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## ENTENTE ARMIES WIN FURTHER SUCCESSES IN THE BALKANS

### ROUMANIANS DRIVING AHEAD IN TRANSYLVANIA

Continue to Gain Ground Also in Dubrodja—No Further Word of Forces which Crossed the Danube River and Invaded Bulgarian Territory.

### ALLIED ARMIES OCCUPY FOUR TOWNS NORTHEAST OF FLORINA IN GREECE.

Fierce Fighting on Russian Front from West of Lutsk and in Galicia—French Troops Capture an Important Trench North of Rancourt.

Although the Roumanians continue to gain ground against the Austro-Germans at various points in Transylvania the situation in Dobrudja, which has attracted added interest since the crossing of the Danube into Bulgaria by Roumanian forces, remains uncertain. Bucharest says that violent fighting continues all along the line south of the railroad running from Constantza to the Danube, with the Teutonic allies offering stubborn resistance to the Roumanian and Russian forces. Nothing is vouchsafed, however, concerning the troops which invaded Bulgaria.

Sofia says that only "several battalions" of Roumanians made their way across the river, and Berlin reports the destruction behind them by German troops of the pontoon bridges over which they made the passage.

An unofficial despatch from Rome asserts that Field Marshal Von Mackensen has ordered the evacuation of the Dobrudja fortresses of Silistria and Turtukal, recently captured by the Teutonic Allies, in the fear of their being enveloped by the Roumanians.

Heavy rains are interfering with the activities of the British and French armies in the Somme region of France, but nevertheless Paris records the capture of an important trench north of Rancourt, and the taking of additional prisoners, while London says the fighting at Eaucourt L'Abbaye "is proceeding satisfactorily."

Violent fighting has been in progress in Russia, west of Lutsk, and in Galicia, in the region of the Zlota Lipa river. In the latter region, according to Petrograd, neither the Russians nor the Teutonic Allies have been able to gain any marked advantage. West of Lutsk, according to Petrograd, the Russians made advances, but Berlin reports that all attacks here were repulsed, the Russians suffering exceptionally heavy casualties. In the attacks, says Berlin, which were preceded by terrific bombardments, the Russian guard made it unsuccessful onslaughts and another division 12.

As regards the fighting in Macedonia, Sofia admits that the heavy artillery fire of the Serbs in the region of Kalkakalan Height caused the Bulgarians to withdraw to their Moglenica Valley, in order to avoid unnecessary losses, but asserts that Entente attacks elsewhere along the front were repulsed.

Allied Success in Balkans.

Berlin records an advance by the Austro-Germans against the British northwest of Lake Tabino, while unofficial advices from Paris say the Bulgarians have abandoned several positions in the Starkov Grob and Brod river regions, and that four towns northeast of Florina, in Greece, have been occupied by the Entente Allies. In Albania, according to an Athens despatch, the Italian military authorities have occupied Argyro Castro, having ordered the Greek military officials there to evacuate the town.

Except for the capture by the Italians of two lofty peaks held by the Austrians and a continuation of the heavy bombardment by the Austrians of the Carso front in the hands of the Italians, there has been little activity in the Austro-Italian theatre.

Grateful to Temple Band.

At a meeting of the West Side Soldiers' Comfort Circle, held on the evening of the 28th of September, a very cordial vote of thanks was passed to the Temple Band for their great kindness and assistance in furnishing music on the evenings of the Soldiers' Christmas Stocking Fair. Many people have remarked how much they enjoyed the music of the Temple Band on these occasions.

### MASS MEETING IN FRANKFORT DEMAND AN EARLY PEACE

DISSATISFACTION IN GERMANY OVER CHANCELLOR'S SPEECH, REICHSTAG MEETING IS POSTPONED UNTIL PEOPLE CAN BE COAXED INTO ACCEPTING BETHMANN-HOLLWEG'S POLICY.

London, Oct. 3.—Telegraphing from Amsterdam the correspondent of the Central News says:

"It is generally believed that the postponement of the meeting of the Reichstag is due to dissatisfaction with the speech of Dr. Von Bethmann-Hollweg. In the meantime strenuous efforts will be made to reconcile the people to the imperial chancellor's policy.

"Meetings have been hurriedly arranged to be held in a number of towns where members of the Reichstag will make addresses.

"A public mass meeting at Frankfort passed a resolution in favor of an early peace.

"The Vossische Zeitung says that Chancellor Von Bethmann-Hollweg had a lengthy conversation yesterday with Prince Von Buelow, the former chancellor."

### VENILELOS FACTION WILL BE STRONG IN NEW GREEK CABINET

New Ministry will have a Decidedly National Character.

PROVISIONAL GOVT SEAT AT MYTILENE.

Word Goes Out to Royal Newspapers to Stop Attacks on Former Premier.

