BRITISH CAPTURE STRATEGIC POSITIONS COMMANDING FLANDERS PLAIN

Thousands of Prisoners Taken in Fresh Offensive East and North-East of Ypres—All Objectives Won.

A despatch from London says: The anticipated renewal of Field Marshal Haig's big offensive in Flanders has begun, and all the objectives of the first day have been won and held. Like the preceding attacks, the latest one was timed to the minute. The British forces at the given signal at daylight swarmed from their trenches over ground that had been harrowed by myraids of shells from the great array of artillery, and all along the front of more than eight miles, from south of Tower Hamlets to the north of Langemarck, they made notable new gains of terrain, inflicted heavy casualties on the Germans, while themselves suffering slight losses, and took many prisoners, large numbers of whom gladly surrendered.

The Reuter correspondent at British headquarters in France says:

"To-day is one of the great days in army annals. The victory is being proclaimed as one of the greatest since the Marne."

The attack was delivered with all the wonted dash of previous offensives and swiftly the Britishers took positions that had been marked out for them, some of them to a depth of more than a mile. The main ridge of the heights running north and south to the east of Ypres, which affords a dominating point for the launching of future attacks, is nearly all in their hands.

More than 3,000 German prisoners had been passed behind the lines when the latest official communication concerning the day's fighting was sent, and large numbers of others were being gathered in.

RIGID EMBARGO BY ALL ALLIES

Sending of Supplies to European Neutrals Absolutely Phohibited.

A despatch from Washington says: Great Britain's embargo on the export of all supplies to the northern European neutral countries, just announced, was declared after every phase of its possible effect was gone over in conferences between American and allied statesmen.

American officials initiated the discussions, and insisted that the British step be taken to make sure that there be no nullification of the purposes the United States Government had in view in putting into operation its own embargo.

The step indicated that the allies have united in a decision that the neutrals must cut off the shipment of all supplies to Germany. American officials and some of the allies here have hesitated as to just how far to go in demanding cessation of trade between the neutrals and Germany. At one time it appeared they would ask no more than that neither allied goods nor materials supplanted by allied commodities be sold in Germany by the neutrals.

BOMBING OF GERMAN TOWNS

French Drop Projectiles on Baden—Italians Attack Austrian Naval Base.

A despatch from London says: While British and French airmen continue their bombing operations against Germany's submarine base at Zeebrugge and points of military importance behind the lines, the French aviators are keeping up their attacks on German towns and cities, in reprisal for shelling by German aircraft of the open town of Bar-le-Duc. More than 15,000 pounds of explosives are reported to have been dropped on numerous German settlements, among them the famous town of Baden, famed as a health resort.

Likewise the Italians are giving the Austrians little respite from aerial incursions, again having dropped four tons of projectiles on military objectives at Pola, the great Austrian naval base on the Adriatic, and bombed other points of military advantage.

NEW GOVERNOR NAMED FOR NEWFOUNDLAND.

A despatch from St. John's Nfld., says: The appointment of Sir Charles Harris to be Governor of Newfoundland is officially announced. He will succeed Sir Walter Davidson.

HOUSES IN TOKIO WRECKED BY TYPHOON.

A despatch from London says: A Shanghai despatch says that as a result of a typhoon which swept over Tokio on Monday, 100,000 are homeless, and that 138 are dead and 217 missing.

PROGRESS OF U.S. SHIPBUILDING

Ten Months Gained in Building of Destroyers—Ready Early in 1918.

A despatch from Washington says: —Such remarkable progress has been made in the quick building of the immense flotilla of America destroyers to cope with the submarine campaign that the Navy Department now is assured of much quicker delivery of the ships than was contemplated at the last estimate, which in itself was far ahead of the original time. Progress on the ships now building and arrangements for others to follow, it is said at the Navy Department, are such that the American navy will lead the world with its destroyers within eighteen months.

It is now certain that all destroyers now building will be delivered ready for duty in European waters early next year. Many of them had not been expected until the winter of 1918. Approximately, ten months had been saved.

