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Petrograd, in Flames, is Given Over to Slaughter

Important Point on Hindenburg Line Captured

TRAVECY CAPTURED BY ST. QUENTIN AND LA FERE SURRENDERED PETROGRAD IN FLAMES; THE FRENCH YESTERDAY

Outflanking of La Fere Will Result-German Regiment Ordered to West Mutinied; Comrades Refused to Fire on Mutineers

By Courier Leased Wire.

PARIS, Sept. 11.—Bulletin.—The village of Travecy, near the southern end of the main Hindenburg line, has been captured by the French, according to reports received here. If the French can hold this town, the important enemy position at La Fere, a northerly defense of the St. Gobain massif, two miles south of Travecy, will be virtually out-

HUN REGIMENT MUTINIED AMSTERDAM, Sept. 11. — A German regiment, the Twenty-fifth, mutinied at Cologne on August 31, according

to The Telegraaf. An eye witness of the incident says that the soldiers on being ordered to leave Cologne for the western front refused to board a train. Another regiment was then ordered to y troops to enter the cars, but they refased_ meir comrades.

nt of the home defense guard, composed of en ordered to undertake the task, and a fight which eleven boys of the defense guard were

and many others were wounded.

BRITISH PROGRESS LONDON, Sept. 11.—During last night, the British line was advanced slightly in the region of Vermand, northwest of St. Quentin, Field Marshal Haig reported in his official statement today.

The Germans delivered a counter-attack in the region of Ecourt-St. Quentin. It was repulsed in stiff fighting. There was sharp fighting also at Gouzeacourt. The mans were beaten off except at one point where the British posts remained in enemy possession.

HIGHWAYMAN GETS

a Younger Boy Into Trouble

tion highwayman of the dime novel evidence submitted in the county police?" criminal court this morning, against Clarence Brackenburg, charged with highway robbery, theft and destruction of property. In addition to comtion of property. In addition to com-plicity in the crimes enumerated, it appears that the defendant had led there." plicity in the crimes enumerated, it appears that the defendant had led astray a thirteen year old boy who had shared in the exploits with him. Had it not been pathetic, there would have been something irresistibly naive in the testimony of the boy in question, who was the first witness called. He admitted having witness called. He admitted having to flight a strong enemy detachment that came to their help. Our party returned, bringing some prisoners.

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"In the case," and the case, "In th witness called. He admitted having pressed doubt as to the prisoner's known Brackenburg for some time, and had accompanied him to St. George, the two riding bicycles which Brackenburg had stolen in the city. En route they passed at a school known as the German school house, and forced an entry and destroyed furniture in the interior. Why did you do that "

Because it was a German school house," replied the youthful patriot.

WEATHER BULLETIN



LIZZIE, ANY DAY 15 vince of Quebec, A LUCKY DAY TO and fair, cool PUT IN A WANT AD weather has weather has prevailed from Ontario to the Maritime Provinces. Showers have occurred in

"Zimmie"

Strong southeast to south winds, with rain before night. Thursday, strong west to northwest winds, fair and cool.

"A most patriotic intention," commented the Judge. 'Whose suggestion was it?" 'Brackenburg's.'

"What did you do with the bi-"We smashed them and left them on the roadside.

'Why did you destroy them?" run away from home several times

and had not been a model youth. After leaving St. George, the two had stopped a buggy, driven by two DIME NOVELS BLAMED had stopped a buggy, driven by two men. Brackenburg and the boy were wearing blac kmasks, made from the cover of an umbrella; the former had Rome, Sept. 10.—The other appurtenances of the regula- a revolver, and the boy a bludgeon. Where were you going in the night by the Italian War Office: variety, figured prominently in the buggy when you were stopped by the

or of Mount Altissimo repeated attempts of hostile attacks failed under the according to a statement issued

"For what purpose?"

ous charge of highway robbery, the case savors of the ridiculous; a Dick Turpin up-to-date, in fact." He expressed doubt as to the prisoner's sanity.

"What induced you to do these things?" he inquired.

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prisoner.
"Is there any chance of your turn-"Is there any chance of your turning over a new leaf?"
"I intend to if I get out of this."
"Would you be any good in the

Defendant stated that he had been everal times rejected because of de-11—The area of high pressure has moved cost.

Several times rejected because of defective eyesight.

"He is a weak fellow, apparently," commented the Judge. "Not so desperate a character as his actions

has moved east-ward to the Pro-Brackenburg had served a term at Burwash on a liquor charge, and had escaped. He denounced the treat-ment meted out there.

"Did you not like it?"

"No—we were treated like dogs.

The amnouncement explains that the increase is necessitated chiefly

"No we were treated like flogs. the increase is necessitated chiefly if I had been used half way depent because of the heavier cost of im-I had been used half way detent
I would not have run away. They
don't give you enough to eat there"
"I shall have to send you back to
finish your term," commented the
chased meat to an upprecedented ex-

in Saskatchewan and Alberta the weather has been fine and moder oderate disturbance

Judge.

"I would rather have you take me out and shoot me" declared Brackenburg dramatically. "I would rather than go back there."

