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BELGIANS AND BRITISH SWEEPING OVER FLANDERS

Messines, Zillebeke and Passchendaele Now in Allies Hands, Roulers the Most Important Road Centre in the Sector Has Been Captured and the City of Lille is Being Enveloped. The Germans Lost 12,000 Men in These Operations.

(Special to The Guardian) LONDON, Oct. 1.—The news from Belgium is of the greatest moment. The Belgian army and the second British army, carrying out their part of Foch's plans, have swept over all the Flanders ridge positions including those of Messines, Zillebeke and Passchendaele; have taken Roulers, the most important road and rail centre behind the enemy front, and are now advancing southward along the Roulers Menin road with the object of seizing the crossings of the Lys and outflanking the enemy's defensive lines which protect Lille from assault on its western side. It is stated that the Germans were caught unprepared and having lost about 12,000 men and almost 300 guns during forty eight hours of fighting on the Belgian front, are now seeking to repair their losses by bringing up fresh troops. Plumer's army encountered some of them as they advanced toward the crossings of the Lys but they failed to stay the British advance. He apparently intends to cross the Lys in force between Menin and Comines. On this part of the front there are no obstructions that tanks cannot overcome in the approach to Lille on the north.

LILLE BEING ENVELOPED It is probable that in planning this part of the campaign Foch desired to envelop Lille rather than attack the city by a direct advance from the west hoping that it would thus escape the destruction involved in an assault. Lille and the adjacent towns of Turcoing and Roubaix are the centres of the textile industry of France and although many of the mills have been dismantled by the Germans there is still much wealth there. To subject Lille to a bombardment by high explosive shells on the scale necessary in preparation for an assault would mean a very great loss to the citizens and to France. The envelopment from the north now in progress was

the only way to avoid that loss. BELGIANS DRIVING TOWARDS BRUGES In the northern part of the Flanders front the Belgians continue to drive forward along the railway which runs from Ypres to Bruges by way of Staden and Thourout. From the latter town a branch runs northward to Ostend and the Belgian advance, if continued as far as Thourout may force the enemy out of both Ostend and Nieuport, perhaps away from the Belgian coast altogether. In an address to his troops King Albert indicated that this was the purpose of the operations in the coastal region.

ON THE CAMBRAI ST. QUENTIN BATTLE FRONT On the entire Cambrai St. Quentin battle line Canadians, British, American and French troops are taking part in one of the great battles of the war. The weather was not favorable yesterday and German resistance was of the most stubborn sort but Sir Douglas Haig reports that important progress was made especially in the Bellongise sector where British Australian and American troops have forced their way through the main Hindenburg line and are engaged in strengthening their grip of the territory to the east of it. They captured yesterday the villages of Thorigny and Tronquoy, the latter on the eastern side of the Scheidt Canal; the high ground south of Quoy and the village of Gonnelle. Many prisoners were taken in these operations. The Americans had much hard fighting while mopping up the portion of the Hindenburg line through which they had smashed their way on the previous day. Many Germans had been left behind in deep dugouts when Americans passed through their positions and some of them proved a serious menace. Large numbers of Germans were killed in the process of mopping by grenades and bombs dropped into their dugouts. In the region where the Canadians

are operating north of Cambrai there has been stiff fighting. Unofficial reports state that Allied troops are battling in the streets of Cambrai but Sir Douglas in his official reports states that north of Cambrai the enemy again resisted our advance strongly, employing considerable forces and counter-attacks frequently and violently. In spite of his efforts the Canadian troops again progressed in this neighborhood capturing prisoners and inflicting heavy losses on the enemy.

The taking of Cambrai is no walk-over. The French in the Champagne have fought their way to the north of Monthois on the St. Menchould Vouziers road. They have now arrived at a point where their heavy guns can command the valley of the Aire, a tributary of the Alsne which flows around the northern end of the Argonne forest by the river valley. The only first class road in the district passes around the forest. The Americans on the east side of the Argonne and the French on the west are striving to reach Grand Pre in the valley forest. A rapid retreat will unquestionably be attempted by the enemy. On no part of the long battle line is there fiercer fighting than in this Vouziers sector. No less than ten fresh German divisions have been thrown into the struggle by the enemy and there have been frequent hand to hand encounters.

There has been marked activity between Rheims and the heights of the Alsne. There Berthelots army which holds the Vesle front attacked yesterday and carried his battle line well across the Vesle in the region of Montagny; 1600 prisoners were taken here. To the northwest on the Chemin Des Dames Mangin's men have now occupied more than half of the famous road and are descending on a wide front to the valley of the Ailette. The Germans are giving ground here more readily than they did at the opening of the battle and are probably retiring to their former places on the north side of the Ailette.

