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BIG AUSTRIAN FORCE CUT OFF SOUTHWEST OF KOLOMEA

Russians May Capture 20,000 or 30,000 of Enemy Before They Can Escape Through Carpathians—Large Numbers of Austrians Cut Off Have Crossed Into Rumania And Are Being Interned.

(Special to the Whig.)

Petrograd, July 8.—An Austrian force, estimated at between 20,000 and 30,000, has been cut off by the Russians south-west of Kolomea. The Austrians were massed east of the railway leading southward through Jabloniza Pass.

To-day's reports to the War Office said that Russian troops were attempting to squeeze the Austrians in against the foothills of the Carpathians and effect their capture before they can escape through the mountain passes.

Russian aeroplane scouts report the withdrawal of enemy heavy artillery on the right wing of Gen. Von Bothmer's German army.

From the Volhynian battle ground northward the Germans continue most stubborn defence. Both on the Riga-Dvinsk front and in the fighting around Sokul, where the Russians have made further progress, the enemy is counter-attacking with great vigor.

Large numbers of Austrian troops, who were cut off by the Russian advance into Bukowina, have crossed into Rumania with arms and equipment, and are being interned at Dobrudja.

Capture Villages From Germans.

(Special to the Whig.)

Petrograd, July 8.—Russian troops have captured from the Germans the villages of Doljitia, Cruzialin, and Manevitsch in the region of Kolki, in hot bayonet fighting, the War Office announced to-day.

ALLIES EVERYWHERE ATTACK AND MAINTAIN THEIR GAINS

(Special to the Whig.)

London, July 8.—The super-offensive of the Allied armies entered its second week to-day with the Allies everywhere attacking and maintaining their early gains at practically every point, despite heavy enemy counter-attacks.

No official estimates of either German or British losses have been made by the War Office since the offensive began at 7.30 o'clock last Saturday morning, but the Germans are unofficially reported to have lost 35,000 killed and wounded, besides nearly 20,000 taken prisoners by the British and French.

Retirement Matter of Days.—London military critics are certain that the retirement of Gen. Bothmer's army under Russian pressure in Galicia is now but a matter of days.

London has hopes for the success of the new Silesian offensive near Riga, but does not entertain the belief that Gen. von Hindenburg's line can be smashed with the same ease as was Gen. Fianzer's in Bukowina.

CHEESE SELLS LOW AT NAPANEE FRIDAY.

The Highest Price On Board 14 5-8 Cents, On Curb 14 7-8 Cents.

(From Our Own Correspondent.) Napanee, July 8.—At the Japanese Cheese Board yesterday cheese prices were lower and only one factory, Enterprise, sold on the board for 14 1/2 c. The rest were sold later at 14 c. and 14 1/4 c.

Export Trade Increases.—London, July 8.—The Board of Trade figures for June show that imports increased 11,027,000 pounds and that exports increased 14,041,000 pounds.

The epidemic of infantile paralysis in Montreal on Friday five cases being reported in twenty-four hours.

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LLOYD GEORGE, THE NEW MINISTER OF WAR.

SLIGHT ADVANCES BY THE FRENCH

Against the German Lines Southwest of Peronne Friday Night

BRITISH HAVE IMPROVED THEIR POSITIONS NORTH OF THE SOMME.

Rain Has Interfered With Operations. General Haig Reports — The French Made a Bold Stroke Near Belle-en-Santerre.

(Special to the Whig.) Paris, July 8.—French troops broke the lull in the fighting south of the Somme last night with slight further advances against the German lines southwest of Peronne.

In the fighting near Belle-en-Santerre, the French captured 350 prisoners. In the course of a bold stroke made Friday evening, the War Office stated to-day.

East of the village of Estrees the French made progress with grenades in a German trench, capturing 50 prisoners.

Bad weather generally hindered operations on the Somme front throughout the night.

British Troops Improve Positions.—(Special to the Whig) London, July 8.—British troops, engaged in the great Allied offensive, spent the night improving their positions north of the Somme, rain having interfered with operations, Gen. Haig reported this afternoon.

Minor Engagements.—(Special to the Whig) London, July 8.—Gen. Haig's report this afternoon announced minor engagements on the British front extending northward from Ancre Brook. At Gommecourt, the scene of heavy fighting at the opening of the Allied drive, British field guns and trench mortars bombarded enemy trenches.

North-east of Hulluch, a British mine destroyed an enemy gallery. British aeroplanes gave valuable service yesterday, despite the unfavorable weather.

MAY TRAIN TWO DIVISION IN CANADA.

(Special to the Whig.) Ottawa, July 8.—The Minister of Militia may organize two infantry divisions and train them in Canada for direct transportation to Flanders.

In Behalf of Casement.—Washington, July 8.—Members of the Senate foreign relations agreed to take up next Wednesday Senator Martin's resolution requesting President Wilson to urge the British Government to grant a stay of execution of the death sentence against Sir Roger Casement until new facts can be presented.

Cobourg Doctor Moves.—Cobourg, July 8.—Dr. Kidd, medical superintendent of the Hospital for the Insane here, has been appointed assistant medical superintendent at Brockville, and will have charge, in all probability, of the new reception hospital for nervous diseases there.

Inception of the diplomatic conversations which, it is hoped, will result in a settlement of differences between the United States and the de facto government of Mexico await a suggestion from General Carranza as to how they should proceed.