RUSSIAN FUEL GROWING SCARCE

All Street Car Traffic Has Been Cut One Hour a Day.

A despatch from Washington says: Strenuous efforts are being made in Russia to conserve all fuel resources. Petrograd, according to a despatch from W. C. Huntington, United States Commercial Attache at the Russian Capital, is being brought under strict fuel regulation. All street car traffic has been cut one hour a day. A further regulation compels the railroad companies to observe a rate of speed that saves coal. The decreased speed rule is credited with surprising results. It is reported that it saves eighteen per cent. of fuel, that thirty per cent. fewer cars are laid up, and a decrease in daily expenditures of 3,000 roubles is secured.

EX-KING OF GREECE GIVES TO JEWISH FUND.

A despatch from Zurich, Switzerland, says: Former King Constantine of Greece issued from his retirement to announce a gift of 1,000 francs to the Jewish refugees from the Salonika fire.

No Advance Payments.

You'll never make
A single sou
By any deed
You're going to do.
On what you've done
Lies fortune's chance
Life never pays
Us in advance.

The Sunshine Path.

A sunny path winds past my door,
'Tis brightened either side
By flowers of peace and happiness,
And nooks where songsters hide.

I planned the sunshine path myself,
Its borders and its bowers;
I planted little seeds of love,
And God sent me the flowers.

Remarkable Photo Shows Bombing of German Munition Depot

THIS remarkable photo was taken inside the German lines from the aeroplane of the aviator who made a raid on a great Boche ammunition depot. The daring aviator starting out on the apparently reckless adventure of getting by the German lines and successfully bombing the Teuton stores of munitions, flew to a point above the depot and dropped quantities of incendiary bombs while the Germans kept firing a terrific fusillade at him. Despite that danger he kept at his task and earned his reward when he saw the munition store house burst into flames. The smoke from the burning depot can be seen ascending in the photograph. The aviator returned to his own lines safely but his machine was badly damaged.

GERMAN ASSAULT REPULSED BY HAIG

Enemy Attack in Polygon Wood Region Proves Futile.

A despatch from London says:—An attack by the Germans Wednesday morning between Tower Hamlets and Polygon Wood, following a vigorous artillery fire, was repulsed either by barrage or by British infantry, accroding to the report from Field Marshal Haig. All the British positions remained intact. The text of the statement reads:

"Shortly before dawn the enemy heavily bombarded our positions between Tower Hamlets and Polygon Wood; afterwards his infantry attempted to advance. Our artillery opened vigorously, and on the greater part of the front the assault broke down before reaching our lines.

"In the area immediately north of the Menin Road, where a few of the enemy succeeded in passing through the barrage, they were completely repulsed by our infantry. Our positions are intact.

"There has been great artillery activity on both sides during the day east of Ypres."

CAUGHT IN BRITISH BARRAGE WHILE PREPARING TO ATTACK

A despatch from British Headquarters in France, says:—There was an unusual feature in the battle near Zonnebeke. Three German divisions had been ordered to retake the line the British captured here last week. The attack was set for six o'clock. The Germans were caught in the British barrage as they were preparing to push forward, and lost grievously. Once before, in August, around Lens, the British and Germans planned an attack at the same hour, and Canadian troops going over the top and advancing quickly, came upon masses of Germans moving toward them in the thick haze, and a few minutes later the Germans were making their last stand on the parapet of their trenches.

GERMANS AGAIN ATTEMPTING TO FRATERNIZE WITH RUSSIANS

A despatch from Petrograd says: The Germans on the south-western front again are attempting to fraternize with the Russians by throwing boxes of tobacco and cigarettes into the Russian trenches and calling to the soldiers to "come out of the trenches."

The Russkaia Volya says in connection with the German attempts that "our soldiers are answering them with gunfire."

From Erin's Green Isle

NEWS BY MAIL FROM IRELAND'S SHORES.

Happenings in the Emerald Isle of Interest to Irishmen.

The Cork I.D.A. Executive have under consideration the establishing of an aircraft industry in that district.

