

GERMAN OFFENSIVE BLOTTED BY FRENCH

Teutons Hold Ground Gained, but Are Unable to Advance Further.

FOGS CHECK ACTIVITY

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun.

LONDON, Jan. 31.—Unceasing, violent attempts by the Germans to follow up the successes they gained in the last two days in their new offensive on the western front were beaten back by the French. Today's German War Office statement claims no further gains. The ground won by the Teutons remains, however, firmly in their hands.

The French during the last twenty-four hours launched determined counter-attacks on the German lines in an effort to regain the lost ground, but the new German offensive, however, appears to have been halted. Last night the Germans made two attacks upon the French lines in the Arras sector, southwest of Hill No. 149, near the tiny beach, which command the important Arras-Lens road. Here they were endeavoring to push their front further ahead to improve their strategic position.

The German official statement declares that "fighting activity has somewhat decreased," and ascribes this to the misty weather. This is taken to indicate that the Germans will restrict their general offensive as soon as the weather permits.

Minor gains are reported in the French night communications and by the official British headquarters report issued to-night.

The night French communiqué follows: "Our heavy artillery fired effectively upon enemy organizations at the Stenestraete Bridge, the abutment of which on the eastern bank of the river was damaged.

South of Arras, French guns wrecked the German works in the region of Fresnoy.

North of St. Mihiel our long range guns bombarded the enemy concentrations at Conflans, east of Exin, at St. Maurice, and under the northern slopes at Hattonehahel.

The afternoon communiqué was as follows: "To the north of Arras the enemy last night at a point southwest of Hill 149 delivered two attacks with hand grenades, both of which resulted in failure.

In the Champagne district our artillery bombarded the German trenches to the north of Proseaux. During this action there were observed explosions at four different points of the enemy's front.

In the Arzonne there has been fighting with mines at Haute Chevauchée. We responded to the explosion of a German mine by counter mining operation which destroyed an underground gallery occupied by the enemy.

There has been intermittent artillery firing in the other sectors of the front.

The following report from British headquarters was made public to-night: "During the night a party entered the German trenches near the Kemmel-Wytschaete line. The party were found full of men. About forty casualties were inflicted on the enemy. Three prisoners were brought back and two machine guns were destroyed.

During the day there was considerable artillery activity about Pricourt, north of Loos, and north of Waverthout.

The German official statement says: "Western Theatre—Our new trenches in the region of Neuville have been held against repeated French attacks.

The number of prisoners taken northwest of the village of La Folle has increased to 318 men, and the booty taken has increased to eleven machine guns.

The French made several surprise spring attacks against the positions occupied by German troops south of the Somme on the 28th.

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ITALY TO FIX FREIGHT RATES. Ship Owners Cooperate—Commission Will Effect Adjustments.

WHEAT TANGLES NEUTRALITY.

Rumania Involved by Efforts of Belligerents to Control Market.

WON'T SEAL SHIPS' WIRELESS.

FATAL BERLIN FOOD RIOTS.

30,000 ITALY'S PRISONERS.

ANOTHER GREEK FORT SEIZED BY THE BRITISH

Kum Kale Taken and Garrison Forced to Leave—Allies Explain Act as Move to Protect Transports Bound for Salonica.

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BANKRUPTCY FEARS

Possibility of Inability to Settle War Loans Is Discussed.

GOLD SITUATION GRAVE

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GERMAN ADMIRAL DEBATES BLOCKADE

"Only a Bluff," Says Von Holtzendorff, Chief of Naval Staff.

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ROOSEVELT OPENS NEW ORTHOPEDIC HOSPITAL

Ex-President Praises Flawless Charity of Aiding Little Children in Recently Completed Structure That Cost Nearly \$1,000,000.

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JUDGE HOUGH ON STAND DEALS BLOW TO SLADE

Testifies at Osborne Case Hearing That He Did Not See Changes in Record.

MINISTER'S DAUGHTER ENSNARED BY SLAYER

Prizefighter She Accuses Stops in Flight When Detective Shoots.

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