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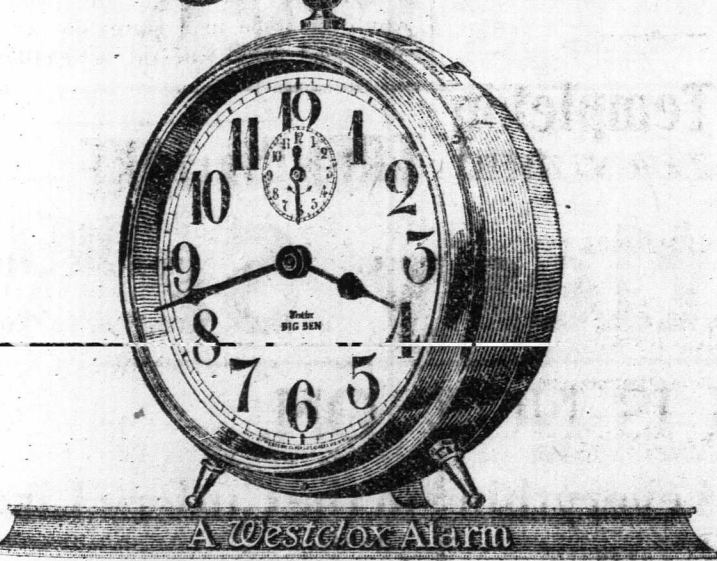
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### TO-DAY'S EARLY CABLES

#### HAIG'S ATTACK

BRITISH HEADQUARTERS IN FRANCE, Sept. 27.—Field Marshal Haig's forces at dawn this morning delivered an attack over a wide front. A heavy rain falling during the early hours made the work of assembly most difficult, but some time before zero all the troops were in position, the rain had ceased, and had been replaced by a thick haze which assisted in bewildering the enemy. About nine German divisions (122,000 men) are understood to be opposing Haig's men. So far the battle seems to be going well for the British. With the coming of the sun the morning broadened to clear, open weather, and the British airmen were able to report the progress of the Canadian troops, who pushed forward on the northern flank of the attack. By 9.30 o'clock this morning the British appeared to have crossed the Canal Du Nord defences on a front of more than three miles and to have advanced to a maximum depth of approximately a mile and a quarter. As early as 8.25 o'clock one or more of the British tanks were reported by an airplane to have been seen near Plesquiere. Shortly before that the reports were that some of the British were approaching Bourlon spur. The Canadians who drove forward across the Canal Du Nord about the Woeuvres were reported at 6.30 o'clock as having been seen about a mile west of Bourlon Wood, which formed the chief obstacle to Cambrai for General Byng in his attack last Fall.

#### FRENCH OFFICIAL

PARIS, Sept. 26.—The Allied troops in Macedonia have captured more than 10,000 prisoners, says a statement from the French War Office tonight. More than 200 guns also have been taken. Reports at this hour from the battlefield in the Champagne between the Sappe and the Meuse rivers indicate that the attack of the French and American forces is progressing under the favorable conditions. General Gouraud's fourth army in the Champagne resumed its attack this morning from the positions captured from the Germans yesterday. The assault is progressing satisfactorily. The French have attained all objectives. The prisoners captured by the French to-day have not yet been counted.

#### THE CZECHO-SLOVAKS

VLADIVOSTOCK, Sept. 24. (By the A. P.)—If given the support of three divisions of Allied troops General Gaid, commander of the Czech-Slovak forces said to-day that he could hold the Bolshevik armies on approximately the present line until the Russians in Siberia can organize an efficient army whose discipline need not be questioned. General Gaid made this statement while talking to correspondents at the Czech-Slovak headquarters.

#### KAISER TAKES REFUGE IN A CELLAR

GENEVA, Sept. 26.—Emperor William, Field Marshal Duke Albrecht of Wurttemberg and Prince Stephen of Schaumburg Lippe were in Mannheim last week when the British airman raided the city. The royal party according to the Democrat of Geneva was staying in the royal palace, and the emperor and his staff promptly took refuge in the cellar remaining there twenty minutes. The palace was not hit as it had been during a previous raid, but bombs fell in the vicinity.

#### AN ACKNOWLEDGMENT

LONDON, Sept. 27.—The Frankfort Zeitung, in a review of the military situation in Macedonia and Palestine admits that in both these theatres the enemies of the Central Powers succeeded by means of well-planned campaigns, in surprising and inflicting serious damage on the fronts of Germany's allies. Even if we maintain our conviction that the eastern battles do not essentially affect the main strategic decision, nevertheless the purely military effect of the enemy's successful operations is very considerable from the point of view of prisoners and material losses, the newspaper declares.