Athens, Oct. 3, via London.—The resignations of all the cabinet ministers, except the premier, Nikolaos Kalogeropoulos, and the minister of foreign affairs, Alexandre Carapanos, are now in the hands of the king. The cabinet will be arranged probably so that several supporters of M. Venizelos, the former premier, will hold portfolios, thus giving the new ministry a national character. Orders have been issued to the royalist newspapers to cease attacking M. Venizelos, in view of the co-operation of his adherents with the new government.

Provisional Government at Mytilene. Athens, Oct. 3, via Athens, Monday, Oct. 2, via London, Oct. 3.—Former Premier Venizelos is expected to leave here shortly for Mytilene where he will establish the seat of the provisional government. Vice-Admiral Condouriotis will go to Saloniki to represent the provisional government there.

BOSTON SCHOONER RUTH ROBINSON IS ASHORE AT WEST PT.

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Oct. 3.—The three-masted schooner Ruth Robinson which ran ashore at West Point while on her way from Charlottetown to Bay Chaleur in ballast, is reported high and dry tonight. There are poor prospects of her being floated. She is owned in Boston and came here from Liverpool with a cargo of salt.

The government steamer Brant which was sent from here to her assistance reports that she could not help her.

BRICK LAYERS UNION BACK WITH AMERICAN LABOR FEDERATION

New York, Oct. 3.—Arrangements have been completed for the return to the American Federation of Labor of the International Brick Layers' Union, according to an announcement made here tonight by Samuel Gompers, president of the federation. The union, which has 80,000 members in the United States and Canada, seceded some time ago.

### ITALIANS TAKE TOWN IN ALBANIA

Greek Civil Authorities Allowed to Remain in Argyro Castro After Cadorna's Men Enter Town.

Athens, Oct. 3, via London.—Two thousand Italians, including artillery and cavalry, who had been holding Santi Quaranta, have occupied Argyro Castro, Albania. The Greek military authorities were allowed a limited time in which to evacuate the town. The Greek civil authorities, however, were permitted to remain at their posts.

Other Successes Reported. Rome, via London, Oct. 3.—The following official communication was issued today:

"Enemy artillery has insistently shelled villages in the Arlicio Valley and on the Arliago plateau. Of these Arliero suffered some damage. "Our offensive operations in the mountains have resulted in some new successes. At the head of the Cismon-Brenta valley our troops, after climbing precipitous walls under the enemy fire, succeeded in capturing the second peak of Col. Brison, at the southwest of the first peak, 2,604 metres high, which was already in our possession.

"In the Upper Cordevoles, during the night of the first, a determined bombing attack against an advanced position on the slopes of Monte Stef was decisively repulsed with losses to the enemy.

Reach Summit of Peak 2,766 Metres High.

"In Carnia, between Monte Coglians and Pizzocollina, on the Upper But, our detachments, after having, by a turning movement, cut off a high peak held by the Austrians, succeeded in reaching the summit, at a height of 2,766 metres. The enemy left behind arms, ammunition and war materials.

"On the Carso front the enemy artillery has increased its activity against inhabited villages, shelling our detachments on the left bank of the Vallon river. An enemy aeroplane dropped a bomb on Agoria, Cordevoles, but without causing damage.

Berlin Report.

Berlin, Oct. 3, via London.—Heavy fighting continued north of the Somme yesterday. The war office announced today that ground had been gained by the Germans in the Thierval region.

The statement follows: "Army group of Grand Duke Albrecht of Wurttemberg: Near Lombartzyde (Belgium) close to the coast, our marines, as a result of a successful patrol enterprise, brought in twenty-two French prisoners.

"Army group of Prince Rupprecht: The battle north of the Somme continued under persistent and powerful artillery fire from both sides. North of Thierval and northwest of Courcellette we wrested from the British some trenches in which they had established themselves, thereby capturing several machine guns.

"The fighting was especially bitter between Lessars and the road from Ligny-Thillois to Fiers. Here the British purchased with the heaviest sacrifices a small gain in territory on both sides of the Eaucourt L'Abbaye Farm. Between Guedecourt and Morval our artillery, after repulsing four attacks from Les-Boens held the enemy's infantry within its storming positions."

Berlin, Oct. 3, via London.—The war office announced today that Austrian and German monitors had destroyed the pontoon bridges across the Danube in the rear of the Roumanian forces, which have crossed the river and invaded Bulgaria.

SIR JAMES LINTON DEAD. London, Oct. 4.—Sir James Dromgoole Linton, president of the Royal Institute of Painters in Water Colours, died yesterday at his home on Havrestock Hill. He was born in London in 1840.

The bullet entered Oakes' eye and passed clear through his head. The dead officer was about thirty years of age and the son of Wm. Oakes, of North Augusta, Ont.

### EXCELLENT WORK OF CANADIAN ARTILLERY KEEPING DOWN CASUALTIES; MEN FROM THE DOMINION NOW IN ACTION BUT LOSSES LIGHT

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Oct. 3.—Information has reached the militia headquarters that the Canadian troops have been in the thick of the fighting since Friday last. The indications are that they are operating in the vicinity of Courcellette and Thierval and the Heslain and Zollern redoubts.

