, President of the local branch presided and briefly introduced the Rev. Dr. Hall, Commissioner for Canada. The other speakers were Mr. Percy Pope, Mr. J. O. Hyndman, Sir Louis Davies and Mayor Wright. A letter was read from Premier Arsenault expressing his regret at being unable to be present and his entire sympathy with the movement. A splendid sailor song was sung by Mr. Charles Earle which was vigorously applauded. The fourth Regiment Band discoursed, excellent music at the door before the meeting opened. Rev. Dr. Hall opened his address by quoting Tennyson's dictum: "The fleet of England is her all in all And in her fleet her fate." Notwithstanding all that has happened in the past four years Britain and her cause will not be defeated until the navy is defeated, but if the navy should fail us then our cause is doubly lost and the shores of time will be strewn with the wreckage of the most glorious Empire the world has ever known. These considerations only emphasize the importance of the kind of gathering which is here assembled. It is more than patriotic, it is more than national and sets out to deal with the most tremendous conditions which ever faced Christian civilization. The question is—Are we thoroughly British and do we feel the lure of the sea? Then a Navy League meeting is a proper place for us. Have we any conception of the work of the Brotherhood of the Sea and are we truly grateful? Will we see to it that the widows and children of men who are lying in their ocean bed shall not be left in want? Are we going to prepare for the maritime future of Canada and the British Empire in the years to come. All these considerations impel us to a deep personal interest in the programme of the Navy League. The three-fold purpose of the Navy League is to educate public opinion from the parliaments down to the remote public schools in the importance of sea power and sea commerce. The second object is to care for the sailor when he is ashore and to succor his dependents, especially of the Mercantile Marine; in their darkest hours of need; to support hospitals and kindred institutions which help interpret the Nations gratitude to them for their daring and patriotism. And the third object is one of supreme national importance in the creation of boys naval brigades for the instruction, training and discipline of our youths so as to qualify them for a sea-faring life if they wish to follow it. We cannot be high-spirited Britons, the worthy successors of our forefathers if we are indifferent to such things as these. The Navy League of Canada will proceed by a well-considered plan to organize the provinces; the cities and the remotest places of the Dominion into a well-compacted whole to further these ends. Membership in the Navy League of 32 a year would enable everyone to

GERMAN OFFICERS ARE BEING SACKED

(Special to The Guardian) LONDON, August 13.—Three German generals recently commanding near Montdidier have been cashiered for neglect of duty, according to Belgian reports received in Amsterdam and transmitted by the Exchange Telegraph Co. A large number of soldiers were court-martialed at St. Quentin Saturday for high treason. The Germans in Belgium are showing signs of great uneasiness and the German emperor is reported to have moved to Brussels.

BIG BERTHA'S NEST HAS BEEN LOCATED

(Special to The Guardian) PARIS, August 13.—A most welcome piece of news which reached Paris this afternoon is the certainty that the giant cannon which has been lying on Paris throughout the week is now under the constant fire of French heavy guns. The emplacement of the "big Bertha" was discovered by our aviators during the early days of last week north of Noyon, between

NATIONAL PATRIOTIC FUND TOTAL \$40,551,311

(Special to The Guardian) OTTAWA, August 13.—In the four years of war that the National Patriotic Fund has now been in existence the total contributions have totalled over forty and one-half million dollars, total receipts acknowledged by the Finance Minister aggregate to \$40,551,311.

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