NIAGARA CELEBRATES BULGARIAN SURRENDER

(Special to The Guardian) NIAGARA, Oct. 1.—The surrender of Bulgaria the first big allied victory of the present war, was received with much manifestation of joy. Mayor Stephens gave the school children a half holiday and headed by the Mayor, Ald. Wm. Cole and Ald. W. H. Newman and a band they paraded the streets three thousand strong, each child carrying a flag. At the City Hall addresses were given by the Mayor and Aldermen. The factory whistles of the city proclaimed the surrender for an hour or more.

CANADIAN BUTTER IS CONFISCATED

(Special to The Guardian) OTTAWA, Oct. 1.—All creamery butter made in the provinces of Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Ontario and Quebec, between the 30th day of September and the 9th day of November 1918, both days inclusive will be commandeered under the authority of an order in council passed Monday the 30th Sept. 1918. The reason for this action is that Great Britain and her Allies need Canadian creamery butter.

MEMORABLE DAY IN WORLD HISTORY

(Special to The Guardian) MONTREAL, Oct. 1.—Today may be a memorable day in the history of the world declared the Duke of Devonshire, the Governor General of Canada, speaking at the Canadian club luncheon in reference to the news respecting Bulgaria. Seven hundred members present endorsed his remark with hearty cheers.

CHOLERA EPIDEMIC NOW IN BERLIN

(Special to The Guardian) BASEL, Switzerland, Oct. 1.—Cholera has broken out in Berlin, according to advices received here. There have been seven cases of which six were fatal.

CHRISTMAS PARCELS BY NOVEMBER 15

(Special to The Guardian) OTTAWA, Oct. 1.—The postmaster general states the christmas parcels for the Canadian expeditionary forces in France should be mailed in time to be despatched from Canadian ports not later than the middle of November.

WHAT BRITISH GAINED IN LAST OFFENSIVE

(Special to The Guardian) LONDON, Oct. 1.—Andrew Bonar Law, speaking today at a meeting opening the autumn war savings campaign, said that since July 12 troops of the British Empire had captured 1,000 square miles of territory, 250 villages and more than 120,000 German prisoners.

THE WEATHER TEMPERATURE. TIDE, MOON, ETC.

TORONTO, Oct. 2.—Fair and cool. The tide will be high this morning at 9.33 and tomorrow at 10.26; it will be high tonight at 10.27 and tomorrow at 10.59. The sun sets this afternoon at 6.59 and tomorrow at 6.57; it rises tomorrow morning at 7.18 and Friday at 7.19. The moon rises tomorrow morning at 5.55. The last quarter of the moon was on Thursday, Sept. 27th at 12.39 a. m. There will be a new moon on Friday Oct. 4th at 11.05 p. m. The length of today will be eleven hours and forty two minutes.

BULGARIANS' BACK DOWN SERBIA'S OPPORTUNITY

Serbia Now Free to Tackle Austrian and German Troops Still Remaining in Old Serbia and Montenegro. Possibilities of Advance on Constantinople and the Complete Destruction of the Whole Turkish Power are Opened Up by Bulgaria's Surrender.

(Special to The Guardian) PARIS, Oct. 1.—The Bulgars are out of the war, having agreed to the Allies terms. The Serbs will now be free to tackle with the help of their Allies the Austrian and German troops which still hold in subjection the greater part of old Serbia and all of Montenegro. The Bulgars, it must be remembered, obtained but a very small part of Serbia proper as their price for treachery to the Balkan league. Their share of the loot was Macedonia and it is from Macedonia that they have agreed to retire immediately. The battleline in the Balkans will be shortened materially by the Bulgars' surrender, unless the Germans attempt to keep the oriental railway open across Bulgaria to Constantinople, in which event Allied armies have a right under the terms

of the armistice to pass through Bulgaria and form a front on her territory against the enemy's forces. If however the central powers respect Bulgaria's territorial rights the new Balkan battleline will run from a point on the Danube near Negolin across Central Serbia and Montenegro to the Adriatic at Cataro. Such a line would be about 160 miles in length and might prove more defensible by the advance up the valley of the Vardar. The Serbs are losing no time in re-occupying their own country. Very little of Macedonia now remains in the enemy's hands. There is still trouble for Turkey in Macedonia's box and Mr. Bonar Law announces that it may come forth soon. The Chancellor of the Exchequer said the magnificent successes of our armies in Palestine had resulted in the

extinction of the greater part of the Turkish army but something more is going to follow. This may mean an advance of the Allied armies in the Balkans through Bulgarian territory to Constantinople, a perfectly feasible thing or it may mean a movement of the army of Mesopotamia along the Euphrates toward Aleppo. The capture of that city and of Damascus would utterly destroy the Turkish army organization in southern Asia Minor and northern Syria. General Allenby announces the surrender at Seiza station in the desert region east of the Dead Sea of a Turkish force estimated by his command to consist of 10,000 men. These troops are a part of the second corps of the fourth Turkish army and Amman and the River. The total Turkish prisoners is now about 60,000 men.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ARMY HUT FUND

