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GERMANS STRIKING BACK IN CHAMPAGNE SUMMOND BY

Making Determined Effort to Divert General Nivelle From His Ceaseless Pounding of Shaken Hindenburg Line-French, How-New ever, Are Advancing Steadily-Critics Believe Huns Intend to Withdraw to Belgian Border

The Germans are striking back in Champagne in a determined effort to divert General Nivelle from his ceaseless pounding at the base of the shaken Hindenburg line. The scene of the counter offensive launched by Field Marshal Von Hindenburg is along a fifteen mile front starting about 25 miles east of Rheims. Attacking in force in this sector the Germans have driven the French from some of their advance trenches but have failed so far to make a serious

NTIME FRENCH ADVANCING

In the meantime the iron semicircle, which General Nivelle has thrown round the southern half of the great St. Gobain plateau is steadily contracting. If the French maintain their present rate of advance it can only be a matter of a very few days before the entire plateau is in their grasp, removing the last great natural barrier to Laon. The British are moving forward steadily to the north but the fact that they are capturing villages with cavalry indicates that they are not yet in contact with the main German forces. The most advanced British outposts are still ten miles from the Cambrai line, where allied observers have assumed the Germans propose to make their real

HUNS TO WITHDRAW TO BELGIAN BORDER?

Military critics in Paris and London are reverting to the belief that the present German retreat is only part of the plan for a retirement on a tremendous scale to the Belgian border. In support of this theory it is pointed out that the withdrawal from the Noyon and Bapaume salients is rapidly forcing the whole German line into the form of an immense right angle. The upright of this angle runs north and south for 120 miles from Nieuport on the Belgian coast to Laon. The horizontal runs for about an equal distance east to the Lorraine border. It is into the apex of this angle that General Nivelle is boring his way, threatening to cut the forces of the invaders squarely in two.

IMPORTANT CAPTURE
BY FRENCH ANNOUNCED Paris, March 29.—An important muni-tions and supply depot has been captured by the French. The war office so announced toway. Artillery fighting continued during the night between the Aisne and the Somme and the French Aisne and the Somme and the French kept in contact everywhere with the German lines. Soissons was hombarded by heavy German guns.

The statement follows: "From the Somme to the Aisne there is no change in the situation. Intermittent artillery fighting occurred during the night. "In the course of the operations of re-

possession of important depots of ma-terials and ammunition. "Yesterday German long-range guns fired shells at Soissons. In the region of Itheims we made a successful surprise attack north of La Pompelle.

"In the Champagne near Tahure, and in the Argonne, at Courtes Chausses, attacks by the enemy were repulsed completely by our fire. On the left bank of the Meuse (Verdun front) our troops greanfured in a spirited attack troops recaptured in a spirited attack the last elements of the trenches which the enemy had been holding since March 18. We took prisoners in the vicinity of Avocourt Wood and Hill 304.

"There were no important events on the remainder of the front."

People Generally Are

POPULATION FIRM

Petrograd, via London, March 29— The peasants throughout the country are systematically organizing militia to replace the old police. They are also establishing new local authorities and convoking communal assemblies which express the intention of supporting the new government and selling country products for victualling the army and the people. In many of the governments the peasants throughout the country are systematically organizing militia to replace the old police. They are also establishing new local authorities and snow over Ontario during the night and is now giving snow in Quebec. Ottawa Valley—Strong southwest to northwest winds, local snow flurries, but generally fair and cooler today and on Friday. New Liskard, Ont., March 28The depression which was in Manitoba yesterday morning has since traveled quickly and now covers the Ottawa Valley. It caused light rain and snow over Ontario during the night and is now giving snow in Quebec. Ottawa Valley—Strong southwest to northwest winds, local snow flurries, but generally fair and cooler today and on Friday. New Liskard, Ont., March 28The depression which was in Manitoba yesterday morning has since traveled quickly and now covers the Ottawa Valley. It caused light rain and snow over Ontario during the night and is now giving snow in Quebec. Ottawa Valley—Strong southwest to northwest winds, local snow flurries, but generally fair and cooler today and on Friday. New Liskard, Ont., March 28The depression which was in Manitoba yesterday morning has increased quickly and now covers the Ottawa Valley. It caused light rain and snow over Ontario during the night and is now giving snow in Quebec. Ottawa Valley—Strong southwest to northwest winds, local snow flurries, but generally fair and cooler today and on Partly Fair

