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## BRILLIANT COUNTER ATTACK BY FRENCH

### HUNS STARVING, AND CHILDREN DESTITUTE; GRIM TRAGEDY BEHIND THE LINES

#### THE GERMANS HAVE FAILED TO REACH THEIR OBJECTIVE IN THE PRESENT ATTACK

COMPEIGNE IS STILL EIGHTEEN MILES DISTANT AND WOODS INTERVENING—ADVANCES IN CERTAIN POINTS, BUT NOT IMPORTANT—NOTE OF OPTIMISM IN THE LONDON PAPERS

(Special to The Daily News)

London, June 14.—There is a growing tone of optimism as it becomes clearer that the Germans have been checked. They certainly caused the French to withdraw at certain points to the northern end of the salient on the left bank of the Oise, including Carlepoint wood and plateau, but the French retained a long belt of territory to the north of the Aisne. It is to threaten this that the Germans have launched a new attack to the south of the river Aisne on a very wide front. At the same time the Germans were balked in their efforts to reach Compeigne frontally. They hope to reach their objective by this outflanking attack. Compeigne is still eighteen miles west of the new operations, with the forest of Compeigne intervening. The limited success of the German offensive on Sunday and the enemy's heavy losses and the vigor of the French counter attack sharply distinguish the present battle from the March battle.

#### 37,886 RECRUITS ADDED IN MAY

Ottawa, June 12.—Enough infantry reinforcements to provide the infantry quota for two whole divisions were secured for the Canadian army during May through the Military Service Act, through voluntary recruiting, and through the work of the British-Canadian Recruiting Mission in the United States. The total addition to the Expeditionary Force during the month was 37,886, of which 32,267 were infantry.

The record for the month is the highest since the war began in regard to infantry enlistments. The total for April was 12,614. The two months have added to the infantry reserves some 43,000 men, thus insuring the maintenance at full strength of Canada's four divisions at the front for this year at least, unless casualties should be far in excess of all present probabilities.

With probably another 30,000 men to be added during the present month through the continued operation of the Military Service Act and of the new draft regulations, it is apparent that a fifth and even a sixth reserve division at full strength are now possible. It is possible that with the supply of reinforcements now available the scheme long advocated by Sir Sam Hughes, of having two reserve divisions in France, thus providing regular relief for the divisions holding the front lines, will be carried out.

#### WESTHOLME

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"Durand of the Bad Lands" shows big heart and noble character in those old days of the Wild and Woolly West.

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#### THE ANGLICAN SYNOD FINISHES ITS WORK

The closing sessions of the Diocese Synod were held in St. Andrew's Church yesterday.

A very interesting report was read by Miss Davies, superintendent of the Ridley home, which is a diocesan home at Metlakatla. This home has at present 33 children. No medical attention has been required for the past two years, which is an eloquent commentary on the care and attention given to these children. At least sixteen of the boys who have passed through the home are fighting in Europe and two have paid the supreme sacrifice. It is the only children's home outside of Indian institutions in northern British Columbia and was established twenty-three years ago.

Bishop Du Vernet stated that the date on which the Church of England began missionary work on this coast was in October, 1857 when work at Port Simpson was begun.

Several votes of thanks were passed, among which were ones to Prince Rupert friends who have offered hospitality to the delegates, and to the press for printing reports of the Synod meetings. Archdeacon Collison and Rev. A. E. Price, who have spent their lives evangelizing the Indians of northern British Columbia, gave most interesting addresses in surveying the history of the Anglican Church among these various tribes whose medicine men and superstitions have gradually given way to Christian converts.

Mr. Alfred Adams, an Indian delegate, very earnestly testified to the work done by former missionaries and their wives among the Haidas of Massett and district, and pleaded for a continuation of the good work.

#### LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Mr. R. M. Thompson left for the south yesterday.

Major Brandt went to Vancouver on the last boat.

Col. McMillan is registered at the Prince Rupert Hotel.

Mrs. McMillan left the city on the south-bound boat yesterday.

Mrs. R. Hobart was among the passengers for the south yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Stewart and family left for New Westminster yesterday.

Children's choirs are always worth listening to. If you have not been to church lately, don't forget next Sunday at the Baptist Church. Children's voices three times.

The police seized some kegs of mother's wine yesterday from the basement of the Empress Theatre and today the proprietor of the fruit stand on the corner was in the police court charged with having liquor in his possession. The case was adjourned.

