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FIERCEST BATTLE OF WAR IN PROGRESS

SOME PRISONERS FALL INTO THE HANDS OF THE ALLIES—FEARFUL TOLL OF LIFE

TREMENDOUS BATTLE IN PROGRESS NEAR NOYON

ONE OF THE FIERCEST BATTLES YET WAGED IS NOW IN PROGRESS—GERMANS TO MAKE ANY SACRIFICE TO WIN—EXPECTED SOON TO EQUAL THEM IN NUMBERS IF SLAUGHTER IS MAINTAINED

(Special to The Daily News)

With the British Armies in the Field, June 12.—The new German drive between Mont Didier and Noyon is rapidly becoming the fiercest battle of the war. The Germans, evidently determined to make a supreme effort to gain their objective, engaged approximately twenty to thirty divisions. The heroic French resistance changed the German tactics from those which largely insured success in former drives. Prisoners taken by the French in their counter attacks unanimously declare the German losses to be frightful. French troops in counter attacks also find heaps of dead Boches. In spite of the enormous masses of German reserves they have only gained about three miles. French airmen are constantly harassing the German gun positions. Following the raid the railway station of Roye was perceived to be in flames.

War critics think that if the British and French can hold out for two months longer the present rate of advance of the American troops and Italians will give them equal numbers to carry on with.

Big Struggle in Metz Valley.

Paris, June 12.—The Germans are still making the greatest assault in the Metz valley for the purpose of reaching the Oise river above Compeigne, thus forcing the evacuation of the entire Noyon salient.

Prisoners captured say that the Germans are suffering a severe crisis in effectiveness. Many companies go into action with only eighty to a hundred men. The wounded are forced to go back to the front as soon as cured.

South of Faverolles after bombardment by the French, 670 unburied dead were counted lying in four or five successive rows.

GOVERNOR-GENERAL REVIEWS U. S. TROOPS AT WINDSOR, ONTARIO

Windsor, June 11.—Seven hundred sturdy sons of Uncle Sam were reviewed by the Governor-General here yesterday afternoon. Following the inspection the Duke complimented the commander in a few words, wishing him the best of luck and praising the physique of the men, many of whom stood well over six feet.

Special arrangements were made with the United States Government to have them detain here.

Ted Rorvik returned from the south this morning. Ted has been ill in Seattle with pneumonia and is not in the best of shape yet although much improved.

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HOW HOSPITALS HAVE SUFFERED IN RAIDS

London, June 11.—Nine hundred and forty-one casualties have been inflicted by German air raids on Allied hospitals in the past three weeks, J. I. MacPherson, undersecretary of the admiralty announced in the House of Commons this afternoon.

RED CROSS NOTES

The Society hopes there will be a good response this week to the appeal for members, either by renewing the membership for the year or by now joining the Red Cross. "The Hut" on Third Ave. is open every afternoon this week from 2 till 6. The following ladies are in charge each day:—Mesdames Dawson, Woodland, Kergin, Peters, Phil McDonald, and R. L. Mcintosh.

Mrs. Phil McDonald and Mrs. J. S. Carmichael will have charge of the sale on Friday of this week in the hut on Third Avenue.

Through the kind interest of Messrs. Stewart & Mobley the Society has received four boxes of cigars from L. O. Groths Co., Montreal, for which they extend their grateful thanks.

Mrs. Williscroft of Georgetown has sent in \$4 from raffle of a pair of socks, and Mrs. McMaster's class, division 6, \$2.10 for the month of May, both of which are acknowledged with thanks.

The men of the fishing steamer Alliance No. 1 are thanked for their donation of \$6. Included in the sale of Friday, May 31, was a donation from the Tennis Club, through Mrs. Patmore of \$2 for ice cream sold also \$5 from the Westholme Co. and a monthly donation of \$2.00 from J. Petrie.

A donation of \$25 has been received from the Hon. T. D. Pattullo, Victoria, which is acknowledged with thanks.

An urgent appeal is made for more knitters. A large supply of wool is on hand which may be obtained from Mrs. Clancy or Mrs. Dawson any Thursday morning at Dr. Kergin's office on Third Ave. or by telephoning. The ladies in charge of the knitting machines will be away for a few months and others are asked to take their places.

The society lost two valuable members from its executive last week. Mrs. G. W. Morrow and Mrs. Hal Peck, both having gone south to live, and where they will have the best wishes of the Society.

The sale on last Friday realized \$89.15. The donors and winners are as follows:—A. T. Broderick \$5 gold piece, won by Mrs. Sanderson; Mrs. Backus, camisole, won by Mrs. Barsalau; F. Stork, cake mixer, won by D. McNeil; Mrs. H. McCall, hand-knit coat, won by Mrs. G. W. Johnston; L. O. Grothe Co., Montreal, cigars, won by Mrs. La Fortune; Table Supply, box of fruit, won by T. H. Mortimer; Mrs. Bulger, picture, won by Mrs. McNicholl; Eleanor Peck, nightgown won by J. B. Roerig.

