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Franco-American Forces Attack in Champagne Front; Bulgaria Now Invaded By Allied Troops

BULGARIA IS INVADED BY ALLIED TROOPS WHO ENTER TO SOUTH OF STRUMITZA

Enemy's Territory Opposite Kosturino Is Occupied by the British Forces—First Bulgarian Army Is Placed in a Precarious Situation—Serbs Sever Germano-Bulgarian Communications.

Saloniki, Sept. 26.—Bulgaria has been invaded by Allied troops, according to a British official statement issued here today. British troops entered Bulgarian territory opposite Kosturino, about six miles south of Strumitza, the enemy base in this region.

BULGARIAN ARMY IN DANGER.

London, Sept. 26.—The position of the first Bulgarian army on the Allied left in Macedonia, is dangerous, according to reports reaching here, but it is not believed that the army is faced with immediate disaster. The Italians, who are advancing against the first army from the south, must pass over much extremely rough country before they can get in contact with it.

It is believed that the first army, which is commanded by Gen. Geshof, will be forced to attempt a retreat westward into the mountains on the Serbo-Albanian frontier. The country is very rough, and it would be impossible to handle artillery. The matter of food also would be difficult.

The reports indicate that the Serbians, who have cut the Germano-Bulgarian communications, are joining in the Allied race for Uskub.

PREFERS BRIDE OF HUMBLE BIRTH TO THE TOTTERING THRONE OF HIS COUNTRY

Crown Prince Charles of Rumania Refuses to Listen to His Father's Plea That He Abandon His Morganatic Wife—King Ferdinand Had Similar Love Affair in His Youthful Days.

Amsterdam, Sept. 26.—In answer to pleas that he desert his bride of humble birth, Crown Prince Charles of Rumania has replied that thrones are so unstable nowadays that he preferred the certainty of having the wife he wanted to the chance of losing the succession.

The escape of the crown prince in going to Odessa and marrying Cecilie Lambing, the daughter of a minor in the Rumanian army, reopened the question. When King Ferdinand heard of the marriage he ordered that the crown prince be given 75 days solitary confinement for deserting his duty without leave from his garrison. King Ferdinand also sent an embassy to Bessarabia, where the young couple are spending their honeymoon, with instructions to try to undo the new nuptial knot, but to no avail. The bride refused to accept the king's ring, and the crown prince declined to leave her.

Ferdinand's Love Affair.
Crown Prince Charles has not yet voluntarily renounced his rights of succession, and the king is reported to be very angry. The Rumanian constitution does not contain a clause barring a morganatically married crown prince from succession to the throne.

The present case has a poignant feature in that it recalls that King Ferdinand, in his youth, had a love affair with his mother's lady of honor, Princess Catherine, who threatened to resign if the king did not veto the proposed union, and it came to nothing. Should Crown Prince Charles renounce his rights of succession, his brother Nicholas would become the heir apparent. Nicholas is 15 years old and physically weak.

There is much excited gossip in Bucharest, according to a telegram to what would happen in the eventuality of Queen Marie, who is strongly anti-German, becoming regent.

MONASTIR OR PRILEP TO BE SERB CAPITAL

Seat of Government To Be Located in One of Two Important Places.

Paris, Wednesday, Sept. 25.—Monastir or Prilep will become the seat of the Serbian Government as soon as the allied lines north of those cities have been definitely established, according to Dr. M. R. Vesnich, Serbian minister to France.

In discussing the allied victory in Macedonia today, Dr. Vesnich declared that it was almost unbelievable that a success of such magnitude could be won at such a slight loss to the Allies. He said that one of the strongest corps in the fighting incident to the crossing of the Vardar was made up of Jugoslavians, who, he pointed out, was significant at the present time, among the prisoners taken by the Allies during the offensive were many Macedonians enrolled by force in the Bulgarian army.

RECEIVES BIG ORDER.
Hamilton, Sept. 26.—The Talmann Brass and Metal Company, which has been working on munitions for the past few years, received an order from the American Government which will keep the plant working night and day until October, 1919. Several hundred additional hands will be required.

Whiskey Instead of Pickles Found In T. and N. O. Car

\$25,000 Worth of Liquor Is Seized at North Bay.

North Bay, Sept. 26.—A valuable find was made here yesterday by some of the officials of the T. and N. O. Railway, when a car consigned to a Winnipeg firm from a Montreal pickle firm was investigated and found to contain instead of pickles a cargo of liquor valued at \$25,000. This is one of the largest hauls yet made.

BRITISH BOMB FOE AIRDROMES

Independent Air Force Makes Raid Over German Cities.

London, Sept. 26.—The German airdromes at Buhl, 23 miles southwest of Karlsruhe and Kaiserslautern, between Metz and Mannheim, have been bombed by machines of the British independent air force. It is officially announced today.

Fighting took place during the expedition, with the result that two enemy machines were destroyed. Three of the British machines have not been located.

MARTIAL LAW IS PROCLAIMED IN BULGARIAN CAPITAL CITY

Drastic Action Follows Ministerial Crisis and Change of Policy.

Paris, Sept. 25.—In well-informed circles there are reports that a new ministerial crisis and a complete change in Bulgaria's foreign policy is impending.

