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ADVANCE IN GIVENCHY WOOD

Allies Take More Guns and Prisoners in Successful Sudden Attack--German Counter Offensive in the Argonne is Stopped and Bombardment Silenced--Enemy's Thrust at Russia is Ended and His Offensive Arrested--Russians Attack German Communications--Bulgaria Enters War on Germany's Side--Italians on Offensive Near Tolmino--Big Coast Bombardment is Now Foreshadowed.

ALLIED ARMY TO PROTECT SERBS FROM BULGARS

Armed Steps Already Taken By Great Britain and France.

TO STRIKE SWIFTLY

Russia and Italy Will Co-Operate in Joint Movement in Balkans.

PARIS, Oct. 1.—The Temps announces that France and Great Britain already have taken military measures to defend Serbia and Greece against Bulgarian aggression.

Italy and Russia Co-Operate

The indications are that Italy and Russia are co-operating with France and Great Britain in the execution of this joint movement, altho the actual military forces probably will be drawn from Great Britain and France.

LIEUT. D. MACMASTER KILLED IN BIG BATTLE

Son of Canadian K. C. and M. P., Serving With Cameron Highlanders.

Canadian Associated Press Cable. LONDON, Oct. 1.—Lieut. D. MacMaster, M.P., the well-known Canadian K.C., announces that his only son, Donald Cameron Deford MacMaster, has been killed in France, Sept. 25, while serving as a lieutenant with the 6th Cameron Highlanders.

SERBIAN HEADQUARTERS BOMBED BY AVIATORS

Crown Prince Escapes Injury From Austro-German Aeroplanes at Kragevatz.

NISSE, Serbia, Oct. 1, via Athens and Paris, Oct. 2, 2.15 a.m.—Kragevatz, where Crown Prince Alexander and the Serbian army staff have headquarters, was bombed today by the Austro-German aeroplanes. The crown prince was uninjured.

GET READY FOR YOUR SUNDAY STROLL

The bright autumn days invite every man out-of-doors for a walk in the park or woods. Thousands of men took their wives and sweethearts out along the Lake Shore road last Saturday and Sunday to view the tremendous operations under way by the harbor commission.

BULGARIA JOINS GERMANY

Definite Decision Has Been Made, Say London Advices, and War in the Balkans Cannot Be Averted.

LONDON, Oct. 1.—The hope expressed yesterday that war in the Balkans might be averted virtually has been abandoned, according to the belief expressed in official quarters.

The statement made by Sir Edward Grey, the British foreign secretary, in the house of commons this afternoon, confirming rumors that Austro-German officers had arrived in Bulgaria, just as they did before Turkey threw in her lot with the Germanic allies, is taken by officials to mean that Bulgaria too has definitely decided to join them.

Rumania With the Allies

Athens never had much confidence in the Bulgarian assurances that Bulgaria's mobilization was quite innocent, it was asserted here today, and the other capitals have now been forced to the same conclusion.

MORE GUNS AND PRISONERS TAKEN AND GROUND GAINED

New Progress Realized by Allies in Givenchy Wood Where Prussian Guards Were Captured and Violent Bombardment Stopped.

PARIS, Oct. 1.—New progress for the allied troops in the Givenchy wood, the capture of additional German machine guns and prisoners in the Champagne region, and the stopping of a German bombardment in the Argonne by a French counter-offensive, are recorded in the French official communication, made public tonight.

"Some shells have been thrown from a long range on Verdun and Nomeny by the enemy batteries, which were immediately counter-attacked by our artillery. We have, on our part, cannonaded at long range some trains in the station of Vigneville les Hattonchateau and caused two violent explosions."

"Our ships 'Alacaz' bombarded during the night of Sept. 30-Oct. 1 the junction of Amagne Lucuy and the stations of Attigny and Vouziers. The ships were shelled all along its journey, especially at Vouziers, where it found itself surrounded by numerous clusters of incendiary rockets. The ship has returned safely to its base after the fulfillment of its mission, having been hit only by a few splinters of shells, which caused no damage."

SECRET WAR MOVEMENTS IN ENGLAND AND FRANCE

Cable Communication With Continent and Sailings to Holland and Other Points Suspended—France Cut Off From Outside World.

LONDON, Oct. 1.—The feeling of confidence by the British public has been immeasurably strengthened by the reports of success on the western front. Evidences are abundant of a new spirit of determination to win. Telegraph communication with the continent has been suspended forty-eight hours and boats to Holland and other points held in port.

