

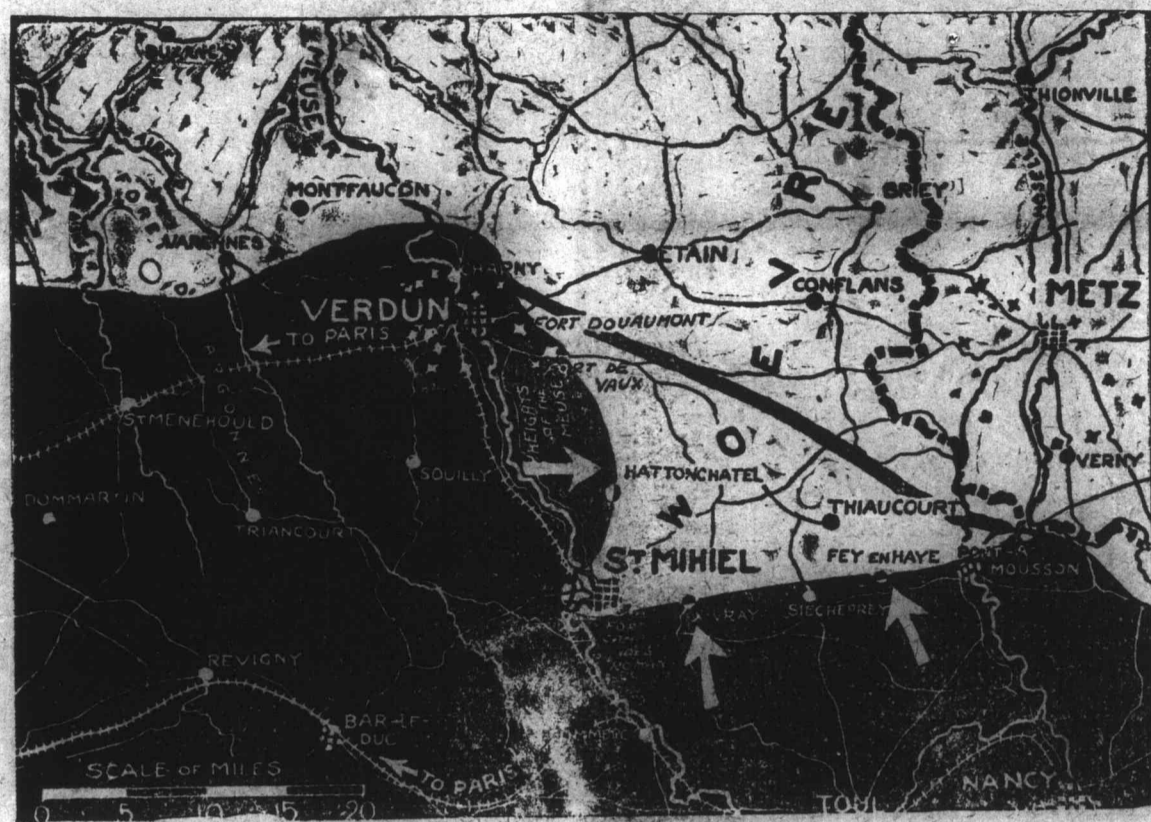
SERBIAN TROOPS KEEP UP WORK

Turkish Prisoners Taken Now Total More Than 25,000

SERBIANS CONTINUE TO CROSS VARDAR RIVER

Bulgarians Burning Villages and Stores of Material—Great Quantities of Latter However Taken

By Courier Leased Wire. LONDON, Sept. 24.—The Serbian troops continue to cross the River Vardar, northeast of Monastir, and are in contact with the Bulgarians, says the Serbian official statement of Monday. The Bulgarians are burning villages and stores of material. The Serbians, however, have captured great quantities of material. Around Prilep the Serbians are on the Gradsko-Prilep road, to the northeast, while to the southeast they have reached the steep massif of the Drenska Mountain range. The official statement reads: "On the 22nd, Sunday, our troops continued to cross the Vardar, where they are in contact with the enemy. "Toward Prilep, Serbian troops have reached the very steep massif of the Drenska mountain range and at several points are on the Gradsko-Prilep road. "The enemy continues to burn villages and his own stores. Despite this, however, great quantities of war material have fallen into our hands. On the Vardar railway line, Uskub to Saloniki, we captured several trains."



