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LIES HOT IN PURSUIT OF FLEEING TEUTONS RITISH CAPTURE TOWNS IN ADVANCE TO EAST OF LENS

AN ALLIED QUARTET

GERMANS BY THE **THOUSANDSARE IN** RETREAT BEFORE THE ALLIED ARMIES

Hun Hordes Between Cambrai and St. Quen- 350 AMERICAN tin Take to Their Heels --- Movement Is Regarded As First Step in General Retreat of Boches Toward Their Own Country.

HUNS STILL RUNNING.

With the Anglo-American Forces Southeast of Cambrai, Oct. 10 .- British and American forces continue to advance rapidly and are driving the demoralized Germans before them, according to all available reports on this front. The whole battle is on a field that was aflame throughout the night. The many fires have destroyed towns and farm houses completely.

Paris, Oct. 10 .- A quarter of a million Germans are now in full retreat between Cambrai and St. Quentin with the Allies hot at their heels, according to the battlefront reports that came in through the night. At some points the han 350 machines yesterday dropped



advance has exceeded fifteen miles in the past two days. This forward movement of the Allies is regarded as the first step in the great general retreat of the Germans, which seems now inevitable, for it is doubtful whether Gen. Ludendorff has such fortified positions on the Upper Oise as to permit him effectively to resist the ex-

ploitation of the victory of the past two days of the Allies. The success in the Cambrai-St. Quentin section of the front was in a large measure made possible by the splendid achievements of Gen. Gouraud's men and the Americans from Rheims to the Meuse. Spanish Influenza Forces Pro-Because a break in that part of the front would have much worse consequences for the enemy than anywhere else, he concentrated most of his reserves there. Gen. Gouraud not only succeeded in holding them there—in itself a valuable service—but notwithstanding the difficult country and the powerful artificial defences he has made and is continuing to make wonderful progress, thus enhancing the victory farther west. Yesterday Gen. Gouraud's forces advanced still farther toward the important junction of Voucheers, while the Americans pushed forward and joined the French south of Grand Pre, thus completing the conquest of the Argonne Forest.

The result of Marshal Foch's skillful strategy is that the region of Laon and the St. Gobain massif has become so dangerous that the evacuation of this vast and important pocket in the near future seems imperative.

Hamilton, Oct. 10.—On account of the has taken hold of this city, the Methodist General Conference will hold no more large gatherings to which the general public will be invited. This is the decision arrived at by the business committee, and it has met with the approval of the conference, which is somewhat apprehensive lest the medical health officer shut down on its sessions altogether. Friday evening was to have been devoted to the public reception of Rev. Hodson Smith, fraternal delegate from the Wesleyan Church of Great Britain, but it is understood that in view of the circumstances this holding them there-in itself a valuable service-but notwith-

seems imperative.

MILITARY REASONS **ONLY WILL COMPEL** HUNS TO ACCEPT **ALLIED CONDITIONS**

Cologne Gazette Says That Germany May Demand Counter-Guarantees.

Basel, Oct. 10. - "Only military reasons could compel us to accept President Wilson's conditions," says the Cologne Gazette in commenting on the American reply to the German peace offer. "It is possible Germany may require counter-guarantees, for example,

ENEMY CLAIMS THAT BRITISH SHELLS FIRED TOWNS THEY OCCUPIED

A CREED FOR LONDON

We will never bring disgrace on this, our city, by any act of dishonesty or cowardice.

We will fight for the ideals and sacred things of the city, both alone and with many.

We will revere and obey the city's laws, and we will do our best to incite a like reverence and respect in those above us, who are prone to annul them or set them at naught. We will strive unceasingly to quicken the public's sense of public duty.

Thus in all these ways, we will transmit this city, not only not less, but greater, better and more beautiful than it was transmitted to us.

