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CAUTION ADVISED AS TO EXPECTATIONS

Indications are That German Morale is Seriously Weakened - Press at Home Fails to Explain Away Successes of Allied Offensive.

Ottawa, Ont., Sept. 4.—The following cabled summary of developments on the western front has been received here by the director of public information from the British ministry of information:

On the British front the advance has been continued along the whole line from the Somme to the Scarpe. On the left flank, north of the Scarpe, Gavrelles and Arluv-en-Gobelle have been captured, while south of the Scarpe we have gained Cherly and Fontaine-Les-Croisilles. These places have never before been in British hands. Our advance here has carried us two miles east of the furthest line ever reached in 1917.

It seems evident that the enemy intends retreating to a shorter line, to obtain a better defence position and to economize in troops. He probably will retire to the Hindenburg line, but will endeavor to postpone this course until the weather renders active operations impracticable. He will probably make a short stand west of the Hindenburg line.

A Ready Seriously Threatened

Events will show whether he is allowed to retire gradually according to plan. The British advance on either side of the Scarpe is already a serious threat to this line. The enemy cannot allow us to advance much further here without endangering his determined resistance of this part of the front. The British advance therefore is highly important, though the ultimate effect of it is not yet known. Some divisions exhibited the old determination; others surrendered freely.

It is necessary to guard against exaggerated expectations of a German collapse. Nevertheless the fighting in the last month shows a notable deterioration in German morale, discipline and disobedience of orders. To

estimate the German total losses in dead from the beginning of the war is largely conjectural, but the figure is certainly well over two millions.

Total captures for the British to the end of August exceed 47,000 and in guns captured over 500. Allied captures since the 18th of July exceed 100,000 with probably 2,000 guns.

German Changing Policy

The director of public information here has received the following cable reviewing recent political developments in Europe from the British ministry of information: The officially inspired German press still seeks to explain away the Allied offensive. Sol's recent speech indicates that the German government has changed its attitude towards Belgium; pays lip-homage to the struggle in 1914 that the struggle with England was for the spoils of victory which must have been no light one. His tone now is more conciliatory. He repudiates any intention of retaining Belgium; pays lip-homage to the league of nations and discovers that international law is a burning question for humanity.

At the recent meeting of the two emperors, no final Polish agreement was reached. Each hopes to obtain Polish support, but agrees to permit the choice to the Poles. Austria offers Austrian and Russian Poland; Germany an extended frontier at the expense of Russia and Lithuania.

The result of these negotiations published in Germany, is not acceptable by the Austrians. Burian advocated the incorporation of Poland with Galicia as a part of the Hapsburg monarchy, while German democrats object to this multiplication of thrones, dependents on the Hohenzollern as likely to cause future complications due to the unsatisfied aspirations of the democracies concerned.

FAIL TO SEE WHERE GERMANS CAN STAND

Intimation That Americans in Large Number Will Soon be Used to "Mop UP" Retiring Germans.

Americans to "Mop Up"

London, Sept. 4.—The strategical situation on the Western front leaves to the Americans the duty of striking a mopping-up blow against the vast German hordes that are being pushed back by the other Allies, in the opinion of some of the British military experts.

Much is expected of the American forces, which are increasing with surprising rapidity. The British critics to-day express their belief that the Germans would not be able to hold the Sensee and Nord Canals, and, with the Germans losing more of the Hindenburg line every day, experts fall to see where the Germans

can make a strong stand after their recent severe defeats and their lack of reserves.

Captured Guns Turned on Enemy

With the American Army in France Sept. 4.—(By the Associated Press)—During the eastward advance from Juvigny two 105 millimetre guns captured by the American Artillery on the enemy. The big guns were in perfect working order and all the American had to do was to switch their muzzle in the opposite direction to which they had been pointing. A great number of guns and ammunition were taken, and soon after their capture the 105's were roaring against their former owners.

Many German machine guns are also being turned upon the enemy; the Americans operating them having been given a special course of training prior to the battle, practicing with guns and ammunition captured north of the Marne.

Paris, Sept. 4.—The Allied forces on the Western front have taken a total of 128,302 prisoners since July 15 and up to Monday, it was announced in an official statement. In the same period 2,069 guns, 1,734 mine throwers and 13,783 machine guns were captured.

