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THE BRITISH RESUME THEIR BIG DRIVE

Beyond Langemarck And Freyenburg--The Canadians Repulse Violent Attacks by Bavarians and Prussians Around Lens--Fighting is Bitter.

(Special to the Whig.)

With the British Armies in the Field, Aug. 22.--The British troops at 4:45 o'clock this morning resumed their drive between Langemarck and Freyenburg. Violent fighting is still in progress.

At the time of cabling no details yet have been received at headquarters.

Canadians Hold Positions Around Lens.

(By United Press.)

With the British Army in Flanders, Aug. 22.--Around Lens the Bavarians and Prussians fought the Canadians desperately all night and were still violently at it today. The Canadians held tenaciously to the edge of the anthracite metropolis between this city and Theodore. There two violent counter-attacks were flung against the Maple Leafers in rapid succession. They were repulsed. Then the fighting swung backward again and the Canadians succeeded in establishing advanced posts well ahead. At one time during the night of fighting the Maple Leaf men were fighting in the city of Lens proper. They penetrated to a lonesome house. There a big detachment of Germans suddenly poured up from a concrete cellar transformed into a bomb proof. More came up like ants from near by mine shafts, scurrying exactly like those insects do when their ant hills are shaken.

In one dugout nearby the Canadians found one German officer and one private soldier who had been held prisoners there for several days. Neither man had been able to leave through the torrid barrage-like fire which the British guns poured round about.

Canadians Fought Against Odds.

At times during the fighting the Germans had portions of six different divisions fighting the Canadian advance simultaneously. Such a concentration of troops shows clearly the importance which the German high command attaches to Lens.

After one counter-attack southwest of the city, a hundred German corpses were counted on one tiny patch of ground. The enemy's casualties have been very heavy.

French Advance Near Verdun.

(Special to the Whig.)

Berlin, Aug. 22.--The war office statement says: French troops gained a footing on the south-eastern portion of Avocourt Wood, on the east bank of the Meuse near Verdun, today's official report asserted. Around Samogneux, in the same sector, they forced themselves into the southern part of the city.

A TERRIBLE TOLL.

Austria's Casualties Now Run up to 35,000.

AEROPLANE RAID.

Dropping Bombs Over Dover and Margate, England.

London, Aug. 22.--Ten enemy aeroplanes raided England to-day, dropping bombs over Dover and Margate. Lord French, commander-in-chief of home defence forces, announced that two of the German flyers had been brought down. The raid occurred at 10.15 o'clock this morning.

Sweep Enemy Away.

Rome, Aug. 22.--Italian troops have swept the enemy from the villages of Beccia, Britof, Ganale, Bonnes and Rogau. All were found smoking heaps of ruins, burned by the Austrians and shattered by artillery fire.

The opinion prevails that Hon. Robert Rogers will be a candidate in one of the Winnipeg ridings. Capt. W. A. Bishop, V.C., the famous Canadian airman, is in England on leave.

OFFICIAL WAR STATEMENTS

Russian.

Petrograd, Aug. 21.--Monday's report said: "Caucasian front: In the direction of Kharpuz, the Turks on Saturday undertook an offensive against Mount Merdaundag. Towards evening after stubborn attacks they succeeded in occupying a portion of our trenches. At dawn the following day a counter-attack drove them out, and the position was restored. In the region south of Petmir Badamer our troops advanced and occupied a series of villages on the Agred-Mount Ilmos-villages. The Russian front: In the direction of Poudjoun our scouts, advancing toward Lake Koribar, captured prisoners and arms. "Russo-Gelician front: In the direction of Riga, the enemy trained his artillery fire against our trenches west of the Riga-Milau road. "Rumanian front: The enemy yesterday made persistent attacks in the direction of Ocna and Onsecul. In the morning the enemy has attacked the Rumanians in the region of the River Slanic. Towards evening, the enemy after a stubborn and uninterrupted battle, succeeded in occupying a portion of the Rumanian trenches, pushing back the Rumanian troops to the south-western outskirts of Ocna. In the morning the enemy also made a stubborn attack in the region of Grazesht and the factory at Stakerore. In the course of the day he forced his way into the factory. An engagement is in progress.

Belgian.

Paris, Aug. 21.--The Belgian War Office report said: "The activity of both aeroplanes somewhat decreased. Our aviators carried out numerous flights. It is confirmed that two enemy aeroplanes were brought down within their own lines, one on Aug. 16th, at Gheruvelt, the other on the 18th, near Pervyse. Yesterday and to-day German aviators were very active. They make about two hundred flights daily."