At a meeting of the North Dublin Union it was decided that all women workers be given four shillings a week as a war bonus

Some of the Dublin retail tea establishments had to close their doors on a recent Saturday, owing to the heavy rush of business.

The Islandanny bridge, which spanned the River Feale from there to Duagh, has been swept away by unusually heavy floods.

Lady Barrett, wife of Sir W. F. Barrett, has been made the recipient of the new Order of the Commander of the British Empire.

P. Nolan, secretary of a local entertainment, was fined £12 at the Portarlington Sessions for failure to collect the entertainment tax.

Owing to the great scarcity of milk, the price of butter has increased thirteen shillings per firkin at the Nenagh butter market.

The Lords of the Admiralty have appointed J. C. Perry, J.P., Dublin, to be an hononary lieutenant of the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve.

The allotment holders at Charleville passed a vote of thanks to Dr. Robert, of Sanders, for securing a field and providing seed potatoes for the poor.

The sum of £37 was raised at Portadown by the sale of flowers in aid of the Cripples' Institute and Homes of Rest at Belfast and Bangor.

A very successful fete was held on the grounds of the Howth Lawn Tennis Club in aid of the British Red Cross Society and St. John Ambulance Association.

20,000 Planes Are Under Way

A despatch from Washington says: —Twenty thousand aeroplanes for America's fighting forces in France, authorized in the $640,000,000 aviation bill passed by Congress last July, actually are under construction.

Quebec City Has Gone Dry.

A despatch from Quebec says: Quebec city has gone dry. By a majority of 2,200, prohibition was carried today after the bitterest fight this city has seen in years.

Markets of the World

Breadstuffs

Toronto, Oct. 9.—Manitoba wheat—No. 1 Northern, $2.23; No. 2, do., $2.20; No. 3, do., $2.17, in store Fort William, including 2c tax.

Manitoba oats—No. 2 C.W., 68½c, in store Fort William.

American corn—No. 3 yellow, nominal.

Ontario oats—No. 2 white, 62c, nominal; No. 3, do., 61c, nominal, according to freights outside.

Ontario wheat—New, No. 2 Winter, $2.22 basis, in store, Montreal.

Peas—No. 2, nominal.

Barley—Malting, new, $1.18 to $1.20, according to freights outside.

Rye — No. 2, $1.75, according to freights outside.

Manitoba flour—First patents, in jute bags, $11.50; 2nd, do., $11.00; strong bakers', do., $10.60, Toronto.

Ontario flour—Winter according to sample, $9.80, in bags, Montreal; $9.60, Toronto, prompt shipment.

Millfeed—Car lots—Delivered Montreal freights, bags included—Bran, per ton, $35; shorts, do., $42; middlings, do., $45 to $46; good feed flour, per bag, $3.25.

Hay—No. 1, new, per ton, $12 to $13; mixed, do., $9 to $11, track Toronto.

Straw—Car lots, per ton, $7 to $7.50, track Toronto.

Country Produce—Wholesale

Butter—Creamery solids, per lb., 41½ to 42c; prints, per lb., 42 to 42½c; dairy, per lb., 35 to 36c.

Eggs—Per doz., 39c.

Wholesalers are selling to the retail trade at the following prices:

Cheese—New, large, 23 to 23½c; twins, 23½ to 23¾c; triplets, 23½ to 24c; old, large, 30c; twins, 30½c; triplets, 30½c.

Butter—Fresh dairy, choice, 40 to 41c; creamery prints, 44 to 45c; solids, 43 to 43½c.

Eggs—New laid, in cartons, 51 to 53c; out of cartons, 45c.

Dressed poultry—Spring chickens, 25 to 30c; fowl, 20 to 22c; squabs, per doz., $4 to $4.50; turkeys, 28 to 32c; ducks, Spring, 22c.

Live poultry—Turkeys, 22c; Spring chickens, lb., 22c; hens, 20 to 22c; ducks, Spring, 20c.

Honey—Comb—Extra fine, 16 oz., $3.25; 12 oz., $2.75; No. 2, $2.40 to $2.50; Strained, tins, 2½'s and 5's, 18c per lb; 10's, 17 to 17½c; 60's, 16½ to 17c.

