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ALLIED VICTORY ON MARNE FRONT A PARALYZING BLOW TO THE ENEMY

South Bank of Vesle River from Rheims to Soissons Has Been Cleared of Germans. In Their Retreat They Were Unable to Cross the Vesle Owing to Swollen Condition of the River. Here They Fought for Life and Failed. Number of Prisoners Taken in Past Two Days, When Announced, "Will Thrill the Allied World."

(Special to The Guardian) LONDON, August 5.—Foch is giving the Germans no rest. French and American troops yesterday captured Flismes, a great enemy storehouse. Brienne is closely invested and the south bank of the Vesle river, from Rheims to Soissons, has been cleared of the foe.

The Allied advance in this region has become so menacing that yesterday it was announced enemy troops had carried out a retirement on a front of between 8 to 10 miles along the Avre river to the west of Montdidier. Tremendous losses have been inflicted by Foch's armies, and an official despatch from Paris yesterday stated that when the number of prisoners captured during the last two or three days is announced it will thrill the Allied world.

Once more the elements have been unkind to the Teutons, for heavy rains have swollen the Vesle river to such an extent that their rearwards were unable to ford the stream, and they were compelled to fight for their lives but without success. Most of these men were killed or made prisoners.

LUDENDORFF CANNOT MAKE A STAND

Ludendorff is not being given an opportunity and he probably has no intention of making a stand on north bank of the Vesle, for already the Allied forces are threatening both flanks of his retreating army. The French war office last night announced that ground had been won north-west of Rheims up to the village of La Neuville, which is situated about two miles north of the Vesle river on the main road from Rheims to the Aisne Canal. The enemy made desperate efforts to check this flanking move, especially between Muizon and Champigny on the south bank of the river.

The French official statement says, however, that light elements of Foch's army succeeded in gaining a foothold on the north bank to retard the Allied progress. On his right flank the foe is rushing reinforcements to the Soissons sector from the north presumably from Prince Rupprecht's army. Unofficial despatches state that the Allies have taken Cuffes, north of Soissons.

ALLIED PROGRESS ON WEST BANK OF AVRE

Recording the enemy retirement in the Montdidier region the war office last night announced that between Castel and Mesnil St. George, on the west bank of the Avre, the Germans were forced to abandon a part of their positions, while French troops occupied Braches and penetrated into Harcourt. Nearer the town of Montdidier the French reached the outskirts of Courtemanche.

AMERICANS TOOK 8,400 PRISONERS

A communication received yesterday from General Pershing stated that the American troops thus far in the battle for the clearance of the invader from the Soissons-Rheims salient.

ANNOUNCEMENTS. COMING EVENTS. MEETINGS, ETC.

\*\*G. F. Hutcheson, optometrist, will be absent from his office Aug. 7 to Aug. 19. During this time the office will be open for the transaction of ordinary business. 735.

\*\*Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Curran, Hampton, announce the engagement of their daughter Bertha Helena to Mr. Joseph Franklin Trowdale, marriage to take place quietly, the 34th of this month. 730-4-4Mtpd.

have captured 8,400 prisoners and 133 guns. With this as a basis for calculation it may safely be assumed that the French, British, American and Italian troops have bagged close to 40,000 Germans, together with a large number of guns and huge quantities of war material.

GERMAN RETREAT WAS PRECIPITATE

The German retreat has been too precipitate to permit of a systematic destruction of abandoned munitions. The German official statement, which deals with Saturday's operations, says that there was new fighting in Aisne north and east of Soissons, and that on the Vesle "we are fighting contact with the enemy." This "contact" is proving disastrous for the foe.

FOCH HOLDS THE INITIATIVE

Foch holds firmly to the initiative gained over two weeks ago, and this great battle in the open, with little opportunity or need to use artillery, is manifesting to a convincing degree the immense superior fighting qualities of the troops under the arch strategist's command.

FEARFUL HAVOC AMONG GERMAN RANKS

The accounts by the war correspondents all agree concerning the fearful havoc wrought in the enemy's confused ranks, and the almost complete paralysis of his means of transport and communication. Everywhere is to be seen the awful debris of battle, which spectacle cannot fail to seriously affect the enemy spirit.

Two retirements in Montdidier and the Albert regions reveal his nervousness and all this must have a cumulative effect.

