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GREAT VICTORY FOR BRITISH

LATEST ESTIMATE OF B. C. ELECTIONS GIVES LIBS. 43---CONS. 4
ALLIES SMASHING BULGAR LINES IN MACEDONIA

LIBERALS WIN AT B. C. POLLS OVERWHELMING

Vancouver Sun Claims Conservatives Will Have But Four Seats.

SAY LIBERALS HAVE 43

Many Returns Still Incomplete But Indications Are That Defeat Is Sweeping.

(Special to The Advertiser.)
Vancouver, B. C., Sept. 15.—The Sun (Liberal), claims 43 seats have been won by Liberals out of 47.

(Canadian Press.)
Vancouver, Sept. 15.—The result of the provincial elections came as a distinct surprise to the Conservatives. The Liberals accept the result as the natural conclusion to the alleged conditions in the province and as a revolt against the long-continued rule of a single party. Although returns received up to an early hour this morning were far from complete there is no doubt but that these first indications will be sustained, perhaps emphasized by the remaining polls and the Bowser Government overturned by a large majority. To show the incomplete returns: In Chilliwack only 3 of 18 polls were in; in Columbia, 6 of 17; in Chilliwack, 1 out of 2; in Dewdney, 6 out of 27; in Esquimalt, 5 out of 31; in Fernie, 13 out of 23; in Fort George, 9 out of 22. In some of these constituencies voting is close.

Women Were Active.
Women followed the approaches of all polling booths all day long, carrying literature, some for suffrage and others for both. Prohibition returns received are far from complete. The impression among both the prohibition and liquor sides is that the vote in the country would be favorable to the "drys," but there was a good deal of uncertainty regarding the probable decision of the vote in Vancouver. The liquor party felt sanguine of a win there, in fact, hoped it would be sufficient to offset any majority in the country. When Vancouver, however, decided in favor of prohibition by a majority of roughly 3,500, there was rejoicing in the ranks of the "drys," and considerable disappointment in liquor circles. It is possible the soldier vote may mean the defeat of prohibition, and the rival parties will, therefore, be kept in suspense until the result of the voting (Continued on Page 13, Column 2).

ANOTHER HEAVY DEFEAT FOR AUSTRIANS, SAY SWISS

(Canadian Press.)
London, Sept. 15.—3:40 p.m.—According to advices from a Swiss source, the Austrians have suffered another sanguinary defeat west of Kapul Mountain, in the Carpathians, says a wireless dispatch from Rome today.

UNCHANGED CONDITIONS ON GALICIAN FRONTS

(Canadian Press.)
Petrograd, Sept. 15.—Via London.—Unchanged conditions along the front in Russia and Galicia are reported in today's war office bulletin. In parts of Turkish Armenia, where isolated engagements with Kurdish forces have occurred.

THE WEATHER

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.
Following were the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 74; lowest, 61.
The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 67; lowest, 54.

TOMORROW—FAIR AND COOL.

Forecast.
Toronto, Sept. 16, 8 a.m.
Today—Fresh to strong west to northwest winds, a few local showers, but partly fair and cooler.
Saturday—Fresh to northwest to west winds, fair and cool.

Temperatures.
The following were the highest and lowest temperatures for the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today:
Stations. High. Low. Weather.
Victoria 78 54 Clear
Calgary 68 24 Clear
Winnipeg 48 28 Cloudy
Port Arthur 48 28 Rain
Perry Sound 72 56 Rain
Port Stanley 72 54 Cloudy
Buffalo 76 62 Cloudy
Toronto 76 61 Cloudy
Kingston 76 64 Rain
Ottawa 72 74 Rain
Montreal 72 58 Cloudy
Quebec 72 58 Cloudy
Father Point 62 46 Cloudy

Weather Notes.
The depression which was over Lake Superior yesterday now covers the Ottawa Valley, while pressure is highest in the Western States.
Showers have been general in Ontario and Western Quebec, but only heavy locally.
Severe frosts are reported from Saskatchewan and Manitoba.

British Return to Attack, the Entire Line Advancing Along Somme 3,000 Yards

Haig's Gallant Troops Last Night Charged Over a Sector Six Miles Long, and Are Still Going—Armored Cars and Airmen Play Big Part in Dashing Engagement—Many Prisoners Taken, Says British Official Report.

(Canadian Press.)
London, Sept. 15.—5:11 p.m.—The British in their offensive along the Somme have broken the German third line of defence and have taken the village of Fiers, two miles north of Ginchy, according to reports received by Reuters Telegram Company today. British forces are also reported to have gained the outskirts of Martinpuich, a mile and a half east of Pozieres, the report adds.

(Special to The Advertiser.)