John D. Rockefeller celebrated his 77th birthday Saturday by playing golf.

WAR BULLETINS.

The net result of Friday's drive by the British in Flanders was a gain of 2,500 yards. Part of it for a five-mile front.

The Prussian Guards were severely defeated by the British in the fighting near La Boisselle.

King George has sent a message praising his troops.

The Russians are continuing their drive on the eastern front.

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IT WILL BE ILLUMINATED.—Erects Huge Cross in Memory of Daughter Alexandria, Bay, N.Y., July 8.—Col. W. B. Hayden, New York and Columbus, O., whose summer home is at Fairlyland, Alexandria Bay, is having an electrical cross designed as a memorial to his daughter, the late Miss Jane Hayden. The cross will be erected at Col. Hayden's summer home, at Fairlyland, near here. When erected on the tower, between the two homes of Col. W. B. Hayden and his brother C. H. Hayden, it will be 200 feet above the water.

The working of the cross is now being tried out in the Catskill mountains. There are twenty-five lights on the cross which measures eighteen by ten feet. The lights will be lighted from a storage battery which can easily be charged from a small generator made for the purpose. The cross will arrive at Alexandria Bay within a fortnight.

BREWERS ON THE BORDER.—Ontario Firms Locate in Hull to Supply Ottawa.

Ottawa, July 8.—Quebec towns near the Ontario boundary are now the Mecca of Ontario brewers, who plan to keep part of their Ontario trade even after prohibition comes into effect on September 16th. Agents of Western Ontario brewery firms are in the city looking over sites in Hull by which they will provide Ottawa with cooling beverages, after the edict of the Ontario Government goes into effect. Nearly every Western Ontario brewery has secured a location for a warehouse in Hull.

NO INFANTRY ACTIONS.—Occurred on the Verdun Front on Friday Night.—(Special to the Whig.) Paris, July 8.—On the Verdun front last night a violent artillery struggle waged. There were no infantry actions.

In the Lorraine a French grenade attack cleaned up a German post near Bezanges.

235th SHH Making Record.—Cobourg, July 8.—An enthusiastic recruiting meeting held here under the auspices of the 235th (Northumberland and Durham) Battalion was addressed by Lieut.-Col. Scobell, O.C.; Sergt. Durant, a Highlander, who was with the 15th Battalion at the front, and Capt. Even McLean, paymaster of the battalion and a barrister of Bowmanville. It was stated that four ministers, five university men, three lawyers and a Salvation Army officer had been taken on the strength of the 235th, which is still making a record for recruiting in the district.

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THE LATEST NEWS BRIEFLY GIVEN

Despatches That Come From Near And Distant Places.

TIDINGS FOR OUR READERS

PRESENTED IN THE BRIEFEST POSSIBLE FORM.

The Whig's Daily Condensation of the News of the World From Telegraph Service and Newspaper Exchange.

Food riots have broken out in Liege, and many persons have been hurt.

Cheese sales: Brockville, 2,467 at 15 1/2-50 to 15 1/2 c; Cornwall, 2,638 at 15 1/2 c.

C. Leslie Wilson has retired from the position of General Manager of the Toronto News.

The Krupp has acquired what are described as the richest manganese ore fields in Germany.

At Atlantic City, N.J., the police orders are to see that all noisy amusements are closed on Sunday.

W. Stephens, Niagara Falls, Ont., fined \$25 for having military stores. He said soldiers gave them to him.

Russian troops have occupied Gradie and Komarovo, it was announced officially to-day, as well as other Austrian positions.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier plans to address a number of patriotic meetings in Ontario in August, and in Quebec in September.

The Dominion Railway Commission has agreed to an increase in freight rates, according to specific commodities affected.

A western grain commissioner says Alberta will have as good a crop as last year. The Dominion will have a billion dollar crop.

A battalion of full-blooded Canadian negroes for overseas service was

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In Firing Upon the Late Gunner Russell Elliott.

"I Russell Elliott, certify that the following is a true statement of the shooting accident: "The guard was up to the end of the line, about twenty-five or thirty feet away. I was opposite the gun when challenged. I showed him my pass. He told me to come up where he was. I told him to come where I was. I would not go, and he shot at me. Guard was not pacing his beat, but was standing at the far end when he challenged me. The end when he challenged me, I held out a pass and told him to come and get it."

"I make this statement conscientiously, believing the same to be true and knowing that I am about to die, so help me God."—Dying declaration of Gunner Russell Elliott.

The jury placed no blame whatever on Gunner Joseph West, holding that he had been carrying out his duty, West, who is but nineteen years old, comes from Toronto, where his mother resides, and joined the 73rd Battery three weeks ago. He was present at the inquest, under military escort, but was not called to give his story of the shooting. T. J. Rigney appeared on his behalf. During the taking of the evidence he bore up well, but almost fainted away when the Coroner asked the jury-men if they had agreed upon a verdict. The "boy soldier," for that is how he can be best described, feels his position keenly. Officers stated that during the short time he has been in khaki he has proved himself a fine soldier.

Two Gunners Testify.—The inquest was held in the Police Court room, commencing at 7.30 o'clock, and the room was filled to overflowing with interested spectators. The evidence was concluded by 10 o'clock, and half an hour later the jury, of which R. J. Rodger was foreman, returned its verdict. Gunner Garnet Powell, 74th Battalion, (Continued on Page 9.)

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