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GEN. PETAIN'S TROOPS CAPTURE 2000 ADDITIONAL PRISONERS IN NEW ASSAULTS ON AISNE
BRITISH BOMB ENEMY FACTORIES AND RAILWAYS

WAS DECISIVE AND BRILLIANT GAIN BY FRENCH

Germans Had Hoped French Offensives Were Ended for This Season.
SURPRISE FOR ENEMY
Positions Captured by Petain's Troops of the Utmost Strategic Value.

Washington, Oct. 25.—An official analysis of the brilliant French drive on the Germans on the Aisne ridge, telling the story of a decisive victory over tremendous difficulties, was carried to Washington today by the French headquarters in Paris. It says:
"The great German headquarters had hoped after the incomplete success of the preceding French operations along this line in the spring, that the French army would not be in a condition to resume the conflict during the year of 1917. It remained for the commander-in-chief of the French army to show them their error.
"Once cannot dwell too much upon the manner in which these difficult and decisive operations have been achieved. In awaiting the hour of decisive action, the French commander-in-chief decided to wait until the spring, when the weather was perfect, the ground was firm, and the time when attacks were planned in accordance with the methods perfectly adapted to the conditions of the present war. These operations were so methodically planned as to insure certain success, and once attack was launched, it was obliged to bring about the calculated result.
"Limited Objectives.
"The objective of the French drive was strictly limited in order to avoid the perils attending chance progressions, which always end, as experience has shown, in unfavorable results. These considerations must not lessen the exceptional importance of the positions which were conquered on October 22. The raised plateau, which was the objective of the drive, is the key to the mountainous ridge, stretching between the valley of the Aisne and the valley of the Alliette and gives a superb outlook over the western part of the Chemin des Dames and the opposite slope north of the plateau, whose hollows and dugouts had, during the month of April, stopped the progress of the French towards Laon.
"The Germans, who understood the necessity for holding these positions, for a long time thought that they were going to be attacked, and had

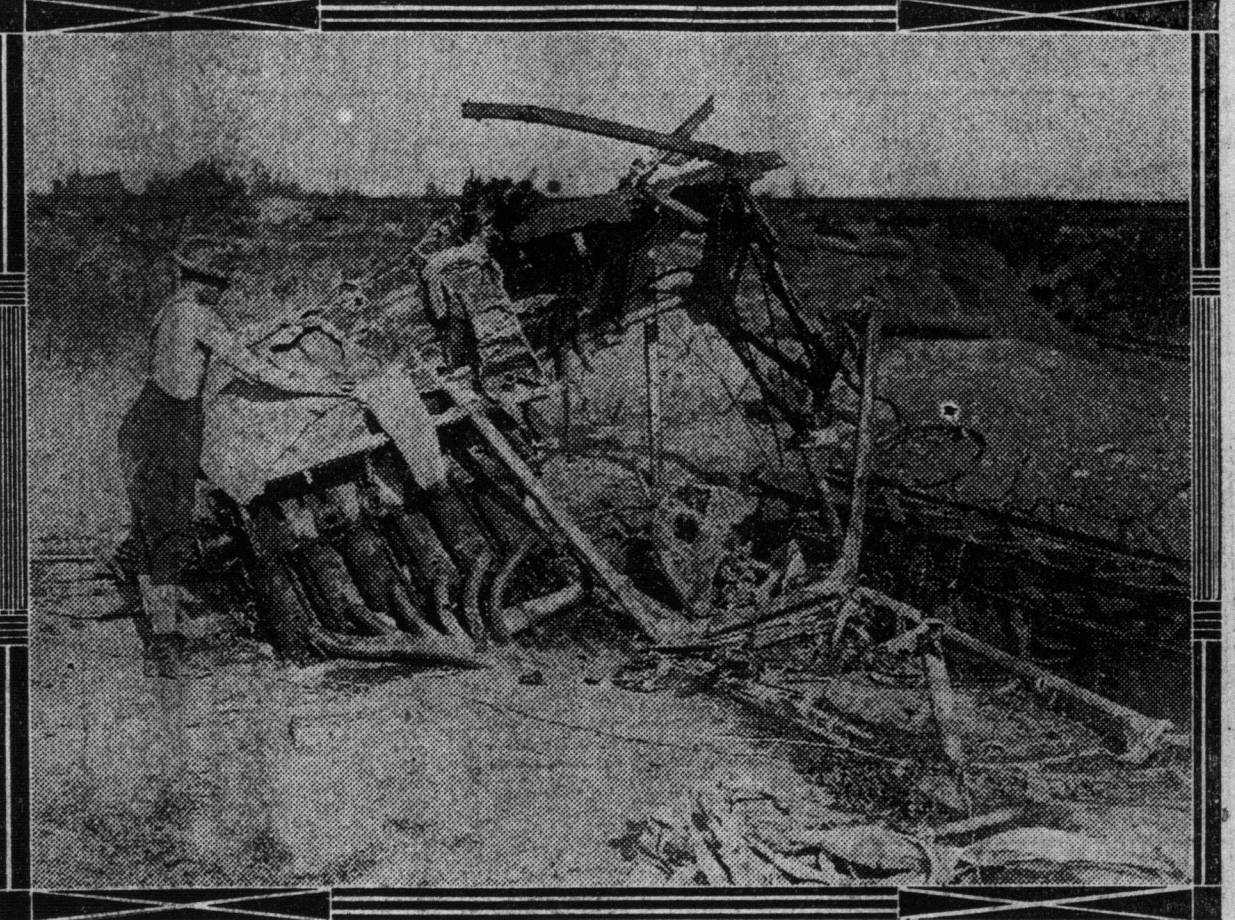
NEW GERMAN WITHDRAWAL IN THE WEST ANTICIPATED

French Gains Constitute Menace to Whole of Present Line of Enemy.
Copenhagen, Oct. 25.—The Germans, under pressure of the French victory on the Aisne, may endeavor to effect a withdrawal to a new line well in the rear of their present positions. Various hints from German sources lately have indicated that the German experts, recognizing the menace, particularly to the exposed salient southwest of Laon, were preparing a new fortified line somewhere between Laon and their former front, to which they expected to effect an orderly retirement akin to their spring withdrawal, as soon as the menace became pressing.
"The French attack seems to have anticipated this strategy, and the German withdrawal, if made now under the hammering of a victorious opponent, is likely to be quite a different operation from that planned.