SOME OF THE BOOTY CAPTURED

LONDON, August 5.—Shells taken from Germans so far counted number 1,500,000. In the fight on Friday on the Crise river Mangin's troops captured 500 cannons and 500 trench mortars.

GERMANS RESISTING THE ADVANCE

PARIS, August 5.—Allied detachments which crossed the Allied Vesle river are meeting German resistance everywhere.

CROWN PRINCE HAS RETREATED 20 MILES AND HAS LOST 40,000 MEN

LONDON, August 5.—News received today says the Crown Prince has fallen back twenty miles since the retreat began and has lost 40,000 men.

PERIOD OF CRISIS PAST SAYS FIELD MARSHAL HAIG

LONDON, August 5.—Field Marshal Haig, commander in chief of the British forces in France, in his fourth of August message on the occasion of the anniversary of the entry of Great Britain into the war says to his troops, "The conclusion of the fourth year marks the passing of the period of crisis. The Russian revolution set free large hostile forces which were transferred to the western front. The enemy's intention was to use great numbers and to gain a decisive victory before the arrival of American troops could bring the Allies relief. The stream of Americans arriving in France has restored the balance."

THE AWFUL DEBRIS OF WAR

PARIS, August 5.—Allied forces in pursuit of the Germans have passed through veritable charned houses, strewn with the debris of war. Bodies of men and horses are mingled with broken down vehicles alongside of monster ammunition dumps, some partially exploded and others intact. Bodies of Germans found in clusters beyond range of the allied artillery indicates that severe punishment was inflicted on the fleeing columns by the French and British aviators.

LONG RANGE BOMBARDMENT OF PARIS RESUMED

PARIS, August 5.—Long range bombardment of Paris was resumed today.

SIGNS FORETELL FATE OF GERMAN

AMSTERDAM, August 5.—The famous "hungerstone" in the river Elbe near Tetschen, which, according to popular belief in Germany, predicts a famine when seen, is now visible for the first time since the beginning of the war. The stone lies in the bed of the river and has never been visible save at exceptionally low tide. On the stone is chiselled in old German "When ye see me ye will weep."

OFFICIAL RECORDS OF CANADIAN HOSPITAL

In France Presented to Sir Robert Borden by Mayor and Councillors.

(Special to The Guardian) LONDON, August 5.—Canadian commissioner Roy of Paris, waited on Premier Borden and presented him with an official record from the city of Joinvilleport, in which is situated the hospital recently presented to the Canadian Red Cross by the people of

France. The record sets forth the resolution of the mayor and councillors referring to the heroic aid given by the Canadian army in France; the gift of the Red Cross hospital and the cordial relations between the Canadian troops and the people of France, and the desirability of commemorating these events in a suitable manner.

HON. N. R. ROWELL RETURNS TO OTTAWA

(Special to The Guardian) TORONTO, August 5.—Hon. N. W. Rowell, President of the Privy Council, who for the past two months was in London with Premier Borden at

tending the Imperial War Cabinet, reached home from New York yesterday. Mr. Rowell will leave for Ottawa tonight to resume the duties of his office. Hon. Mr. Rowell, despite the heavy tax upon his energy by his application to the important matters that required the attention of the Canadian ministers appears fit and ready for the work awaiting him at Ottawa.

GEN. HAIG'S TROOPS CLEARED THE ANCRE

British Troops Have Recaptured all the Territory on Both Sides of Arras Previously Held by Germans.

(Special to The Guardian)

LONDON, August 5.—The war office announces that Sir Douglas Haig's troops have recaptured most of the positions previously held by the Germans on the west bank of the Ancre river, on both sides of the town of Albert.

The enemy in his retirement from this line was closely pursued by the British and considerable losses were inflicted upon him.

Berlin states that an official statement said that a hostile raiding party was driven off south of Arras.

GOOD WORK BY BRITISH AIRMEN

LONDON, August 5.—The official statement on aerial operations issued tonight says in spite of a very dark night, five tons of bombs were dropped by us on the stations at Fives southeast of Lille and Steenwork Two of our flying machines and one of our night bombing planes are missing.

U BOATS NOW IN BAY OF FUNDY

Three Fishing Schooners Were Sunk.

(Special to The Guardian)

A CANADIAN ATLANTIC PORT, August 5.—Saturday afternoon there were further developments in activities of German U-boats in the Bay of Fundy, which have been continuing for four days. Three fishing schooners bound from Boston to the banks were blown up and sunk, forty miles west of Seal Island.