THE ST. MIHIEL SALIENT. Arrows indicate direction of Attack by Allies.

BULGARIAN-TEUTON ARMIES BEGIN A RETREAT WHICH MEANS GREAT DISASTER

St. Quentin on the West Front Appears to be Doomed—In Far East the Allies are Victorious Over the Bolsheviki Forces

By Courier Leased Wire. New York, Sept. 24.—The Associated Press this morning issues the following: With the center broken by the onslaught of French, Serbian and Italian armies, with the British and Greeks sweeping over the strongest defences in the Lake Dolran region and with their railroad communications virtually destroyed, the Bulgarians, Austro-Hungarian and German armies on the Macedonian front have begun a retreat which seems to threaten disaster. Over a front of 90 miles the Teutonic Allies are streaming back in disorder, which is said to be unalterable. On the west they are trying to reach Eriep from the vicinity of Monastir, but Prilep is outflanked by the advancing Serbians, who are now marching upon the city. The railroad from Uskub to Saloniki, running along the Vardar valley and forming the chief artery of communication for the Bulgarian forces around Lake Dolran, has been cut by the Serbians, who have crossed the Vardar. In the center the enemy resistance appears to be completely broken and the French and Serbians are moving northward at a rate which indicates the absence of any organization resistance. The disaster which threatens the Teutonic armies on this front, is one which may change the whole complexion of affairs in the Balkans. The enemy armies appear to have been split in twain and forced to retreat northward over mountain roads which are, in a majority of cases, merely paths. It is probable that the retrograde movement will spread to the eastward of Lake Dolran and involve the whole front. There is every reason to believe that the Turks in Palestine are in a position similar to that in which the Teutonic forces in Macedonia find themselves. Advancing British, French and Arab forces appear to have enveloped a large portion of the Sultan's armies and to have broken the resistance of those which were not trapped along the Jordan by the rapid progress of the Allies along the coastal region. "St. Quentin, the centre of the Hindenburg line, between La Fere on the south, and Cambrai on the north, appears to be doomed. French units have reached the Oise River, between Vendoul and Travecy, while the British seem to be in a position to launch a blow along the line

to the north of the city which will make a German retreat from the place imperative. Already St. Quentin appears to have lost its tactical value to the Germans. The Somme Canal, one of the integral parts of the defences of the city, is now under direct fire of the Allied guns, while the railroad lines must be under constant bombardment. Northward along the line the British have made a new advance at Ephegy, west of Cambrai, but the fighting here has not taken on the savage character as that further south. German counter-attacks have been repulsed by the British, who hold all the ground won in recent fighting. While the fighting on the Aisne front has not been so spectacular as that further north, the French are maintaining their pressure against the German positions just to the west of Chemin des Dames, the famous road running along the crest of the hills north of the Aisne, which has been the scene of terrific fighting many times during the past two years. The position held by the French through Allainville and Sancy would seem to threaten the whole German position north of the Aisne. In the Far East the Allies have been victorious over the Bolsheviki forces and the Austro-German prisoners of war, who are fighting under the Soviet standard. The city of Blagovestchensk, on the Amur River, 375 miles west of Khabarovsk, has been taken by the Allies. Since Chita was wrested from the Bolsheviki the Allies have moved eastward 125 miles and occupied the city of Nerchinsk. On the American sectors of the front in Lorraine patrol encounters and artillery duels have been reported. Bad weather has practically put a stop to operations there for the past few days. AFTERNOON SUMMARY By Courier Leased Wire. New York, Sept. 24.—The Associated Press this afternoon issued the following: In Palestine, Macedonia and France the Allied offensives progress successfully. General Allenby's forces in Palestine have followed up their rout of the Turkish forces with additional gains. In central Macedonia the Allies are pressing vigorously the ad-

BRITISH FORCES PRESSING ON ST. QUENTIN FRONT

Advance Rests With Haig's Men—Total of Turk Prisoners in Palestine Exceeds 25,000