Martial law has been proclaimed in Sofia, according to reliable news printed in the German press, says the Journal of Zurich. It is said that the Bulgarian cabinet is in continuous session, and King Ferdinand had a long consultation with Premier Malinoff yesterday.

Pacifist manifestations were held at Sofia on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, it is reported.

The German Government, according to advices to the Havas Agency from Zurich, is very uneasy over the pacifist demonstrations in Bulgaria, and the German minister has conferred with King Ferdinand.

In some Bulgarian political circles it is believed that Crown Prince Boris will become regent in the present crisis.

FERDINAND ASKS MACKENSEN TO TAKE COMMAND

Bulgarian King Fears an Invasion From Allied Armies.

Paris, Sept. 26.—Fresh dispositions made by Gen. Franchet d'Esperey, who has passed through Eriop, justified the belief that there will be an energetic exploitation of the great inter-allied victory in Macedonia, says Marcel Hutin, editor of the Echo de Paris.

King Ferdinand of Bulgaria has asked Gen. Mackensen, who is now in Bucharest, to take the command of his armies so as to block the advance of the Allies in Old Serbia and preserve Bulgaria from invasion, according to information received here from Switzerland.

BODY OF NEW BORN BABY IS TAKEN FROM CANAL AT BRANTFORD

Investigation To Be Made By Officials As Result of Discovery.

Brantford, Sept. 26.—The body of a new-born babe was fished out of the canal near the starch works here this morning by the firemen, who had received a call that such had been seen floating down the canal. An investigation is being made into the cause of death.

THE WEATHER

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.
Following were the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 67; lowest, 39.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 51; lowest, 34.

TOMORROW—FAIR, VERY COOL.
Toronto, Sept. 26.—8 a.m. Forecast.
Today—Fresh to strong north and northwest winds; mostly fair; frost tonight.
Friday—Fair and very cool.

The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today.

Stations.	High.	Low.	Weather.
Victoria	60	38	Clear
Calgary	58	35	Clear
Edmonton	58	34	Clear
Port Arthur	60	36	Clear
Port Stanley	60	36	Clear
Buffalo	58	34	Cloudy
Toronto	60	36	Cloudy
Kingston	60	36	Cloudy
Ottawa	60	36	Cloudy
Montreal	60	36	Cloudy
Quebec	58	34	Fair
Father Point	48	30	Clear

The barometer remains high over Canada, except in Eastern Ontario, where an area of low pressure is developing.

The weather is fair throughout the Dominion, moderate and unseasonably cool in Ontario and Quebec.

HINDY'S FALL STYLE DECORATIONS



FOURTH TURKISH ARMY IS FACING ANNIHILATION

Total Number of Prisoners Now Taken Exceeds 45,000—Allenby's Success in the Holy Land May Net a Total of 80,000 Turks.

London, Sept. 26.—The fourth Turkish army on the Palestine front is virtually surrounded in the region east of the Jordan, and faces annihilation by Gen. Allenby's forces, today's advices show.

The total of prisoners already taken was increased today to 45,000.

The annihilation of the fourth army, now hoped for, would complete the cleaning up of the Turkish forces in Palestine, accounting for about 80,000 men. The precarious position of the fourth army may be seen from the fact that Arab cavalry and infantry are north of it, Arab and British forces east of it, and British troops to the south. All these are pressing inward on the enemy, while the Jordan, with the crossings, is in the hands of the Allies.

DRASITIC MEASURES ARE TAKEN BY GOVT. TO STAMP OUT BOLSHEVİK PROPAGANDA IN THE DOMINION

Penalty For Violation of Order in Council Is Fine of \$5,000 or Five Years' Imprisonment—Russian Language Cannot Be Used at Meetings Except at Church Gatherings.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Ottawa, Sept. 26.—Stringent measures are being taken by the Government to stamp out anarchistic and Bolshevik propaganda and teachings in the Dominion of Canada. Under the provisions of an order-in-council just passed the following bodies and organizations are declared to be "unlawful," and it is a criminal offence to belong to them or to attend any of their meetings:

The Independent Workers of the World (I. W. W.), Russian Social Democratic Party, Russian Revolutionary Group, Russian Workers' Union, Ukrainian Revolutionary Party, Ukrainian Social Democratic Party, Ukrainian Social Labor Party, Social Democrats of the Bolsheviks, Social Democrats of Anarchy, Workers of the International Industrial Union, Chinese National League, and Chinese Labor Association.

A Severe Penalty.
The penalty for belonging to or attending meetings of any of the above organizations is a fine of \$5,000 or five years' imprisonment.

In addition, any association which advocates political, economical or socialistic changes by means of force, whether included in the above or not, is subject to the same ban. No meetings except church meetings in any language or in Russian, Finnish, or Ukrainian shall be held in any part of Canada.

Moreover, it is provided that papers or any publications in any enemy language shall be banned publication, except by license of the secretary of state. Such language included: German, Austrian, Hungarian, Bulgarian, Turkish, Rumanian, Russian, Ukrainian, Finnish, Estonian, Syrian, Croatian and Livonian. Publications in such languages, excepting in the case of religious or scientific publications which contain no objectionable matter are forbidden entry into the Dominion.