	TOWNS THEY OCCUPIED	TOMORROW-FINE AND WARM.	Save That the Germans Are	try."	Decides on Action.	while on the southwest they had estab-	+00
	TOWNS THEIR OCCUPANT	Toronto, Oct. 10-8 a.m.		Destroyed by Fire.		lished themselves at the corner of	tee
			Fighting to Protect			Boulevard de la Liberte and Porte de	
F	fearing Reprisals, the Germans Are	Light to moderate winds; fine and		Reports show that Roulers and Thor-	Tandan Oct 10 It is reported from	Paris. Some enemy elements apparently were caught between the city and the	
	Making Profuse Explanations.	moderately warm today and on Friday.	Fatherland.	out have been destroyed by fire.	It was a standard Min-	imposible further south Our troops be-	
		Temperatures.		Premier Clemenceau has written a	Vienna that the Austro-Hungarian Min- isterial Council has decided to introduce	can at once to try and save the city	
	London, Oct. 10 Indications that Ger-	The following were the highest and	\ \	stinging commentary on German prac- tices in a letter to Deputy Margain of	isterial Council has decided to introduce	from the fires that broke out at various	AT
r	nany is becoming anxious on account	lowest temperatures during the 24 hours	Amsterdam, Oct. 10 Emperor Will-	the Marne department He says.		points. The Allies have not fired a	220
W 15	of the threats of reprisals for the de-	Stations. High. Low. Weather.	Amsterdam, Oct. 10Emperor win	ti til intermetional conventions which	Descident Wilson's stinuistion an ac-	single shell into Cambral, and these	OT
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1	Wolff Bureau, received in Stockholm,	Port Arthur 64 42 Cloudy	"The hour is grave! We are fighting	cally swept aside by Germany, when she thought herself strongest, and with hypocritical tears when she felt the shudder of defeat. German rage attacks not only human beings, but throws its	day.	Scheldt Canal, securing all bridgeneads	la
	that Dougi was hurning as the		for the future of the fatherland and	hypocritical tears when she felt the	The Czech party did not take part in	as far as Eswars and capturing Mor-	1
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	esuit of the continuous arrival	Toronto 66 38 Clear	land. To that end we need the united	hypocritical tears when she felt the shudder of defeat. German rage attacks not only human beings, but throws its blight on our cities, our firesides, our	the deliberations, the day	mbels with many numbers of prisoners.	
	pardment.	Kingston 56 40 Cloudy	action of the intellectual, moral and	blight on our cities, our firesides, our	holding an important meeting today.	Luight victory was complete and State	
	The reports that the Germans had set	Ottana	economic powers of Germany. On the	sacred monuments, our art and mistory,	A movement lavoring a proclamation		10
1	ire to a town they were still occupying	200000000000000000000000000000000000000	co-operation of these powers our in-	and even upon the trees of our fair land. The drama of Chalons, where a German	separating Hungary and Austria is mak-	DOMINION COUNCIL MEETS HERE	WI
	was characterized by the agency as	Father Point 58 38 Clear	vincibility rests.	The drama of Chalons, where a German alrplane bombarded the principal hospitals, killing 54 persons and wounding 40, manifested again the enemy's rage	ing extremely rapid progress among the	-Delegates from all over Canada are	ar
	idiculous.	Weather Notes.	The will for defence must bind an	nitals killing 54 persons and wounding	public in the dual monarchy, according	expected to attend the Dominion Coun-	I E
	The Germans, according to a Reuter	Fair weather prevails over Canada,	separate views and separate wishes in-	40, manifested again the enemy's rage and savagery.	public in the dual monarch, according	oil of the Girls' Friendly Society, Which	F
	dispatch from Stockholm, also deny	except over the British Columbia coast				meets in London in Cronyn Hall on	ne
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Tons of Explosives Dropped on **German Cantonments** Near Verdun.

32 tons of explosives on German can-tonments in the area between Wavrille and Damvillers, about twelve miles north of Verdun.

EPIDEMIC CAUSES CONFERENCE TO BE CLOSED TO PUBLIC

hibition of Hamilton Gatherings.

of Great Britain, but it is understood that in view of the circumstances this meeting will not take place. There is also a probability that the thanksgiving service on Monday evening, which was to have been addressed by Rev. Chancellor Bowles of Victoria University, and Hon. N. W. Rowell, may have to be cancelled. A tempest in a teapot occurred in the

A tempest in a teapot occurred in the committee on education this morning, when Rev. B. C. Borden, D. D., of Sackville, N. S., principal of the Mountain Allison College, accused Rev. Jas. Smythe, D.D. principal of the Wesleyan Theological College of Montreal, of poaching in his territory in his quest for students. Rev. Dr. Smythe indignantly repudiated the charge.

