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AUSTRIANS FORCED TO CEDE MORE GROUND RUSSIANS SUCCEED IN GALICIA—FRENCH HOLD MOST OF VERMANDOVIERS British Continue to Exert Active Pressure Towards Lille

MORE AUSTRIAN POSITIONS FALL TO ROUMANIANS

Invasions of Transylvania Make Fresh Gains Fifty Miles North of Kronstadt.
RUSSIANS AGGRESSIVE
Heavy Fighting is Reported Along Entire Front in Dobruja Province.

Special Cable to The Toronto World.
LONDON, Sept. 8.—Further Rumanian successes against Austro-Hungarians in Transylvania serve to effect gains by the Germans and Bulgarians in Dobruja. Vienna tonight admits retirement of Austrian troops from positions west of Czik Szerada, 50 miles north of Kronstadt, which lies about six miles from the Rumanian border. The Rumanians are described as having thrown large forces against Hargitta, six miles west of Czik Szerada, compelling the Austrians to withdraw.
Fighting is now going on with increasing intensity on the entire Dobruja front between the Danube and the Black Sea. Unofficial advices from Petrograd state that the Russians, in co-operation with the Rumanians, have taken the offensive in this corner of southeastern Rumania against the Teutonic-Bulgarian forces and that the struggle is at its height near Baltika on the Black Sea coast about ten miles north of the Bulgarian frontier.
Turks Help Bulgarians.
The first official announcement that Turkish troops are co-operating with the Bulgarians against the Rumanians, is made in a German war office report today which states that north of Dobruja Bulgarians and Turks "again drove back the Russians and Rumanians."
Confirmation of the Rumanian occupation of Orsova, an important Hungarian port, on the lower Danube, a few miles above the Iron Gate, was received today. Sofia makes admission of Rumanian success at Orsova in its brief reference to Bulgarian artillery shelling trenches of the enemy "who is occupying Orsova." The report reiterates the claim made several days ago that Bulgarians have occupied Dobric, also known as Basardjik, a fortified town 50 miles southwest of Bucharest in the Rumanian province of Dobruja and reports the capture of Baltjke, Kavarna and Kull (Continued on Page 7, Column 1).

ADMISSION OF ALIENS TOO CLOSELY GUARDED

Britain Relaxes Regulations to Permit Entry of Foreign Actors and Musicians.
LONDON, Sept. 8.—The official Gazette today prints an amendment to the order-in-council governing the restrictions imposed upon aliens by which after Oct. 1, the written sanction and approval of the board of trade must be obtained for the admission to the United Kingdom of any alien who works in any other capacity than munitions work.
A rigid application of this order, some officials say, apparently would exclude, from the United Kingdom foreign actors, singers, musicians and all others who do not come to work in munitions factories.

GREEK OFFICIALS TOLD TO GET OUT OF FLORINA

Germans Said to Have Ordered Suppression of Greek Administration.
PARIS, Sept. 8.—A despatch to the Havas Agency from Athens, dated Friday, says the German commandant has "invited" the Greek authorities to quit Florina where the Greek administration is to be suppressed.
Florina is on the railway in north-western Greece, about 15 miles southeast of Monastir, Serbia.

FRANCE TO RAISE FRESH WAR LOAN

Expenditure of Belligerency Continues to Mount Steadily.
WILL NEED BIG SUM
Arrangements Made With London Will Maintain Sterling Exchange.
PARIS, Sept. 8.—Alexandre F. Ribot, the French minister of finance, announced today that the appropriations committee of the chamber of deputies will introduce a law next Tuesday authorizing a new national loan.
M. Ribot, explaining to the appropriations committee of the chamber, the requirements for the last quarter of 1916, amounting to \$347,000,000 francs, said the totals for the different periods of the war were: Five months of 1914, 1,000,000,000 francs; 1915, 2,000,000,000 francs; 1916, 32,000,000,000 francs. The finance minister said there was considerable difference between the sums appropriated and payments made because of delays in the delivery of orders.
The finance minister informed the committee confidentially in regard to the payments which France must make abroad and upon the arrangements made with the British treasury and the Bank of England to maintain sterling exchange.

BRITISH PRESS TEUTONS HARD TOWARD LILLE

Make Extensive Raid and Explode Mine on Souchez-Ypres Front.
PRAISES IRISH UNITS
Sir Douglas Haig Commends Gallantry at Guillemont.