London, Sept. 16.—British advance north of the Somme River announced this morning, means that the Germans have been swept back, and their positions taken on six-mile front to a penetration at most points of nearly a mile and a half. This is regarded as a tremendous victory, and although not reported, it is believed large numbers of prisoners and guns were taken. It is evident the British swept forward in a smashing advance from the top of the ridge, which they captured during the offensive a few days ago. A number of important positions within the German lines are now under fire by British guns, and their capture is imminent.

A BRILLIANT OPERATION. (Canadian Press.)

London, Sept. 15.—The British returned to the attack on the Somme front last night, charging over a sector about six miles long. The war office announced today that they had advanced from 2,000 to 3,000 yards, and were continuing to progress.

The attack was made along the whole British front, over which the heaviest fighting has been in progress recently. The British advanced on the line from Bouleaux Wood, between Combes and Ginchy, to a point north of the Albert-Bapaume highway.

CARRIED STRONG POSITION. (Canadian Press.)

Proceeding this morning's extensive offensive movement, the British last night drove forward southeast of Thiepval and captured about 1,000 yards of German trenches, including a strongly-fortified position.

The text of the statement follows:
"Last night enemy trenches southeast of Thiepval, on a front of about 1,000 yards, including the strongly-defended locality known as the 'Wunder Werk,' were captured by our troops.

"This morning we attacked the enemy on a front extending from Bouleaux Wood to north of Albert-Bapaume road, a distance of about six miles. Considerable successes already have been obtained. Our troops have advanced some 2,000 to 3,000 yards at various places, and the attack is progressing satisfactorily.

"A large number of prisoners have been taken."

USED NEW MOTOR CAR.

"In this attack we employed for the first time a new type of heavy armored car, which proved to be of considerable utility. Much aerial fighting has taken place. Four hostile machines were brought down in flames and at least four others were driven down damaged. One hostile kite balloon was brought down last night.

"Our aeroplanes, co-operating with the advance of our infantry, from a low altitude fired in the enemy on the ground.

"Bombs were successfully dropped on three headquarters of the enemy. The railway station at Bapaume was also successfully bombed, much railway stock being damaged and one train destroyed."

SHIP IN BREAKERS OFF PACIFIC COAST; 200 SOULS ABOARD

(Canadian Press.)
San Francisco, Sept. 15.—The Alaska Packers' bark Star of Chile, en route from Bristol Bay, Alaska, with the season's catch of salmon for San Francisco, was reported last night to be in the breakers off Point Pedro, 25 miles south of the Golden Gate. On board the vessel, over 200 cannery hands are thought to be returning to this port.

News of the bark's danger was brought here by fishermen, who said that the vessel appeared to be in great danger of being swept on the rocks, but that a dense fog closed in and hid her from view.
Deep-sea-going tugs were sent from San Francisco to the vessel's assistance. When last seen the Star of Chile was three-quarters of a mile off shore and her crew was signalling for help.

MONTREAL BANKER MADE A BARONET



MR. VINCENT MEREDITH.

CANADIANS RECEIVE HONORS ON CONNAUGHT'S DEPARTURE

(Canadian Press.)
Ottawa, Sept. 15.—The following honors to Canadians are announced today in connection with the approaching departure of His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught.

Vincent Meredith, president of the Bank of Montreal, baronet, C. M. G., Col. A. H. Sherwood, chief commissioner of Dominion police, K. C. M. G., Lieut.-Col. E. A. Stanton, military secretary to his royal highness, C. M. G., Lord Richard Nevill, C. M. G., comptroller to his royal highness, and Arthur F. Sladen, private secretary, C. V. O., James P. Crowley, chief clerk of the governor-general's office, M. V. O.

Heavy Losses For the British In Mesopotamia

On Offensive, London Hears, Losing 2,000 In One Engagement.

(Canadian Press.)
London, Sept. 15.—Renewal of heavy fighting in Mesopotamia with the British on the offensive is reported in a delayed official statement issued at Constantinople on September 9. The British are said to have lost 2,000 men in one engagement.

Following is the statement as received here by way of Berlin:

"On the Euphrates sector the enemy attempted a surprise attack. His effort was frustrated and he was forced to flee.

"In the Tigris sector we carried out heavy attacks successfully. The enemy attempted surprise attacks in the night and were repulsed by our counter-movement, sustaining heavy losses.

"While storming a height the enemy lost 2,000 men."

FEDERATION OF LABOR ELECTS AN EXECUTIVE

Eighth Annual Congress Comes to Close at Quebec.

(Canadian Press.)
Quebec, Sept. 15.—The eighth annual congress of the Canadian Federation of Labor was closed yesterday evening, and the following officers were elected:

President, Charles Pepper, re-elected; vice-president, M. P. Timpone, re-elected; secretary-treasurer, G. C. Mercur, re-elected; executive, George Maros and F. P. Latman; vice-president for Province of Quebec, Ed. Pepin, President for Ontario, Thomas Morton; vice-president for British Columbia, Ed. Prendergast, President for Nova Scotia, U. S. B. McNeil.