#### THE STARVING ENEMY MAKES ANGRY EFFORTS

Conditions in Germany Force the War Lords to Attack to Save Trouble at Home—Ghastly Reports of Suffering.

(Special to The Daily News.)

Paris, June 14.—Germany, although attacking on the western front, is starving, says Echo de Paris. An article appearing in the Berlin Arbeiter Zeitung relates the case of six children starving to death in an orphanage at Zeefort Thuringia. The orphanage was found to have been ransacked by its starving inmates and physicians who visited the place found several of the children mere skeletons.

#### More Troops for West.

London, June 14.—Germany is about to withdraw all her troops from Russia for use on the western front, according to a statement published in the Noya Zhizn, says the Daily News correspondent at Stockholm.

#### French Editor Confident.

Paris, June 14.—Gustave Hervé in his newspaper "La Victoria," undertakes to answer the question which he says reaches him from many readers as to why should the remainder of the front be quiet while the Germans are making the greatest effort, and why should not the British relieve the pressure on the French. The editor points out that the Generalissimo has disposed of all the allied armies. If he does not move the British forces it is contended that it may be because there are still heavy concentrations of German reserves before the British forces. General Foch may feel able with the French reserves to defeat the menace before Paris.

"Our Generalissimo knows too well the vital importance and economical strength of the capital to leave it to the mercy of any unfortunate chance."

#### SEA TANK LATEST WAR INVENTION

London, June 12.—According to Vienna newspapers received here, says the Central News correspondent at Amsterdam, "the Italians used a sea tank during their last attack on Pola, Austria's naval base on the Adriatic. The boat was forty feet long, six feet wide and propelled by electricity. "There is an endless rotary chain around the vessel, fitted with barbs, which cut nets and other obstacles, like the land tanks. The vessel has two torpedo tubes."

#### WILSON ENFORCES LABOR'S WAR DUTY

Washington, June 12.—President Wilson today telegraphed to the American Federation of Labor and the American Alliance for Labor and Democracy, in convention in St. Paul, urging renewed efforts of Labor in support of the war.

"The war can be lost in America as well as on the fields of France and ill considered or unjustified interruptions of the essential labor of the country may make it impossible to win it," said the president's telegram to Robert Maisel, of the American Alliance for Labor and Democracy.

#### COURCELLES IS WELL DEFENDED BY THE FRENCH

The Battle Here Has Been Continuous, and French Refuse to Yield a Very Important Centre.

(Special to The Daily News)

With the French Army in the field, June 14.—The defense of Courcelles on the left wing of the battle front by the French against the repeated attacks by day and night from June 9th to June 11th makes a wonderful story of heroism.

The village which is most important owing to the commanding position was for forty-eight hours almost surrounded by the enemy, but the French held on and when the favorable opportunity came they counter-attacked repulsing the enemy from the vicinity.

The Germans tried every possible ruse as well as force to take the village. The growing crops on the fertile land in the vicinity were of considerable trouble to the defenders, as the Germans could creep through them until they reached the edge of the village.

#### ALL RECORDS BROKEN IN STEEL AND IRON OUTPUT

Sydney, N. S., June 12.—In spite of the labor shortage conditions, the Nova Scotia Steel & Coal Company's plants in the month of May broke all previous records for the production of steel and iron. The open hearth plant produced 14,558 tons of steel ingots, and the blast furnaces 8,835 tons of pig iron, as against 14,243 tons of steel and 8,016 tons of iron in March, 1917, when the best previous record was made. The net gain is 316 tons of steel and 818 tons of iron.

#### WILSON DEFINES FUTURE WORLD POLICY OF NATIONS

Havana, June 12.—"The whole family of nations will have to guarantee to each other that no nation shall violate its political independence or its territorial integrity," said President Wilson in his address to the Mexican newspaper editors in Washington last Friday, which is published in the morning newspapers here today. "That is the basis—the only conceivable basis—for the future peace of the world, and I must admit that I was anxious to have the states of these two continents of America show the way to the rest of the world as to how to make a basis for peace," added the president.

"Peace can only come by trust. If you can once get a situation of trust then you have got a situation of permanent peace. Therefore, every one of us owes a patriotic duty to his own country to plant the seeds of trust and of confidence instead of the seeds of suspicion and a variety of interest."