On the French front 75,900 prisoners and 700 guns had been captured by the French since July 18, it is announced to-day. Amsterdam, Sept. 4.—The German General Staff has transferred its headquarters from Sa (Belgium) to Verviers, a little further to the north and fourteen miles east of Liege, according to La Nouvelle.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, COMING EVENTS, MEETINGS, ETC.

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ENVELOPING CAMBRAI IS NOW IN PROGRESS

Canadians Advancing From North Have Captured Several Bridges on Canal du Nord and are now Preparing to Advance in Force. English Troops are Advancing from the South. Canal du Nord Has been Forced on a Wide Front. Only One Barrier Now Remains in Hands of Enemy Before Cambrai is Reached.

Special to The Guardian

LONDON, Sept. 5.—Cambrai is to be enveloped from the southwest as well as from the northwest and north where the Canadians are operating and where several bridges across the unfinished Canal Du Nord have been seized and held by General Currie's advance guard. Pending preparations for the crossing of the Canal in force the attack on the southwest has been entrusted to English and Welsh troops, the latter probably the Fusilier division which swept over the old Somme Battle ground at amazing speed.

Sir Douglas Haig's report of last night states that yesterday in the region to the north east of Peronne the Tortille River and the Canal Du Nord were forced on a wide front in the face of the enemy who held the east bank and attempted to arrest the advance with machine gun and artillery fire. The villages of Manacourt and Etricourt were carried with great dash and the victors now hold the rising ground to the east of the formidable barrier presented by the Canal excavations.

Still farther north excellent progress was made by troops from the north of England and New Zealanders who reached the outskirts of the important wood of Havrincourt, east of the Canal line.

Moeuvres also was entered from the north and fighting on this part of the front continues along the old Hindenburg line defences.

The general effect of these advances has been to bring pressure to bear against the Germans defending Cambrai all around a semi circular front from north to the south west of about ten miles.

The Canadians who are advancing along the Arras Road from the north west are still somewhat nearer the city than their comrades to the south, but the capture of Moeuvres yesterday will enable the English troops there to join with the army of General Currie in an enveloping attack against Beaurou wood, the only important defensive position that remains to the enemy on the west front of Cambrai.

It may take two or three days to bring up and transfer to the east side of the Canal Du Nord the guns and tanks required for an operation so important as the capture of Bourlon Wood. Its occupation would force the Germans to withdraw from Cambrai for guns employed on the wooded height of Bourlon would command not only the roads leading in to Cambrai from the west but the roads from the city to the east and south. In the region north of Noyon the stubborn resistance of the Germans has been broken and the troops of Von Hutier are now rapidly retiring in the general direction of Ham La Fee and St. Quentin. French cavalry were following in close pursuit and had reached a point close to Guiscard.

Yesterday afternoon the crossing of the Canal Du Nord by the British and French troops operating east of Peronne was probably one of the causes for the enemy's retreat north of the Oise where the rough timbered country offered excellent facilities for defence and opposed a barrier to a tank attack that was of a most formidable nature.

At Esmerly Hallon to which the French advanced guards have penetrated, the pursuing troops are a little less than three miles from Ham. The French report does not claim the occupation of Guiscard which is scarcely less important than Ham as a road centre but the statement is made that our line extends along Franches, Guiscard, Beaucies etc. It is certain that Guiscard and perhaps Ham also will be given up by the Germans immediately. In yesterday's pursuit north of the Oise it is stated

ed that "the enemy left in our hands numerous prisoners, material and considerable supplies."

AMERICANS READY TO ADVANCE IN LORRAINE

There is still no sign of an American drive on the Lorraine front. The Germans are alarmed by the ominous calm on a part of the battle line, where they know there must be hundreds of thousand of fine fighting men waiting the word to go forward. They have been raiding to secure identifications and to discover how strongly the line is held but Pershing reports state that little success has attended these efforts. The possibility of an attack on a great scale along the Lorraine front which might cut off great bodies of German troops further west especially in the St. Mihiel salient is one of the things that is cutting the nerve of the German leaders and preventing carrying out of counter attacks on a large scale.

Along the front in Artois and Picardy. Between the Oise and the Aisne the progress of General Mangin's Franco-American army has been steadily maintained and has at last had the result for which the move-

ment was undertaken. The German position on the Vesle and on the heights of the Aisne is in danger of being turned by the Americans who yesterday captured Buyon on the plateau above Soissons.