He asked to be given a change to the civilian population ately warm. A moderate disturbance is approaching the great lakes from the westward.

He asked to be given a chance to enlist, but the Judge and the Crown Attorney agreed that he was physitally unfit.

Forecasts Sentence of two years in Kingston months in prison on a charge of se-

Penitentiary was passed.
Seduction Case. "You haven't played the man at woman in the case.

All Approaches to Famous German Strongholds are Held by French and British—Laon Also Being Evacuated

By Courier Leased Wire. New York, Sept. 11 .- The Associated Press to-day issues

All the approaches to the German strongholds of La Fere and St. Quentin are held by French and British forces and the encircling movement that now menaces the positions at Laon are now progressing favorably. The French are advancing on La Fere from two sides, the movement from Servais, north west carrying them around the northern edge of the famous St. Gobain massif, where the Germans are so favorably entrenched that a frontal attack by the French is hardly to be expected.

In their advance on St. Quentin the French have taken Hinacourt and are nearing Essignyle-Grand. On the French left the British have reached Fres-noy-le-Petit, about three miles northwest of St. Quentin. Under more favorable weather conditions the British and French armies might be said to be within striking distance of the old Hindenburg line from north of St. Quentin to La Fere, but

By Courier Leased Wire

AUSTRIAN

Toronto, Sept. 11.—It is an-nounced by the Imperial Oil

Company, who closed some of their gasoline stations last Sun-

day, that orders have been given to make the rule general

ATTACKS

Losses

PRISONERS TAKEN

Rome, Sept. 10.—The following official statement was issued to-

REPULSED

CLOSE ALL GASOLINE

STATIONS ON SUNDAY

an attack in force over this front is not to be expected at this time. In this section, as in the St. Gobain Forest and the Chemin des Dames positions, the Germans are now taking advantage of the intricate system of defences in front of the old Hindenburg line, which enables them to rosst the Allied advance with greater power, and

man force.
. In the Lys ctor, Armentieres is almost within the grasp of es is almost will in the grasp of the British who are advancing upon the town from both the north and west. Armentieres is used by the Germans as a supply centre and next to Douai to the south, it is the most im-portant point in the enemy's north system of military roads of communication. The British of communication. The British are slowly driving a wedge in the direction of Donai, which is reported to be burning.

In the Aisne-Vesle sector, where the Americans are-co-operating with the French has

erating with the French has artillery fighting continues ac-tive. The French have gained at Glennes and generally im-proved their posttons. The French also a truck slightly

throughout Canada next Sunday and all Sundays till further no-tice. The announcement says: "We are taking this course voluntarily from a purely patri-otic standpoint, with a view of discouraging Sunday motoring."

MACHINES

tiles in August

RESULTS WERE GOOD

Paris, Sept. 10.—During. the

course of the month of August,

BOMBING

By Courier Leased Wire

tempts of hostife attacks failed under our fire. The enemy sustained heavy losses. In the Alano Basin, one of our parties raided the enemy statement says:

Indiscriminate Massacre in the Public Streets, Washington Hears; There Leader's Message to Troops is no Semblance of Law or Order Remaining

By Courier Leased Wire. WASHINGTON, Sept. 11.—A dispatch from the American legation at Christiania today said reliable information

had reached here that Petrograd was burning in twelve different places, and that there was indiscriminate massacre of people in the streets. Word reached Washington today from a European

source that reports there said Petrograd was in flames in many places, and that indiscriminate slaughter of citizens, pillaging and riots were taking place in all parts of the city. According to these reports there is no semblance of law or police or military regulations.

FURTHER EXECUTIONS. Paris, Sept. 10.—The Bolsheviki propaganda service announces 29 famous anti-revolutionists have been executed at Moseow, among them Alexei
Khvostoff, minister of the interior under Emperor Nicholas;
J. G. Chichegaloteff, former
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Bielesteff, former minister of the
police department, and M.
Ganko, former under chief of
police of Moseow and also o

police of Moscow, and also a priest named Vostrager. London, Sept. 11 .- A list of thirty-seven persons recently executed in Moscow includes the

ministers, who served during the reign of the late Emperor Nicholas. A Russian wireless message containing the list as published by M. Tchitcherin, the Bolshevik foreign minister, gives among other names, Alexei Khvostoff and H. Propopoff, both former ministers of the interior; J. C. Stcheglovitoff, a former minister of instice, and former minister of justice, and M. Maklakoff, and M. Vestergoff, the latter the notorious chief of the Black Hundreds. A number of other officials and gendarmes of the Czar's regime are contained in the list.

Yesterday. Contrasted With 6 Months Ago

DARK HOURS PASSED

Nation Can Now Look Forward With Hope and Confidence

London Sept. 11.-Field Marshal Haig's historic order issued yesterday set beside his famous "back to the wall" order of six months ago pointedly marks the end of one of he most critical periods in British

That the country has triumphantly ssued from that dark period is ungrudgingly and gratefully attributed to the timely assistance given by the American nation not only in the field of arms, but in the economic

It is universally felt that Field Marshal Haig's order marks the be-gining of a new period in the world struggle to which the nation is able to look forward with hope and con fidence. There is good evidence that the enemy will withdraw to the Hindenburg line and try to make his

stand there and begin a new phase of its defensive warfare.

