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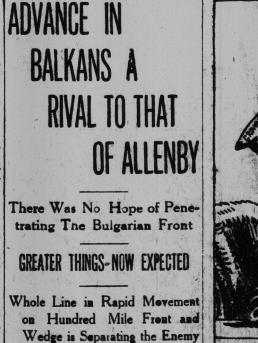


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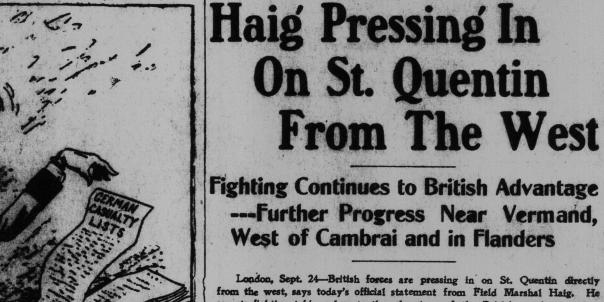
Rev. J. B. Daggett First Witness-Commissioner McQueen Decides Against **Postponement Asked For**

After a lapse of almost four years an inquiry which opened this morning in the council chamber in the court house is expected to bring before the public potato transactions of the old govern-ment. The inquiry was opened at 11 o'clock by James McQueen, K. C., of Shediac, with P. J. Hughes of Frederi icton appearing for the government and F. R. Taylor, K. C., for Hon. J. A. Mur-ray, former minister of agriculture. In an effort to secure further delay in the proceedings, Mr. Taylor asked that the inquiry should be postponed until after the Victory Loan campaign completed, some time in November, dving as his grounds for the request the fact that Hon. Mr. Murray was act-ting as chairman of the loan organiza-tion in Kings county and would not have time to attend the sessions. Mr. Hughes took the stand that Mr. Murray In the chain of the load organization <text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text>



on Hundred Mile Front and Wedge is Separating the Enemy Forces-Serbians' Feat on Par With Smashing of Wotan Line By British

London, Sept. 24-The London newspapers this morning comment on the



London, Sept. 24-British forces are pressing in on St. Quentin directly from the west, says today's official statement from Field Marshal Haig. He reports fighting taking place to the advantage of the British and ann progress by the attacking forces in the region east of Vermand.

On the front to the west of Cambrai, in the region north of Moeuvres, the British positions have been improved. In the Arras-Lens sector the Germans tried to drive the British from the new positions the latter had won south-east of Gavrelle. The enemy was completely repulsed, the British retaining their line intact.

In Flanders British troops succeeded in pushing forward and occupying a portion of the old British front line southeast of Voormezeele, below Ypres.

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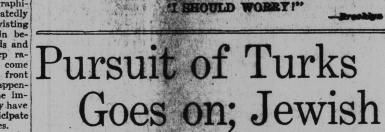
opportunity to be present?" The Commissioner:---"Call Mr. Dag-

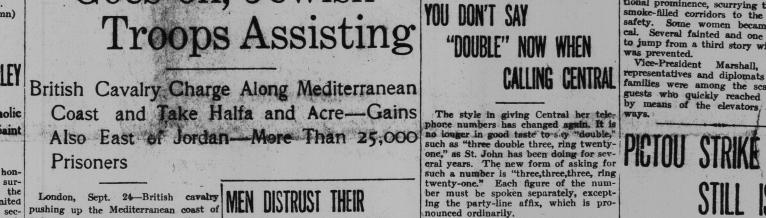
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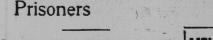
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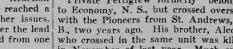
men on vessels here are at present on the sick list.

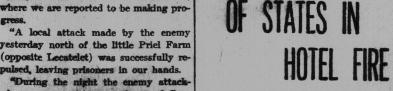






The Turkish reserves consisted of troops which recently arrived from the Caucasus. Field Marshal Liman Von Sanders, commander of the Turkish





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During the night the enemy attack-ed our new positions southeast of Gav-relle, suporting the assoult with a heavy artillery barrage. The attack was com-Washington, Sept. 24—Police and fire origin of a fire early this morning in the new Willard Hotel which caused dam-age estimated at \$100,000 and sent hun-dreds of patrons, many of them of na-tional prominence, scurrying through the smoke-filled corridors to the lobby for safety. Some women became hysteri-cal. Several fainted and one attempted to jump from a third story window, but was prevented. Vice-President Marshall, senators, representatives and diplomats with their families were among the scantily clad guests who quickly reached the lobby by means of the elevators and stair-ways. (Continued on page 2, fifth column)

"DOUBLE" NOW WHEN

CALLING CENTRAL



KIICHENS; SAVING PLANNEU
Paris, Sept. 24—Victor Boret, minister of provisions, will introduce a bill in parliament authorizing an advance by the government up to 250,000,000 francs, for the purpose of organizing cooperative restaurants and developing the existing communal and municipal eating places. It will also provide for the creation of a central kitchen where rations will be prepared for all troops in Paris. These are measures which M. Boret hopes will eradicate the increased cost of living and the present wastage of food.
If the scheme proves to be practicable, a similar central kitchen will be created

CHINESE ALSO FIGHTING Tokio, Sept. 20—(By the Associated Press)—Order has been restored in the city of Khabarovsk, according to an of-ficial statement issued by the war office, which adds that General Yamada's de-tachment left that city for the west by rail on Sept. 12 to attack the enemy on