ALBERTA WHEAT YIELD HEAVIER THAN EXPECTED

Estimated as High as Thirty-Five Bushels to the Acre.

CALGARY, Oct. 1.—Directors of the United Farmers of Alberta, in session here, estimate the average wheat yield at not less in Alberta than thirty bushels, and perhaps as high as thirty-five bushels to the acre.

THREE-FOURTHS OF ALLIED LOAN ALREADY TAKEN

Subscriptions of Three Hundred and Sixty-Five Millions Come In.

FINISH BY SATURDAY

Total Sum Expected to Be Realized by This Week End.

NEW YORK, Oct. 1.—Subscriptions amounting to approximately \$365,000,000 appeared to be in sight Thursday night towards the \$500,000,000 issue of Joint Anglo-French bonds, according to a declaration made by the president of one of the largest national banks in the city.

The \$365,000,000, it is assumed, represents the total pledges tabulated up to Thursday night and includes the chief large bank subscriptions and those of wealthy individuals entering the list of underwriters.

The books will be left open in all probability for several days. Middle western and western banks are yet to be heard from, and the wants of some of them remain to be ascertained.

Not for British Investment

When the Anglo-French Finance Commission came to the United States to get a loan of certain proportions, their main object was not to borrow money, but to stabilize exchange between Europe and America.

It is perfectly clear that any Canadian who allows himself to be tempted by any reason whatever into buying any of these bonds would, to that extent, be defeating the purpose of the allies.

We feel sure that when this is understood no citizen would stoop to such an act. The paltry gain of a few dollars could tempt no loyal citizen to add another wound, however slight, to the injuries our enemies have striven to inflict.

WAR CLAIMS LORD PETRE AND HON. M. H. N. HOOD

Two Noted Britons Killed in Action in France and at Dardanelles.

LONDON, Oct. 2.—Among the deaths at the front announced by the war office are those of Lord Petre, a lieutenant in the Coldstream Guards, who succumbed to wounds received in the recent fighting in France, and Lieut. the Hon. Maurice Henry Nelson Wood, eldest son of Viscount Bridport, who was killed in the Dardanelles.

SHOPLIFTING IN EATON'S

Minnie Matherson, 126 Clinton st., was arrested last night by Detective Montgomery, charged with shoplifting in the T. Eaton Company's store.

GERMAN THRUST AT RUSSIA IS CONSIDERED AT AN END

Enemy's Offensive From Riga to the Pinsk Region Has Been Arrested, Despite Heavy Reinforcements.

LONDON, Oct. 1, 7.45 p.m.—The Petrograd correspondent of Reuter's Telegram Company sends the following:

"Military writers, in the light of the latest despatches, are of the opinion that the great German thrust east of Sventitsany (on the main line of the Warsaw-Vilna-Dvinsk-Petrograd railroad), may be considered at an end. The enemy being forced back towards the Dvinsk-Vilna railway, the Russians are straightening out their front to the south of Dvinsk and west of Vitebsk, and in general the enemy's offensive from Riga to the Pinsk region has been arrested."

"The Russian War Office tonight made public the following official communication: 'The German attacks in the region of Minsk, on the railway east of Minsk, were unsuccessful. German aeroplanes threw bombs on Ust-Dvinsk, Riga and the station of Oger, but without causing any military damage.'

"In the region of Gredzen, north-west of Lake Sventan, after a fierce bombardment, the Germans attacked and seized some of our trenches. The fighting continues."

"German attacks in the region of Barof, on Lake Medouski, or Medum, and against the defile near the northern extremity of Lake Drislatia, were repulsed."

BRITISH HOLD ALL POSITIONS WHILE AIRCRAFT BOMB ENEMY

Hostile Counter-Attacks Have Weakened, But Seventeen Air Combats Are Reported in Which Germans Were Worst.

LONDON, Oct. 1.—There was no change today in the situation on the British front in the western theatre of the war, according to an official report from Field Marshal Sir John French, commander-in-chief of the British army in the field.

"The communication from Field Marshal French, which bore the date of 9.15 o'clock, Friday evening, was given out by the British war office as follows: 'On the 29th the enemy made several attacks on our positions northwest of Hulleuch. Severe fighting continued all day, with the result that we maintained all our positions except on the extreme left, where the enemy gained about 150 yards of a trench. Our position has been firmly consolidated. The hostile counter-attacks have now weakened.'

"On the afternoon of the 29th, near Hooge, the enemy fired a mine under our trenches south of the Menin road, gaining a footing in our front line. Counter-attacks delivered on the 30th recovered all but a small portion of the trench lost."