SURVIVORS ARRIVED AT ATLANTIC PORT

AN ATLANTIC PORT, August 5.—Survivors from the schooner Dornfontain, Captain Dagwell, captured and burned by the German submarine U-56 off the Atlantic coast Friday, are in port and tell a thrilling story of their experiences which include a five hours stay in the U-boat.

OBSERVANCE OF 4TH ANNIVERSARY

(Special to The Guardian) LONDON, August 5.—The fourth anniversary of the beginning of the war was observed today not only as a day of prayer and remembrance in churches of all denominations, but also a day of thanksgiving and hope. The news of the glorious triumph of the Allied arms at the front has sent a thrill through the whole country.

PREMIER BORDEN AT IMPORTANT CONFERENCES

(Special to The Guardian) LONDON, August 5.—Premier Borden and other overseas ministers had a lengthy conference yesterday with representatives of the federation of British industries at which several questions were discussed, for example, the unity of customs declarations under the British preference, provision and uniformity as far as possible in the patents laws.

THE WEATHER TEMPERATURE, TIDE, MOON, ETC.

TORONTO, August 5.—Northwest wind fair and comparatively cool. High tide tonight at 11:24; tomorrow morning at 11:32. Sun rises today at 6:10; sunset 2:37. New moon Aug. 6th, first quarter 14th. Full moon 22nd. Last quarter 28th.

ANOTHER REVOLUTION IN RUSSIAN LAPLAND

This Time Against Bolsheviki and in Favor of Allies.

(Special to the Guardian)

KANDALASKA, Russian Lapland, August 5.—A revolution against the Bolsheviki and in favor of the Allies has occurred at Archangel, the Russian port in the Arctic. The Soviet troops have fled from the city. After the revolution had been brought about an allied detachment was landed at Archangel occupying the railway station and telegraph office with insignificant resistance. Apparently there were no losses to the allied forces in their movement.

ANOTHER DISASTER AMONG GERMANS

Powder Stores and Munition Train Were Blown Up, Killing 150 Germans.

(Special to the Guardian)

AMSTERDAM, August 5.—A number of German powder stores have recently blown up owing to defective quality of the explosives, according to the Echo Belge. In one explosion at Mons, 50 Germans were killed and 100 were killed when an ammunition train blew up.

SEQUEL TO RIOT ON TORONTO STREETS

(Special to The Guardian) TORONTO, August 5.—Thirty-four persons were injured and ten were arrested as the result of a series of clashes between the police on one side and soldiers and civilian sympathizers on the other, in the downtown streets of Toronto on Saturday night. The affair was a sequel to Friday night's disturbance, but no property damage was done.

CANADIAN EDITORS CALL ON ROYALTY

(Special to The Guardian) LONDON, August 5.—The Canadian editors visited Buckingham Palace yesterday afternoon, where they saw their Majesties and the Princess Mary. They were accompanied by Col. Galway and Major Montague of the Department of Information. The King discussed Canadian affairs with each member of the party and recalled incidents of his visits to Canada in 1901 and 1908. The editors were much impressed with the King's knowledge of the Canadian provinces.

REMEMBRANCE DAY FITTINGLY OBSERVED

Parade of War Veterans and Other Soldiers, V.A.D.'s, Cadet Corps and Bands. Patriotic and Eloquent Speeches Delivered at Convalescent Home.

Notwithstanding the rain which came on shortly after 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon there was a great gathering of citizens on Queen Square to witness the formation of the procession to the Soldiers Convalescent Home in connection with the war anniversary commemoration.

The parade was a splendid one and well carried out.

It was headed by the Fourth Regiment Band; after the band came the returned soldiers the largest number that have yet turned out since the war started. They were a fine looking lot of fellows, many still bearing evidences to show that they had been at grips with the Hun. Some were in uniform and others in civilian garb but all bore themselves proudly as true sons of the Empire who had done their part towards righting the wrong.

Then came the members of the draft stationed here followed by the League of the Cross Band. Next in order were the V. A. D's who attired in their snow-white nursing uniforms made a decidedly attractive picture and marched as well as any soldiers. Next came the cadets of Queen Square and West Kent schools, to the lively sound of their own drums marching along in fine style. It was a splendid parade and the streets were thronged with people on foot and in autos to witness it. The parade left the Square at Richmond Street, then turned up Queen to Kent Street thence to the new Convalescent Home at Government House grounds where an immense throng was already assembled. The building was elaborately decked for the occasion with flags of the Allied nations banners and streamers and presented a very handsome appearance.