- Tignish \$50.00 Hon Chas. Dalton \$25.00 each. Rev. Mgr. D. McDonald. Hon. P. C. Murphy, J. A. Johnson, M. D. J. A. Hackett, E. J. McTague. \$20.00 each. Rev. A. J. McDougald. \$10.50 each. J. J. Morris. 10.00 each. W. P. McBride. \$5.75 each. Austin Handrahan. 5.50 each. J. A. Bernard, P. P. Cahill. \$5.00 each. H. A. Finlayson, F. J. Bernard, Miss Loretta McNeill, P. N. Evans, W. A. Gaudet, G. A. Shefferson, Mrs. B. O'Connor, C. F. Morrissey, Claude Murphy, A. J. McPayden, E. M. Myrick, J. J. Arsenault, Robert McCarthy, Geo. W. H. Harding, Chester McCarty, Geo. A. Doucette. \$4.00 each. Mrs. F. Conroy, Francis Hughes. \$3.50 A. J. Bernard. \$3.00 each. Alfred P. Gaudet, Antoine Gaudet, Wm. DeRoach, John McIntosh, Leslie McCarthy, William Harper, Narcis Richard. \$2.50 each. Timothy Conway, Edward Christopher. \$2.25 each. Albert Deroache. \$2.00 each. Cyprian Handrahan, J. B. Morrissey, Francis DeRoache, F. J. Richard, John P. Chasson, Andrew H. Arsenault, Antoine Gallant, Ed. Joseph LeClare, Ella M. McGrath, Nicholas A. Hearn, Thomas M. Neillan, John O'Brien, Edele T. Bernard, Herbert Platts, Fieley Hogan, Mark Handrahan, Cyprian Handrahan, Eljah Gallant, Wm. P. McKay, Annie Morrissey, Mrs. Perry, J. P. Harper, Mrs. Jos. Harper, H. B. Webb, J. J. Gaudet, Margaret DeRoache, J. W. Gavin, Jos. P. Arsenault, Mrs. Bessie McInnis, Mrs. Isidore Richard, Mrs. J. B. Gallant, Joseph S. Gaudet, Mrs. M. J. Ready, Charles Carter, John M. Neillan, Perley Heywood, Miss M. Kinch, Mrs. Wm. Corbett, James McGrath, Miss Mary Arsenault, J. Henry Gallant. \$1.50 each. Paul Boute, Jerome J. Poirier, Eljah Bernard, Mrs. Thos. H. Kehoe. \$1.10 each. Mae Bernard. \$1.60 each. W. Perry. \$1.00 each. Mae Brennan, Andrew McDonald, Mrs. A. J. Brennan, J. A. Brennan, Loretta Chasson, M. P. Perry, Angelina Bernard, Mrs. Elizabeth Arsenault, Henry Perry, Jos. Chas Harper, Angus Shea, Jos. A. Arsenault, Archie Gaudet, Louise Gaudet, P. R. Kinch, Mary Morrissey, Mrs. Hubert Arsenault, Emily Richard, W. J. Leonard Peter M. Chasson, Mrs. Agno Gaudet, Yvonne Richard, John B. Arsenault, John H. Bernard, Joseph H. C. Arsenault, John R. Gavin Theodore G. Bernard, Ernest Gaudet, Chas Chasson, Hubert Gaudet, F. J. Boute, Mrs. L. J. Murphy, Urbain M. Gaudet, J. M. Arsenault, Theodore Bernard, Miss Bertha McPayden, Mrs. J. W. Green, Peter Gaudet, Fred Bernard, Jerry Beugreault, Everett Conroy, Mrs. George Howland, Clarence Shea, Agappe Gaudet, Leo Conroy, Joseph M. Doucette P. L. Chasson, Wm. Fennessey, J. J. Chasson, Miss Fannie Richard, Mrs. Jerome Richard, Miss Fanny Ramsay, Mrs. Eva Ready, Annie Richard, Peter Gaudet, Sylvain F. Arsenault, Arthur J. Arsenault, B. V. Gaudet.

