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TURKS SURRENDER DAMASCUS TO FORCES OF GEN. ALLENBY FRENCH TROOPS ADVANCE BEYOND ST. QUENTIN

METHODISTS INADVERTENTLY DISCRIMINATED AGAINST IN THE FIRST 14 MONTHS OF WAR, DECLARES DR. CHOWN

General Superintendent Refutes Statement That Members
of His Denomination Enlisted in Less Numbers Than
Others—General Conference Opens at Hamilton.

Hamilton, Oct. 2.—That every facility was given to adherents of all other large churches in the country who enlisted for overseas service, to say to which communion they belonged while Methodists were inadvertently discriminated against, was the declaration of Rev. Dr. S. D. Chown, general superintendent, who presented his quadrennial report at the opening session of the General Methodist Conference of Canada this afternoon. Dr. Chown pointed out that for fourteen months after enlisting the attestation papers did not contain the word, Methodist, the papers having been printed in accordance with the English style and the word, Wesleyan, having appeared instead of Methodist. There has been no Wesleyan Church in Canada for more than fifty years. Thus the figures on which the periodical return for the four denominations, Anglican, Presbyterian, Roman Catholics and Methodists, the last had supplied the smallest number of recruits, was refuted. Five hundred ministers and probationers, the report stated, had enrolled among the citizen soldiers.

BRITISH SEIZE GERMAN MINES AND PROPERTY

Expedition to Spitzbergen
Makes Rich Haul.

UNLIMITED WEALTH
Vast Iron and Coal Deposits
Have Been Worked Only
to Limited Degree.

Christian Unity. "The war," said Dr. Chown, "was a challenge to build the tabernacle of God amongst men, that he might wipe the tears from the eyes of a redeemed world, in which there shall be no more faith, sorrow or pain. Would that humanity should seek without delay the opportunity of bringing to pass a new heaven and a new earth, wherein dwell righteousness and love."

Touching on Christian unity, Dr. Chown said that the most noteworthy movement looking forward toward the intellectual and spiritual unity of Christendom, that has ever been attempted, is now in course of being worked out in the proposed world's conference on faith and order. A church divided against itself could not speak effectively to a divided world, and the war had brought this home with great poignancy. It was for the conference to decide whether the church should continue to have representation in this movement. It was to be regretted that union between the Presbyterian, Congregational and Methodist churches had not taken place before the war. What had been accomplished in local union and co-operation between churches was dealt with at length.

Statistics showed a turnover in the book and publishing house of 3,222,246. Sunday school membership, 454,802; money raised \$105,802; total raised by fearlessness institutions, \$200,822; department of social service and evangelism, \$127,675; educational fund, \$282,541; missionary, \$3,115,107; women's missionary society, \$784,021.

GREAT FINANCE BOARD.
The superintendent suggested the creation of a board of finance, with power to establish a department of finance. This will be considered by the conference, as will also be proposals regarding the church carrying its own insurance.

Phutocraft had never found a congenial home in the Methodist Church, said the speaker. The personnel of the conference bore witness to this. The church accepted the gifts of rich men as gifts, not to be repaid in dividends of influence in guiding its affairs. The attitude of Methodism towards moral reform.

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SERBIA BEING EVACUATED BY THE BULGARS

King Ferdinand's Forces Are
Withdrawing to Their
Own Country.

London, Oct. 2.—Serbia is being evacuated by the Bulgarian troops, who are returning to Bulgarian territory, according to the Serbian official statement today.

When hostilities ended at noon Monday the Serbians held a line from Uskub eastward through the mountains to the Bulgarian border, near Charevo. Kumonovo, fifteen miles northeast of Uskub, was entered by the Serbians Monday night. The official statement reads:

"About noon, at the moment of ceasing hostilities, we held the line from Obosna, in the mountain region, to Malesh to Tsrni Kamen, to the north of Charevo, and the Bulgarian frontier between Shdivrh and Stratzine. In the evening we entered Kumonovo."

"The Bulgarian troops are returning to Bulgarian territory."

TURKISH CABINET TO STICK BY THE CENTRAL POWERS

Ottoman Ministers Have
Announced Intentions.

Amsterdam, Oct. 2.—The Turkish cabinet, according to a telegram published by the Cologne Gazette, has decided "in all circumstances to adhere to the alliance with the central powers."

FULFILLING A DUTY
BY MAKING PEACE,
SAYS BULGAR PREMIER

Malinoff Says Step Was Taken Because
of General Critical Situation of
Country.