#### FISH ARRIVALS

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#### THE GERMANS HURLED BACK IN GALLANT FRENCH ATTACK

RESISTANCE OF THE ENEMY OVERCOME BY GALLANT FRENCH EFFORT—HUNDREDS OF PRISONERS FALL INTO HANDS OF THE FRENCH—BATTLE STILL CONTINUES WITH GREAT FEROCITY

(Special to The Daily News)

Paris, June 14.—The French troops last night struck a heavy blow against the German forces which have been advancing on the eastern wing of the new front of attack. The War Office announced today that the French had hurled the enemy back to the north bank of the Matz river.

The Germans progressed as far as the ravine to the east of Laversine, north of Cutry. East of the Oise the French have occupied their new positions on the heights of Croix, Picarano and Mellocq. Hundreds of prisoners and many machine guns remained in the hands of the French. Violent combats continued between the Aisne and Villiers Col-

terets. The Germans have made progress as far as the ravine east of Laversine.

#### Attacks Broken Up.

The attack southwest of Soissons on the front between the Aisne and the Marne has been broken up by the violent resistance of the French. The enemy has made progress which is absolutely insignificant at the price of heavy losses. The advance has been held up several days and the morale of the German troops is suffering in consequence.

There was plenty fighting yesterday but it did not affect the general situation as the Germans are fighting against time, this result is a distinct gain to the defence.

#### CATEGORY B MEN NOT NEEDED NOW, BOARD INFORMED

Edmonton, June 12.—The Edmonton exemption tribunal has received official instructions from Ottawa through the central office in Calgary regarding category "B" men, in the following words, from Registrar Carson:

"I have received information from Ottawa that no more category "B" men are to be called for service until further instructions."

#### MEMBERSHIP NOW OVER 2,700,000

St. Paul, Minn., June 12.—The American Federation of Labor in convention here now has a membership of more than 2,700,000, according to the annual report of Frank Morrison, secretary. During the past year 355,044 members were added. There are 27,745 local unions in the federation.

#### EFFORT TO FREE FORMER EMPEROR

Amsterdam, June 12.—The discovery of a plot to free the former Emperor of Russia while he was confined at Tobolsk, to take him to Sweden and thence to America, is reported in German newspapers received here.

According to the accounts published, the chief conspirator was Prince Paul Dolgorouki, Grand Marshal of the Imperial Russian court under Emperor Nicholas, who placed 800,000 roubles at his disposal with which to bribe all the members of his guard. The plot failed, the papers say, owing to the indiscretion of a servant, who disclosed the plans.

A dispatch from Petrograd to London on May 13 said that the Soviet Government had officially confirmed reports that Nicholas Romanoff, the former Emperor, together with the former Empress and one of their daughters, was removed from Tobolsk to Ekaterinburg in consequence of the discovery of a peasant conspiracy to assist in his escape. Alexis Romanoff, the former heir apparent, remained at Tobolsk owing to ill-health, the dispatch added.

White wash skirts and middie waists. Special Saturday.—Waldace's.

#### RUSSIANS APPEAL TO SAVE THEIR COUNTRY FROM HUN INVADERS

Washington, June 12.—An appeal to the United States and the Allies to send an expeditionary force to Russia to repel the German invaders, forwarded by the Central committee of the cadet party in Russia, was transmitted to the state department today by the Russian embassy. It is asked that the expedition if sent, be put under international control to guarantee the rights of Russia.

#### DUSTIN FARNUM STARS

"Durand of the Bad Lands," the William Fox photoplay in which Dustin Farnum is starring, is to be shown at the Westholme tonight.

Those who love the beautiful, the daring, the goodness in motion pictures had better not miss this fine photodrama. In it Mr. Farnum lives up to his best work either on stage or screen. Here he is full of that strong manhood that has made him known and loved all over the country. You'll love him even as an outlaw because you'll know that a man with so big a heart as Dick Durand cannot long remain an outcast. You'll see him rescue from an Indian massacre three children and you'll laugh as he tries to care for them. When the governor pardons him and he goes back to the only girl who ever gave him a whole hearted love and to those three children, you'll weep with the glad knowledge that a heart is once again beating on the right side.

Mr. Farnum has done no better work on the screen than he has accomplished in "Durand of the Bad Lands." He has a story with many thrills, and he gets them all across. And in addition he has a clean story.

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