ADVANCING A BRITISH HOWITZER INTO POSITION



The picture shows a company of "Tommys" placing a howitzer in position which later took part in the bombardment against the Germans on the Belgian coast, after which General Haig made his now famous advance. The gunners handling these monstrous engines of destruction are marksmen of singular ability, and to their accuracy is due the fearful havoc wrought on the German position.

WORLD FACES MEAT FAMINE

U. S. Food Administrator Gives a Warning to the People.

CATTLE SUPPLY DWINDLING

AND STILL HIGHER PRICES ARE BOUND TO COME.

Washington, Aug. 22.--Herbert Hoover warns America that the world faces a meat famine. And a high range of prices for meat and animal products for many years to come, confronts this country, he said. He added figures that cattle, sheep and hogs are dwindling rapidly under the demands of war and in Allied Europe threaten to be wiped out entirely. Fabulously high prices in Europe and America will extend to lard, butter, cheese, leather, fats, oil and wool. He advocated Government control of this country's meat exports. He called upon America's live stock breeders to at once lay plans for enormously increased herds and flocks. He pleaded that all rich, well-to-do, middle class and other classes of manual laborers in the country, greatly reduce their meat and leave more for the fighting men and their families and female war workers of Allied lands. He cautioned the Allies that large amounts of "meats" from neutrals are being diverted to Germany, and offered this as an added reason for regulation of American exports. As a meat conservation measure for America, this crisis suggested that our comparatively little utilized fish supply be thoroughly harvested.

DO NOT FAVOR BECK

As leader of a National Cabinet at Ottawa, (Special to the Whig) Ottawa, Aug. 22.--The suggestion of Premier Norris of Winnipeg last night that Sir Adam Beck should lead a National Cabinet is not received with any degree of favor among Liberals here. Every body appreciates the striking qualities of Sir Adam but he is not temperamentally fitted for the leadership of a Cabinet in which both parties are merged, a leadership which requires tact and diplomacy of the first water.

THERE IS DISAPPOINTMENT

At Senate Action Regarding Liquor Advertising. (Special to the Whig) Toronto, Aug. 22.--Hon. W. D. McPherson, Provincial Secretary, and members of the Ontario License Board are deeply disappointed at the action of the Dominion Senate in eliminating the provision to make liquor advertising in prohibition provinces against the law. Provincial Secretary McPherson said there would probably be action taken by the prohibition provinces to get the Senate to rescind yesterday's action. The great Liberal meeting at Winipeg repudiated Laurier and declared for a coalition Government.

THE BEST EQUIPPED ARMY IN EUROPE

Col. Winston Churchill Tells of Work Done for British Troops.

London, Aug. 22.--Col. Winston Churchill, Minister of Munitions, has begun the reorganization of the British Munitions Department. In a statement he says the department is now employing 2,000,000 persons, and the headquarters staff 13,500, and that it is controlling an expenditure of between £600,000,000 and £700,000,000 a year. Col. Churchill says the work the department has done has made the British armies "the best equipped and most formidable armed in Europe." "But," the minister adds, "after these great efforts, and in the fourth year of the war, we no longer are tapping stored-up resources of the national energy or mobilizing. We are applying them for the first time to the war. The magnitude of the effort and achievement approximate continually the limits of possibility. Already in many directions the frontiers are in sight, and it is necessary therefore not simply to expand, but to go back over the ground already covered and by thrifty and harmonious methods glean a further reinforcement of war power." For this purpose Col. Churchill says it has been decided to form the 50 departments of the ministry into 10 groups, each to be presided over by an experienced officer of the ministry, who will constitute a council, the functions of which will be similar to those of the Army Council.

WEDS IN ADIRONDACKS

Morrisburg, Ont., Lady Marries New York Man. New York, Aug. 22.--Mrs. Edward Ault, Morrisburg, Ont. announces the marriage of her daughter, Miss Ella Margaretta Beatrice Ault, to Morgan Bruce Clark, of New York, at Camp Sans Souci, Seventh Lake, the Adirondacks, on last Saturday afternoon. The father of the bridegroom, the Rev. Robert Bruce Clark, pastor of the Church of the Puritans, New York City, officiated.

ALLIES CONTROL FLANDERS PLAIN

The Prussian Lines in Belgium Can be Broken Through.

COUNTRY IS ALMOST FLAT

A GOOD ATHLETE COULD JUMP ACROSS STREAMS

Progress Becomes Easier--A Drive of Ten Miles Would Bring Disaster to the Kaiser's Forces.

