

British Have Their Hands on Cambrai.

Canadians and Naval Brigade Have Possession of Northern and Southern Environs---40,000 Prisoners in Three Days---The Week's Total 100,000---Belgians Capture Dixmude---Bulgaria Really Wants Peace.

WAR REVIEW.
American troops, boys from New York, Tennessee and North and South Carolina were in the thick of the fray on Sunday, which badly smashed the German positions over a front of more than fifty miles from the region of Arras to La Fere. On a three mile front the Americans stormed the Hindenburg line and captured the towns of Bellecourt and Manroy, crossing the Cambrai Canal in the operation. Meanwhile to the south the British stormed the main Hindenburg defences on the Scheldt canal, crossed the waterway and gained the hills beyond, taking many prisoners. To the north the British have their hands on Cambrai, an important base, over which recently there has been so much fighting. The Canadians are in the northern outskirts of the city, while a naval division has reached the southern environs. South of St. Quentin to La Fere the French have pressed forward their line and taken some 20 prisoners. All along the Chemin des Dames the French have advanced their line for a distance of two miles, capturing the highest point on the famous ridge. In Belgium the Belgians and British have driven forward and taken Dixmude, ten miles from the North Sea, southeast of Nieuport, bringing their line into closer union with that in the region of Ypres. The capture of Dixmude, if it be pressed for further gains eastward, will seriously affect the German submarine bases on the North Sea. Under the efforts of the British, Americans and French, the Germans have been cleared out of the entire department of the Somme and part of the department of the Ardennes now in French hands for the first time since 1914. In union with the attacks to the north, the French along the battlefield north and northeast of Soissons have delivered fresh attacks under which the Germans are in retreat north of the Aisne, towards the Ailette, indicating that the enemy line soon must be readjusted, eastward at least, as far as Rheims, if not farther. The French now are on the banks of the Ailette river at the western end of the Chemin des Dames, making it appear that this strong defence line soon must be passed by in retreat northward. In Champagne and northwest of Verdun the Germans have



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sensed to the full the seriousness of the situation facing them, where further advance by the French and the Americans of necessity will compel the readjustment of the line from the north to the Swiss frontier. Large numbers of reinforcements have been thrown into battle in Champagne to halt the advance of the French toward the important junction town of Vouziers, but nevertheless General Gouraud's men have pressed forward northward from the region east of Rheims to the northern fringes of the Argonne forest taking many positions of the highest strategical value. Meanwhile the Americans have also advanced their front capturing Brielen, Sur Meuse, and Rosigne, and at last accounts were progressing favorably northward along the Meuse Valley to the east of the Argonne forest, the turning of which by the combined forces of General Gouraud and General Liggett seems probable within a short time. Bulgarian delegates who are endeavoring to arrive at terms with the Allied forces under which Bulgaria will quit the war, have arrived in Salonika, but the Italians, French, Greek, Serbian and British armies are keeping up their drive across Southern Serbia and into Bulgaria.

DIXMUDE CAPTURED.

LONDON, Sept. 29.
Dixmude has been captured by the Belgian troops, it was officially announced to-night. The Belgians have also taken Zerrim, Stadenberg, Passchendale, Moorslede and part of West-roozebeke. This means an advance of several miles. After breaking up a violent enemy counter-attack, the Belgians captured Terrest Heigt and at the close of the day had advanced to within less than two miles of Ronneux. The prisoners taken since yesterday exceed 5,000, and more than 100 guns and numerous machine guns and bomb throwers and much war material have been captured.

OCCUPATION OF SOFIA A POSSIBILITY.

LONDON, Sept. 29.
The news from Bulgaria which comes through various channels, compels the belief that the Prussians of the Balkans is not merely seeking a breathing space, but really wants