#### NO ARMISTICE TILL CONSULTATION

PARIS, Sept. 27.—It is understood no instruction regarding the Bulgarian application for an armistice will be given the military commanders in Macedonia until there is an opportunity for consultation with France, Great Britain, the United States, Italy and other Allies and that in the meantime the military operations will continue.

#### FRENCH STORM STRONG POSITIONS

PARIS, Sept. 27.—The army of General Gouraud had just taken by storm in the sector between the Sappe and the Argonne, not only his old positions, but all of the German first positions says an official review of the Franco-American operations issued to-day. A large portion of the old front here had been stabilized since 1915 with the barrier behind which the enemy thought his army was absolutely safe, the statement adds. It has been shattered and captured on July 15 General Gouraud's army achieved a magnificent defensive victory. By surrounding a narrow strip of the advanced positions, it broke the German drive and made possible all the successes obtained on all fronts since that day. The front of Genl. Gouraud's attack ran from north of Marzée and Vienne Les Chateau, striding the Aisne at Melcourt, bordering the Torb river north of Ville Sur Tourbe through the centre of the main De Maissiges, the edge of the Butte De Mesnil, then north of Lesmesnil-les-Hurlus, Perthes-les-Hurlus and Souvain, thence running along the Roman road to St. Piere Le Grande to the west of Prosenes and through the No Man's Land and Prunay. The famous positions of Mesnil Souain and the Navarin farm were captured during the early hours of the attack strictly according with the schedule mapped out.

#### TOWARDS CAMBRAI

LONDON, Sept. 27.—Americans co-operating on the extreme right of the British, this morning captured a series of trenches and fortified farms, forming the outer defenses of the Hindenburg system southwest of Le Catlet, north of St. Quentin, according to the official report from Field Marshal Haig tonight. The text of the report follows: Portions of our First and Third Armies, under the command respectively of Generals Sir Henry Dornie and Sir Julian Byng, attacked this morning before dawn, on a wide front in the direction of Cambrai. Notwithstanding the great strength of the enemy's positions, especially in the northern sector of the attack, where the Canal du Nord and open ground sloping towards the enemy rendered our advance most difficult, all our objectives have been reached.

#### SERBIAN OFFICIAL

LONDON, Sept. 27.—In the successful continuance of their drive northward the Serbians have entered Ishtib and captured other important points says the Serbian official statement of Thursday. A great number of additional Bulgarians and Germans have been captured by the Serbians who also have taken enormous quantities of war material. The Serbians now are west of the Ishtib-Verles and have captured the height of Bogoslovets south of the road north of Demirkapu in the direction of the Bulgarian border. The Serbians have captured the ridge of Belikamen. Serbian cavalry has entered Kochana, twenty miles north-east of Ishtib, and fourteen miles from the Bulgarian border, south-west of the important railway head of Kustendil.

#### MUCH RESISTANCE

WITH THE FRENCH ARMIES ON THE CHAMPAGNE FRONT, Sept. 27.—Gen. Gouraud's men were continuing their advance to-night along the front west of Argonne Forest. Greater resistance was being encountered, and fresh obstacles were found to impede their progress. Ahead of them is a belt of country seven or eight miles wide over which there is a labyrinth of trenches. Many blockhouses have been built by the Germans there, and the ground seems as difficult of capture as that wrested from the Germans to-day. The Germans by their retirement have gained a little time in which to bring up reserves while General Gouraud is bringing up his guns. This is an advantage in which it is difficult to find sufficient compensation for the ground and men lost to-day.

#### BULGARIA ALSO APPROACHES BRITAIN

LONDON, Sept. 27.—The British government to-day received from an official authoritative source an application from Bulgaria for an armistice.

#### GREAT ADVANCE OF THE SERBIANS

LONDON, Sept. 27.—The Serbian official statement announces that Serbian cavalry have reached a point 55 miles as the crow flies, north of the line from which operations started.