By Courier Leased Wire. LONDON, Sept. 24.—Bulletin.—British forces are pressing in on St. Quentin directly from the west, today's report from Field Marshal Haig shows. He reports fighting taking place to the British advantage, and announces progress by the attacking forces in the region east of Verdun. On the front to the west of Cambrai, the region north of Moeuvres, the British positions have been improved. In the Arras-Lens sector, the Germans tried to drive the British from the new positions, the latter had won southeast of Gavrelle. The enemy was completely repulsed, the British retaining their line intact. In Flanders, British troops succeeded in pushing forward and occupying a portion of the old British front line southeast of Vormezeele, below Ypres. The text of the statement reads: "Fighting is taking place to our advantage in the sector east of Verdun, where we are reported to be making progress. "A local attack made by the enemy yesterday north of the Little Prel Farm, opposite Le Catelet, was successfully repulsed, leaving prisoners in our hands. "During the night the enemy attacked our new positions southeast of Gavrelle, supporting the attack with a heavy barrage. The assault was repulsed. We improved our position slightly north of Moeuvres, and by a successful minor operation carried out during the night, regained a portion of the old British front line southeast of Vormezeele. "Hostile raiding parties were driven off last night west of Bellengise, north of St. Quentin, east of Neuve Chapelle. The enemy raided one of our posts south of the Scarpe river. PALESTINE OPERATIONS LONDON, Sept. 24.—East of the Jordan the Turks are withdrawing towards Amman, on the Hedjaz railway. Australian, New Zealand, Jewish and other troops are pursuing the enemy and have reached Es-Salt, 15 miles northwest of Amman. The total number of Turks taken prisoner will exceed largely the 25,000 already reported, the official statement announces. NO INFANTRY ACTION PARIS, Sept. 24.—Bulletin.—The artillery was active last night on the French front below St. Quentin, and between the Ailette and the Aisne, but no infantry action is reported in today's war office announcement.

IRON CROSS DISTRIBUTION

Is Made in Wholesale Way by the Kaiser

By Courier Leased Wire. London, Sept. 24.—Emperor William visited Briey, near Metz, yesterday, according to an Amsterdam dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company. He distributed 400 iron crosses, inspected field hospitals and spoke to German, Austrian, French and British wounded in their respective languages. Later he addressed Austrian officers, saying: "You may fight our battles as good comrades, and in return for our help, which we have often given you, and for our strong, free and common future."

LONE BANDIT Succeeds in Holding Up Mail Train

By Courier Leased Wire. Seattle, Wn., Sept. 24.—A Great Northern train en route from Vancouver to Seattle, was held up last night by a bandit near Mukilteo, according to reports reaching here. Advice said the bandit rifled the mail car of some registered mail pouches, forced the train crew to uncouple the engine and then carry him to Meadowville, where he escaped. Later Seattle, Wn., Sept. 24.—Several thousand dollars in registered mail was obtained, postal officials said today, by the bandit who last night single-handed held up a passenger train on the Great Northern Railroad near Mukilteo. An all night search failed to reveal any dew to the robber. Blood hounds were put on the scent, and a track leading into the woods was taken up. The robber appeared with a drawn gun before the engine crew and forced them to stop the train. He then compelled the uncoupling of the mail and baggage car, during which he took two shots at the fireman who had thrown a hammer at him. After going through the mail sacks he fled to the woods.

ADVANCE IN BALKANS

Even More Astonishing Than the Palestine Operations

By Courier Leased Wire. London, Sept. 24.—The London newspapers comment on the Balkan advance as an astonishing achievement and a more surprising one than General Allenby's operation in Palestine. "The whole line is in rapid movement on a front of a hundred miles," says The Daily Telegraph, "while the wedge separating the two Bulgarian armies threatens their destruction." "The Serbians have performed one of the most wonderful feats in military history, a deed comparable to the breaking of the Wotan line," says The Daily Mail. They have stormed positions which many of the Allied experts regarded impregnable. BIG LIQUOR SEIZURE. Charlottetown, P.E.I., Sept. 23.—Last night the prohibition inspector seized over two thousand dollars worth of liquor from a well-known drug firm. This, it is alleged, was part of a stock laid in for the exhibition which opens to-morrow.

