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THE SMASHING OF GERMANISM IS RAPIDLY NEARING COMPLETION

On Every Front the Crushing Blows of the Allies are Falling Upon the Bewildered Armies of Germans, Austrians, Turks, Bulgarians. Prisoners are Being Sent Back to the Cages in Thousands While More Enemy Guns are Being Captured Than the German and Austrian Factories Can Build.

(Special to The Guardian) LONDON, Sept. 29.—Like a group of Smiths surrounding a great anvil Foch's Generals swing the sledge hammers in turn crushing the enemy masses beneath their mighty strokes and shaping a new world in which militarism shall not bear rule.

Pétain strikes in the Champagne, Pershing along the Meuse, Haig in front of Cambrai, while Mangin continues his strokes along the Ailette. Allenby's smashing blow in Palestine re-echoes among the mountains of Galilee and Desperly has so shrewdly aimed his strokes in the Balkans that Bulgaria sues for an armistice as a preliminary to peace negotiations.

PRISONERS BY THOUSANDS COMING IN

Prisoners by the thousand and guns in hundreds are taken daily. Not all the armies of workmen in Krupp's or the Verda factories of Austria can replace the guns of the foe as quickly as they are being taken from him.

The victories won by the organizing genius of Foch, the valour of his generals and the daring and hardihood of Allied soldiers are bringing the end of the war much nearer than even the most sanguine could have hoped two months ago. Since Thursday the French have captured over 10,000 men in the Champagne, the Americans over 8,000 prisoners and one hundred guns between the Meuse and the Argonne, and the British 6,000 in the operations of Cambrai, where Bourlon Wood, the chief outwork of the cities' defences has been taken by the Canadians, leaving the way into the city open.

THE CANADIANS ARE IN IT

The centre of interest for Canadian readers this morning is the region between the Seneze River and Cambrai where a British army, of which the Canadian Corps formed the left wing, won another notable victory yesterday. The chief difficulty in the way of farther progress on this part of the front was an unfinished section of the Canal Du Nord the steep banks of which the enemy believed would prevent the use of tanks in an assault upon Cambrai. The canal proved a bog.

Pressing forward along a fourteen mile front between the Seneze and Fies Quois, the men of the first and third and British armies pushed across the Canal and in an amazingly short time the Canadian and British troops on the crucial part of the front were driving through the German defences north and south of Bourlon Hill and Wood.

Sir Douglas Haig referring to the work of the Canadians, says on the left Canadian Corps under General Currie attacking with the 1st, 3rd and 4th divisions, forced a passage of the Canal Du Nord and captured the villages of Sains-la-Maison and Bourlon with the wooded heights of Bourlon Hill. Between the Wood and the Arras Road they also made a splendid advance for the new British front

close to Raillencourt, a hamlet on the Arras Cambrai Road slightly over two miles from Cambrai.

HARD FIGHTING AT BOURLON WOOD BUT THE ENEMY WAS BEATEN

There was hard fighting south of Bourlon Wood and for a time the British troops taking part in the advance were held up by strong defences of Graucourt. These were turned from the north while to the south Fles Quières and the spur of Beau-camp were carried. Several thousand prisoners were captured. Sir Douglas says the figures in unofficial despatches are 6,000.

South of the active front around Cambrai American troops near Le Catelet captured the outer positions of the Hindenburg line. North of the Arras Cambrai road English troops carried Sauchy Cauchy and Sluchy Lestre, thus protecting the left flank of the troops which we must assume to have been Canadians operating on the Arras Road sector. In the region north of the Scarpe the occupation of Arleux En Gohelle was completed. Altogether the result of the day's operations was to increase greatly the threat against both Cambrai and Douai.