London, Aug. 22.--With the battle of Langemarck control of the plains of Flanders definitely passed into the hands of the Allies. From the flooded area between Dixmude and Mercken to the River Lys all the positions gained have been consolidated and artillery is being rapidly moved up to harass the Prussians. From Wytschaete Ridge, 260 feet high, and Westhoek Ridge, 200 feet, one can look over the lesser heights of Zonnebeke and Becoeders toward the green flat plain of Roulers still uncut by trenches, while the darker tint of Houthulst Forest stands out sharply against the landscape northeast of Langemarck. The gain on this front of about nine miles in the first half of August has been about two miles in depth, and with every step of the way progress has been easier. Possibilities of the Advance. The ease and precision with which the advance in Flanders has been made and the light casualties compared with the advantages gained bring up the question whether the Prussian lines in Belgium cannot be broken through or at least turned by a drive between the French frontier and the coast. Both the configuration of the ground and the position of the enemy would seem to favor such an attempt. The Prussian lines in France, all the way from the Vosges to the Belgian border, have been strongly fortified and the defences have been constantly added to and improved for the last two years. On the other hand, the Belgian front has been comparatively neglected ever since the opposing armies settled down into their trenches between the Lys and the sea in Autumn of 1914. While France abounds in natural defences, mountains, hills and wide rivers, Belgium is almost flat and a good athlete could easily jump across most of the little creeks that are dignified by the name of river in the reports.

Rush of Ten Miles.

Now, with complete superiority on the western front, in the air and on land in men, munitions and position, the question of a drive through Flanders is again mooted in military circles. It is argued that a victorious push forward of ten miles would either break through the Prussian lines, with disaster to the Kaiser's forces in the north or bend them back so as to compel a general retreat both in Belgium and France, which would liberate the former country as far as Ghent and automatically force the evacuation of Lille and the rich industrial district just south of the border. Another reason given for beginning a drive through Belgium instead of making a direct advance on Lille or Douai is the desire to spare those cities from destruction by the necessary preliminary bombardment. If such be the motive it does credit to

Germany Has No Present Hope For An Enduring Peace

(Special to the Whig.)

Amsterdam, Aug. 22.--Berlin has no present hope of peace, despite Pope Benedict's pleas. Despatches from Berlin today indicated this pessimistic view by the public, following Chancellor Michaelis' speech to the main committee of the Reichstag. "The enemy's war aims prove their desire to annihilate Germany," Michaelis was quoted as declaring, "therefore no present hope for peace exists." Michaelis denied that the Pope's note had been inspired by the Central Powers. In conclusion the Chancellor declared that Germany's alliance with Austro-Hungary was now stronger than ever.

the humanitarian principles of the high command, but does not take into consideration the depth of the barbarity to which the modern Hunns have resorted. They are likely to burn the cities anyway, after having stolen everything of value.

TREAT ALL NEUTRAL SHIPS AS FOES.

London, Aug. 22.--In principle the British Government is of the opinion, Lord Robert Cecil, Minister of Blockade, told the House of Commons, that neutral shipping which has been persistently and continuously assisting Great Britain's enemies should be treated after the war on the same footing as enemy shipping. Vessels that lie in port in consequence of the German Government's threats, the Minister added, would certainly be considered as assisting the belligerent objects of the enemy.

ZEPPELINS IN RAID OFF YORKSHIRE COAST

Little Damage Was Done--Craft Made Off Towards Sea.

London, Aug. 22.--For the first time in months Germany used Zeppelins in an attempted air raid last night off the Yorkshire coast of England. A statement to-day, issued by Lord French, commander of the home defence forces, said the dirigibles had been sighted off the Yorkshire coast and one had attacked points around the mouth of the River Humber, dropping bombs, then making off toward the sea. "The damage done was slight," the statement said. "One man was injured." Late this afternoon Lord French summarizes the casualties from the aeroplane raid as follows: "Margate--None killed or injured. Dover--11 killed, 13 injured. Ramsgate--None killed or injured; the hospital and a number of houses damaged. Possibly the attackers were not Zeppelins. They were most likely observation dirigibles like the British "Climps". Germany has not attempted a Zeppelin raid over England for months, owing to the disastrous failure of her last efforts with these aerial aeroplanes in surviving the British aeroplane patrol. She used great fleets of aeroplanes in her most damaging raids of late.

War Tidings.

Dr. Alexander Wekerle has been appointed Premier of Hungary in succession to Count Moritz Esterhazy. The Canadians are still in a terrific fight for possession of Lens. The British Naval Forces destroyed a German Zeppelin off Jutland on Tuesday. The Italian advance continues. Strong German defences near Cortie Celio were taken on Tuesday by Cadorna's troops. Forty large guns and many machine guns were captured from the Austrians. The Canadians have reached the heart of Lens town, and the Germans are still retiring. French, fighting at Verdun, have now pierced the German lines for four miles on a six mile front.