MARITIME SYNOD OPENS IN CHARLOTTETOWN

Large Attendance of Clerical and Lay Delegates. Appropriate Sermon by Retiring Moderator. The first meeting of the Maritime Synod of the Presbyterian Church in Canada was held last evening in Zion Church. There was a very large attendance, including several hundred ministers and elders, delegates to the Synod. A show of hands was taken between Rev. Angus McMillan, Sydney, C. B. Rev. Prof. Falconer, Pine Hill. The last named requested his name to be withdrawn and on a vote this was agreed to. Dr. Fullerton and Rev. Mr. McMillan and the latter was declared elected. On the motion of Rev. Mr. Martin, Wood Islands, his election was made unanimous. The new moderator was then formally introduced and took the chair. Some formal business was then transacted and Synod adjourned until 9 a. m. today. Rev. Dr. Fullerton, Charlottetown.

REV. T. W. MURPHY MAY TAKE NEW CHARGE

(Special to The Guardian) TORONTO, Sept. 30.—The name of Rev. T. W. Murphy, of Charlottetown, P.E.I., is mentioned in connection with the vacant rectorship of All Saints Church here and it is expected that the appointment will be made this week. Mrs. Murphy is a daughter of N.W. Hoyles, K.C., principal of the Law School.

GERMAN COUNTER ATTACK FAILED

PARIS, Sept. 30.—The text of today's war office statements reads: In the course of the night the Germans delivered a violent counter attack in the region of Urvillers south of St. Quentin. All their attempts to capture Hill 88 were broken up by the French fire. Rather violent artillery fighting occurred between the Ailette and the Alsne. In the Champagne there was no infantry action during the night. The battle began again at day break.

AMERICANS PUSH ON.

WITH THE AMERICANS ON THE METZ FRONT, Sept. 28.—American troops with French co-operation advanced east of the Moselle this morning. They gained their first objectives despite German artillery resistance. The American line east of the Moselle extends in practically a straight line from Vandieres to Nomeny. It averages a mile and a half to three miles from the German borders.

GERMAN MINISTERS HAVE RESIGNED

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 1.—Emperor William has accepted the resignation of Count Von Hertling and Admiral Von Hintze, according to the Zeitung Amittag of Berlin. No official announcement on the subject has been received here.

EARL OF MINTO ARRIVES IN CANADA.

AN ATLANTIC PORT, Sept. 28.—The Earl of Minto, whose father was formerly Governor General of Canada, arrived on a British steamer today to take a position as aide de camp to the Duke of Devonshire. Earl Minto is a Captain in the Scottish guards and has seen several years service in France.

IN CASUALTY LIST

- KILLED IN ACTION A Gass, New Haven DIED J.A. McPherson, Glen Valley, GASSED J. R. Murchison, Clyde River. WOUNDED A. McDonald, Fortune Bridge A. McGilvray, Cherry Valley W. E. Dawson, Kensington F. McCordle, Middleton. J. D. Murchison, Elliotts E. Dunning, Clifton. J. P. McInnis, Charlottetown

DISTINGUISHED SOLDIER ARRIVES IN CANADA

(Special to The Guardian) OTTAWA, Sept. 28.—Captain the Earl of Glasgow arrived here today on his way to take up an important naval post in Vladivostok. He is one of a party of eight British naval officers. The Earl has had a long and distinguished career in the navy having entered when he was 14 years old. Since the war broke out he has served in the south seas, off the German East African coast and on the Persian gulf.

SAD DEATH OF A P.E. ISLAND SEAMAN

(Special to The Guardian) AN ATLANTIC PORT, Sept. 26.—Seaman John Dunn, of Prince Edward Island, was killed yesterday when he fell fifty five feet down the hold of the steamer Dagahild. He with three other men had been painting the interior of the vessel in separate stagings when he fell. Coroner Townsend took the evidence of the captain, mate and the man working next the deceased and decided that an inquest was unnecessary.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, COMING EVENTS, MEETINGS, ETC.

\*\*A basket social will be held in Mt. Ryan School house on Friday Oct. 4th. Ladies with baskets free. 1718-10-2m2i

"OVER HERE" AND "OVER THERE"

Look on this picture and on that. Over there in France the gallant Canadian is girding up his loins to battle. The thoughtless Canadian at home is cranking up his car for a "joy ride." Motoring for pleasure is a luxury. It is unseemly for us to be pleasure-seeking and luxury-loving when our own flesh and blood in the battle-lines are at death-grips with the foe. We need to shape our lives these days on stern and simple lines. This is no hour for extravagance. We must waste no gasoline. Our country needs it. We must waste no money on gasoline. Our country needs that, too—every dollar of it we can save. So get out of the pleasure rut! Save Gasoline. Save money. Saving these, you save your own good name.

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