GERMANS EVACUATING VESLE POSITIONS

Evacuation of the immensely strong Vesle Aisne position has been begun. Paris announces that French and American troops crossed the Vesle on a front of twenty miles yesterday. The first two points at which the crossings were made were Basauches and Fimes. The country between the Vesle and the Aisne is rough and wooded with numerous ravines and pursuit of the enemy is thus rendered difficult. Fires are burning in the region north of the Vesle and there are other indications that the enemy is moving out. If the retreat embraces the heights of the Aisne and the Chemin Dames sector of Hindenburg line, Mangin's victory will have almost as great an effect as that of the British troops who are rolling the Hindenburg line in the Arras and Cambrai regions.

DEMAND REPARATION OF BOLSHEVIKI

(Special to The Guardian) LONDON, Sept. 5.—The British Government has demanded of the organizations of railway employees reparation and prompt punishment of those culpable in the attack on the British Embassy which was sacked, and Capt. Cromie, British attache was killed. The British Government threatens in the event of failure of the Bolsheviki Government to give satisfaction or if there should be a repetition of acts of violence to make the members of the Soviet Government individually responsible and have them treated as outlaws by civilized nations.

ISLANDERS IN CASUALTY LIST

Mrs. W. L. Batt, this city received the sad news on Saturday that her nephew Sgt. Gordon V. Dewar was killed in action August 8th. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. James Dewar formerly of Charlottetown, now residing in Amherst, N. S. Their many friends here will be sorry to hear of their sad bereavement.

Many friends will be sorry to learn that Private Charles Batt, who went over with the 105th and is now of the 26th Can. Battalion was wounded on August 28th. Gunshot wound in left arm.

Mr. George R. Judson, Alexandria, has received a telegram stating that Pte. A. G. Judson, Infantry, was officially reported admitted to 12th Stationary Hospital, August 27th, gunshot wound in knee. Pte. Judson left here with the 105th Battalion and was later transferred to the fighting 26th.

SERIOUS EXPLOSION IN ODESSA

(Special to The Guardian) AMSTERDAM, Sept. 4.—A disastrous explosion occurred in Odessa on Saturday. The despatch says several Austro-German officers and men were killed and that a portion of one of the suburbs of Odessa was destroyed.

MENACE GREATER THAN BOLSHEVIKI OVERHANGS GERMANY

PARIS, Sept. 4.—A despatch from Berne, Switzerland, to Le Matin, quotes a prominent Swiss citizen coming from Germany as declaring that in the past six weeks, a formidable disintegration has swept over Germany. If the German military situation does not improve, the informant said, trouble that may surpass the acts of the Bolsheviki in Russia menaces the German empire.

LABOR REQUIREMENTS IN CANADA'S HARVEST

Sept. 3.—According to the latest estimates of the authorities in charge of the production campaign in the various provinces in Canada able-bodied men will be needed for the harvest as follows: British Columbia, 2000 to 3000 Alberta, 6000 to 7000. Saskatchewan, 20,000. Manitoba, 10,000. Ontario, 12,000. Quebec, 12,000. New Brunswick, 2000. Nova Scotia, no outsiders needed. Prince Edward Island, no outsiders needed.

THE WEATHER TEMPERATURE, TIDE, MOON, ETC.

TORONTO, Sept. 6.—Cloudy and cool. The tide will be high this afternoon at 12.15 and tomorrow at 1; it will be high tomorrow morning at 12.55 and Sunday at 1.14. The sun sets this evening at 7.47 and tomorrow at 7.46; it rises tomorrow morning at 6.44 and Sunday at 6.48. The moon sets this evening at 7.53. There was a new moon on Thursday seventh at 6.44 a. m. The first quarter of the moon was on Friday Sept. 13th at 11.02 a. m. The length of today will be thirteen hours and one minute.

PROTECTING OUR NATIVE BIRDS

Mr. A. E. Morrison Utters Serious Warning at Meeting of the Rotary Club and Appeals for Protection of Bird Life.

At the weekly meeting of the Rotary Club in the Kozey Korner yesterday, Mr. A. E. Morrison, Hon. Secretary and organizer of the Fish and Game Association, delivered an important address on the preservation of the bird life of the Province.