AMERICANS MADE SPLENDID HAUL OF PRISONERS AND GUNS

PARIS, Sept. 28.—The American advance between the Meuse and the Argonne Forest forced the enemy to throw in his reserves east of the Meuse where the French put on a diversion. Austrian troops were brought into action and Vienna speaks of them as taking a glorious part in the fighting. There could not have been much glory in repelling a make belief attack but the incident is important as showing Germany's increasing dependence on the Austrians for the replenishment of her waning reserves and man power. West of the Meuse the Americans in addition to the big batch of over 5000 prisoners already reported succeeded in the first day's advance in getting through to the German big gun positions. A great haul was made near Dannevoix; on the River Bank. Four 8 inch and eight 6 inch guns were captured together with ten field guns and 34 machine guns. A bit to the west of the village two other batteries of field guns were taken together with a lot of munitions and the American gunners turned the whole twelve on the Germans. The chief centre of resistance at the close of the first day's fighting was on the high ground of Mount Faucon. During the night the enemy brought up some of the best troops in the German army. When the American advance was resumed yesterday morning four divisions were thrown in to oppose the assaults of three American divisions. In the face of this greatly increased resistance the Americans continued to make satisfactory progress. During the day they captured the villages of Charpendry, Epinon-

vile, Vory and Ivory. Following up on the infantry advance the Artillery was dragged up over roads heavy with mud as a result of Thursday's night rain and by night fall the American gunners were again doing their part toward the destruction of the enemy's defensive positions. The German engineers some time ago laid up a strong line of defence about three miles north of the American outposts, as they were when the battle was resumed yesterday, which the enemy troops hope to hold. Toward evening the Germans launched several strong counter attacks against the American centre near Montfaucon and Aviator scouts reported heavy concentrations in the wood of Clerges, northwest of Montfaucon there today very heavy fighting will follow the continuance of the American advance.

FRENCH BROKE THROUGH ON TWENTY ONE MILES

The French official report of the first day of the battle of the Champagne shows that the assaulting troops broke through the German battle line on a front of over twenty one miles, took over 700 prisoners of whom 20 were officers and captured a number of villages well behind the enemy's battle line despite the stubborn defence of the Germans. The village of Cernay En Dorperd one of the places captured is the principal road centre on the western side of the Argonne forest. With it and Servon in their possession the French will be able to make the evacuation of the Forest by the German troops still remaining in it an extremely hazardous operation. The French prisoners on Thursday and Friday total over 10,000.

BULGARIANS REDUCED TO CHAOTIC CONDITION

In Macedonia the diplomatic situation is of even greater interest than the military. The Allied troops in their combined advance along a front of almost a hundred miles appear to have reduced the Bulgarian defensive system to a condition of chaos with all their principal lines of retreat severed. Many thousand of Bulgaria may be able to negotiate una Mountains by the French and Serbs while, to the east of the Carpath, British troops have invaded Bulgaria and captured Strumitza the forward enemy base, taking thirty guns and much ammunition.

THE GREEKS MOVING ON BULGARIA

The Greeks also are advancing into Bulgaria after storming the enemy positions on the Mountain crests north of Lake Doiran. At Kochana to which the south pushed after their occupation of it they have covered more than half the distance from

THE WEATHER TEMPERATURE, TIDE, MOON, ETC.

TORONTO, Sept. 29.—Some scattered showers but mostly fair and warm.

The tide will be high this morning at 7.16 and tomorrow at 8.30, it will be high tonight at 9.01 and tomorrow at 9.49.

The sun sets this evening at 7.02 and tomorrow at 7.01; it rises tomorrow morning at 7.16 and Wednesday at 7.17.

The moon rises tomorrow morning at 3.51.

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 eight minutes.

Saloniki to Sofia. The invasion of Bulgarian territory, the refusal of a request for reinforcements of German troops with the tardy response of Austria to a similar request have had the effect of destroying the Bulgarian morale and the Allied powers have been approached in the hope that Bulgaria may be able to negotiate with them a separate peace. Meanwhile General Desperly continues his operations for the destruction of the Bulgarian Army as a fighting force. A revolution with the dethronement of Czar Ferdinand are probable.

AERIAL BARRAGE ZONE

PARIS, Sept. 28.—The military commandant at Mannheim has issued a proclamation warning that an aerial barrage zone exists around Mannheim and Ludwigshafen. Wire fences charged with electricity also surround the zone, he warned.