The branch of the city at Seal Cove is also making a special drive for members this week and it is felt that end of the town will make a generous response.

GERMAN PEOPLE MUST LEARN OF THIS SACRIFICE

Terrible Carnage is the Price Paid for Any Advance by the Enemy.

(Special to The Daily News)

Paris, June 12.—In a summary made by the newspapers they refer to the small gains made by the Germans at tremendous cost in men. They also add that such slaughter of men cannot last long and that the Germans would be fools to keep it up.

The German forces last night penetrated to within one mile of the Oise river at Ribecourt. The enemy also reached the Aronde river, within four miles of Compeigne, representing the maximum of more than seven miles at this point, but were hurled back with heavy losses.

With the French Armies in the Field, June 12.—Undiminished severity marks the fighting around Noyon. The situation is satisfactory to the Allies.

The resistance offered by the Allies caused great consternation in the German lines. Every time the French countered they found the ground covered with heaps of German dead.

Several small villages held by the British have changed hands a number of times during the last few days and are now in the hands of the Allies.

STEFANSSON TO REACH VICTORIA THIS MONTH

Ottawa, June 10.—Word has been received by the Naval Department from Vilhjalmir Stefansson, the Arctic explorer, to the effect that he expects to reach Victoria early this month. Stefansson reported from Fort Yukon where he had gone from Herschel Island, on recovering from an attack of typhoid. He and his party were ordered to return to civilization with their scientific collections, and detailed reports of new discoveries made during their four years in the Arctic. Stefansson intimates that he will probably give a short lecture tour on his return.

BRITAIN PROTESTS TO POPE

London, June 8.—The British Government has called the attention of the Vatican, Chancellor Bonar Law told the House of Commons today, to the fact that although France and Great Britain agreed, at the request made by Germany through the Vatican, not to bombard Cologne on Corpus Christi Day, the Germans shelled Paris on that day.

"The action of the Germans," the Chancellor added, "will not be forgotten in the event that any similar appeal is made in the future."

Mrs. Capt. Hill and daughter arrived back in town today.

The boat from the south did not arrive until after one today, the train was held for the passengers for the east.

Mr. G. A. McNicholl arrived from the south this morning where he was in attendance at the sittings of the Railway Commission.

BIG PROGRAMME IS PLANNED FOR JULY 1ST

A very large and representative gathering was held last evening in the Sons of Canada rooms to discuss plans in connection with a fitting celebration of the first of July. Various organizations were represented and judging from the enthusiasm and the interest there will be an appropriate celebration for Canada's birthday.

Definite announcement as to the coming of a baseball team from New Metlakatla cannot be made at the present time, but it is planned to have at least one band for the day and there will be no need that any should depart from the city to thoroughly enjoy the holiday.

The following committees were nominated and speaks for the widespread interest manifested: General Committee: W. D. Vance, chairman; J. V. Macdonald, secretary; S. D. Macdonald, John Dybhavn, D. C. McRae, Joe Hutchinson, George Abbott, and all members of other committees.

Decorations:—W. G. Barrie (chairman), W. D. Vance, G. W. Johnston and John Dybhavn.

Parade:—S. E. Parker (chairman), Geo. Frizzell, J. V. Macdonald, J. A. Lindsay.

Grounds:—W. E. Thompson, (chairman), S. V. Cox, R. E. Walker and H. Steen.

Sports:—B. Self (chairman), W. D. Vance, J. Hutchinson, S. D. Macdonald, and Chief Vickers.

Finance:—B. Self (chairman), Chief Vickers, and R. S. Wright. Publicity:—S. J. Winsby (chairman), W. D. Vance, W. J. Raymond and Rev. W. W. Wright.

LAVERGNE FIGHTING ORDER ANNULLING ARMY EXEMPTIONS

Quebec, June 11.—Armand Lavergne took a writ of habeas corpus today on behalf of Antoine Bacon, and he stated he would fight in court the validity of the order-in-council which annulled all exemptions under the Military Service Act.

He claims an order-in-council cannot break and annul laws enacted by Parliament.

SOLDIERS HUNGRY FOR NEWS

Washington, June 10.—The American soldier in France has a voracious appetite for news from home, declares Eliot Wadsworth of the Red Cross War Council, who has returned to the capital after three months abroad.

"How did Mayor Thompson make out in Chicago?" and "Who's Police Commissioner of New York?" are questions which Mr. Wadsworth says occasionally supplemented the constant queries about baseball.

"So long as you've come from America within a month, you're a welcome object for attack by any member of Pershing's forces," says Mr. Wadsworth. "A crowd of news-hungry boys will light on you and compel you to ransack your mind for news items concerning every part of the country."