President H. G. VanBuskirk presided. Mr. Morrison said it was beyond question we were exterminating our birds, legally or illegally, very much more rapidly than they were breeding. In England and the older countries of Europe it was found necessary long ago to adopt means to preserve wild game from extinction, the rapid increase of population and the spread of settlements, having not only depopulated the forests but denuded the land of its timber. Our Island although originally teeming with birds has already suffered so much from these causes as well as indiscriminate slaughter that measures equally stringent are necessary to prevent the total extinction of bird life. The duty of the present hour was to save our birds from extinction and protect the farmer and fruit grower from the enormous losses from insects, worms and rodents.

To protect our forests by protecting the birds that keep down the myriads of insects destructive to trees and shrubs and to preserve sufficient game to give posterity a taste of what we now enjoy, was surely a duty devolving upon every right thinking citizen. A deadly war is being waged against insect pests all over the continent, and this could far have been avoided had the insect killing birds been left undisturbed or preserved in sufficient numbers to counteract the insect growth. In fighting pests, birds are worth fifty times more to men than all the poison sprays and traps that ever were invented or used. The actual cost value of those birds through the destruction of insects is enormous, yet throughout the province the number of shore birds is fast diminishing and total extermination seems inevitable. The beetlehead is seen now only as a straggler, the golden plover once abundant is now rare, the eskimo curlew has been exterminated and the other curlews greatly reduced. The farmers have by their supineness permitted the indiscriminate slaughter of a stock of game birds which can never be replaced

and merely to gratify the desires of a lot of greedy pot hunters. The value of game is not in their flesh but in the temptation they annually put before the field weary farmer and desk weary clerk to get into their beloved hunting togs and stalk out into the lap of nature and say "begone dull care." The man who has had a fine day in the woods or in the bright waters of a duck haunted pond, or in the golden stubble of September can fill his day and his soul with six good birds just as well as sixty. The outing in the open is the thing, not the blood stained feathers in the game bag. One partridge on a tree is worth twenty in a bag. The destruction that seemingly decent citizens, men posing as gentlemen, will perpetrate on wild game is simply appalling. It has remained for the wolf, the sheep-killing dogs and civilized men to make a record of wanton destruction which puts them in a class by themselves. He was weary of witnessing the great selfishness and cruelty of men and boys towards the wild creatures. He was sick of the tales of slaughter and the exhibition of birds and fish caught in superabundance by so-called sportsmen. When game was plentiful it was permissible to kill a limited number for sport and the table, but the old basis had gone, swept away by an army of destruction now almost beyond control. Cheap shot guns and small calibre rifles had been alarmingly common in the hands of boys but it was a serious matter so far as the preservation of birds and game was concerned. The time had come when restrictions must be put on the indiscriminate shooting by boys as they wander through the woods. They cannot expect to enjoy the same privilege their fathers had fifty years ago when birds were plentiful. True sportsmen and people who do not kill must awake to the gravity of the situation before it is too late. Shall we hand down to our children a birdless island with all the shame such a calamity entails? We have got to face that question now or it will soon be answered for us by the extermination of wild birds. In conclusion Mr. Morrison appealed to the Rotarians to show their interest in the protection of bird life by attending the annual meeting of the Fish and Game Association tonight.

CONGRATULATIONS TO GENERAL CURRIE

(Special to The Guardian) Ottawa, Sept. 5.—The Prime Minister sent the following telegram to Lt. General Currie, Commander of the Canadian Army Corps: "Warmest congratulations to yourself and gallant troops under your command, on magnificent achievement in breaking famous Drocourt Queant line. All Canada recognizes with thrill of pride and gratitude, tremendous significance of this latest triumph, which must bring dismay to the heart of the enemy. While mourning for those who have fallen, the nation will be inspired by their example to yet greater efforts in emulating their dauntless spirit and determination of the Canadian Army."

I.W.W. OUTRAGE IN CHICAGO

Bomb Maliciously Placed Kills Four, Injures Seventy Five. (Special to The Guardian) CHICAGO, Sept. 5.—Four persons were killed and more than seventy-five others injured by the explosion of a bomb in a crowded entrance to the Federal Building at 3.10 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The outrage is attributed to the I.W.W. by Philip J. Barry, in charge of the local offices of the Department of Justice.

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