Special Cable to The Toronto World.
LONDON, Sept. 8.—The present operations on the British front today was the carrying out of an intense artillery bombardment by both sides. The British continued their activity towards Lille by exploding a mine near Railway Wood, south of the Ypres-Roulers Railway, today, and by carrying out last night an extensive raid against the German trenches southeast of Guinchy and near Echenbourg L'Avoue, inflicting heavy casualties on the enemy. The Germans shelled Arrmentiers.
On the Somme front, the artillery action continued with extreme violence; but there was no infantry fighting. The Irish regiments which carried Guillemont on Sunday, have received special mention in the despatches of Sir Douglas Haig. He says that they behaved with great dash and gallantry, and that they took no small share in the success gained that day.
Raid For Aerodromes.
British aviators have been carrying out raids on German aerodromes with considerable success, ten being bombed from the air with good effect. Many aerial combats were fought and a German machine was forced down.
The British official communication issued this evening says:
"The main feature of today's operations was an intense artillery bombardment."
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SOMME CANNONADE HAS NO PRECEDENT

Violence of Bombardment Now in Progress Never Equaled.
FRIGHTFUL EXPLOSIONS
Each Day the Roar of Big Guns Grows in Violence.
PARIS, Sept. 8.—The ever-increasing violence of the bombardment now in progress along more than 30 miles of fighting front in the Somme region is described in a despatch today from the authorized correspondent of La Liberté with the French army.
"From one end to the other of the attacking front the cannonade raged yesterday evening, reaching a degree of intensity hitherto without precedent. Each day it seems as if the extreme limit has been reached, and each day the bombardment still grows in violence and fury. The French and British batteries along the whole front never cease to pour out a deluge of thousands and thousands of shells of every calibre. 'Never before have I witnessed such a spectacle,' said an officer who had just arrived at the front near Vermandovillers.
"The German positions at the close of yesterday evening were surrounded with clouds of dust and smoke, thru which objects could be distinguished faintly. One frightful explosion followed another. From time to time one saw enormous masses of earth and material thrown up, and among it all the bodies of the dead, torn to fragments."
"When night came the sky stretched out like one vast furnace, so that as far as one could see, there was nothing but a horizon of fire."
TALK OF ELECTRIFYING C. P. R. AT KINGSTON
Special to The Toronto World.
KINGSTON, Ont., Sept. 8.—To electrify the Canadian Pacific Railway between Kingston and Renfrew, is a rumor in railway circles. So far no official confirmation can be secured, but there is the probability owing to the practical value it would be to the C. P. R. It is thought that the company might erect a big power plant on the Mississippi River, back of Sarnia, and develop enough power to not only electrify the railway, but also the city of Kingston and intermediate towns.

RUSSIANS GAIN ADVANTAGE IN GALICIA DRIVE

Make General Attack Against Teutons on Two Fronts.
CUT LINE OF RETREAT
Slav Troops Menace Only Exit for Garrison of Halicz.

Special Cable to The Toronto World.
LONDON, Sept. 8.—The present operations in Galicia are now regarded by military critics in Petrograd as a "Russian general attack," says a Reuter despatch from the Russian capital. The military critics comment on the difficulty facing the central powers in being driven to fight on two fronts, namely, against Gen. Sakharoff on the east and Generals Scheubachoff and Lechnitzky on the south.
Regarding the heavy fighting in the region of Halicz, southeast of Lemberg, where the Germans, Austrians and Turks are all fighting stubbornly, the critics say the Russians have overcome tremendous resistance and are now menacing the only railway in the line of retreat for the Halicz garrison. This line parallels the Danister for some distance and runs thru Chodoroff to Lemberg.
Drive For Forward.
The Russians have driven the Austro-German forces under General Von Bothmer across the Galia Lipa River at a point north of Halicz, and they are carrying out an encircling movement of that important place. The Austrians claim that fighting is still proceeding east of Halicz, but from various sources it is learned that the Russians have that city practically in their possession. They are making the sole remaining line of retreat of the garrison.
The Teutons are still offering a desperate resistance to the Russian advance from the western bank of the Galia Lipa River and they are bombarding the advanced Russian detachments from the positions to which they have retired under Russian pressure. The exact position in regard to Halicz is unknown.
German Attempt Fails.
The Germans failed in a desperate attempt to drive back the advanced Russian forces, which captured their positions on the western bank of the River Dvina, north of Dvinsk and south of Riga. They prepared their counter-attack with heavy artillery preparation, but when their infantry advanced it was severely repulsed by the Russians.
The Russians also repelled by their fire a series of German attacks from the direction of Kovel, in the Veltak region, which commenced with artillery, bomb throwers and mine-mortars.