The executive will decide later on the city where the next convention will be held.

BOMB SOFIA ON THE WAY TO BUCHAREST

(Canadian Press.)
London, Sept. 15.—11:21 a.m.—Five bombs have been dropped on Sofia by two French aviators, Noel and Lesueur, according to a dispatch to Reuters' from French chrest. The two airmen were bound to Bucharest, passing over Sofia on their way. The voyage lasted five hours. The distance traversed was about 400 miles.

The note deals with a number of questions relative to navigation, and concludes:

"The attitude adopted by the Swedish Government is at variance in obvious respects with an attitude which is compatible with the duties of a loyal and impartial neutral."

"KIDDIES" OWN WESTERN FAIR; IT'S THEIR DAY

They Flock to Grounds and Swarm in Buildings and Stand.

9,000 REPORTED BEFORE

Despite This, Today's Attendance Greater Than Ever, Say Directors.

RECORD YEAR CLOSING

Applications for Space Next Year Already Being Made by Exhibitors.

The children own the Western Fair today and have made the most of their prerogative to enter the grounds on payment of five cents. Since early this morning they have been thronging the street cars and crowding eagerly about the ticket offices. They have the distinction of being the only people this year to whom admission tickets are sold. More grown-ups must be satisfied with dropping a quarter in the box.

As early as they could get away was the right time for the majority of the boys and girls for the Fair, many of them with lunch boxes tucked under their arms. Some, indeed, were of the opinion that morning was never going to dawn on "Children's Day," such a happy hour had the hours of the night all of a sudden taken of dragging.

Weather Causes Fears.
The clouds and the threat of rain next threatened to interfere with their pleasure and there were certain doleful young people who were obliged to carry along umbrellas. Others who waited a little longer were free of any such luggage and free to enjoy themselves to their heart's content without hugging along anything they were likely to lose.

There were certain "little-mother" girls, who, while they took in the exhibition themselves, kept a watchful eye on the younger members of the family whom they had brought along.

Parents Go Along.
Then there were also parents and other grown-up relatives who thought it necessary to tag along. Jimmy boy in the midway that there was a big daddy with a far-angled searching eye to discover a small lad in a red sweater who had just wandered a little bit away.

Here and there raced the kiddies, the "palace" naturally attracting their first attention, owing to its possibilities in the way of souvenirs.

Even the most aesthetic hadn't very Continued on Page 4, Column 4.

DIES OF INJURIES WHEN RUN OVER BY PORT STANLEY CARS

Earle Oliver of St. Thomas Terribly Mangled Near White's Station.

(Special to The Advertiser.)

St. Thomas, Sept. 15.—As a result of being run over by an L. and E. P. S. train from Port Stanley to London, near White's Station, about midnight Thursday, Earle Oliver, a young boy about 19 years of age, lost both of his arms, dying in the hospital this morning. Oliver was seen by the motor-man lying on the tracks too late to stop the train. One arm was severed completely, while the other was so badly mangled that it was amputated at the hospital. The train which ran over the lad was No. 35 from Port Stanley to London.

Oliver had spent the day at the London Fair, and it is presumed that when his train reached St. Thomas he was asleep and failed to get off, probably awakening when the train was between here and Port Stanley, and jumped off, rendering himself unconscious. Otherwise he must have been waiting for the car and fell asleep on the rails.

Earle, who was known to his intimate friends as (Red) Oliver, was a driver for the Dominion Express Company, and resided at 85 Manitoba street, with his grandmother, Mrs. Elizabeth Oliver.

COURT DISMISSES CHARGE AGAINST N. Y. PRIESTS

(Canadian Press.)
New York, Sept. 15.—The charges made by Mayor John P. Mitchell against a number of Catholic priests, together with their counter-accusations against Police Commissioner Arthur Woods, arising out of disclosures last summer of telephone wire tapping by the police, were dismissed today by Supreme Court Justice Greenbaum.

BULGARIAN FRONT IN MACEDONIA BROKEN BY BRITISH, SERBS, FRENCH ENEMY FALLS BACK TWELVE MILES

EX-LONDON LAWYER
WHO TOOK PROMINENT
PART IN ELECTIONS



(Canadian Press.)
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BULGARIA AND TURKEY IN FIX; HOWL FOR HELP

Want Ottoman Troops Brought Back From the Galician Front.

ENVER FEARS ISOLATION

Grand Council Said To Have Decided on New Balkan Offensive.