Paris, Oct. 2.—Premier Malinoff appeared before the Bulgarian Parliament on Monday and read the speech from the throne, which was postponed at the first sitting last Friday, according to advices from Sofia by way of Basle.

M. Malinoff, according to German papers, said that the Bulgarian King and Government intended to fulfil their duty toward the Fatherland in making an honorable peace that was worthy of the sacrifices which had been made. The reason for this step, he said, was the general situation which confronted the country.

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, 61; lowest, 27.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 54; lowest, 42.

TOMORROW—FAIR.

Toronto, Oct. 2.—8 a.m.
Forecast.

Today—Moderate winds, shifting to west and northwest; a few local showers today, but partly fair.

Thursday—Fair, not much change in temperature.

Temperatures.
The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today:

Stations.	High.	Low.	Weather.
Victoria	56	42	Cloudy
Calgary	54	32	Fair
Winnipeg	54	38	Cloudy
Port Arthur	52	38	Cloudy
Fort Snair	54	36	Cloudy
Port Stanley	52	38	Cloudy
Buffalo	50	36	Cloudy
Toronto	60	44	Rain
Kingston	48	37	Fair
Ottawa	56	32	Fair
Montreal	50	32	Fair
Quebec	50	32	Clear
Father Point	44	25	Cloudy

A shallow depression which is passing to the northward of the Great Lakes is causing a few local showers in Ontario. Elsewhere in Canada the weather is fine.



During the past year, British airmen have accounted for well over four thousand enemy aircraft.—The Bystander.

REORGANIZATION OF GERMAN AND PRUSSIAN MINISTRIES NOW UNDER CONSIDERATION

Plan Outlined by Von Payer Is To Change Present Methods
to That of One Along Parliamentary System—Abrogation
of Portions of Constitution To Be Discussed.

Amsterdam, Oct. 2.—Plans are under consideration for the reorganization of both the Imperial German and Prussian ministries on the lines of a parliamentary system, according to the Berlin Tageblatt, which quotes Friedrich von Payer, the imperial vice-chancellor, to this effect. The vice-chancellor, the newspaper says, received the leaders of all the parties yesterday and discussed the contemplated parliamentarization, which the vice-chancellor declared would extend to the Prussian as well as to the imperial ministry. He also said that the abrogation of portions of the articles IX and XXI of the constitution must be taken in hand as soon as possible. The representatives of the Right, of the Independent Socialists and of the Poles, the Tageblatt states, have refused to co-operate in the formation of a coalition government.

ANTI-GERMAN RIOTS OCCUR IN BULGARIA

Formation of National Council
Under Malinoff Expected.

Paris, Oct. 2.—Anti-German and pacifist riots are in progress throughout Bulgaria, according to a Zurich dispatch to the Journal. It is added that rumors are current of the formation of a national council in Bulgaria under the leadership of Premier Malinoff and Dr. Ghenadiev, released from prison a few days ago, under a pardon by King Ferdinand.

HERTLING'S RESIGNATION IS READ TO COMMITTEE

Amsterdam, Oct. 2.—At a sitting of the main committee of the German Reichstag on Monday, Vice-Chancellor von Payer read a decree from the emperor announcing the resignation of the imperial chancellor, von Hertling. He announced that the former chancellor had called a meeting of party leaders to discuss the situation. An indefinite adjournment was then taken by the committee.

DAMASCUS IS OCCUPIED BY ALLENBY'S FORCES; FOE'S DEFENCES NEAR CAMBRAI ARE BROKEN

CHOLERA HAS BROKEN OUT IN VIENNA

Several Deaths From the Dread
Disease Have Occurred in
Austrian Capital.

Madrid, Oct. 2.—Several cases of Asiatic cholera have been discovered in Vienna, and deaths have occurred from this disease there, according to official news received here from the Austrian capital.

FRENCH AIRMEN GET MANY PLANES

Captain Argues Brings Down
Twelve Foe Machines in
Short Time.

Paris, Tuesday, Oct. 1.—The war office statement tonight, referring to aviation, says:

"Capt. Argues destroyed an enemy machine on September 27 and two on the 28th, bringing his total number of victories to 12. Sub-Lieut. Maddington on September 23 brought down a German airplane, bringing his number of victories to ten—five balloons and five airplanes."

ACCIDENT AT SHEDDEN DELAYS M. C. R. TRAINS

Broken Truck Causes Considerable
Damage to Cars and Roadbed.

St. Thomas, Oct. 2.—The evening passenger train on the M. C. R. running into this city were all from two to four hours late last evening as a result of the derailment of a number of cars on a freight train at Shedden.