SENSATIONAL CHARGES AT MONTREAL INQUIRY

Mayor Martin and Two Others Are Referred to as "Municipal Bandits."
MONTREAL, Sept. 8.—"Municipal bandits" was a term applied to Mayor Mederic Martin, Controller Cote and ex-Controller Herbert by former Controller McDonald, at today's session of the inquiry into the city's purchase of the LaViolette property on Drolet street, in 1914. Mr. McDonald admitted having nominally supported the deal, but said it was on the understanding that the mayor would not sign it and because that in so doing he was circumventing powerful forces, who were trying to jam thru a franchise extension for the tramways company.
"And those influences are still at work today," he added, "trying to bust the citizens of Montreal, even while we are discussing it in court."
Mr. McDonald was confronted with minutes of a board of control meeting, crediting him with having presided at it, and having approved of the Drolet street deal, but he said the minutes were "absolutely false." He made reference to "the present tramways project," and Mayor Martin interrupted, saying:
"There is none now."
He was called to order by Justice Panneton, but showed a disposition to stand on his supposed rights as mayor.
"There is no mayor here," said the judge, "only witnesses."

FRENCH INCREASE GAINS IN VERMANDOVIERS

Allies Continue Heavy Bombardment on Whole of Somme Front—Heavy Fighting Breaks Out Again at Verdun, Germans Being Repulsed.
Special Cable to The Toronto World.
PARIS, Sept. 8.—The only feature on the French front south of the Somme today was the capturing of additional ground in the village of Vermandovillers in isolated engagements. Fifty prisoners were taken by the French.
On the whole of the Somme front the artillery struggle continues actively. The bombardment each day grows in fury. French and British batteries never cease to pour out a deluge of thousands upon thousands of shells of every calibre. German positions are surrounded by clouds of dust and smoke and one frightful explosion follows another, throwing up enormous masses of earth and material. Tonight the sky resembles a vast furnace, with the illumination spreading as far as the eye can see.
Fighting Lively at Verdun.
On the Verdun front the fighting was lively, with the Germans attacking the French positions recently established in the Vaux-Chapitre Wood. Their assaults were repulsed. The French, in grenade attacks, advanced southeast of Thiaumont.
The following is tonight's official French communication:
"South of the Somme isolated engagements enabled us to advance in the village of Vermandovillers, where we captured about 50 prisoners."
"The artillery struggle continues actively on the whole of the Somme front."
"On the right bank of the Meuse the Germans launched this morning several attacks against the positions we captured in the Vaux-Chapitre and Chenois region. The enemy, who had succeeded in setting his foot in one of the trenches, was soon ejected by a brisk counter-attack, in the course of which we took a hundred prisoners and many machine guns."
Made Some Advance.
"Southeast of Thiaumont we advanced with the aid of a grenade attack. In the Thiaumont sector and on the Fort De Vaux road there was a violent cannonade. In the Forest de Parry an enemy attack on one of our works was repulsed. Elsewhere on the front there was the customary cannonading."
"Aviation: During yesterday on the Somme front two enemy aviators were brought down in the Epenancourt region and another, compelled to descend after a fight near our lines, was destroyed by artillery fire. Three other enemy machines appeared to be seriously injured, the observer of one being killed by machine gunfire."
It is confirmed that on the fifth instant Lieut. Guynemer brought down his fifteenth enemy aeroplane in the region of Aballcourt."

WILSON PREDICTS WOMAN SUFFRAGE

Says Cause Will Triumph in Little While at Atlantic City.
PLEDGES SUPPORT
Declaration Evokes Much Enthusiasm at National Association Meeting.
ATLANTIC CITY, N.J., Sept. 8.—Triumph for the woman suffrage cause "in a little while" was predicted by President Wilson here tonight in a speech before the annual convention of the National American Woman Suffrage Association.
"I have come here to fight with you," the President declared. Immediately 4,000 women present stood and cheered. A few minutes later Dr. Anna Howard Shaw, honorary president of the association, with Mrs. Wilson still present, declared:
"We have waited long enough to get the vote. We want it now. I want it to come during your administration."
Again the great audience of women stood and cheered, waving handkerchiefs.
The president's pledge of support to the suffrage question caused Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, president of the organization, to say in a speech soon after it closed:
"You touched our hearts and won our fealty when you said you had come to fight with us."
The president did not speak on the method by which he would bring about woman suffrage, but said "we shall not quarrel in the long run as to the methods of it."
Mr. Wilson aroused great enthusiasm when he said whenever he had come to Atlantic City previously, he had come to fight against somebody, but that on his present trip he had "come to fight with somebody." The women in the boxes, the orchestra, and the balcony stood and cheered.
The meeting came to an end with the president and Mrs. Wilson standing between suffrage leaders joining in singing patriotic songs.

