

MOST MURDEROUS FIGHT OF WAR

In Somme Region First Line Usually Perishes; Millions of Men Engaged

German Front, Aug. 14, via Berlin and Sayville wireless, Aug. 16.—(From a staff correspondent of the Associated Press.)—Half a million British have been engaged in the effort to break the German lines on the Somme front.

Often, as in the fighting at Comsecourt and E. on the 16th, the British outnumbered the Germans six to one. They have gained ground to a depth of three to five miles over a front of about 18 miles but no where have been able to break through.

More than ever, death has become a commonplace in this most murderous battle of all times. The Germans in the first line know they probably will be killed if their positions are attacked. Trenches are virtually useless for the heavy British shells which are thrown into broad channels and cover of any sort. The first line usually perishes.

The advancing British foot troops are no better off, because the Germans reverse the process when part of their positions have been captured. After the British artillery had leveled the German trenches the infantry rushes in, often to be thrown out again as the British artillery ceases firing, which it has to do owing to proximity of the opposing lines. Thus the battle has been going for weeks, the opposing forces now gaining at terrific cost and then losing at even greater cost a few yards of trenches.

At present all the fighting by the British is carried on from their Pozieres salient, where their drum fire is unceasing day or night. German officers who were in the Champagne offensive said no such artillery fire had ever been developed previously.

Terrific Gun Fire. The German fire, too, is terrific. An idea of its intensity may be gathered from the fact that on certain British troops German guns threw 1,600 shells in one minute and forty-five seconds, resulting in great slaughter.

Often the British are driven away before the German second line from which machine guns pour out streams of bullets which literally cut the men into fragments. At one point the Associated Press correspondent stood within 300 yards of the British trenches near Delville wood. Nearby the Germans had just buried 1,290 British, as lulls in the firing permitted.

Escape From Hell. Some 500 British prisoners whom the correspondent saw behind the firing line plainly were still dazed from the shock. They were looking at the spectacle, glad they had escaped from "hell" as they termed it.

The correspondent visited the entire front of the present offensive and everywhere found men who with Germans that they were more determined than ever to stand their ground. The men are in capital shape physically, and of easy mind, though they are looking upon death at each instant. An officer pointed out that nowadays each man is his own leader as it is often impossible under present battle conditions to transmit commands.

While the generals might still plan to actions, the officer said, it was plain that the infantryman, acting upon his own initiative and the presence of death, must save the day.

Back of the German lines within British artillery range hardly a single house was standing. Embers were still burning in the ruins of the villages as the correspondent passed through. Officers said there were no German troops in such places and that the victims were mostly French civilians. Of these the correspondent saw scores of wounded. When ever possible the Germans removed these civilians, as at Buquoy. The population of this town was shot out of clock in the morning and the bombardment began at 5 o'clock. By noon the entire village was raised. The village of Raucourt met a similar fate. The correspondent saw part of the population rushing for safety and a few hours later looked on the burning debris of the town.

Try to Burn Grain. British aviators have made several attempts to burn the grain crop, apparently unmindful of the fact that it belongs to French front-line aviators descending to 800 yards from the ground, threw bombs among a harvesting party, killing two French girls and wounding others.

There is no safety anywhere in the zone behind the front. What the artillery does not reach is exposed constantly to the bombs of aviators. While the correspondent was at Langeney eight civilians were killed. Eighteen others were wounded of whom four died in the German hospital the same day. At Cambrai four persons were killed and two were wounded on the same night. A French civilian pointed out that, while the German soldiers have bombproofs in which to seek refuge, the British have only cellars. He begged that this be brought to the attention of the British military authorities.

S. P. C. A. Notes. On request of the Secretary of War of the United States the American Humane Association has organized Red Star Animal Relief. This organization will be an efficient aid to the government, not alone in time of war but in all periods of national calamity—great fires, earthquakes, tornadoes, pestilences when the local societies for the Protection of Animals have more than they can handle.