MANY CANADIANS

Ottawa, Sept. 26.—Canadian military headquarters in London states that up to August 1, 1918, 3,323 non-commissioned officers and men of the overseas military forces in Canada had been given commissions as officers in the imperial army. This substantial number of recognitions to the rank and file of the Canadian overseas army does not include any individual Canadians who came on their own responsibility to England and joined the imperial forces without being taken on the strength of the overseas military forces of Canada.

ISSUE PRICE OF LOAN.
Paris, Sept. 26.—The issue price of the new French 4 per cent loan is fixed by a decree published today at 70 francs 80 centimes the 100 francs.

ATTACK ALONG THE CHAMPAGNE FRONT IS OPENED BY FRANCO- AMERICAN FORCES

MUST SINK OR SWIM

Amsterdam, Sept. 26.—"We must be victorious if we are not to perish politically and economically," Grand Admiral von Koester, former commander-in-chief of the German fleet, declared in a speech to the German Navy League at Dortmund, a Berlin message reports.

"After the war," continued the admiral, "our ships in large numbers must traverse the ocean, and we must have colonies, with strong points of support. We want free trade on the seas, and we will only get that under the protection of the German fleet."

The speaker, emphasizing the sword as a means to victory, declaring:

"Nature needs storms, as God has given hearts teeth and claws, man also needs the sword."

In referring to the proposed league of nations, Admiral von Koester declared that Germany would only have the role of a Cinderella in it.

Foch's First Big Thrust In This District Is Opened Against Teuton Lines Early Today—Allied Forces In Palestine Have Captured More Than 45,000 Prisoners.

Paris, Sept. 26.—French and American troops began a joint attack this morning on the Champagne front and in the region beyond it on the east, today's war office statement announces.

Renewed German attacks north of the Aisne have been repulsed. At one point, where the Germans gained a foothold upon the French positions, they were ejected by a counter-attack.

The text of the statement reads:

"Between the Ailette and the Aisne the Germans renewed their attacks last evening in the region of Allemant and Moulin-Laffaux. The enemy succeeded at the latter point in penetrating the French lines, but after energetic counter-attacks by the French re-established the situation."

"Further south, the French have enlarged their gains east of Sancy and have taken prisoners."

"This morning at 5 o'clock French troops attacked on the Champagne front in co-operation with the American army operating further to the east."

The Franco-American attack on the Champagne front is the first Allied thrust made on that sector since Marshal Foch assumed the initiative in July, and is the logical result of the Allied success in Picardy in driving the Germans back to the Hindenburg line from Arras to Laon.

A drive northward in Champagne threatens the communication lines in the rear of the Hindenburg defence system, where the Germans are struggling to keep the British and French from breaking through. While the length of the front of attack is not disclosed, it is probable it extends a good part of the distance from Rheims to Verdun, and probably beyond.

Military critics have pointed out that the Champagne front was the logical place where an Allied effort, intended to destroy the effectiveness of the Hindenburg line, could be made. For some distance east of Rheims the terrain is fairly level and open, and an advance of some distance here would outflank Laon, and possibly St. Quentin. More important still, such an advance would sever the communication lines eastward from Laon, the pivot of the German defences between Rheims and Ypres. An Allied breakthrough might separate the German forces in the west into two groups.

There has been rather lively raiding activity by both sides on the Champagne front in the last two weeks, and some military commentators have felt that these were the forerunners of greater activity.

HAIG CAPTURES ENEMY STRONG POINTS IN ST. QUENTIN REGION

London, Sept. 26.—Northwest of St. Quentin British troops continued their pressure against the German defences and have captured enemy strong points in the neighborhood of Selency and Gricourt, Field Marshal Haig reported today.

In Flanders, the British line has likewise been advanced, progress being made in the sector to the north of La Bassee.

North of Gricourt, on the St. Quentin sector, the British repulsed German counter-attacks.

The text of the statement reads:

"Local operations were continued successfully yesterday afternoon and during the night northwest of St. Quentin. English troops progressed and captured certain strongly defended localities in the neighborhood of Selency and Gricourt, together with a number of prisoners."

"In addition to the counter-attacks already reported, which were launched by the enemy yesterday northwest of Fayet, his troops twice attacked the positions north of Gricourt. These attacks were unsuccessful."

"A successful minor operation was carried out yesterday by English troops northwest of La Bassee, as the result of which the line was advanced and over 100 prisoners were taken. A counter-attack launched by the enemy in this locality during the night was repulsed and several prisoners were left in our hands."

"We improved our positions slightly yesterday and during the night northwest of Armentieres. In patrol encounters and raids between Armentieres and Ypres we captured several prisoners."

SERBIAN TROOPS REACH ISHTIB AN IMPORTANT BULGARIAN BASE

Reports in official quarters here indicate that the Prilep-Veles road has been cut at Izvor, isolating the first Bulgarian army from its main line of communication and placing it in a precarious position. The first army is on the Allied left.

London, Sept. 26.—Serbian troops reached the outskirts of Izvor. Continued on Page Three.