UNREASONABLE TALK

Archbishop Brunehod so Styles La Croix Separation Agitation. Montreal, Aug. 22.--In an interview Archbishop Brunehod styled the talk in La Croix about separation of Quebec from the remainder of the Dominion as "thoughtless and unreasonable." His Grace says La Croix does not represent the Roman Catholic hierarchy in Quebec. By a vote of 48 to 42 the Government sustained the voting in the military voters' bill. In Ottawa it is believed a Union Government is now in sight.

German Attacks of Much Violence Have Failed

(Special to the Whig.)

London, Aug. 22.--Violent German attacks failed to dent the new advance of the British lines around Lens, last night, nor did the bitter enemy resistance stop a continued advance north of that French city, Field Marshal Haig reported today. "South and west of Lens our positions are maintained," Haig declared. "Northwest and north of Lens additional ground was gained. In the same section a strong German counter-attack was repulsed. "East and north-east of Ypres there was a great mutual artillery activity at night."

KILLING OF BOY WAS ACCIDENTAL

Inquest on Case of 'Freddy' Belwa, Struck by an Automobile.

DRIVER RUNNING SLOWLY

WHEN THE UNFORTUNATE ACCIDENT OCCURRED.

Coroner Mundell Scored the Reckless Auto Drivers and Gave Warning as to What Would Happen Them. "We find that Frederick Douglas Belwa came to his death by being struck by an automobile on Montreal street on August 21st, 1917, and that the death was accidental." The above was the verdict rendered by a jury sitting under Coroner Dr. D. E. Mundell at the police station on Monday night in the case of the three-year-old son of Frederick Belwa, Montreal street, who died from injuries received about noon on Monday, when he was hit by an automobile driven by James Summerville, of Morton, Ont. James R. Henderson was foreman of the jury. A half dozen witnesses were called, and the evidence established the fact that Summerville was travelling at the rate of about eight or ten miles an hour, and that there had been no reckless driving on his part. Summerville was called as a witness, and told the story of the accident in a straightforward manner, and his evidence and that of other witnesses showed that he had been taking all the necessary precautions to avoid an accident. Police Constable John Naylor summoned the members of the jury and witnesses. The remains of the little boy, who met such an untimely death, were conveyed to the police station and viewed by the members of the jury in a little white casket, and there was a most sympathetic touch to the proceedings. The medical evidence showed that deceased came to his death as a result of a fracture at the base of the skull.

A feature of the inquest was the pointed remarks of Coroner Mundell regarding the reckless driving of autos in Kingston.

"In this particular case it had been clearly shown that it was accidental, but pointed out that there was a great deal of careless driving, and that accidents were bound to follow if care was not taken by the drivers. At the same time he made a strong appeal for parents to keep their children off the streets. He said that it was only through proper care on the part of both drivers and parents that serious accidents could be avoided."

Care Must be Taken.

"You can expect more auto accidents," remarked the coroner, "for (Continued on Page 5.)"

Information from Washington states that Madison Barracks, Sackett Harbor, N.Y., used for the officers' reserve camp will be utilized this winter as a post for a regiment of regular army troops. Next summer a base hospital will be established there.

DAILY MEMORANDUM

Cheese Board, 1:30 p.m., Thursday. See top of page 2, right hand corner, for probabilities. The sun rises Thursday at 5:12 a.m. and sets at 5:51 p.m.

MARRIED

HANSON-CARRUTHERS--On 22nd inst. at Chalmers Church, by the Rev. M. A. MacCallum, D.D., Dorothy, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Carruthers, and granddaughter of the late John Carruthers, to Mr. Charles A. Hanson, O.P.A., second son of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Hanson, Montreal.

DIED

BELWA--Entered into rest in Kingston, on August 21st, 1917. Frederick Douglas Belwa, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Belwa, aged three years and seven months. Funeral from the residence of his father, 142 Montreal street, on Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock, to Chalmers cemetery. Friends and acquaintances are kindly invited to attend.

KELLEY--In Kingston, August 21st, 1917. Emma Josephine Kelley, beloved wife of John Kelley, aged forty-one years. Funeral from late residence, 37 Colborne street, Thursday afternoon, at 2:30 o'clock, to Chalmers cemetery. Funeral private. Please omit flowers.

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Familiar Quotations

A commonplace life, we say and we sigh, But why should we sigh as we say: The commonplace man in the commonplace sky. Makes up the commonplace day. And God who studies each separate soul, Out of commonplace lives makes His beautiful whole. --HELEN DEXTER.

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