#### SERBIANS WANT A DECISIVE RESULT

PARIS, Sept. 27.—The hope that there will be no question of peace with the Central Powers until they have been brought to admit their guilt was expressed by Nikola Pachitch, the Serbian premier in a statement given out by him here yesterday. He voiced his hope, after having pointed out that the Allied successes on all the battle fronts had opened up a prospect of the end of a struggle that had been imposed upon the world by the German powers. Premier Pachitch said that he was glad that the great allied powers had proclaimed their sympathy with the liberation of the Czech-Slovaks and the Poles, and the formation by those nationalities of independent states, and he hoped the Allies also would recognize the rights of liberated Serbia and all her sons (the Jugo Slavs) to be united in independent national existence. A declaration to this effect the premier argued would be timely now as it would paralyze all the intrigues inferred by Austria-Hungary against the Serbian national union and at the same time against the general policy of the Allies.

#### AMERICAN'S HAUL OF ARTILLERY

WITH THE AMERICAN FORCES NORTHWEST OF VERDUN, Sept. 27.—General Pershing's troops in their drive between the Meuse and the Argonne forest made a great haul of German artillery in the region of Dannevoek. The Americans captured included four big 210 millimetre guns and eight 150 millimetre pieces and 15 trench mortars, 10 field guns and 34 machine guns. West of Dannevoek the Americans captured 277, which are now being used against the Germans. A large amount of ammunition also have been captured. General Pershing's forces this morning continued their drive against the German positions between the Argonne forest and the river Meuse. The Americans increased their toll of prisoners. They also captured guns and other war material, but these have not yet been enumerated. The prisoners belonged to various units and included a number of officers. Certain divisions opposing the Americans were identified. They include the famous Guards unit which the Americans fought at Belleau Wood last June and another equally famous Saxon division.

#### AMERICANS' HAUL

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY NORTHWEST OF VERDUN, Sept. 27.—The number of prisoners thus far captured by the Americans in their offensive is now placed at 8,000 of whom 125 are officers. The captured material includes more than 100 guns, 25 of which are of heavy calibre, and many trench mortars and hundreds of machine guns.

#### THE FIRST REQUEST

PARIS, Sept. 27.—The French commander in chief in Macedonia officially reports that the Bulgarians have asked for a meeting to arrange the conditions of an armistice and eventual peace. The French commander replied, refusing to suspend operations, but saying he would receive duly qualified delegates of the Bulgarian Government.

#### THE FRENCH WORK

PARIS, Sept. 27.—The French have captured the Butte Dumesnil, the Butte Du Souait, the Butte Du Tahure, and the villages of Tahure, Riport, Rouveroy Cernayen, Demois and Servon Moziocourt. More than 7,000 prisoners were taken by the French. The French forces resumed their attack this morning.

#### BRILLIANT ADVANCE

PARIS, Sept. 27.—Successful development of the French offensive begun yesterday in the Champagne is reported to-day by the War Office. Over the entire field of attack by the French between the river Sappe and the Argonne forest the formidable German positions to a depth of more than three miles were brilliantly carried.

#### WAR MINISTER GOES IN MACEDONIA

LONDON, Sept. 27.—Lieut. General Von Stein, the Prussian war minister, is reported to have resigned, according to advices to the Exchange-Telegraph Co. from Copenhagen.

#### IN MACEDONIA

PARIS, Sept. 26.—The Allied offensive in Macedonia continues successfully, says a French war office statement to-night, and the Allied troops are pushing their way over the mountain ranges.

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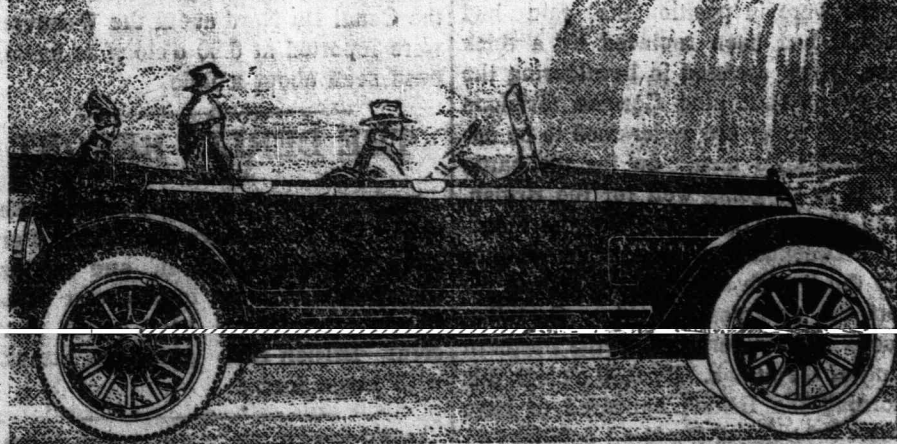
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