

# Summary of Events from Seat of War

Events of Interest in the Great European War as Recorded Day by Day

## Canada's Contingent On Way to Europe

Transports Heavily Armed and Convoys by Fleet of Battleships, Cruisers and Destroyers.

Valcartier Camp, Sept. 24—The major part of Canada's contingent for service in Europe is already on its way to the front, in transports heavily armed and guarded by British men of war, in sufficient force to prevent any attack by German cruisers. A fleet of war vessels, consisting of battleships, cruisers and destroyers, had been gathered at Quebec by Admiral Weymss and other war ships collected at convenient points. More than a week ago the transports at Quebec commenced taking on war stores, and since then there has been a steady flow in the direction of Quebec from the camp.

As the transports were loaded they steamed seawards and the conveying war vessels picked them up, forming a sufficiently strong protective force for the various groups. All the transports carry heavy guns. A large proportion of the infantry and all the artillery, with much of the equipment, have already departed. The departure of the remainder will quickly follow.

London, Sept. 24—The official press bureau tonight issued a report from Field Marshall Sir John French's headquarters, supplementing the despatch of September 22 on the British operations in France. The text follows:

"The enemy is still maintaining himself along the whole front and in order to do so is throwing into the fight detachments composed of units from very different formations the active army, reserve and landwehr, as is shown by the uniforms of the prisoners recently captured.

(Bulletin Special Wire)

Montreal, Sept. 24—3.30 p. m.—Despatches received today indicate that some decisive result of the nine days' battle on the Aisne may be expected very shortly. While the Germans are still in a strong position, they are being gradually driven back for good. They have recently made a series of night attacks, but in all cases they have failed to break the Allies' lines.

Von Kluck's army has been strongly reinforced, but notwithstanding this, the British turning movement continues. This is necessarily slow, but if it can be accomplished it will cut Kluck off from all support. He must either retreat precipitously or be cut up.

Conditions of the Kaiser's army now is such that he cannot stand any more losses than he is obliged to. His front ranks are now being filled up with second class reserves.

Montreal, Sept. 24—3.30 p. m.—Austria has completed the task of filling up the gaps made in her army, and is now said to be in a better position than since the beginning of war. She is, however, confronted by the main Russian army, which has been heavily reinforced from home centres. The morals of the Austrian army are bad, however. The appalling losses it has suffered have had a most demoralizing effect on survivors.

Montreal, Sept. 24—3.30 p. m.—A large British contingent from Hong Kong has been landed at Kiou Chow, and will assist the Japanese in their fight with the Germans at that place.

Montreal, Sept. 24—3.30 p. m.—A strong pressure has been brought to bear on the King of Roumania by his government to induce him to join in the war against Germany and Austria. The indications are that he will ultimately consent under pressure.

Offers of help are pouring in from all parts of India. The Kaiser made an awful mistake when he reckoned an disaffection in that country.

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Montreal, Sept. 25—A last minute despatch says that Sir James Whitney, Premier of Ontario, died this morning of cerebral hemorrhage. He would have been seventy-one next week. A widow, one son and two daughters survive.

Montreal, Sept. 25—Fighting has been resumed in Belgium between Antwerp and Brussels. The Belgians made a sortie against a large force of Germans. The latter lost eight hundred men and several guns.

Zeppelins passed over Ostend last night and dropped several bombs, which did very little damage.

Montreal, Sept. 25—Andrew Carnegie has just returned from Germany and brings with him a somewhat startling story. He says that the Kaiser is not responsible for the war. When the war broke out he was away from Berlin on a yachting trip, but was hurriedly recalled by his staff, who, unknown to him, had taken such steps as already made war inevitable.

Montreal, Sept. 25—The fleet which is conveying the Canadian contingent to Britain is an imposing one, consisting of several battleships, cruisers and destroyers, enough in themselves to handle all the German ships that are loose on the Atlantic.

The contingent commenced to leave Valcartier last Thursday, and part of it is now well across the ocean.

Montreal, Sept. 25—German generals have given orders to their troops to kill everyone, to take no prisoners and despatch the wounded. "Not a single Frenchman must be left alive."

Beyond the announcement that the Allies are steadily strengthening their position, there is no news from the front to-day.

Switzerland has refused Germany's request to be allowed to transport troops through that country.

Anybody can get a square meal in Paris just now by donning a British flag and dropping his li's.

**FRENCH WERE FORCED TO TAKE DEFENSIVE**

Paris, Sept. 25, 11.17 p. m.—The official communication issued at eleven o'clock tonight regarding the progress of the battle in Northern France, says that this morning French troops in the region of Noyon were compelled to give ground before superior forces, but having been reinforced, again assumed the offensive, the engagement being one of particular violence.

**AMBUSHED A GERMAN TRAIN**

London, Sept. 23—The London Mail's war correspondent states that he hears that two trains of badly needed German reinforcements were blown up between Peronne and St. Quentin, through the feat of a French gunner, who managed to tap a telephone wire connecting two German stations. By this means he gained the information that the trains were coming, and was able to place guns to command the line.

By a quick attack he was able to ambush the trains. The London Mail's correspondent also says that the entire general staff of one division were brought prisoners to Amiens.