WILL RUN ITS COURSE.

Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ont., Oct. 10.

The situation with regard to the Spanish influenza in both the Canadian and Polish camps today was little changed from that of yesterday. There changed from that of yesterday. There changed from that of yesterday. There were a few more cases in each camp. No deaths have occurred in the past two days, however.

Major Greenaway, A.D.M.S., Canadian camp, said today that it was probable the epidemir would run its usual course, about six weeks. In the meant time the quarantine remains as effective as possible.

VAICED DECIADES

Paris, Oct. 10.—A startling picture of destruction is drawn by an official "eye-with the neighbor destruction is drawn by an official "eye-with have and the neighbor destruction is drawn by an official "eye-with have neighbor destruction is drawn by an official "eye-with have neighbor destruction is drawn by an official "eye-with have neighbor destruction is drawn by an official "eye-with have neighbor destruction is drawn by an official "eye-with have neighbor destruction is drawn by an official "eye-with have neighbor destruction is drawn by an official "eye-with have neighbor destruction is drawn by an official "eye-with have neighbor destruction is drawn by an official "eye-with he country from which our solution of School of Lens since the Germans with dew from that city. Railways and tramways are torn up and are converted into huge piles of twisted rails. Mayor Basiy of Lens says that the city has been virtually levelled. The Germans blew up entire sections of the town to establish their trench systems. The population of \$5,000 people is entirely gone and the city is dead. Water fills the galleries of the coal mines which used to turn out 3,000,000 tons of coal annually.

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Which the destruction is dawn by an official "eye-with have retribution of which he will soon feel the weight."

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notographed during his majesty's recent visit to France.

UNCONDITIONAL SURRENDER OF HUNS NOT SUFFICIENT

London, Oct. 10.-The demand for something more than unconditional surrender from Germany is becoming intensified in the newspapers here. Letters recalling the crimes of Germany and urging retribution include one from Professor Spencer Wilkinson, who declares that a condition precedent for the cessation of hostilities should be the occupation by the Allies of Metz, Strassburg, Mainz, Trent, Trieste and Pola. Viscount Midleton, former secretary of state for India, asks that the Allies make a declaration that peace shall not be made until retribution is exacted from German towns for vandalism in France. The Times describes the enemy's policy of burning and destroying towns as "cruel and mean blackmail," and says that German towns like Hamburg and Frankfort must be marked down for ransom in return for French and Belgian towns wantonly destroyed.

KAISER WILHELM HAS ABDICATED ACCORDING TO STOCKHOLM RUMOR

Stockholm, Oct. 10.-There is a persistent rumor here that Emperor William has abdicated.

BLINDED WITH RAGE FOLLOWING DEFEAT GERMANS CONTINUE TO BURN, PILLAGE AND DEVASTATE

City of Lens Virtually Levelled by Hun Hordes, Forced by Allied Advance to Evacuate City - Enemy Vents His Hate Upon Country From Which He Is Driven.

HAIG ADVANCES TO EAST OF CAMBRAI; FRENCH TAKE LIRY IN THE CHAMPAGNE

ALLIES FOUND

Enemy Had Evacuated Syrian Seaport.

London, Oct. 10.-French and British varships which entered Beirut, the chief the town had been evacuated by the Turks, says an official statement issued oday by the British war office. Beirut was occupied by detachments of British and Indian infantry on Tues-

The text of the statement is appended: "French and British warships entered Beirut on Sunday and found the town evacuated by the enemy."

CURRIE'S SLEDGE HAMMER BLOWS **BROUGHT ABOUT** CAMBRAI'S FALL

To Enter the Town.

IN POSSESSION

Capture Fittingly Crowns the Brilliant Record of Canucks Since August 8.

With the Canadian Forces, Oct. 9 .-(Delayed) .- By J. F. B. Livesay, Canadian Press Correspondent).-Early this morning the Canadian troops penetrated day. Cambrai and are now in complete possession of the city. Thus is fulfilled the legitimate ambition of the Canadian Corps for the achievement of which they have been fighting hard ever since they stormed the Canal du Nord and took Bourlon Wood on September 27. Even if the imperial troops who yesterday so gallantly advanced south of Cambrai, had had the good fortune to centure the city, its fall must still have

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, 59; lowest, 40.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 50; lowest, 40.