Though Mr. Baker made his request How to Beautify the Complexion. If your pink complexion is fading or wrinkles are creeping into your face, don't think that it is necessary to be treated by an expensive beauty specialist or continue to look years older than you really are.

Right in your own home and without expensive toilet requisites you can remove your wrinkles and bring back to your cheeks the rosy bloom of girlhood. Simply get a little Am-o-nized cocoa from your druggist and after washing your face with warm water apply this as you would an ordinary cold cream; leave on for a few minutes and then wipe off with a soft dry cloth. You will be surprised to see what a clear, fresh and charming appearance your complexion has. Besides it gives to the skin that fresh and pleasant beauty which always makes a woman look young and attractive.

This method of caring for the complexion is becoming very popular with actresses and society ladies who find it necessary to look their best at all times. Am-o-nized cocoa costs little and is pleasant to use. It also makes an ideal treatment for sunburn tan or redness.

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Draperies

Colored Bordered Scrim—36 inches wide; blue, pink, green and yellow; Friday price, 7 1/2¢ yard. Nottingham Lace—36 inches wide; ecru with green and brown stripes; Friday price, 19¢ yard. Remnants—Voiles, Marquisettes, Cretonnes, Silkolens and Scrim; sunfast material, all about Half Price.

BOWMAN'S—Fourth Floor

Stamped Goods

Stamped Pillow Cases—36x42 inches; Friday price, 39¢. Children's Hats—Friday price, 19¢. Lawn and Pique Collar and Cuff Sets—Friday price, 13¢. White Linen Carriage Covers—Friday price, 98¢. Children's Dresses—white lawn; pink and blue poplin; figured madras in pink and blue; Friday prices, 19¢, 29¢, 39¢ and 59¢.

BOWMAN'S—Second Floor

Basement Home Furnishings

Heisey's Colonial Crystal Glass Fruit Bowls—8 1/2 inches in diameter; useful for every table and reasonably priced; for Friday, 29¢. White Porcelain Kitchen Bowls—Blue band and blue line decoration; set consists of four bowls, 5, 6, 7 and 8-inch sizes—Friday price, 33¢. Casserole Baking Set—white porcelain; 10 pieces; blue line decoration; consists of 6 custards; one 7 and 8-inch baking dish; 7-inch casserole and cover; Friday price, 73¢. Modern Safety Gas Iron—complete with gas hose; attaches to burner on gas bracket; ready for use in 4 minutes; Friday price; 75¢. Tea Kettles—Rochester pure aluminum; No. 8 size; curved spout; steel bail; wooden handle; Friday price, \$1.95. Star Fibre Water Pails—the cheapest good pail on the market; serviceable and built for general utility; Friday price, 23¢. Oval Mirror—white enamel frame; 15x20 inches; beveled French plate glass; Friday price, \$1.69.

BOWMAN'S—Basement

On the Carpet Floor

Kno-Fade Carpet—made of imported Kraft yarn; green, blue and brown with borders; 27 inches wide; Friday price, 19¢ yard. Matting Rugs—woven and stenciled patterns; 9x12 size; Friday price, \$2.25. Rubber Stair Pads—fancy moulded patterns; 1/4-inch thick; Friday prices; 7x18 inches, 12¢; 9x18 inches, 15¢.

BOWMAN'S—Fourth Floor

Couch Hammocks

Convenient size and comfortable; guaranteed box spring mattress; detachable slip cover; 16-ounce duck ends and wind shields; Friday price, \$4.49.

BOWMAN'S—Fourth Floor

Underwear For the Family

Men's Union Suits—bleached; knee length; sizes, 34 to 42; and mesh, ankle and knee lengths; not every size; Friday price, 39¢. Men's Union Suits—bleached and ecru; short sleeve and ankle length; sizes, 34 to 44; Friday price, 42¢. Boys' Union Suits—mesh; short sleeves and knee length; Friday price, 35¢. Women's Vests and Pants—vests are sleeveless with tape edge; pants have lace knee and come in regular and extra sizes; Friday price, 39¢.

