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ALLIES WILL NOT GRANT AN ARMISTRICE

Request of Germany that Allies Talk Peace Will be Rejected--Victorious Advance on all Fronts

Tuesday
British troops last night continued their closing in movement on Cambrai. They captured Provillo and Tilloy.

Further south on the front between Cambrai and St. Quentin the town of Vendhuile has been taken by the British.

North of St. Quentin the British wedge has been thrust still further into German held territory and the town of Evergives has been captured. The battle was resumed this morning in the Cambrai-St. Quentin sector.

Continued progress along the whole front in Belgium yesterday is recorded in the Belgian official statement. Amersweld and Oostnieuwkerke have been carried and Belgian troops have crossed the Zinnen-Roulers and the Roulers-Menin roads at several points.

French troops this morning were pushing ahead again on the front between the Aisne and Vesle rivers.

French attacks in the Champagne are continuing with an important advance scored in the Aisne valley. Binarville and Condes-Audry have been captured.

The French have taken more than 13,000 prisoners on the front between the Sappe and the Argonne since September 26 and have captured more than 300 guns in the same period. A great number of the guns were of heavy calibre.

"On the Bulgarian front Austrians evacuated after local engagements a strip of territory immediately west of Lake Ochrida.

The town of St. Quentin upon which the Germans had so firmly built their hopes of proving an insuperable barrier to the Allies has been entered by the French and the gateway is open for a swift advance eastward.

During September the British took 66,300 prisoners 700 guns of all calibres and thousands of machine guns in addition to inflicting heavy casualties on the enemy and in August and September took 123,613 prisoners and 1400 guns.

Wednesday
Wide gaps have been torn in the German line between St. Quentin and Leccatet by Field Marshal Haig's forces.

The text of the statement follows: "After maintaining strong pressure on the enemy throughout the earlier part of the day in the afternoon the 32nd Division attacked the center of the German defensive line which runs from Fonsomme to the neighborhood of Beaucourt. The attack was successful. The village of Sequehart and the hamlet of Preselles were captured and the Fonsomme-Beaucourt line breached.

"North of this point Jaccourt was cleared of the enemy and the Australians completed the capture of the enemy's defence south of Leccatet and the Douy.

"In the sector south of Cambrai a fierce struggle all day was terminated by a successful attack at dusk as a result of which New Zealand and Anglo-Scottish troops drove the enemy from Crevecoeur and Rumilly and established themselves on the high ground east and north of these villages.

"Several hundred prisoners were taken by us in these operations." In the Argonne Forest Americans made progress today. East of the forest they are operating north of Clefles and hold positions on the road from Gonesse to Exmont. In this district there has been stiff fighting, local positions repeatedly changing hands, until the Americans today established their supremacy. Since Sept 26 the American aerial force has bagged one hundred enemy planes and twenty-one balloons.

Paria, Oct. 2--Heavy fighting took place in St. Quentin last night. Resisting stubbornly, the Germans were driven back to the east bank of the canal according to the war office statement today.

West and north of Rheims the French have made further important gains. The entire massif of St. Thierry is now in French hands.

Northwest of Rheims the French have taken Focillon and Tilly and have reached the southern outskirts

of Villers-Franqueux, north of Rheims they have pushed forward their line to the outskirts of Betheny. There was no change on the Champagne front during the night.

The French troops have now passed beyond St. Quentin. Northeast, east and southeast of the town, according to the Havas Agency, they hold a line running along the Somme from Tronquoy to Rouvray, and then along the St. Quentin-la-Fere road to the River Oise at Vendhuile.

Paris, Oct. 2--The Germans are moving their heavy artillery away from the Belgian coast, according to reports here today.

The Belgian army, co-operating with the British army of General Beuquet, successfully renewed today their heavy attacks on the Flanders front.

"British aerial squadrons bombarded Liekeite alide, causing a fire at the railway station. They also broke up several enemy convoys."

The towns of Menin and Roulers, railway junctions in Flanders, have been set on fire by the Germans in face of the advancing Belgians, British and French troops. French guns now control the railway line running from Ostend through Thourout and Roulers to Courrai.

British monitors are co-operating actively in bombarding the German lines and near the coast.

Thursday
British troops this morning resumed their attacks north of St. Quentin. The Germans are continuing their rearward movement on the front from Lens to Arras. They are evacuating highly organized positions in that area, along a ten mile line.

In pushing after the retreating enemy, the British have reached the general line of Cite St. Auguste, Douvrin east of La Bassée east of Aubers and west of the Grenier Wood. The advance is continuing. A German attack last night on the British positions to the north of Cambrai was repulsed.