"And, if it happens that a doughboy from Terre Haute or Kankakee discovers in the course of the conversation that you know some one from those towns—well, his joy simply can't be described."

The Sons of Canada will hold a box social and informal dance in St. Andrew's Hall on Friday, June 14. This notice applies to members only.

AUSTRALIANS, CANADIANS, FRENCH AND AMERICANS GATHER IN PRISONERS

(Special to The Daily News)

London, June 12.—The Australian troops in the Amiens sector have struck the Germans a nasty blow. They succeeded in advancing half a mile over a mile and a half front and took nearly two thousand prisoners and 21 machine guns.

Paris, June 12.—The French in an advance on a seven mile front took over one thousand prisoners and some quantity of

war material and a few guns.

The Americans have made a small advance and captured three hundred prisoners. They entered a small wood and took possession of the same, which they held against all counter attacks.

The Canadians are again in action in the principal theatre of the war and have made a slight advance. They brilliantly carried the wood of Belleau and gathered in over three hundred prisoners for their trouble.

20,000 MORE CASES TO CENTRAL JUDGE FROM THE QUEBEC DISTRICT

Ottawa, June 11.—Within the last ten days approximately 20,000 further cases in which exemption was granted by local tribunals have been transferred from the Quebec Military District alone to the Central Appeal Judge for review.

U. S. LABOR SOLIDLY AGAINST AUTOCRACY

St. Paul, Minn., June 11.—The war must go on until Kaiserism is crushed, President Samuel Gompers declared today, addressing the annual convention of the American Federation of Labor. "Otherwise," said Gompers, "the light of civilization will go out forever." The declaration was received with cheers by the delegates.

"Kaiserism and the influence it represents," Gompers continued, "have managed to divide union labor in every country in the world except the United States. But labor in America is organized to fight German autocracy. We will win this war, no matter how long the contest may last, but God grant that the end will come quickly. We will give everything we have to the cause of freedom of the world, but we will not give one cent for private profit out of the war."

WESTHOLME THEATRE

A striking feature of the Goldwyn production of "Fighting Odds," which is presented at the Westholme Theatre tonight, is the number of wonderful gowns worn by Maxine Elliott, the noted beauty and star, who is making her first appearance on the screen.

The fitting, the time and the patience required in getting these gowns was an ordeal Miss Elliott encountered at the very outset of her motion picture career. On her first visit to the Goldwyn studios she was informed by Allan Dwan, director of the production, that she would have to have thirty-one gowns and that she had just twenty-seven days in which to get them.

Accordingly Miss Elliott took an apartment in a downtown hotel to be near her costumers, and for days and sometimes nights she was kept busy fitting gowns. During this period she was also making visits to the studio, so that by the time she had fitted and seen completed the last of the gowns she was tired out.

Some of the most beautiful creations of the modiste's art are seen in the many changes required by her role as the wife of a millionaire manufacturer.

In addition to the splendid feature, there is also shown a very comprehensive gazette.

SEVERE PENALTY FOR OFFENDERS

Mr. R. S. Lennie, registrar for British Columbia, under the Military Service Act, announced this week that stern penalties would be exacted of men who furnished false certificates regarding their age. Several cases had come to notice where evaders had taken this means of getting away from service. Any misleading information on the part of the registrant in the matter of his age is punishable by a fine of \$500, it is stated.

The latest figures show that up to date 1,505 boys of the age of 19 have registered. Registration letters are coming in at the rate of nearly 200 a day. A great many boys of 16, 17 and 18 are registering, and the Registrar has pointed out that this is causing a great deal of extra and unnecessary work, as the names of these youths are not required at the present time. In due course these boys keen to get into khaki will have their opportunity.

TEAMS ARE READY TO GATHER MOSS

A meeting of the moss committee, presided over by Judge Young, was held in the court house last evening, when the appointment of captains was made.

The following have volunteered to raise teams:—Mayor McClymont, John Dybhavn, J. G. Steen, J. M. Clancy, D. G. Stewart, H. S. Wallace, E. C. Gibbons, J. D. McAuley, E. H. Mortimer, G. J. Frizzell, Jarvis McLeod, H. A. Atkins, F. W. Doherty, F. W. Dowling, T. McMeekin, Ben Self, Miss Curtin, Mr. Brady, in charge of Boy Scouts; Miss Du Vernet, representing St. Andrew's Church; Mrs. Riley, representing the I. O. D. E.; J. Frost, representing the returned soldiers, and Lem Gong, Chinese team.

Wednesday afternoon, June 19, has been set aside for this work and every person capable of assisting in this needful work is requested to enlist with any of the captains above mentioned. Information concerning this work or the placing of workers can be secured from J. D. McAuley, publicity manager.

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