ALLIED ADVANCE OF FIFTY MILES IN RUSSIA

ARCHANGEL, Sept. 29.—American troops who are now taking part in operations in virtually all sectors of the northern Russian front have captured several villages in recent fighting. The net result of the fighting in which the Americans co-operated with the British and Russians, in the taking of many places in the past ten days along the Svina, is an advance of more than fifty miles.

BOLSHEVIKI IN FLIGHT

The Bolsheviki are fleeing to Kettas and the Allies are continuing the pursuit. Kettas is on the River Dvina a distance of 325 miles inland from Archangel in a southeasterly direction.

JAPANESE MAKE PROGRESS IN SIBERIA

LONDON, Sept. 29.—In eastern Siberia Japanese mounted troops, marching eastward from Chita and northwest from Blagovestschensk, have effected a junction at Rululow 306 miles northwest of Blagovestschensk, according to a Japanese statement received here.

TURK COMMANDER ON WAY TO BERLIN

GENEVA, Sept. 28.—Field Marshal Liman Von Sanders, Commanding the Turkish forces who fled from Nazareth shortly before the attacking British troops appeared, has reached Constantinople. Advices from the Turkish capital say that Von Sanders will return at an early date to Berlin.

BRITISH AIRPLAES BOMB FRANKFORT

LONDON, Sept. 28.—British airplanes yesterday dropped bombs on the German city of Frankfort, according to an official statement issued this evening by the war office. Five enemy machines were shot down, four British airplanes are missing, another communication says: "On Wednesday ten enemy machines were brought down. In 24 hours we dropped 35 tons of bombs on airdromes and railways."

80,000 TURKS SURROUNDED

LONDON, Sept. 28.—The fourth Turkish army on the Palestine front

ANNOUNCEMENTS, COMING EVENTS, MEETINGS, ETC.

**Postponement on account of unfavorable weather. The Souris Exhibition has been postponed until Wednesday, October 9th. 1677-9-30MIL.

is virtually surrounded in the regions east of the Jordan and faces annihilation by General Allenby's forces. Today's advices show the total prisoners already taken was increased today by 4,500. The annihilation of the fourth army now hoped for would complete the rounding up of the Turkish forces in Palestine accounting for about 80,000 men.

BULGARIA INVADED

LONDON, Sept. 28.—The war office today made the following statement on operations in Macedonia: Yesterday the British troops entered Bulgaria opposite Kosturino. Kosturino is in the main Stroumitz Doiran highway two miles within Bulgarian territory and four miles directly south of the important Bulgarian centre of Stroumitz.

WHITE SOX LOWERED LOCAL TRACK RECORD

Saturday's Races Well Attended. Free For All Pace Best Race of the Meet.

The final day's races of the week were held on Saturday afternoon under most favorable circumstances. The track and weather were all to be desired and there was a good attendance.

The free for all pace was the best race of the meet and every heat of it made a thrill on account of the fast paces and the time made. In the first and second heats, the pacer, White Sox, from Sussex, N. B., lowered the track record by one half second and the general opinion was that had she been pushed in the last quarter of the third mile, she could have easily lowered it another two seconds. In performing this heat, the special prize of \$100.00 goes to White Sox for lowering the record.

SUMMARY FREE FOR ALL PACE

Prince Rupert, 2.04 1/2 D. W. Wilbur, Moncton, N. B. 4 4 3 Leela Burns, 2.16 1/2 g. m. Manson Drug Co., Sydney, C. B. dis White Sox, 2.03 1/2 b. m. G. B. Fenwick, Sussex, N. B. 1 1 1 Bob Mac 2.13 b. g. Simpson Bros., Stewiacke, N. S. 2 2 2 Frank Patch, 2.06 1/2 b.s. Frank Adams, Halifax, N. S. 5 dr. Peter Farren, 2.14 1/2 b. s. P. Keefe & Son, St. John, N. B. 3 3 4 Time 2.12%, 2.12%, 2.13.

