

WAR MOVES TOLD IN OFFICIAL REPORTS

Paris Announces Storming of Village of Blaches on the Somme Front.

RUSSIANS IN DELATYN

Petrograd Says Enormous Quantity of Material Was Captured There.

PARIS, July 9.—The official communiqué issued to-night follows: North of the Somme nothing of importance occurred.

South of the Somme we took the offensive during the day east of Flaucourt on a front of about four kilometers, from the river to the north of Belloy-en-Santerre.

On both banks of the Meuse there was spirited artillery action, notably in the sectors of Fleury and Fumin wood.

The operations on the Somme front from July 1 to 7 resulted in the capture by us of more than 9,500 prisoners. Among the important war material that we took we have counted up to today 75 cannons and several hundred machine guns.

The afternoon communiqué follows: On both sides of the Somme the night passed quietly. The total number of prisoners taken yesterday during the attack on Hardecourt is 633, of whom ten are officers.

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dropped freely on troops awaiting transport.

On July 7 a Russian aeroplane was shot down in an aerial battle east of Borovno, on the Stokhod.

Russians Take Villages. PETROGRAD, July 9.—The official statement issued by the Russian War Office to-day follows:

Our offensive on the lower Stokhod continues. The enemy is retiring in front of us.

South of the Rany-Kovel Railway the villages of Goussvitch and Kachova have been occupied after fighting.

Further south there are three villages in the region of the villages of Arsenovitch, Janovka and Douchtch.

In the southern Galicia Gen. Letchitzky occupied Delatyn yesterday after very violent fighting.

Black Sea.—An enemy submarine without warning sank the hospital ship Ypetele, which carried all the distinguishing signs.

Caucasus Front.—On Saturday in combat with the enemy the Russian one of our columns took prisoners 64 officers and 1,050 soldiers.

Austrians Cross the Moldava. VIENNA, via London, July 9.—The official statement issued by the Austrian War Office to-day follows:

Our troops in the Bukovina fought their way across the Moldava River, near Brezina.

In the Bukovina, west of Kimpolung, near the villages of Foudoul-Moldava and Valepunta, we repulsed the enemy, who left many dead on the field.

On the 23rd and 24th of July 7 Gen. Letchitzky's army took prisoners 674 officers and 30,875 soldiers.

Minor attacks by the Italians against the Goritz bridgehead and on the ridge east of Montefalco failed.

Italian Infantry Advances. ROME, July 9.—The War Office made public the following communication to-day:

On the upper Astico our infantry advanced in the Molino Basin and toward Pomi.

Along the Isosna front the enemy's artillery was particularly active in the morning.

EYES TURNED TO EAST. Germans Still Have Hope of Stopping Russian Drive.

BREITENBURG, July 8, via London, July 9.—The eyes of the Germans were turned to-day toward the eastern front rather than the Western front.

The following official statement from the German War Office to-day follows:

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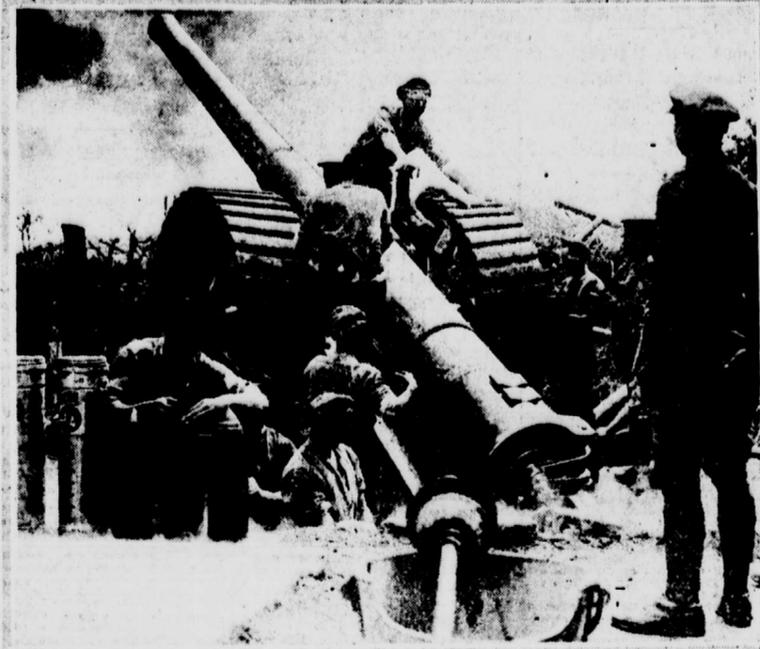
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ONE of the British big guns at the early operations along the Somme. This is one of the first pictures to reach this country since the move began.



