

FRENCH SUCCESS
INSPIRES BRITISH

Haig's Men Quick to Learn
of Strong Counter-
Attack

HOPE FOR PART IN FIGHT
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War Correspondents' Headquarters on
the Western Front, June 3.

Along the main British front from
the Somme to Flanders the troops
still wait, ready for any German at-
tack that may be delivered against
them.

While the scene of battle on the
Marne is for the present beyond their
sphere, the news of the French coun-
ter-attack on the wings there and its
preliminary success reached here
quickly, and every British soldier's
heart is gladdened by the hope that
the enemy's advance has been checked
and that he will suffer another defeat
on those old battlefields where nearly
four years ago he was turned off the
road to Paris.

It was a glorious first of June, as
far as the weather went, and yester-
day again the sky was intensely blue
over the front, the sun hot on the
roads, so white with dust that the
British and French were powdered
thickly with it and almost grotesque,
like figures carved out of chalk.

Luck Favors Germans

The enemy, who once more has the
luck of weather, is using it a good
deal for aerial reconnaissance, and
some of his scouts came over at mid-
day, followed all the way by shrapnel
from the British. His airmen do not
seem to have many hours of flight,
keeping them for nights, and hardly a
night passes without raids over vil-
lages in the back areas where the
non-combatants and children are
driven into the cellars with the noise of
gunfire above them and the crashes of
bombs in the little streets about them.

Once again the British hospitals
have suffered from this work in the
night, and they are the same group
of hospitals where the great tragedy
happened a week or so ago. On Fri-
day night last, or, rather, during the
small hours of Saturday morning,
German raiders reached this place
and continued their work of destruc-
tion. The huts of one of the hospi-
tals were almost completely destroyed
and again there was martyrdom of
women and wounded men and hospital
attendants.

In this hospital nurses were among
the killed and wounded, and there
were casualties among the patients
and orderlies; in other hospitals round
about nursing sisters were severely
wounded, and the list of victims is
not light, although by good fortune
the wards were not filled, as after the
days of battle, and there were many
valuable escapes.

This killing and maiming of non-
combatants and wounded men pro-
tected by the Red Cross after their
orderly departure is most tragic and
sickening to the soul. One wonders
how the enemy would at least have
shown some touch of chivalry on one
day in the year, the day of Corpus
Christi, when we agreed not to bomb
churches and to spare the wounded
because of the religious processions,
but on that very day the raiders came
over Paris and dropped bombs. There
has also been much German bombing
over the British lines.

TRIP TO NEW PRISON
HARD ON FORMER CZAR

Sledge Journey From Tobolsk
to Ekaterinburg Consumed
Exhausting Weeks

By JULIUS WEST
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Berne, June 3.

The Kiev correspondent of the Ham-
burger Fremdenblatt sends a detailed
account given him by a member of the
Soviet peace delegation to Ukraine of
the transfer of the ex-Czar from Tobolsk
in Siberia to Ekaterinburg in the Ural.

The Soviet Government got wind of a
plan of escape which was in prepara-
tion early in the year, owing to an at-
tempt to bribe a noncommissioned offi-
cer. The whole imperial family then
was searched for and taken to Blagov-
horen of Saratov, and the ex-Czar's
former adjutant, Prince Dolgorouky.
This resulted in the discovery of com-
plete plans of escape, which were to
have been put into effect in February.
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notes were found in possession of Nich-
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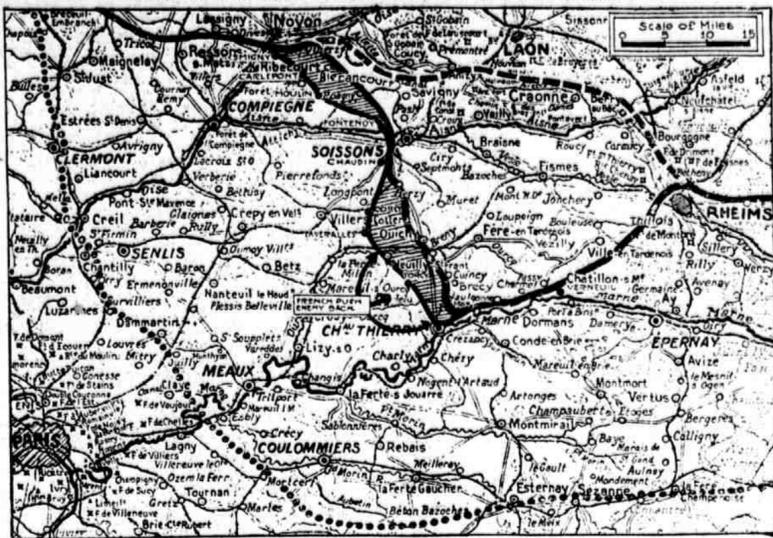
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FRENCH ATTACKS HALT GERMAN ADVANCE



Between the Ourcq and Marne Rivers, near Chateau-Thierry, the French are maintaining their lines and have advanced at several points, as indicated by the arrows on the above map. The shaded portion of the map represents terrain taken by the Germans since June 1, according to the latest delineation of the battleline in reports from Paris.