According to the cable received by the department the casualties are light by comparison. The heavy casualties which have resulted during the last few days have resulted from earlier engagements. The story in last night's Canadian eye witness report is of the fighting a week ago, and no doubt the public will have to depend again upon British and American correspondents for the first details of the fighting since Friday.

The comparatively low casualties amongst the Canadians in the last few days is due to the excellent work of the Canadian artillery, which is recognized as remarkably efficient.

That the Canadian troops are doing splendid work, and that wherever they engage the enemy they prove themselves masters of the Germans, is the effect of all communications received here.

Maritime Province casualties announced tonight are as follows:

Infantry. Killed in action—John W. Charnley, Gibson, York Co., N. B.

Mounted Rifles. Killed in action—Everett McLeod, Grandview, P. E. I. George A. Turnbull, Digby, N. S.

Artillery. Wounded—Gunner Albert Payne, Campbellton, N. B. Gunner Wm. H. Thompson, 380 Main street, St. John, N. B.

Thomas Hammond, Scarsdale, N. S. Weldon Young, Sydney, N. S. Missing, believed killed in action—Geo. Sharpe, Lower Maccan, N. S. Edward Wyatt Height, North Range, N. S.

Died of wounds—James Bernard, Bayfield Road, Antigonish, N. S. Missing, believed killed—Sergt. Arthur E. Armitage, 345 Barrington street, Halifax, N. S.

Wounded—Capt. Wm. E. Beaton, North Sydney, N. S. Pioneer Geo. Porter, Springfield Mines, N. S.

Lt. Ernest Havelock Welch, 152 Charlotte street, St. John, N. B. Medical Services.

Died of wounds—Walter M. McNutt, 137 Metcalfe street, St. John, N. B. Infantry.

Wounded—Frank Fearnot, Fredericton, N. B. L. Dickie, Kingsport, N. S. Harold Cunningham, Hopewell, N. S.

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### BRIDGE COLLAPSES, CROWDED TROLLEYS WHICH COLLIDED TAKE A PLUNGE OF THIRTY FEET

Cleveland, Ohio, Oct. 3.—Four bodies have been recovered, several other dead, are believed to be in the wreckage, and more than thirty are in hospitals as the toll of a bridge tragedy here early this evening, when two street cars collided on the West Third Street bridge, causing it to collapse and precipitate the cars thirty feet to

the Baltimore and Ohio railroad tracks below, where they almost went into the Cuyahoga river. There were forty persons on one car and twenty on the other. It was first believed that the dead list would reach fifty, but later it was found that while dozens were hurt only a few had been killed.

### CANADIAN WOMEN PROVE ADEPT IN MUNITIONS WORK

Minister of Labor Visits Ontario Plants and Finds Women Doing Nobly in Shell Making.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Oct. 3.—"The employment of women in munition factories in Toronto has been a splendid success," said Hon. T. W. Crothers, Minister of Labor, today, on his return from Toronto. While there he and Mrs. Crothers visited a number of factories to learn first hand the conditions under which women were working and to find out what results had attended their employment.

Mr. Crothers said that between 1,200 and 1,500 women were employed in these factories in Toronto, for the most part making fuses. They were earning in many cases more money than the skilled mechanics. The parts of the fuses are all made by machinery and as the mechanism of the fuses are nearly as delicate as that of a watch, deft handling is important. No skill is necessary to begin with but speed is essential and the quick fingers of women make their work valuable.

A large number of the women were formerly sales ladies and as munition workers they have been exceedingly successful. Beginners get a dollar a day and in some cases two dollars and as they become efficient earn more.

Pay Depends on Speed. It is all piece work so that the quickest earn the most. An ordinary wage made by a woman is about four dollars a day.

Mr. and Mrs. Crothers had talks

### 5 OF NOVA SCOTIA SCHOONER'S CREW WASHED OVERBOARD

The Schr. Lela J. Schwartz Runs Into Heavy Sea Which Swept Decks, Carrying Five of Crew to Death.

Lunenburg, N. S., Oct. 3.—The fishing schooner Lela J. Schwartz, arrived here today and reported having lost five of her crew in a gale encountered on September 24th when the vessel was on her way home from the Banks. The crew were engaged in taking in the riding sail when a heavy sea washed the deck from end to end, destroyed all the dories, and washed five of the crew overboard. The fishermen were all natives of Lunenburg county.

with a number of the women as well as their employers and found that they liked the work and the employers valued their services. Thousands of women are anxious for employment in these factories, but in some cases foremen are opposed to having them as workers while in other cases employers do not care to make the changes in their buildings which would be necessary.

Mr. and Mrs. Crothers expect to go to Montreal in a week or two to look into the situation there with regard to the employment of women in munition factories.

JAPANESE CABINET RESIGNS. Tokio, Oct. 3.—Count Okuma, the prime minister of Japan, resigned today owing to his advanced age. The members of the cabinet also tendered their resignations to the Emperor.