CAPT. GEORGE SHEER DECORATED BY KING

Gallant Canadian Officer Receives the Military Cross at Windsor.
Canadian Associated Press Cable.
LONDON, Sept. 8.—King George at Windsor today, decorated with the military cross Capt. George Sheer, of the 21st Canadian Coy.

ENSORSHIP OF MAILS CAUSES NEW OUTBURST

Washington Professes to See Sinister Significance in Lloyd George's Words.
TO AID BRITISH TRADE
Information Gathered Not Used Alone for War Purposes, It is Contended.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 8.—Extension of the British mail censorship from its original purpose of destroying all trade to or from Germany to the field of providing data for Great Britain's fight for commercial supremacy, seen here in admissions made by David Lloyd George, the war secretary, before parliament just received in full in this country. Lloyd George said:
"It is the practice to communicate to other departments concerned any information on matters of public interest which may be obtained thru the censorship for such use to be made of it as the particular department may consider advisable. The government is perfectly within its rights in using any information which comes to it in these conditions for any public and national purpose."
One More Protest.
This statement, made recently in response to questions by members of the house of commons, caused a stir here. When asked about the matter tonight Secretary of State Lansing said it has been called to the attention of the state department officials but declined to make any comment at this time.
It is understood, however, that the department will take a most serious view of Lloyd George's interpretation of the British war office power and will protest more vigorously than ever against interference with neutral mails on the high seas.

DEFEAT AT OSTROVO COSTLY TO BULGARS

Nearly Fifteen Thousand Men Sacrificed in Effort That Proved Futile.
"FOUND THEIR VERDUN"
Enemy, Exhausted by Prodigious Exertions, is Now Digging Himself in.
LONDON, Sept. 8.—A Reuter despatch from Saloniki says:
"Documents found on Bulgarian officers, both the slain and those made prisoner, prove the overwhelming importance which the Bulgarian command attached to the offensive in Macedonia and especially to the defeat of the Serbians occupying the line on the western shore of Lake Ostrovo."
"A Serbian communique points out that far from achieving these aims, the Bulgarians, after the sacrifice of nearly 15,000 men, are too exhausted and are digging themselves in. The Bulgarians admit they found their Verdun at Ostrovo."
Today's British and French official statements indicate that the lull on the Macedonian front remains comparatively unbroken, the cannonading continues heavy on the Struma and Doiran fronts. On the Serbian wing calm prevails. A British patrol crossed the Struma and raided Jenjiko.

VON HINDENBURG IS ON WESTERN FRONT

Accompanied by Crown Prince, He Will inspect Chief Positions.
AMSTERDAM, via London, Saturday, Sept. 8.—According to Berlin despatches received here Field Marshal Von Hindenburg, the new German commander-in-chief, has arrived for the first time on the western battle front and will inspect all the principal positions on the western lines in company with Crown Prince Frederick William.

NORWEGIAN STEAMER SUNK

Loss of the Hise is Reported by Lloyds
LONDON, Sept. 8.—Lloyds announces the sinking of the Norwegian steamer Hise.
Shipping records give two Norwegian steamers named Hise. The larger one, and probably the one referred to by Lloyds, is of 1,622 tons gross, and left the Tyne on Aug. 20 for Oran.

WAR SUMMARY

THE DAY'S EVENTS REVIEWED

ON the British front a heavy artillery action prevailed on both sides yesterday, the bombardment being intense. Continuing their pressure towards Lille, the British exploded a mine, shaking up the Germans near Railway Wood, south of the Ypres-Roulers railway. Irish regiments have again won the distinction of being mentioned in the despatches of Sir Douglas Haig, who says: "The Irish regiments which took part in the capture of Guillemont on Sunday behaved with great dash and gallantry and took no small share in the success gained that day." Under cover of Thursday night, the British troops stationed southeast of Guinchy and near Richebourg l'Avoue, raided the German trenches and inflicted severe casualties. It was in this district that the British heavy artillery and trench-mortar bombardment opened on Thursday. The raid by night was after the customary manner of feeling out the effect of the British fire.

In isolated actions at close quarters the French increased the area of their occupation of Vermandovillers, south of the Somme, yesterday. It is probably the delay in clearing the Germans out of the whole of this strong point that is retarding the active continuation of operations on a larger scale in this region. Heavy fighting is reported from the region of Verdun, with the Germans making several attacks and suffering repulses. The French advanced southeast of Thiaumont in a grenade attack.

Altho the allies make frequent pauses in their offensive owing to unfavorable weather or to other causes, it is not to be presumed, the Germans assert, as often to be belied by the sequel, that this offensive has worn itself out. From statements of Gen. Joffre and of British munition and war ministers, the British and French have enough men to enable them to carry on simultaneously three such offensives as they are now carrying on in Picardy, and the British

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