For the moment there is a comparative lull in the fighting operations, partly due to adverse weather

The British public is now speculat ing with confidence on where and how Marshal Foch will strike his how Marshal Foch will strike his next blow and it is firmly believed that it will not be long before the great American forces will be found taking a more prominent part in the operations. In the meantime all despatches from Germany and Austria bring evidences of a new and rapid growth of the peace offensive movement and the tottering of the enemy's home front. Prominent

movement and the tottering of the enemy's home front. Prominent among these despatches are renewed reports of a coming political crisis in both Germany and Austria.

Four Lines for Hur Defense
With the French Army in France, Tuesday, Sept. 10.—(By the Associated Press)—The rapidity of the splendid operation that wrested the initiative of the battle from the Germans and drove them behind their defensive lines of 1917, to recuperate their forces and reconstitute their reported to have replied that if of-ficers were shot he would not stop reprisals until every Jew in Russia was quartered. Finally a majority of the officers, half of them from pear on ordinary maps by which the general reader follows changes of the battle front. No maps show them in all their details, but enough of them to reconstruct them in a gen-

The second line of defense runs from the fortress of Lille to the stronghold of Metz, generally peral-iel with the Hindenburg line to the

INDEPENDENT RUSSIAN GOVT'S. ARE ACTIVE

North of Russia and Siberia Have Spokesman in America - Neutrals Protest Against Bolshevik Slaughte

> Washington, Sept. 10.—Contact has been established by the Russian embassy here with the newly organized independent governments in northern Russia and Siberia. Ambassador Bak-

spokesman in Washington.

machines were drowned or seen fall-ing out of control and six enemy balloons were set on fire."



months in prison on a charge of duction under promise of marriage.

The defendant refused to marry the 150 Eagle Avenue, yesterday reported killed in action.

By Courier Leased Wire

and Siberia. Ambassador Bak-mieteff, who long ago repudiated the Bolshevik regime, is recog-nized by the American Govern-ment as the official representa-tives of the Russian people in the United States and the new governments with which are co-operating with American and Allied forces, therefore, have a

From the government of the north at Archangel, the embassy to-day received an encouraging despatch telling of activities there in co-operating with the Allies and of the purpose of the new government to set up again a great and indevisable Russia. NEUTRALS PROTEST.

Stockholm, Sept. 9.—(By the Associated Press).—Despatches-received from Russia announcing that the neutral ministers have protested against the wholesale shooting of political prisoners and threatening to expel the Bolsheviki from neutral countries in the political expel the Bolsheviki from neutral countries in the political executions, continue caused no supprise to travellers recently returned from Russia, who were in Moscow and Petrograd, when the wild taking of hostages be-

reprisals until every Jew in Russia was quartered. Finally a majority of the officers, half of them from Moscow, were released, but hundreds of officers are missing and are reported to have been shot. Many thousands of officers of Moscow, refused to answer the call to register and made their escape to the various anti-Bolshevik fronts. thousands of officers of Moscow, refused to answer the call to register and made their escape to the various anti-Bolshevik fronts.

In Petrograd the officers summoned for registration were generally taken to Kronstadt, where thousands are still held prisoner.

Captain Cromie, the British naval attache, who was killed by the Bolsheviki, who mutilated his body and let it hang out of the embassy window until the neutral diplomats threatened to leave Petrograd if it was not removed, was friendly to the Bolsheviki and belonged to the group of British officials, who urged recognition of the Soviet Republic and co-operation with it, until Trotzky

co-operation with it, until Trotzky broke the faith about permitting the Czechs to leave Russia by way of

May 26, the date of the first clash of the Czechs with the Bolsheviki, sharply marks the decline of the Rolsheviki power. It then began to measure strength with the military organization and there was a demonstration that soldiers fed on peace talk would not fight regular military units. The Bolsheviki officials of the wild taking of hostages began.

Ten thousand officers of the old army, who were ordered to register at Moscow were held prisoners for nearly a week, almost without food. Cholera broke out among them because of the crowded and unsanitary conditions of their quarters. Leon Trotzky, the Bolsheviki secretary of war, wired General Alexieff, commander-in-chief of the anti-Bolsheviki or forces, that an officer would be shot for every Bolshevik killed by the how weak the Bolsheviki is outside Czechs or white guard. Alexieff is of Moscow and Petrograd.

high and low degree now realize how colossal Trotzky's error was and less than two weeks ago they caused it to be intimated unofficially in Moscow to the Scarpe River south of Lille, to the Meuse near Sedan, then south-basin of Briey, which it protects from the west and the south and joining the second line at the Moselle. There are secondary defense works to this line also in the region of Vervins.

A fourth line as yet uncompleted is intended to furnish a function of the Red army and have demonstrated for every Bolshevik killed by the how weak the Bolsheviki is outside Czechs or white guard. Alexieff is of Moscow and Petrograd. high and low degree now realize how