The procession having arrived at Convalescent Home, His Honor, the Lieutenant Governor opened the proceedings in a brief and appropriate speech. He said that notwithstanding all the horrors of the past four years the citizens of the Empire had ample reason to congratulate themselves on the situation at the present time. The news that had been coming for some time past was very encouraging, while the latest intelligence from the front yesterday was something to be thankful for.

At the Home the Lieutenant Governor presided, and on the platform were: Premier Arsenault, Mayor G. D. Wright, representing the Province and City respectively; United States Consul Pierce; Chief Justice Matheson; Brigadier General Biggar, of Ottawa, and Lt.-Col. Warburton.

He referred to the Convalescent Home and said it was a matter of considerable satisfaction to know that there was a place where those who were returning in poor health from the front could be taken care of. The people owed a deep debt of gratitude to those men, and the establishment of this Home was a fitting way in which to show them, that the country was prepared to look after them and see that their health, when broken, should be restored as far as possible. His Honor made modest reference to the fact that he had placed Government House at the disposal of the Hospitals Commission having seen the necessity for such a step. He then called upon the Premier, Honorable A. E. Arsenault, who moved the following resolution: "That on this Fourth Anniversary of the Declaration of a righteous war, this meeting of Citizens of Charlottetown records its inflexible determination to continue to a victorious end the struggle in the maintenance of those ideals of liberty and justice which are the common and sacred cause of the Allies."

THE PREMIER said he did not intend to make a speech in view of the inclemency of the weather. He would only repeat the words of the great Canadian heroine who, and her two brothers, gave their lives in the defence of Canada: "Let us fight unto death. Let us fight for our country, and our faith. Let us remember the words which our fathers so often spoke

spoke to us: 'Gentlemen are born to shed their blood for their King and for their God.' And so the determination of the Allies is to shed the last drop of their blood in the defence of what is considered Right and Justice and for the sake of future generations."

HIS WORSHIP MAYOR WRIGHT, seconded the resolution in the following remarks:

"Hon. Lieut. Gov., Mr. Premier, Ladies and Gentlemen:— "On behalf of the several incorporated towns of this province and as Mayor of Charlottetown, I rise to second the resolution so ably presented by our Premier, believing that should the war continue for another four years the Allies will be as inflexible in their determination to press on to victory as they are at the present moment."

"The memorable message of Lord Nelson still rings down through the ages, 'England expects every man this day to do his duty.' Liberty and Justice will never be obtained by food conservation, or the curtailment of fuel, neither will money win us victory, but with the true spirit of Liberty and Justice, which throbs in the breast of every true Ally, that same spirit which prompted the Dominion government to erect on these beautiful grounds, a convalescent home for our brave soldiers who are willing to sacrifice their all for the sacred cause of our Allies, victory is assured. Believing the valiant deeds of our brave men will be inscribed in letters of gold upon our memory, 'I have much pleasure, Your Honor, in seconding this resolution.'"

The band then having played "The Star Spangled Banner," His Honor called upon Consul Pierce.

CONSUL PIERCE, who was received with great applause, said that while the weather got worse and the rain came down harder the war was getting better. We could not have everything all good at the same time. He had not seen such a crowd as that which was before him in a long time. He had not seen a mixture of troops and returned men, and the leaders of the political and social life of the province gathered in such representative body as this since he had been on the island. Much water had run under the mill since August 4th, 1914—nearly fifteen hundred days of the bitterest warfare the world had ever seen, thrust upon humanity by the last in that series of monomaniacs who had been bitten with the old bug of world dominion. It was interesting to see how the scientists classified things. They would go into South Africa and find a fossil of a certain class and go somewhere else and find another fossil of the same kind, and yet another somewhere else and when they had ten thousand specimens of the same sort they said, "here is a classification of a certain animal or vegetable or tree or plant;" and so at last we have the classification and number of the German "VII Hell." Is that the correct pronunciation of Wilhelm? The Consul asked. Someone said it was to be pronounced with a sigh, a curse, a tear, a hiss, but I did the best I could in pronouncing his name—VII Hell! (Applause.) In the early ages, con-

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