BOWMAN'S—Main Floor

Women's Hosiery

Heavy Thread Silk Hose—high spliced heel; garter tops; black, white and colors; Friday price, 79¢. Silk Boot Hose—black only; high spliced heels; Friday price, 39¢.

BOWMAN'S—Main Floor

Notions Friday Prices

Lucy Brown Hair Pins, assorted, 5¢ box. Small size snap fasteners, 5¢ doz. White Stickerei braid, 10¢ bolt. Fancy combs, 25¢ each. Lingerie Tape, 5¢ bolt. White Pearl Buttons—Reduced one-fourth.

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Children's Socks—white with stripes of blue, pink and black; 2 to 4 years. Friday price, 19¢. Infants' Shoes—all white, and tan with white tops; 0, 1, 2 and 3 sizes. Friday price, 19¢. Infants' Long Slips—made of fine nainsook; embroidered yoke, or yoke of tucks and insertion; neatly trimmed; slightly soiled. Friday price, 75¢. Baby Novelties—including coat hangers, string dolls, pin holders, rattlers, diaper bags, and robe holders; soiled from handling. Friday price, 10¢.

BOWMAN'S—Third Floor

Gloves

Fownes and Kayser 16-button Silk Gloves in shades of pongee, tan, navy and gray; standard quality will be reduced for Friday clearance to 50¢ pair.

BOWMAN'S—Main Floor

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Non-swimmers will find a great deal of pleasure in a pair of water wings, at 39¢ and 50¢.

BOWMAN'S—Second Floor

Women's Light Weight Coats

A Season-End Clean-Up of Serviceable Blue and Black Models and Several Light Shades, \$5.00

BOWMAN'S—Third Floor

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Lawn Benches—Friday price, 69¢ to \$1.98. Skippmobiles—Friday price 79¢. Camp Stools—Friday price, 19¢. Musical Hoops—A great toy for the outdoor child—Friday price, 19¢ and 39¢.

BOWMAN'S—Second Floor

Auto Accessories

Auto Chairs—Friday price, \$1.25. Combination Grease and Oil Gun—Friday price, \$1.98. Handy Grease Package—Friday price, 19¢ and 59¢. Battery Syringe Hydrometre—Friday price, 59¢ and 79¢. Spark Plugs—Friday price, 23¢.

BOWMAN'S—Second Floor

Women's White Shoes

Women's finest white kid, lace and button boots; attractive styles; slightly soiled. Friday price, \$3.98. Women's White and Palm Beach canvas sport shoes; with welted rubber soles and heels. Friday price, \$1.49. Women's White Sea Island Duck Pumps; black tips and trimmings; every size to start the sale with. Friday price, 69¢—On sale only after 9 o'clock.

BOWMAN'S—Main Floor

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Domestics

Bleached Muslin and Cambric—36 inches wide; useful lengths. Well-known brands, including Fruit-of-the-Loam, Waumsetto, Hope, Snow White and Lonsdale; Friday price, 7 3/4¢ yard. Outing Flannel—36 inches wide; patterns made for autumn; good lengths and weight; well fleeced; Friday price, 9¢ yard. White Shaker Flannel—36 inches wide; good weight and quality; Friday price, 10¢ yard. Bleached Sheet—81 inches wide; "Dwight Anchor," one of the best; Friday price, 30¢ yard. Cretonnes—36 inches wide; cut from the piece; new patterns and fast colors; useful for comfort covering and draperies; Friday price, 10¢ yard. Awning Stripes—sun and rainproof; useful lengths in blue and brown; Friday price, 15¢ yard. Simpson Calicoes—fancy patterns; cut from the piece; used for coverings; Friday price, 5 1/2¢ yard. Mohawk Sheets, 90x90 in.—slightly soiled; washable to perfection; marked "E.S." Friday price, 79¢.