FRENCH COUNTERS WIN GROUND;
FIERCE ENEMY THRUST CHECKED

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Oners and a number of machine guns
and trench mortars were captured,
the British War Office announced to-
day.

The text of the official report fol-
lows:

Local operations, carried out dur-
ing the night in the neighborhood of
Vieux Berquin and Marris, ad-
vanced our line slightly at these
points.

One hundred and ninety-three
prisoners and a number of machine
guns and trench mortars were cap-
tured in these operations. Our casu-
alties were slight.

Successful raids, which resulted in
the capture of twenty prisoners,
three machine guns and a trench
mortar, were carried out by us
southwest of Arras, northwest of
Lens and west of Merville.

A hostile raiding party tried to
enter our lines south of Villers-
Bretonneux, but was repulsed.

The arrival of reserves is strength-
ening the entire line and rendering in-
filtration constantly more difficult. This
is particularly noticeable at
Chateau-Thierry, where the enemy
where the Germans sought to filter
through the gap between the forests of
Compiegne and Villers-Cotterets.

The entire battle-line now measures
120 kilometers (74.5 miles) divided into
three sectors—Noyon to Soissons, thirty
kilometers (18.6 miles); Soissons to
Chateau-Thierry, forty-five kilometers
(27.9 miles); and Chateau-Thierry to
Reims, forty-five kilometers (27.9 miles).

The Germans to date have engaged
fifty divisions (500,000 men).

The first week of the German drive
on Paris, between Soissons and Reims
ended last night with the armies of the
Crown Prince checked at the Marne.

The strength of Foch's reserves now
largely in action has been felt for a
couple of days by the Germans. Yester-
day they made the smallest advance
since the launching of the great Aisne
offensive which has developed into a
new battle of the Marne.

Foe's Gain Slighter

While the Germans have scored fur-
ther slight gains—the most important of
which is the capture of that part of
Chateau-Thierry which lies on the north
bank of the Marne—the French have
made greater gains in smashing counter-
attacks.

On the Allied left flank the French,
by splendid hand-to-hand fighting, have
recaptured four towns. Three of these
—Longpont, Corcy and Troesnes—are in
FORESEES ENEMY PUSH
WESTWARD ON MARNE

By G. H. PERRIS
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With the French Armies, June 3.

On Friday afternoon, General von
Boehmer's troops opened a pocket
beyond Culchy, of a depth of about five
miles, and on either side of the Ourcq
River they were engaged in a stubborn
fighting, this salient was slightly
extended and at the same time a nar-
row bend was added to their gains be-
tween the Oise, about Point Evreux, and
the Aisne, west of Soissons.

The main line of pressure was thus
changed from south to southwest, and
while the rest of the new front is rela-
tively quiet, there have developed two
bulges, which represent the acute stress
of the battle.

The first of these is between the Oise
and the Aisne, directed toward the
angle of the two rivers at Compiegne;
the second, midway between the Aisne
and the Marne, points westward, along
the Ourcq, toward the ancient town of
Fafertre-Milon.

In both these fields there has been
a series of violent struggles, with a
notable increase of the power of resist-
ance of the Allies. Nowhere has the Ger-
man assaults have been nearly
everywhere broken. A slight advance
of the Germans on the Ourcq has been
won at the cost of very heavy losses,
and the French are standing with splen-
did resolution in the small triangle
of the Saviers, which marks the border
of the forest region of Villers-Cotterets.

As the main line has reached the height
northwest of Chateau-Thierry, where we
watch them from the south side of the
river, an attempt to push westward
along a north bank of the Marne is
to be expected.

"LURE OF PARIS" COSTS
HINDENBURG HEAVILY

By I. W. T. MASON
Daily Press War Editor

The total loss of Paris is estimated by
German military writers to be about
Hindenburg plans to halt at the Marne

BRITAIN STILL RULES
WAVES, SAYS GERMAN

Captain Persius, Naval Critic,
Ridicules Boasts After
Jutland Fight

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Amsterdam, June 3.

Captain Persius, the German naval
critic, writing in the Berliner Tageblatt,
says:

"On the occasion of the anniversary
of the battle of Jutland it is well to re-
member again what a serious opponent
Great Britain still is, and what a serious
single war, and at the end of every cam-
paign she has been triumphant.

Remarks such as 'The English are
aware that if they experience another
battle of Jutland their sea power is gone',
are absurd and inappropriate in this
bitter time. They are looked upon
with annoyance and anger by our own
sailors, because many of them already
have learned that the English are defeat-
ing our opponents.

Our fleet also knows that it gallant
itself against the English, should another
encounter take place, will demand
the very greatest application of its
strength."

Captain Persius recalls and ridicules
some of the German press comments
made after the fight, such as 'Britannia
has been wiped off the sea,' etc.