TOMORROW—FINE AND WARM.
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Toronto, Oct. 10—8 a.m.
Forecasts.

Light to moderate winds; fine and moderated winds; fine and winds winds; fine and w

Pershing Attacks German Forces on the Left Wing of the Argonne Forest---French Troops Operating in Serbia Are Rushing Towards the Montenegrin Frontier.

London, Oct. 10.—Further progress was made by the British last night towards the northern part of the present battlefront, to the east of Cambrai. Fighting is going on southeast of Cambrai, on both sides of Caudry, Field Marshal Haig reported today. The British are now within two miles of Le Cateau.

Saullaumines and Noyelles have been captured. The capture of Sallaumines and Noyelles represents a British port of Syria, on Sunday, found that advance in the district east of Lens.

The text of the statement reads: "We continued to advance yesterday, and yesterday evening in the face of increasing resistance and early in the night advanced detachments established themselves across the Cambrai-Le Cateau road, within two miles of Le Cateau,

"Fighting is taking place south of the main road on both sides of Caudry, and also east of Cambrai, where we have made progress. "Between Lens and the Scarpe, the British also are advancing and are in touch with the Germans to the west of the line of Vitry. en-Artois, Azel-lez-Equerechin and Rouvroy.

"In the sector between the Scarpe and Lens our patrols are in touch with the enemy west of the general line of Vitry-en-Artois, Azel-lez-Equerechin and Rouvroy. We have gained possession of Saullaumines and Noyelles.'

POILUS CAPTURE LIRY IN AN ATTACK IN CHAMPAGNE AREA

Paris, Oct. 10.—French troops last night continued the pursuit of the Germans in the region east of St. Quentin, the war office announced today. They have passed Fontaine-Notre Dame and Canadian Troops Were First Beautroux. In fighting north of the Aisne, French pressure resulted in wresting the Plateau de Croix-Sans Tete from the Germans, while further east crossing the Aisne Canal was effected in the region of Villers-en-Prayeres.

Attacking vigorously in the Champagne, the French captured Liry, two miles west of Monthois.

PERSHING PENETRATES FOE LINES WEST OF THE MEUSE

Washington, Oct. 10 .- Penetration of the German main line of resistance west of Meuse by the Americans, against fresh enemy divisions, is reported in Gen. Pershing's communique for Wednes-

East of the Meuse, further gains were made during the day in spite of violent counter-attacks, while in the Argonne Forest the American forces captured important heights south of Marcq and joined hands with the French at Lancon. More than two thousand additional prisoners are reported.

PERSHING ATTACKS ENEMY NEAR THE ARGONNE FOREST

With the American Forces Northwest of Verdun, Oct. 10 .-(By the Associated Press.)—Gen. Pershing's infantry today again went into action on the left wing of the Argonne Forest front after a violent artillery bombardment lasting all night.

The Germans are throwing in reserves on their left flank, which has now been exposed in the Argonne pocket. The enemy also is endeavoring to withdraw his troops at other points so as to restore the line.

SERBS CONTINUE PROGRESS.

London, Oct. 10.-French troops operating in Serbia are rushing towards the Montenegrin frontier, according to the Central News Agency. The Serbian army has reached a line between fifteen and eighteen miles south of Nish.

SERBS TAKE PRISONERS.

London, Oct. 10.—Serbian troops, pursuing the defeated 9th Austrian Division, on Monday entered Leskovatz, 22 miles south of Nish, and Vlasotintze, according to an official Serbian statement

The Serbians took several hundred prisoners and captured & large quantity of material,

FRENCH CAPTURE TOWNS.

Paris, Oct. 10.-French troops, advancing east of the St. separating Hungary and Austria is making extremely rapid progress among the public in the dual monarchy, according to an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Zurich.

DOMINION COUNCIL MEETS HERE — Quentin-La Cateau Railroad, have captured Etaves Wood and Bocquiaux village, and further south have taken Marcy and reached expected to attend the Dominion Council of the Girls' Friendly Society, which meets in London in Cronyn Hall on October 25, 26 and 27.