"Today there has been no change in the situation on our front. 'During the last seven days our aircraft have been very active. Seventeen air combats are reported, in only one of which was a British machine worsted. A German machine was brought down inside our lines. Yesterday attacks were made on the railway in the hostile area. The main lines are known to have been damaged in fifteen different places. Five, and probably six trains, were partially wrecked and the locomotive sheds at Valenciennes were set afire. Considerable interference thus has been caused to the German railroad organization.'

COUNTER ATTACKS REPULSED ALL GAINED GROUND IS HELD

Allies Stand Firm on Western Front, While Russians Hold Positions and Attack in the East.

LONDON, Oct. 1.—The belief that Bulgaria has taken sides with the central powers and Turkey and that the Anglo-French and Russian troops will assist the friends of the entente allies while it momentarily has diverted the attention of diplomats has not dampened the interest of the public in the situation in the eastern and western theatres of war.

The offensive of the allies in the west and the determination with which the Russians are opposing the Austro-German advance in the east are absorbing topics. The news from the two fronts is considered here as the best for many months. The French and British forces apparently have made no further progress except in the region of Neuville, in Artois, but on the other hand they have been successful in repulsing the German counter attacks, and so far as is known have held virtually all the ground gained."

In the east the Russians appear to be making much better efforts to hold their positions, for except just in front of Dvinsk and in Volhynia the Germans claim to have made no progress while between those two points and in Galicia, according to a Berlin official report, all the attacking is being done by the Russians. Indeed the Russian troops, by encountering the attack which Field Marshal Von Hindenburg launched at Minsk from the northwest, have succeeded pretty well in straightening out their line from north to south.

Italy also is showing signs of renewed activity and has commenced an offensive along the Isonzo River, particularly against the important Austrian position of Tolmino.

Nothing has been heard of the much talked of Austro-German offensive against Serbia or of the operations on the Gallipoli Peninsula.

CANADIANS ARE REWARDED FOR BRAVE ACTIONS

Major J. A. Hesketh Made Companion of Distinguished Service Order.

FACED SHOT AND SHELL

Fifteen Makers of History Are Placed on Honor Roll.

By a Staff Reporter.

OTTAWA, Ont., Oct. 1.—War office despatches to the Canadian Government intimate that Major James A. Hesketh of the Strathcona Horse has been made a companion of the Distinguished Service Order. The announcement says: 'For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on Aug. 1, near Messines, when a magazine in a farm containing much small arms, ammunition and many bombs and grenades was set on fire by the enemy's shells. One box of ammunition began to burn, and the cartridges were exploding in all directions when Major Hesketh left his dug-out, entered the farm still under heavy shell fire, and removed all the ammunition. The risk was very great, and, but for his gallant action, the reserve ammunition would have been destroyed.'

On the Roll of Honor. The following Canadian soldiers have been awarded the Distinguished Service Order: (Continued on Page 4, Column 2).

ITALIANS CARRIED TOLMINO HEIGHTS

General Offensive Gains Santa Maria and Santa Lucia.

POSITIONS SOLIDIFIED

Enemy's Fierce Counter-Attacks Compelled Recession on Mrzli and Vodil.

ROME, via Paris, Oct. 1.—The following official communication, received from main headquarters of the Italian army under current date, was given out here tonight: 'In the mountainous part of the theatre of operations frequent heavy fogs hamper the work of the artillery, but enabled the infantry sometimes to make bold raids in small groups, which, approaching the enemy's position, destroy the accessory defences, open large breaches in the barbed wire entanglements and alarm the defenders.'

"In the Tolmino section our troops during the night of Sept. 30 attacked all along the front from Mrzli to Vodil—Monte Nero—and the heights of Santa Maria and Santa Lucia, succeeding notwithstanding the enormously difficult terrain, rendered still worse by bad weather, in conquering very strong enemy detachments and taking a certain number of prisoners. The enemy in force counter attacking violently, the success we realized at the price of strenuous efforts on the left wing on the spur of Mrzli and Vodil could not be maintained. On the right wing, on the heights of Santa Maria and Santa Lucia, it was, on the contrary, possible to strengthen and maintain the ground conquered."

BATTLESHIP SURVIVORS

ROME, via Paris, Oct. 1.—The number of survivors of the Italian battleship Benedetto Brin, which was wrecked Sept. 28 by an explosion that followed a fire is now announced as 474.

Advertisement for a dinner set, featuring a pink rose spray, Theodore Haviland, and various dinnerware items like plates, cups, and saucers.