**MINARD'S LINIMENT CURES Burns, Etc.**

## Russians to Wipe The Austrians Out

Preparing For One Grand Battle That Should Sweep Austrian Power Off the Map.

London, Sept. 24—The Paris Matin prints a despatch from Petrograd stating that the Germans who drove General Rennenkampf back into Russia are reported to have suffered a great defeat at Subir. The Russians have reoccupied Soldau in East Prussia, on the Polish frontier. It is stated that the Germans are evacuating East Prussia to reinforce the line from Thorn, in West Prussia, on the border of Poland, to Kalisz, a town in Poland.

The Russian troops occupying Serlawa, 18 miles north-west of Jaroslau, says the Petrograd correspondent of Reuter's found that the town had been sacked by the Austrians. A large number of Austrian soldiers were captured.

**Poles Refuse to Fight Russia**

London, Sept. 24—A despatch to the Express from Warsaw says that the Russian successes in Galicia are due partly to the refusal of the Austrian Poles to fight against the Russians. Great quantities of arms and ammunition, the despatch says, were voluntarily handed over to the Russians by the Austrian Polish regiments.

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ritory was so boggy that it presented great difficulty from a strategic viewpoint, so the Russian troops have been withdrawn toward Eydkusenne. The Germans have assembled a very large army in East Prussia, presumably intended for offensive operations in Poland.

**GERMANS SLAY 432 BELGIANS IN LITTLE TOWN**

London, Sept. 23—A Ghent despatch to the Chronicle quotes a local newspaper as saying that 432 inhabitants of the small Belgian town of Tamines, in the Namur district, have been killed, presumably on account of some act against the Germans occupying the district.

The dead include the priest and the local notables. After wholesale executions, says the despatch, the torch was applied so effectually that only one house remains standing in the district.

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Kitchener has been twice at the front in the past few days. It is pretty hard to keep him from the smell of smoke and the roar of the big guns. He may be directing the war from London, but he is not one to have anything going astray, and consequently goes where he can get first hand information.—Journal of Commerce.

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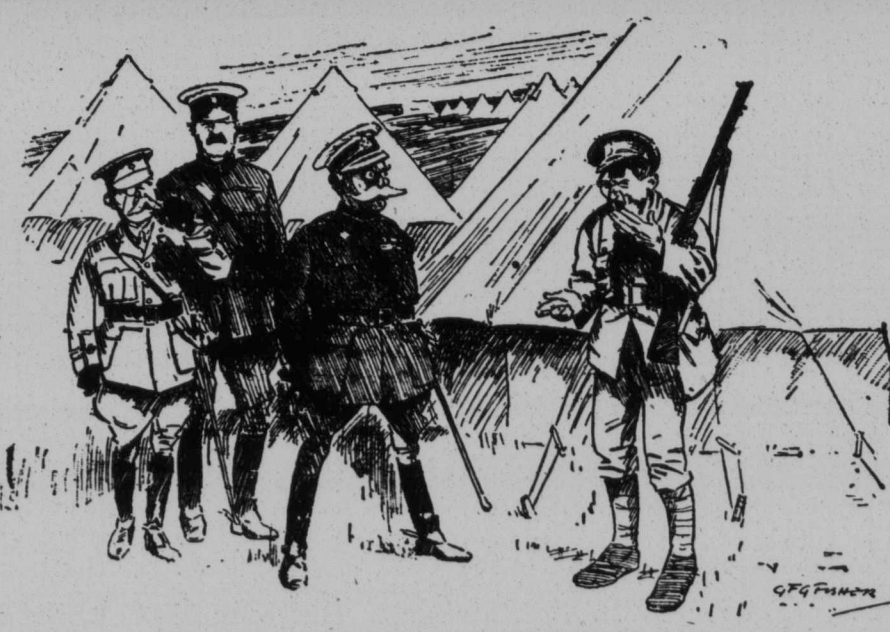
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connoting. They are strongly fortifying the Czentochoff-Kalisch line and also portions of the country further north, at the same time acting entirely on the defensive.

"At Volzavsk and Makoff, they have hitherto been more active, but are now entrenching at these points. A German advance on the Ostrolok-Augustoff line is impossible owing to the morasses.

**THE TERRITORIALS IN CAMP**



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## More British Officers Killed In Action

London, Sept. 26, 7.55 p. m.—A casualty list received from the British general headquarters in the field under date of Sept. 22, gives the names of 35 officers killed, 54 others wounded and 13 missing.

The wounded officers include Lt. Col. R. E. Benson of the East Yorkshire Regiment; Lt. Col. W. D. Bird of the Royal Irish Rifles; Lt. Col. A. W. Hasted Duke of Edinburgh and Lt. Col. F. W. Towsey of the Prince of Wales' Own (West Yorkshire Regiment).

The casualties in officers among the various regiments included:

"The Sherwood Foresters, four officers killed and seven wounded; the Connaught Rangers, four killed; the South Lancashires, three killed and three wounded; the West Yorkshires, three killed and four wounded, including Col. Towsey and eight missing; the Worcestershire Regiment, three killed, five wounded and one missing; the Durham Light Infantry, five killed and six wounded; and the East Yorkshires, five wounded, including Col. Benson and three missing.

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