The battle is continuing in favor of the Allies, and the Germans are in the midst of confused retirement. Gougancourt and Maroing are in Allied hands. A new offensive was commenced on Saturday in Flanders, where the Belgians, in conjunction with the second British army, attacked on the front between Ypres and Dixmude. Poelcapelle has been captured as well as most of the forest of Houthulst. On Sunday morning British and American troops launched a new attack northwest of St. Quentin, and the battle is proceeding fiercely on the whole front from St. Quentin to the Scarpe. Further progress is reported on points included in previous attacks, and the number of prisoners taken by the British since Friday morning exceeds 16,000. North of the Aisne the French pursuit continues. On the Champagne front they have taken possession of the heights of Bellevue. In Serbia the rout of the Bulgarians is complete. The Serbians are racing for Uskub to cut off the enemy's communication, while on the flanks, British, French, Greek and Italian troops are advancing as fast as possible. The number of prisoners and war booty are enormous. In Serbia the Japanese have made great progress in capturing points of vantage on the railway system north of Biagovitchenk. In Palestine the Turkish armies have ceased to exist as a fighting force. The result of the Allied successes in Macedonia already are becoming apparent. According to a despatch from Geneva, information has reached Switzerland to the effect that the Germans have already begun to withdraw the troops occupying Roumania.

10,000 PRISONERS AND 300 GUNS.

LONDON, Sept. 28.
Prisoners to the number of ten thousand have been captured by the British in their offensive in the Cambrai-Arras, Field Marshal Haig announced to-day. Two hundred guns were taken by the British forces.

AMERICANS MOVING ON.

LONDON, Sept. 29.
American troops attacked the Hindenburg line on a front of nearly three miles to-day, capturing Bellecourt and Nauray. This announcement was made by Field Marshal Haig in his report from headquarters to-night. An English division crossed the Scheldt Canal on lifeboats, mats and rafts and improvised bridges, and stormed the main Hindenburg defences around Bellelisse, and captured the whole German positions. The statement reads: "By dawn this morning the battle was successfully developed southward to the neighborhood of St. Quentin. It now extends over a front of nearly thirty miles from that town to the Seneze river north of Cambrai. On the extreme right the twentieth launched an attack at 5.50 a.m. across the Scheldt Canal from Bellelisse inclusive, northward. The Fifty-Sixth North Midland Division, provided with lifeboats, mats, portable bridges, materials for rafts, and under cover of a concentrated artillery and machine-gun fire stormed the main Hindenburg defences, which here runs along the east bank of the Canal. Notwithstanding the depth of the water, the breadth of the Canal and the strength of the enemy's defences, which included the village of Bellelisse and numerous tunnels and concrete works, this division succeeded in capturing whole German positions opposed to them. They then pressed forward with great bravery and determination up the slope of the hills beyond the Canal, taking many

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prisoners in the course of their advance. Bellelisse, Lehaucourt and Magny la Pousse are now in our possession. In conjunction with this brilliant operation, other English troops advanced in the bend of the Canal south of the Bellelisse, covering the southern flank of the division.

BULGARIAN EMISSARIES IN TOUCH WITH ALLIED COMMANDERS.

LONDON, Sept. 28.
An official Bulgarian statement, dated 24th announces that Bulgaria has initiated a proposition for obtaining an armistice and peace. The text of the official announcement reads: "In view of the conjuncture of circumstances which have recently arisen and after the position had been jointly discussed with all competent authorities, the Bulgarian government desiring to put an end to the bloodshed, authorized the commander in chief of the army to propose to the Generalissimo of the armies of the Entente of Salonika a cessation of hostilities, and the entering into negotiations for obtaining an armistice and peace."

PANIC IN GERMANY.

LONDON, Sept. 27.
The publication in Berlin of semi-official papers of Bulgaria's armistice request was the cause of the greatest panic in the German capital, according to advices received at Copenhagen, and forwarded by the Exchange Telegraph correspondent there. Admiral Von Hintze, the German Foreign Secretary, according to the advices in a speech before the main committee of the Reichstag said that the difficulties of the Bulgarians between the Vardar and the Serna evidently had not been favorably explained by Premier Malinoff and the Bulgarian government, because on Thursday Bulgaria proposed to the Entente commander to open peace negotiations. There were indications, he said, that Premier Malinoff's move was disavowed by later developments.

NEW ATTACK OPENED.

PARIS, Sept. 28.
The Allied troops began an attack on the front north of Ypres to-day, and the advance at some points has been more than two and one half miles. The attack is being made by the Belgian army and is on the larger part of their front south from the North Sea. One thousand prisoners already have been counted. Heavy artillery fire is taking place between Dixmude and Ypres, and the battle is severe in the Houthulst forest north of Ypres.

IMPORTANT TOWNS CAPTURED.

LONDON, Sept. 28.
The British have captured the towns of Epigny and Oisy le Verger. The British pressed their attack yesterday

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