Premier to Meet His Honor Tomorrow

GOVERNMENT RESIGNS

Important Work and Measures Delayed by Long Hang-on to Office by B. F. Smith

(Special to Times)



Our troops everywhere maintained con- Workingmen, Soldiers And one o'clock today Premier Murray had tact with the enemy's lines. Conclusion Reached That Liberty

and Victory Over the Germans handed over the keys of offices. Are Inseparable — Munition
Workers Think Only of CounWilliam Cruikshank, deputy provincial treasurer, who has been in Montreal this week on business with the Prudential

try's Good — The Old Police day.

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IN BAVARIA VERY SERIOUS

Minister of Interior Draws Gloomy Picture of People's Suffering-Friction Between North and South Germany Due to the Administration of the War

London, March 29—A gloomy picture of the food situation in Bavaria was frawn by minister of the interior, Gret triech in an address before the landtag on Tuesday according to a Berne dispatch to Reuter's. Minister Brettreich is quoted as saying that the recent stock taking had shown that conditions were very serious, and that there was a deficiency of 90,000 tons in Bavarian bread-stuffs. Conditions outside Bavaria, he said, were even more unfavorable.

The minister said that it could not be denied that during the war a certain friction had arisen between north and south Germany, chiefly due to the administration of the war. He said there were more than seventy different war organ-- Reported Governor Nego- izations in Germany and that a greater consolidation would have been prefertiating for House Now Occupied able. After predicting that the coming weeks would be very hard on the people, he concluded: "But we must hold out. If we lie down England will squeeze the blood out of our fingernalis. Even if the war ended tomorrow the bitter weeks are not over. Only one thing is left-to hold out,"

state department reports today from Consul Frost at Queenstown, "the British bark Neath" with auxiliary steampower, 4,690 tons, from Mauritius to Havre, cargo of sugar, was torpedoed without warning, 8.45 a.m., 27th, twenty-eight miles southeast of Fastnet. Sank

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SERGT. HARRY

Washington, March 29-According to Nineteen Months at Front - Met Death on Day on Which He Lest Rest Billet - Brother is a

in seven minutes. No losses or injuries, has received word from Ottawa that Carried no guns or wireless, nor made Sergeant Harry Rendle of an infantry

OF TERRIFIC SNOW STORM

New Liskard, Ont., March 28-For

Great Victory Won By British Over The Turkish Forces

London, March 29-The entire divisional staff of the Fiftythird Turkish Division in Palestine has been captured by the Brit-

it is announced officially The statement says that British troops have advanced for a distance of fifteen miles along the southern Palestine coast of the Mediterranean. The British forces have pushed forward from Rafa to the Wadi Ghuzzeh, a river five miles south of Gaza (Ghuzzeh). Gaza is twenty miles north of the Egyptian-Syrian boundary.

London, March 29-The British army in Palestine has defeated a Turkish army of 20,000 men, capturing 900 men, including a general. The war office announces this.

The text of the official statement reads: "Telegraphing yesterday the commander-in-chief in Egypt reports that we advanced our troops fifteen miles from Rafa to the Wadi Ghuzzeh, five miles south of Gaza, to cover the construction of a railway.

"On Monday and Tuesday we were heavily engaged in this neighborhood with a force of about 20,000 of the enemy. We inflicted very heavy losses on him, taking 900 prisoners, including the general commanding and the whole divisional staff of the 53rd Turkish Division. These figures include four Austrian officers and thirtytwo Austrians and Germans of other ranks. We also captured two Austrian 4.2 inch howitzers.

"All the troops behaved splendidly, especially the troops of the Welsh, Kent, Sussex, Hereford, Middlesex and Surrey regiments and the Anzac and Yeomanry Mounted Troops.

GERMANS SAY

INFLUENCE OF REVOLUTION IS FELT IN GERMANY

Miss Annie Thompson of Broad street Strenger Demands for Internal Re- But Their Papers Believe War is forms — Central Powers Alone Representatives of Non-parlia-

Inevitable—Inspired Explanation

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Allied Leaders At Italian Front

Vancouver, B. C., March 29—A despatch to the Canadian News from Tokio, says that a German raider has sunk a Japanese warship in the southern Pacific. The names of the vessels were not disclosed.

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