Beans—No Canadian beans on market until last of October; imported, hand-picked, $7.75 per bush; Limas, per lb., 15 to 16c.

Potatoes, on track—Ontario, bag, $1.35 to $1.45.

Provisions—Wholesale

Smoked meats—Hams, medium, 30 to 31c; do., heavy, 26 to 27c; cooked, 41 to 42c; rolls, 27 to 28c; breakfast bacon, 36 to 40c; backs, plain, 39 to 40c; boneless, 43 to 44c.

Cured meats—Long clear bacon, 27½ to 28c lb; clear bellies, 26½ to 27c.

Lard—Pure lard, tierces, 26½ to 27c; tubs, 26¾ to 27¼c; pails, 27 to 27½c; compound, tierces, 21½ to 22c; tubs, 21¾ to 22¼c; pails, 22 to 22½c.

Montreal Markets

Montreal, Oct. 9.—Oats—Canadian Western, No. 2, 77½c; No. 3, 76c; extra No. 1 feed, 76c; No. 2 local white, 72c; No. 3 local white, 71c. Barley—Manitoba feed, $1.29; malting, $1.31 to $1.32. Flour—Manitoba Spring wheat patents, firsts, $11.60; seconds, $11.10; strong bakers', $10.90; Winter patents, choice, $12.00; straight rollers, $11.50 to $11.80; do., bags, $5.60 to $5.75. Rolled oats—Bbls., $8.30; do., bags, 90 lbs., $4.00. Bran, $35.00. Shorts, $40.00. Middlings, $48.00 to $50.00. Mouillie, $55.00 to $60.00. Hay—No. 2, per ton, car lots, $11.50 to $12.00. Cheese—Finest Westerns, 21¾c; finest Easterns, 21¾c. Butter—Choicest creamery, 45 to 45½c; seconds, 44½c. Eggs—Fresh, 53 to 54c; selected, 47 to 48c; No. 1 stock, 43 to 44c; No. 2 stock, 40 to 41c. Potatoes—Per bag, car lots, $1.60.

Winnipeg Grain

Winnipeg, Oct. 9.—Cash prices:—Wheat—No. 1 Northern, $2.21; No. 2, do., $2.18; No. 3, do., $2.15; No. 4, $1.94; No. 5, $1.85; feed, $1.73. Oats—No. 2 C.W., 68¾c; No. 3, do., 65¾c; extra No. 1 feed, 65¾c; No. 1 feed, 64¾c; No. 2, do., 63¾c. Barley—No. 3 C.W., $1.22; No. 4, do., $1.18; rejected and feed, $1.11. Flax—No. 1 N.-W.C., $3.10; No. 2 C.W., $3.04; No. 3, do., $2.93.

United States Markets

Minneapolis, Oct. 9.—Corn—No. 3 yellow, $1.91 to $1.92. Oats—No 3 white, 58½ to 60½c. Flour—Fancy patents, $11. Bran—$30 to $31.

Duluth, Oct. 9. — Linseed—$3.21½; October, $3.21 asked; November, $3.21½ asked; December, $3.16½ bid.

Live Stock Markets

Toronto, Oct. 9.—Extra choice heavy steers, $11.75 to $12.50; do., good heavy, $11 to $11.50; butchers' cattle, choice, $10.10 to $10.60; do., good, $9.50 to $9.85; do., medium, $8.50 to $8.75; do., common, $6.75 to $7.40; butchers' bulls, choice, $8.30 to $8.75; do., good bulls, $7.40 to $7.85; do., medium bulls, $6.85 to $7.10; do., rough bulls, $5 to $6; butchers' cows, choice, $8.25 to $8.75; do., good, $7.50 to $7.75; do., medium, $6.60 to $6.75; stockers, $7.50 to $8.75; feeders, $8.50 to $9.25; canners and cutters, $5 to $5.50; milkers, good to choice, $90 to $125; do., com. and med., $75 to $85; Springers, $90 to $125; light ewes, $9.50 to $11.50; sheep, heavy, $6.75 to $7.50; yearlings, $11 to $12; calves, good to choice, $15 to $15.50; Spring lambs, $16 to $17; hogs, fed and watered, $18.75; do., weighed off cars, $19; do., f.o.b., $17.75.

