

BRITISH NOW NEAR ST. QUENTIN

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about or gauge one's risk of hostile fire.

Immense shell craters in one patch of ground near one's position at the moment showed that the German guns had marked down this place, and that their shells had furred there a little while before going blind.

There are hundreds of guns firing off this southern front. They had been firing this morning when the attack began for forty-eight hours without cessation and then for hours the British gunners fired gas shells over the German lines, so that we must have spread a death zone over a wide territory.

Thousands of rounds of gas shells were being fired by the German batteries and assembly places. Then the assault began with a few minutes' hurricane bombardment before the infantry moved forward behind the evening hours.

A hundred tanks or so had gone far forward in the night, hiding themselves until they crawled out at the first glimpse of light today, and when the infantry made for that canal de Lesaut, or the Scheldt, as we call it, which is but a few yards wide where it goes above ground.

To cross it would be a military feat, as great as anything in the history of the war, more difficult even than crossing the canal du Nord, which the British did on Friday morning.

On the extreme right of the line English divisions—South Midland with the First and Sixth divisions from left to right—set out again to gain the crossings by Hellengine and built bridges to carry their guns and tanks.

Through the white fog went the British men and their tanks, and at 7:25, not much more than an hour after the attack began, it was reported that their headquarters that they had secured a crossing and were well on the other side of the canal, with many prisoners in the hands of the South Midland men.

Prisoners Almost Maddened
I saw batches of prisoners coming back from canal banks with wet chinks on their uniforms, but the chinks were white, and the faces were men who had been under two days' bombardment and had been almost maddened by it, or at least stunned and dazed.

The English Tankmen grouped around the forward tanks, all of them in the mist, and shouted out questions to the prisoners as they came up, and made cheery remarks to them, as if to ease them of their fears, and to let them know in the midst of the fog and more fantastic than many things I have seen on days of battle.

North of the Ninth Corps, on the right of the attack, Australians and Americans stormed the canal, where a thousand yards were above the ground on their front and a thousand yards below on their rear, and a thousand yards in between.

Marvelous Valor Displayed
They went across by the marvelous valor of the men, who established their bridge in spite of the heavy German barrage. This by good luck fell mostly behind them, and few of the British wounded were hurt in their desperate eagerness to keep close to their own barrage fire, the Americans being less experienced in this than the Australians, who were mostly veterans.

Notwithstanding the annihilating British bombardment there was a fierce machine-gun fire from the enemy and the British had hard going at first, but they broke down all resistance and having passed to the other side of the canal, went ahead with the tanks around Hony and Bellecourt, where they had their worst fighting, and toward the next organized line of German resistance known as the Mastieres-Beaurevoir line.

Prisoners taken on this side say up to that time this line had not been manned, but observers report the rapid movement of German trains westward, showing that the enemy is rushing up reinforcements to hold this position, where probably a great battle will be fought.

English troops were advancing Sunday morning on the Gouzeaucourt-Mastieres road by way of La Vaucourie, where there was such desperate fighting last November. It was strongly held

and stubbornly defended, but our men broke into the smoke road south of it and pushed it out, and over a thousand prisoners were taken.

On that front New Zealanders passed through Lancashire woods and fanned out on a wide patrol, moving forward and driving the enemy before them.

Encounter Little Opposition
They went through two villages without encountering much opposition, the enemy having fled except for a few panic-stricken men, and they then advanced on the strong position of Gouzeaucourt, where they had very bitter fighting.

Following the battle still northward, our Sixth Corps was heavily engaged around Mastieres and Lancashire wood, where, in the Cambrai salient last November, our Twenty-ninth division fought and was captured.

Our Sixth Corps has counted some prisoners since Friday morning. A regiment of Yorkshiremen captured Mastieres, and one of their battalions, the Fifth Duke of Wellington's, forced passage of the Canal de Lesaut in the neighborhood of very glorious courage.

Record Number of Prisoners
West of Mazingue our brave old Third Division on the right of the canal went through Hoenberg, support line, and worked forward on Friday and Saturday from Elequeux ridge and took a record number of prisoners for their hands.

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of plain or grained leather in black or tan are in various sizes at \$10.50 to \$22.50.

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a small, shallow black enamel case will carry all that you need. It is 20 inches long and has two sturdy locks. \$6.50.

These Are But a Few of the many interesting things to be seen in this worth-while new section which has been added to the Down Stairs Store to give you the Wanamaker brand of service.

Airplanes Are Now Alighting On Heads
—and women's heads, at that! So the latest modes lead us to believe, for the airplane hat is having a great vogue.

A Thousand New Hats at \$5 to \$8
Are Ready to Greet October

A New Shoe in Three Leathers at \$5.75
The model sketched is to be had in these good styles:—Gray kidskin shoe with gray cloth tops, welted soles and medium heels.

Plenty of Women's Shoes at \$4.90 a Pair
Dark tan calfskin, black calfskin and brown, black, white, gray and ivory kidskin are used in various models.