Heavy fighting continues in the region north of Rheims and the French have continued their advance capturing Loivre.

The railway junction of Challerange; Champagne, has been captured by General Gouraud.

East of Challerange the Germans made determined efforts to drive the French from the wood southeast of Orfoull, but were driven back with heavy losses. The French attack in Champagne was continued today.

General Plumer's army, fighting on the Belgian front is reported to be two miles from Turecoing.

General Debeney, attacking on the 15-mile front between St. Quentin and La Fere, is nearing Bethencourt on the Oise, five miles southeast of St. Quentin, and is rapidly outflanking La Fere. The latter town is the northern outpost of the great St. Gobain massif.

Between the Vesle and the Aisne and the Aisne main canal, General Berthelot has cleared out all the Germans excepting a small area south of Berry-au-Bac on the north bank of the Aisne; 11 miles west of Rheims, where French advanced elements are progressing.

Friday
British forces pursuing the retreating Germans in the Lens region, have reached the railway east of Lens. To the southeast the British have made progress between Opy and Mericourt.

More than four thousand prisoners were taken yesterday by the British in their operations north of St. Quentin.

The point of the British wedge in the region north of St. Quentin has been gained at the end of yesterday's

fighting to the high ground a mile northeast of Sequehart.

German forces last night delivered counter-attacks on Gouy and Leccatet, midway between Cambrai and St. Quentin. The enemy assaults had been beaten off.

British, American, and Italian warships have destroyed the Austrian naval base at Durazzo and the warships anchored there, according to an announcement made by Premier Orlando.

Burning villages marked the trail of the retreating Bulgarian army in Macedonia, according to telegrams received here from the front. Bodies of slain civilians were found in the smoking ruins at many places by the advancing Allies. Advances state that this work of destruction surpassed even that which has been reported from districts in France and Belgium from which the Germans have been driven.

Saturday

The Allied armies continued to advance on all points along the Western front but the fierce resistance of the enemy somewhat retarded progress.

Sunday

The outstanding feature of Sunday's news was the speech of Prince Maximilian the New Chancellor of Germany who declared that he had sent a note to President Wilson requesting an Armistice while peace was discussed along the lines laid down by President Wilson in 1917. A like request was made in behalf of Austria Hungary but the Allied Governments have declared that there can be no peace until Germany is beaten and makes an unconditional surrender.

On the Western front the city of Rheims has fallen to Franco American forces and an advance made on a 25 mile front on the Vesle, battle ground. The British also took the town of Drenoy and captured 1000 provinces north of St. Quentin.

Monday

The British made further progress between Lens and Cambrai while French troops in crossing the Sappe River met fierce resistance. The town of Berry-au-Bac near Rheims is now in Allied hands.

In Palestine the city of Beirut has been taken from the Turks amid the enthusiasm of the population. Field Marshal Hindenburg has resigned as Chief of the German General staff.

Chatham Boy Returns From Germany

Private Albert Haley After Eight Months a German Prisoner Arrives Home

Albert V. Haley, a Chatham boy who joined the 52nd Battalion in Port Arthur and went overseas in 1915, was captured by the Germans at Hill 70 and spent eight months a prisoner in Germany, is home again. He has lost his left leg below the knee, but otherwise is in excellent health and is as bright and cheery as though war was but an everyday pastime. He brings home word that the British Red Cross parcels are the salvation of the prisoners in Germany. Without them they would starve, and his one boast is for the Red Cross and its wonderful work. "People need not be afraid," he said, "to help along the work for fear they are feeding the Germans. While every parcel and every can is opened by the Germans, the contents are passed along to the British soldier for whom they were intended and they are never taken to feed the Germans."

Pte. Haley would not express his opinions of the treatment that the German hospital gave patients, but it was not hard to guess them. His eight months experience started on Sept. 4th, 1917 and he was not sorry when it came to an end. His battalion was at Hill 70 and as a result of a raid on the second of September he was wounded and lying out in No Man's Land. For two days he lay there, unconscious most of the time and four brave fellows made valiant efforts to bring him to the British lines. Two of these were killed and one wounded before they desisted. It was on the fourth that the Germans picked him up and made him prisoner. He was wounded badly in the leg and had some minor scratches, as he would say, on other parts of his body.

His exchange came through Holland and for a time he was in England.

Pte. Haley's brother, Pte John J. who went overseas with the 28th Battalion, and for the past two years has been undergoing treatment for serious wounds, also came home with him from Frederick where he is undergoing treatment. It is a coincidence that John returned home from England on Oct. 3, 1918, and Albert on Oct. 3, 1918.

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