RUSSIANS GAIN 15 MILES, BOTH WINGS IN DRIVE

Continued from First Page. The Stokhod River, upon which the Teutonic forces retired along the whole line from Ball as far north as Nobel is the only fortified line now separating the Russians from Kovel.

The hasty character of the Germans' retreat has led to the conclusion here that the Germans have insufficient forces to make a serious stand in this quarter, where a Russian attack was not expected.

POPE KEEPS UP PEACE WORK. Orders Special Service on Last Sunday of War's Second Year.

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FRENCH WIN MORE SOMME TRENCHES

Make Advance of One to Two Kilometres on Front of Four Kilometres.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun. PARIS, July 9.—The French have carried German positions east of Flaucourt on a front of four kilometers (2 1/2 miles) and to a depth of from one to two kilometers.

Fighting Like That at Verdun. The Paris military critics contrast the Franco-British offensive on the Somme and the Russian offensive, but find a similarity between the former and the German effort against Verdun.

It is not yet a general offensive preparatory to a general assault, it is a combined progressive pressure preventing the enemy from shifting his forces among the various fronts.

The conditions for offensive operations were anything but favorable. It had the greatest difficulty, and it was almost impossible to move heavy guns.

In spite of these conditions the French infantry with imperturbable good humor went forward and in just half an hour carried the village of Hardecourt.

Infantry Shows Dash. The French advance was ordered when the rain was falling heavily.

Referring to trade prospects after the war the statement says that German shipping companies may expect the sharpest competition.

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DEADLIER SHRAPNEL USED BY GERMANS

New Features of Artillery Action Against the British Are Described.

LONDON, July 10 (Monday).—The British troops made steady progress in the neighborhood of Oulliers, on the Somme front, according to the official statement from general headquarters last night.

The correspondent of the London Times at the press camp, British army in France, sends the following review of the week's battle on the Somme front:

The chief lessons of the week's battle are, first, the immense value for defence of machine guns, second, the pre-eminence of the heaviest possible calibre. Artillery is, of course, equally important to the defence.

"At some points on the northern front where the enemy had massed an enormous weight of guns he was able to conduct a double barrage fire, one aimed at our front line trenches and the other falling some distance behind. This latter opened at the moment of our advance and was perhaps as formidable even as the machine gun and rifle fire through which our men had to go.

"The double barrage, which was the enemy's favorite device, he used both high explosives and shrapnel. The shrapnel was of larger calibre than usual, being mostly 7.5 and was not of the familiar white smoke kind, but gave a black smoke on explosion. The shrapnel was much shorter than the other type and presumably its velocity and penetrating power were also greater.

"In places the enemy made most cunning machine gun shrapnel. Out of half a dozen machine guns hidden on the face of the slope, if two or three survived the bombardment, any infantry attack across the open ground in front is hopeless, at least in daylight. The proportion of our losses due to rifle fire will be found very small."

\$70,000,000 LOAN TO CANADA. \$40,000,000 to Manitoba, \$20,000,000 to Winnipeg.

WINNIPEG, Man., July 9.—It is stated here that through the efforts of Mayor Richard Waugh of Winnipeg and Edward Brown, receiver of Manitoba, \$70,000,000 will be loaned to the city of Winnipeg and the provinces of Manitoba and Saskatchewan to pay off British bondholders.

Winnipeg is to receive \$20,000,000 and the two provinces \$20,000,000 each.

Saks & Company advertisement. Broadway at 34th St. Phone Greeley 2626. Beginning today, a special clearance and Sale of 25,000 Men's Superior Scarfs. In a range of weaves and colors which is second to None in America. The greatest neckwear event of the year, comprising a special purchase of high-grade scarfs from a leading manufacturer, and a clearance of fine quality scarfs and bow ties from our regular stock. Open-End and Narrow Four-in-Hands and Bow Ties. In every kind of figure, spot, embroidered, brocaded and stripe effect imaginable, in silks that are used exclusively in neckwear of the highest order. At 35c—About 8,000 scarfs made by a manufacturer who never designs a scarf to sell for less than 55c, to which we have added 2,000 scarfs regularly sold at 50c, 55c and 69c. At 69c—Broken lots of our \$1 scarfs, in exclusive weaves and designs, and a large purchase of \$1 neckwear, specially prepared for this event. All beautifully made and finished. At 85c—A collection of 1,800 NEW dollar scarfs from regular stock, and odd lots of our \$1.50 and \$2 neckwear, in new summery weaves and designs usually confined to most exclusive men's shops.

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