BOWMAN'S—Basement

In The White Goods Section

30-inch Plisse Crepe—Friday price, 10 yards for 75¢. Fancy Stripe Batiste—44 inches wide; Friday price, 49¢ yard. Ivory White Voile—40 inches wide; Friday price, 12 1/2¢ yard. Bed Spreads—Fillet lace and voile; in blue, rose and yellow patterns; Friday price, \$8.95. Crochet Bed Spreads—full bed size; scalloped cut corners; Friday price, \$1.50. Twilled Toweling—bleached; with red border; 16 inches wide; Friday price 5¢ yard.

BOWMAN'S—Second Floor

only last May already the organization is under way. Preparedness is the keynote of success in this movement; but preparedness is impossible unless the American people, always quick to respond in an emergency to relieve suffering are not so prone to maintain relief organizations. It is important to have a large endowment fund of at least \$250,000. Anyone interested in this vital preparedness movement should make his or her check payable to the order of Edgar McDonald, treasurer of the American Red Star Animal Relief, but mail it to Dr. William O. Stillman, director general, Albany, N. Y.

Who has not had his heart touched these last few weeks of intense heat by the sight of some overburdened horse staggering under his load in the hot sun. Perhaps it was a stray dog or cat panting for water which is nowhere available that has aroused quick pity. Whatever the cause, the result should be the same. There is in Harrisburg an organization pledged to relieve such suffering as far as its means permit. Now is the time to join the Harrisburg S. P. C. A. Its agents work day and night to bring relief to suffering animals. That work is only limited by the question of financial support.

Dogs have always been used in the low countries as the motive power for light carts and in towing ships in the canals. Now a special variety of machine-gun dog of war is being bred. "These dogs," says the National Geographic Magazine, "resemble the Esquimaux dogs in their vitality and high spirits. They keep cheerful and efficient long after the human machine has yielded to fatigue."

How lightly we call such faithful animals "brutes" how little thought we give to their comfort; yet again and again the horse or dog has shown himself more faithful than man when the test came. Amid the horror of the European war a bright spot is the care that is being given to animals.

They must endure great suffering, but they are being cared for as scientifically as are their masters. One of the late movements of the antiquely societies is the protection of birds. This is not only from humane motives; self interest, national interest is back of the new effort. Scientists have determined by careful study and investigation that the farmers and fruit growers of this country are losing over \$1,000,000,000 by reason of the reckless and senseless destruction of the birds during the last thirty years.

The scientist and animal lover, James Buckland, says: "Man imagines himself to be the dominant power on earth. He is nothing of the sort. The true lords of the universe are the insects. The number of insect species is greater by far than that of all the species of all other living creatures combined." And yet the protection of the greatest insect destroyers—the birds, seems of little importance to the vast majority of Americans.

Girls, Beware of Men Who Have Blue Eyes. Cleveland, Aug. 24.—Unfaithfulness lurks behind the blue eyes of men. Blue-eyed men make very, very poor husbands. That's the statement of Bradley Hull, who, by the way is brown-eyed. Hull ought to know. He's attorney for

the Cleveland Humane Society. He declares that 75 per cent. of the men who have forsaken their wives or children during the last seven years here are blue-eyed men. "I've got figures to prove this indictment against such men," said Hull. "Maybe the blue-eyed man is more adventurous."

Man Is Hired by His Wife as a Court Laborer. Wentworth, N. C., Aug. 22.—Two

years as a contract laborer for his wife was the sentence imposed by a jury upon J. W. Slaughter for killing Thomas Weaver. He must also pay \$400 to Weaver's widow. Slaughter was Chief of Police at Draper, N. C., when he shot and killed Weaver in a personal row. Upon finding him guilty of manslaughter the jury stipulated that he serve two years as a convict laborer, the State to have the privilege of hiring him out during his term of servitude. Mrs. Slaughter bid for the contract and the court awarded her husband's

services to her. While nothing has been said about Mrs. Slaughter's attitude toward her husband she may, if she desires, keep a ball and chain attached to his ankle to prevent him from escaping and may reduce his rations to bread and water if he refuses to do the amount of work she demands.

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