He criticizes those who minimize the
British sea power, and points out that
after the battle, the German merchant
flag remained banished from
the seas.

Captain Persius wishes that Germans
would believe in the enormous strength
of the British Empire apart altogether
from the British fleet.

"To wipe out British culture," he de-
clares, "would be an infinitely heavier
task than even to put British sea power
in chains."

BIG TANNERY BURNS

Wilkes-Barre, Pa., June 3.—The J. K.
Messer Tanning Company plant control-
led by Armour & Co. at Noxon, twenty-
five miles from here, has been destroyed
by fire, entailing a loss estimated by
the owners at nearly \$3,000,000.

Crossed wires in the hair-drying room
are believed to have caused the fire. Two
carloads of hides from Chicago and one
car of finished leather awaiting trans-
portation were destroyed on railroad
sidings.

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ATTIVITA' AVIATORIA
AL FRONTE ITALIANO

Cinque Tonnellate di Bombe
sui Campi di Aviazione
Nemici

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Roma, 3 giugno.

Dalle notizie giunte, ieri, dalla fronte
di battaglia si rileva che lungo tutte le
linee si sono verificati scontri tra pat-
uglie e tra reparti di incursione, dando
luogo a brevi e locali combattimenti.

Un riparto italiano ha con successo
computo una incursione contro le posi-
zioni nemiche a Cavazzocherina e gli
aviatori alleati hanno speso una gran-
de attivita' bombardando le posi-
zioni e le retrovie dell'avversario ed ab-
battendo macchine aeree teutoniche.

Ecco il testo del comunicato ufficiale
pubblicato, ieri, dal Ministero della
Guerra in Roma:

Una moderata attivita' da parte
dell'artiglieria si e' verificata lungo
tutto il fronte.

I nostri posti avanzati respinsero
pattuglie nemiche nella Val Arca, a
Trezza San Francesco, ad occidente
della Valle Frenzola e lungo il fronte
di San Donato di Piave.

Una incursione a Cavazzocherina ci
frutto parecchi prigionieri.

Una grande attivita' fu spiegata dal
quadro aereo italiano ed alleato.
Essi gettarono cinque tonnellate di
bombe sui campi di aviazione nemici.
Cinque aerei avversari furono ab-
battuti durante i combattimenti aerei.
Le nostre artiglierie ne distrussero un
altro sulla riva sinistra del fiume
Piave.

Il comunicato ufficiale, di ieri l'altro,
recava quanto appreso a
"Tra il Lago di Garda, l'Adige e l'Alto-
piano di Asiago, ed attraverso il Brenta,
i duelli di artiglieria presentemente sono
intensificati."

All fuoco delle batterie inglesi ha
cagionato larga confusione, mirando
a distruggere i depositi nemici a Tezze
e Selva.

A Ealto, Monticello e Monte Corno
distaccamenti nemici furono dispersi dal
noto fuoco. Quattro aerei nemici av-
versari furono abbattuti."

Informazioni giunte stamane dal
east with Austrians

TEUTONS MASS MEN
ON ITALIAN FRONT

Foe Re-enforcing Whole Line.
Dispatches to Rome
Indicate

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Rome, June 3.

Austro-Hungarians are again massing
re-enforcements along the whole Italian
front, according to information received
here today. Aerial observers have re-
ported troop movements taking place at
night behind the Austro-Hungarian
lines.

The internal situation in Austria has
become so chaotic that a defeat of the
Austro-Hungarian armies would prob-
ably result in a debacle, say travelers.

The Idea Nazionale asserts that the
Austrians lost three thousand men in
their recent attacks in the Monte
Tonale sector of the Trentino front.

Premier Orlando is visiting the Italian
front and imparting cheer to the sol-
diers in view of the impending Austrian
offensive.

Geneva, June 3.

Swiss troops on the eastern frontier
report a constantly increasing movement
of Austrian infantry and artillery from
Bozen and Trent southward toward the
Italian front.

At St. Elvie Pass, where the Austrian,
Italian and Swiss frontiers meet, the
Austrian garrison has been greatly
strengthened.

Emperor Karl is going to the Italian
front this week, according to a dispatch
from Vienna.

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Better Furniture at Lower Prices
Is the Rule Here
I T HAS always been the rule, and that ac-
counts, in a great measure, for the fact that
this Store has, within a generation, risen from
humble beginnings to its present place as the larg-
est furniture store in America. For one thing, we
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trict, and for a third, our volume of business is so
enormous that we can do business on a more than
ordinarily small profit basis. Taking it all in all,
it is easy to see why we can adhere to this advan-
tageous rule:—selling better furniture at lower
prices.

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from our own
stocks for our
own. You can
choose from
a list of taf-
fetas, satins,
satin's, poplins,
crepes de chine
and many more
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and all-over
Striped Silk
Skirts \$3
A won-
derful
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and satin skirts
in very desired
moder-
nations for choice.