HUN SOCIALISTS WON'T CONSENT

To Participate in Government Without Radical Changes

By Courier Leased Wire. Copenhagen, Sept. 24.—German majority parties cannot in the effort to introduce a parliament with a responsible ministry, count on the Socialists for active participation unless the policy hitherto followed by the government is materially altered or abandoned. This is the gist of a long editorial in which The Vorwarts of Berlin the Socialist organ, serves notice that the time has not arrived for the Socialists to enter the ministry. "It eventually the Socialists enter the government, and such a time may come," the newspaper says "they will do so in order to fulfill their great historic mission of helping peace and altering the present government's policy in accordance with their convictions regarding what the people need." Comments from various Socialist leaders, along the same line are printed by The Vorwarts. FOCHE'S WORK. By Courier Leased Wire. London, Sept. 23.—The Allied successes in France, Macedonia and Palestine have led The Cologne Gazette to anxious enquiry regarding new military developments. "We must do Foch the justice to say he has already obtained on French soil," says this leading German newspaper.

WEATHER BULLETIN

Toronto, Sept. 24.—The barometer is highest over the great lakes and there is an important disturbance just west of the Missouri Valley. The weather is cool and unsettled throughout the Dominion. Forecasts. Moderate winds, continued cool and for the most part fair to-day. Wednesday, local showers.



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GEN. ALLENBY'S NOTABLE SUCCESS

Was Achieved Against an Enemy Strength of 100,000

By Courier Leased Wire. London, Sept. 24.—General Allenby's remarkable success in Palestine was achieved against a total enemy strength of 100,000 Turks, according to official despatches reaching London. Figures as to the number of men in the Turkish army in the Holy Land have hitherto referred merely to rifle strength. The Turkish forces held positions of exceptional strength, with three lines of well dug trenches and abundant artillery and machine gun protection. The Turks were completely surprised, according to Reuters' correspondent in Palestine. The mobility of the Allied forces and the boldness of General Allenby's plan of hitting at the strongest point in the Turkish defences, added to the success. The rush of the British cavalry completed the enemy's discomfiture. The Turkish reserves, consisting of troops which recently arrived from Caucasus, Field Marshal Liman von Sanders, commander of the Turkish forces and his staff, escaped capture by only six hours. Not the least remarkable feature of General Allenby's success lies in the re-organization he effected in his forces since the German offensive on the Western front last March necessitated the withdrawal to France of a part of his army.

A NEW YORK HOTEL ON FIRE

Hundreds of Guests Sent Scurrying Through the Corridors

By Courier Leased Wire. Washington, Sept. 24.—Police and fire officials to-day were investigating the origin of a fire early this morning in the New Willard Hotel, which caused damage estimated at \$100,000 and sent hundreds of guests, many of them of national prominence scurrying through the smoke filled corridors to the lobby and safety. Some of the women guests became hysterical, several fainted and one attempted to jump from a third story window, but was prevented by a hotel attendant. Vice President Marshall, senators, representatives and diplomats with their families were among the scantily clad guests who quickly reached the lobby by means of the elevators and stairways. The vice president, aroused from sleep by Mrs. Marshall, made his way with her, their adopted baby and nurse down three flights of stairs. "I wish I had brought a gas mask to the hotel with me to-night," said Mr. Marshall. "I have one in my office that I have been threatening for a long time to use in the Senate." The fire originated in a pantry off the main room, but was checked before it had spread far. Most of the damage was to furniture and drapery caused by smoke and water.

CAMP CLOSING

By Courier Leased Wire. Toronto, Sept. 24.—Niagara Camp closes on October 31 and Petawawa on October 10, according to orders from Ottawa. Every soldier will have a spring bed at Exhibition Camp here this winter instead of wooden bunks.

KILLED BY AUTO

Chicago, Sept. 24.—After spending three years in the trenches with the Canadian Expeditionary Forces, Sergeant Joseph H. Stokes, on leave from the Canadian army, was killed by an automobile here last night.

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