Montreal, Oct. 9.—Choice steers, $10.25 to $10.50; good, $9.75 to $10; lower grades, $8 to $9; butchers' cows, $6.50 to $8.25; bulls, $7 to $8.50; canners bulls, $6.40 to $6.50; canners, cows, $5 to $5.25; Ontario lambs, $14.50 to $14.75; Quebec lambs, $13.50 to $14; sheep, $8 to $9.50; milk-fed calves, $10 to $14; selected hogs, $18.25 to $18.75.

GERMANS HAVE NEW TANK ARMED WITH 3-INCH CANNON.

A despatch from the French Front in France says: The Germans are experimenting with a tank armed with a three-inch cannon and machine guns. The forward end of the tank is fitted with a spur-like ram, while the upper part bears a superimposed cupola, and the armored plates descend sufficiently to protect the caterpillar wheels, which thus are almost invisible.

CANADIANS GAS ENEMY AT LENS

Airmen Attack Germans Loading Ammunition at Dump.

A despatch from Canadian Headquarters in France, says: Gas in considerable volume was again projected into Lens Thursday morning. The enemy retaliation took the form of trench mortar activity, but this was not long maintained. The artillery duel still continues and the Germans are making more use of their long-range, high velocity guns in the bombardment of the area behind the front.

Behind the German lines one of our aircraft took on a large party of the enemy engaged in loading ammunition at a dump. The airmen swooped down from a considerable height, firing as they came with both fore and aft guns. The enemy took cover, but not before some casualties had been inflicted.

Similar encounters between the airmen and the troops on the ground are more numerous than they formerly were.

704 AEROPLANES SHOT DOWN ON WEST FRONT LAST MONTH

A despatch from London says:—The Times says: "Seven hundred and four aeroplanes and seaplanes were brought or driven down on the western front in September. This is a higher total by nearly 300 than reached in preceding months, and compares with 467 in July, 713 in May and 747 in April. The allies, according to the claims of the German headquarters, lost 242 machines. The German aeroplanes and seaplanes which fell to British and French airmen and gunners numbered 462. The British report: Enemy machines brought down, 143; enemy machines driven down out of control, 142; British machines missing, 112. The French report: Enemy machines brought down and enemy machines driven down in their own lines, 79. German report: Allied machines shot down, 243; German loss of machines admitted, 8."

SOLDIERS ALL.

"Fisherman, mend your nets
For the day's trawling!
Cod and menhaden run
Thick for the hauling!"
"Yes, but beyond the mists
Bugles are calling."

"Writer, the world would count
You with its sages!
Far from the shock of war,
Toil for the ages!"
"No—I must write my life
On Freedom's pages!"

"Surgeon, you cannot go!
Hear the sick pleading!
'Tis not for such as you
Bullets are speeding!"
"Hush—for I see in France
Liberty bleeding!"

"Mother, keep back your lad,
Though his mates scorn him!
Better their jeers than that
Your heart should mourn him!"
"Cease—for his country's cause
My arms have borne him!"

"Pastor, now more and more
Men need your preaching!
How shall they find their souls
If you stop teaching?"
"Yet, on His battle line
God is beseeching!"

—D. M. Henderson.

BRITISH JOINED BY ARAB FORCES

A despatch from New York says:—Interesting military possibilities in Palestine are forecast in advices from Mecca, as reported in Arabic newspapers reaching New York, to the effect that the Arabs in Arabia, in revolt against the Turks, have effected a junction with the British army in Southern Pal stine.

U. S. TO REFUSE COAL TO NEUTRAL SHIPS

A despatch from Washington says: —A final move to prevent supplies from reaching Germany from the outside world was taken on Thursday by the American Government, in deciding to refuse coal to neutral ships carrying supplies from South America to the northern European neutral countries, unless their cargoes are inspected in American ports.

The Doings of the Duffs.