2.19 TROT, 2.22 PACE STAKE

Colorado L. 2.10 1/4. Ham. Kelly, Charlottetown 3 4 3 Brenton H. 2.19 H. C. Hooper, Charlottetown 4 2 4 3 Dunholm, 2.16 1/2 B. St. Reaney Gay & Arbing, Ch'town. 2 1 2 2 Devilish Dorothy, 2.17 1/2 Dr. J. T. Jenkins, Ch'Town 1 3 1 1 Time 2.17%, 2.17%, 2.18%.

MATCH RACE

Mollie A Keel, Captain Arsenault, Magdalen Islands, 2 2 1 1 Coquette, George Farren, Magdalen Islands, 1 1 2 2 Time 2.29%, 2.29%, 2.29%, 2.34%. The above race was for a wager made by the two enthusiastic owners and it added greatly to the afternoon's sport.

FIVE BIG VICTORIES DURING THE WEEK

110,000 Prisoners Captured in Five Decisive Battles. Another Battle Launched in Belgium and 4,000 Prisoners Already Taken. Whole Six Battles Still Continuing Unchecked.

(Special to The Guardian) PARIS, Sept. 29.—Allied troops began an attack on the front north of Ypres today and the advance at some points has been more than two and one half miles. The attack is being made by the Belgian army and is on the larger part of their front south from the North Sea. One thousand prisoners already have been counted. Heavy fighting is taking place between Dixmude and Ypres and the battle is severe in the southwest forest north of Ypres. The second British army commenced operations in Flanders this morning in conjunction with the Belgian army Field Marshal Haig's statement said today.

BRITISH AND AMERICAN TROOPS LAUNCH STRONG ATTACK NORTH OF ST. QUENTIN.

LONDON Sept. 29.—British and American troops launched a big attack northwest of St. Quentin today. German and Austrian troops are being rushed to strengthen the Bulgarian front. American on Champagne front captured Brielle's Sur Meus and Romagne. The attack is progressing favorably. Fort Malmaison, which is one of the strongholds of Laon, has been captured by the French while they have reached the Ailette River at two points, taking the heights of Bellevu. The Bulgarians advanced four miles between Ypres and Dixmude, taking 4,000 prisoners.

AMERICANS BREAK THROUGH HINDENBURG DEFENCES

LONDON, Sept. 29.—The Americans have broken through the subsidiary defence behind the Hindenburg line on a ten mile front between Dannevoix and Ecliz Fontaine, northwest of Verdun. According to battlefront despatches received here today. The Americans are within a mile of the heads of the enemy's three standard gauge railways and they have captured scores of miles of light railways.

BATTLE BEFORE CAMBRAI RESUMED

PARIS, Sept. 29.—British forces resumed the battle before Cambrai at daybreak today according to news received here. Today they are reported to have captured the villages of Fontaine, Notre Dame, Cantain, Noylles and Sully.

FRENCH CAPTURE MORE VILLAGES

PARIS, Sept. 29.—Today's war office statement reads: At 5.30 o'clock this morning French troops continued the attack on the Champagne front and took possession of the village of Somey, an important railway point. They also captured the heights south of Fontaine En Dormois. We took additional prisoners and captured several guns. The battle continues.

CANNOT SUSPEND MILITARY OPERATIONS Is British Reply to Bulgarian Request for Armistice.

LONDON, Sept. 29.—Great Britain has replied to the Bulgarian request for an armistice. The reply is stated to be fully covered by the answer given by the Bulgarian representatives by the commander on the Macedonian front of the Allied armies. By this reply it is perfectly well defined that no military operations can be suspended.

V.A.D. DRAFT ARRIVES IN ENGLAND

Mrs. (Col.) S. R. Jenkins, Lady Superintendent of the V. A. D. Class in Charlottetown was officially notified Saturday by Dr. Charles A. Copp, Superintendent of Overseas Service that the young ladies of the V. A. D. draft from Charlottetown had arrived safely in England and were quartered at the Devonshire House, London. This news will be a relief to the many relatives and friends of the young ladies.

No Parliament Before January

OTTAWA, Sept. 28.—From all present appearances Parliament will not be summoned before January 15 next.

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