FRENCH MAINTAIN ADVANCE CAPTURE IMPORTANT POSTS AND 2000 MORE PRISONERS

Total Germans Captured by the French in Their Aisne Drive is Now Twelve Thousand—Take 120 Big Guns and Many Guns of Smaller Calibre.
ENEMY ATTACK FAILURE
German Assault on the Right Bank of the Meuse Breaks Down—Under French Artillery Fire—Twenty Enemy Batteries Bombed by Belgians.

Paris, Oct. 25.—The French forces on the Aisne today continued their successful advance, capturing several important villages, as well as two thousand additional prisoners. Since the beginning of the present operations, says the announcement made tonight by the war office, more than 12,000 Germans have been captured, as well as 120 big guns and many guns of smaller calibre. The text of the statement reads:
"During the night of October 22, our troops carried out, this morning, a general advance beyond the positions reached last evening, extending to the Oise-Aisne Canal. The village and forest of Pinon are in our hands, as well as the village of Pargny-Flain. South of Flain, where our patrols penetrated, the enemy's positions were broken up, and the capture of a score of cannon, of which several were howitzers of 150 mm. The total number of cannon captured by us since October 22 is about 120, to which may be



This official photograph shows a Canadian using what remains of a Boche 'plane as a 'clothes-horse.'

ITALY'S FORCES STAND UP WELL TO HEAVY BLOWS

Battle Between Italians and Austro-Germans is Growing in Intensity.
ON A 25-MILE FRONT
Some Teuton Assaults Defeated and Prisoners Taken on Bainsizza Plateau.

London, Oct. 25.—On the 25-mile front running from Monte Rombo to the Bainsizza Plateau, the battle between the Austro-German forces and the Italians apparently is growing in intensity, with the Austro-Germans the aggressors, but with the Italians stubbornly resisting everywhere.

BRITISH CARRY OUT AIR RAIDS IN SAAR ZONE

Two Squadrons Drop Five Tons of Explosives About Saarbrücken.
CAUSE EXPLOSIONS
Flyers Do Much Damage—French Fighting in Flanders.

London, Oct. 25.—While the operations on the Ypres sector of the front in Flanders continue to be carried out mainly by the artillery, with the British and French guns hurling the greater weight of metal, the Germans have launched another strong counter-attack south of the Hodthulst Forest, where the British and French armies have joined hands. Again, this attack met with repulse.

U. S. FARMERS ASKED TO WIN WAR IN FIELDS

Greater Production Found Necessary to Defeat Submarines.
HOG WORTH A SHELL
Canada and United States Must Chiefly Support Allies.

Washington, Oct. 25.—In a statement tonight reviewing the world food situation, Food Administrator Hoover said that the fight against the submarine would be won if the United States and Canada could stimulate production and effect economies so as to feed the allies from this continent without sending a ship farther across the Atlantic than the American Atlantic seaboard.

SNAP-VOTE DEFEAT FOR LLOYD GEORGE

Commons Passes Amendment Altering a Government Measure.
London, Oct. 25.—Premier Lloyd-George's government suffered its first defeat in the House of Commons tonight. In the government's bill to promote the production of petroleum in the United Kingdom provision was made for a payment of a royalty of ninepence per ton. An amendment striking this provision out was carried 44 to 28.

TEUTON FORCES STILL RETREAT ON RUSS FRONT

Teutons Retire So Rapidly the Russians 'Cannot Keep Pace With Them.
FAIL TO LAND TROOPS
Germans Repelled When They Try to Put New Action at Werder.

London, Oct. 25.—The retirement of the Germans on the northern Russian front continues. The enemy is now back as far as the Rodenpois-Turkain line, approaching the Dwina River. Possibly in view of the operations of naval German units at the head of the Gulf of Finland, the civil population is evacuating Kronstadt, near Petrograd.

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WAR IS JUST BEGUN, NORTHCLIFFE SAYS

Bulk of German Population Still Confident of Ultimate Decisive Victory.
Kansas City, Mo., Oct. 25.—Discontinuing recent reports of internal disruption in Germany as signs of the weakening of that nation in the war, Lord Northcliffe, distinguished British editor and publisher, today told two editors of seven of the middle western states at a luncheon given here in his honor, that the war had just begun.

BRITAIN MAY SEIZE GERMAN WARSHIP

President Braz Advises Congress to Take Note of War.
Rio Janeiro, Oct. 25.—The president of the Brazilian republic, Dr. Wenceslao Braz, has sent a message to the Congress advising that it is impossible to avoid noting already the state of war which Germany has imposed on Brazil. He proposes the seizure of a German warship now in the port of Bahia.

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ALLIES TO STAND BY RUSSIAN ALLY

Lord Robert Cecil Denies German-Circulated Rumors to Contrary.
London, Oct. 25.—In the house of commons today Lord Robert Cecil, minister of blockade, gave a categorical denial to rumors circulated by Germany that the western powers were contemplating a separate peace at the expense of Russia and Rumania.

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