(Canadian Press.)
New York, Sept. 15.—A London news agency dispatch to the New York Sun says:

Bulgaria and Turkey are badly in need of help from Germany and Austria because of the entry of Rumania into the war. That is why Enver Pasha, the Turkish minister of war, and King Ferdinand of Bulgaria are conferring with the Kaiser and Von Hindenburg at headquarters on the eastern front, according to a dispatch from the correspondent of the Daily Express at Geneva, who buses his message upon Budapest dispatches.

The dispatches say that Enver and King Ferdinand pointed out to the German and Austrian leaders that if Bulgaria were attacked on the north by a large enemy army she would be forced to evacuate Greek Macedonia and the whole Saloniki front before Gen. Serrail's Allied army. Enver suggested to the Kaiser that the Turkish forces sent recently to aid the Bulgarians, for if the Bulgars were defeated Turkey would be isolated and surrounded. This correspondent says Austria has promised guns but no men to aid her southern allies, but the answer of Germany is unknown. A wireless press dispatch from Rome says, however, that the general council mapped out an offensive campaign in the Balkans to which Germany is to contribute 200,000 and Austria 100,000 men.

KAISER WILL OPEN THE REICHSTAG IN PERSON

London, Sept. 15.—5 p.m.—A Geneva dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company says it is reported unofficially from Germany that Emperor William attended by Chancellor Von Bethmann-Hollweg, and Field Marshal Von Hindenburg, chief of staff, will open in person the session of the Reichstag which convenes on September 28.

PRINCE OF HESSE KILLED IN A BALKAN BATTLE

Berlin, Sept. 15.—Via London, 4:48 p.m.—Prince Frederick William of Hesse has been killed at Cara Orman, it was officially announced by the war office today in its report on operations on the Balkan front.

Series of Important Successes in Balkans for Entente Forces

—French Take Positions Half Mile Deep on Mile Front—
Serbs Score Brilliant Victory at Lake Ostrovo—British Advance West of the Hardar—25 Guns and Many Prisoners Taken

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A brilliant victory for the Serbians over the Bulgarians was scored after a battle lasting several days west of Lake Ostrovo, near the western end of the fighting front.

The British success was effected west of the Vardar, near the centre of the Entente front, where they captured important positions. The lines forced by the French were to the east of the Vardar.

The Serbians captured 25 cannon and a large number of prisoners, as yet uncounted.

The Bulgarians, after their defeat, says the statement, retired for a distance of twelve miles.

A BRILLIANT VICTORY. (Canadian Press.)

London, Sept. 15.—2:09 p.m.—An Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Saloniki says the victory won by the Serbians has compelled the Bulgarians to retreat. The Serbians are reported to have captured more than 20 field guns. They took the Bulgarians' positions at Malkandze, northwest of Lake Ostrovo, the dispatch says, whereupon the Bulgarians retired in the direction of Florina. The Bulgarians also are said to be retreating from positions further south.

FRENCH TAKE TRENCHES NORTH OF THE SOMME; REPEL HUNS AT VERDUN

(Canadian Press.)

Paris, Sept. 15.—North of the Somme the French last night captured a series of German trenches and advanced as far as the village of Rancourt, the war office announced today. On the Verdun front two German attacks were repulsed.

The statement follows:
"North of the Somme at the close of yesterday evening our troops in an attack carried out with dash took by assault a group of German trenches south of Rancourt and pushed forward parties to the edge of the village. In the night the Germans renewed their attacks in the region east of Clercy. All their efforts were defeated with sanguinary losses. Especially in an attack made near the southern extremity of Hill 75 the enemy sustained heavy losses.

"South of the Somme we easily repulsed a grenade attack north-east of Berry-on-Santerre.

"Between the Oise and the Aisne a surprise attack was delivered against the enemy's trenches in the region of Autrech, enabling us to inflict losses on the Germans and take some prisoners."

SYMPATHETIC STRIKE OF EIGHTY-THOUSAND MENACES THE AMERICAN METROPOLIS

(Canadian Press.)
New York, Sept. 15.—Plans were discussed today by the leaders of the street railway strike for a sympathetic walkout of 60,000 to 80,000 workers here in trades allied with the operation of the street car system. James P. Holland, president of the State Federation of Labor, has threatened to call out the workers in these trades if the present deadlock is not broken before tomorrow night.

The Central Labor Union of Brooklyn has endorsed the principle of a sympathetic strike. This union controls ninety-five local organizations. The New York Central Federated Union is to consider the question tonight.

The determination of the strike leaders to call a sympathetic strike was interpreted to mean that they have abandoned hope of reaching a favorable settlement through the efforts of the mayor and the public service commission.

Bombarded With Bricks.
During the night violence broke out

in an attack made near the southern extremity of Hill 75 the enemy sustained heavy losses.

The second death among strike-breakers was reported today. Michael Glanias, 27 years old, died from a shot wound received in a car burn last Saturday during an altercation.