The freight train, a box car special, was traveling toward this city at a fast rate, early in the evening, and as it was passing the Shedden station a truck on one of the cars suddenly gave way and derailed seven of the cars behind it. The cars piled up and blocked both main lines for a considerable time. The wrecking crew from this city was called to the scene and succeeded in clearing the wreckage off the track sufficiently for traffic to be resumed about 11 o'clock. Train No. 10, which is due in this city at 9:50, arrived here about 11:30. Train No. 48, due at 9:20, arrived about 11:40.

Little damage was done except to the cars and the tearing up of the roadbed and a few rails. No one was hurt, but this was due more to good luck than anything else, as when the accident occurred one of the large trucks of the cars was thrown several feet and alighted upon the platform of the station, damaging it to some extent.

PAPER MANUFACTURERS TO MEET AT MONTREAL

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Montreal, Oct. 2.—Regarding the conference between the paper publishers and members of the Government respecting the price of newspaper, recently fixed by Paper Controller Pringle, held in Ottawa yesterday, a resume of what transpired was received last night at the head office of the Canadian Pulp and Paper Association in Montreal. Upon receipt of the message it was decided that the matter was so important that every member of the association was notified by wire and a meeting of the association was called for Saturday next in this city.

MAJOR EAST KILLED.
Minneapolis, Oct. 2.—Major Whitten J. East, commander of Mitchell Field, an army training ground for aviators at Garden City, was instantly killed today when his automobile overturned while he was on his way to the field.

French Troops Pass Beyond St. Quentin—Germans Are Burning Flanders Towns in Face of Advancing Belgians—St. Thierry Massif in Hands of the Poilus.

HAIG ADVANCES NEAR ROULERS.
With the British Armies in Flanders, Oct. 2.—Field Marshal Haig's forces today captured Rolleghecapelle and advanced for a distance of 3,000 yards southeast of Roulers.

London, Oct. 2.—Damascus, the capital of Syria, was occupied by Gen. Allenby's forces this morning, according to an official statement issued today by the British war office.

The Turkish commandant at Damascus, asked for terms for the surrender of the city to Gen. Allenby.

Damascus is the Turkish base in Syria and Palestine, and its reported fall probably means the end of all Turkish resistance to Gen. Allenby in Palestine and Syria. The city, which dates back to the dawn of history, is the junction point of railroads leading to the port of Beirut and Aleppo, 180 miles northeast.

Aleppo is the most important Turkish base in this region of Asia-Minor, as it is a junction point of the railroads from Palestine and Mesopotamia.

Damascus is the capital of the vilayet of Syria, and has a population of about 150,000. It is one of the holy cities of the Mohammedans, and the Arabs regard it as one of the four paradises on earth.

The capture of Damascus marks an advance of 130 miles by Gen. Allenby's forces since September 20, the day he launched his victorious attack north of Jerusalem. In that time the British have captured more than 50,000 prisoners, destroyed at least three Turkish armies and driven the enemy from Palestine and a great part of Syria.

GERMAN DEFENCES BROKEN.

London, Oct. 1.—Between Cambrai and St. Quentin the German line of defences has been broken. It is uncertain what lines the enemy has in the rear.

The British advance threatens the German line of retreat in the Oise valley, and also from the massif of St. Gobain.

MASSIF OF ST. THIERRY NOW IN FRENCH HANDS

Paris, Oct. 2.—Heavy fighting took place in St. Quentin last night. Resisting stubbornly, the Germans were driven back to the east bank of the canal, according to the French war office statement today.

West and north of Rheims the French have made further important gains. The entire massif of St. Thierry is now in French hands.

Northwest of Rheims, the French have taken Pouillon and Thil and have reached the southern outskirts of Villers-Franqueux. North of Rheims they have pushed forward their line to the outskirts of Betheny. There was no change in Champagne during the night.

HAIG TEARS GREAT GAPS IN ENEMY'S LINES OF DEFENCE

London, Oct. 2.—The British are pushing farther into the German positions on the front between St. Quentin and Le Catelet, Field Marshal Haig reported today that the Australians had finished the work of clearing out the German defences south of Le Catelet and Gouy and had freed Juncourt, just to the south, of enemy troops.

Wide gaps have been torn in the German line between St. Quentin and Le Catelet by Field Marshal Haig's forces. The British commander reported today the breaking of the German line on the Fensommes.

Squahart, 4½ miles southeast of Bellicourt, has been captured, as has the hamlet of Preselles, just to the north.

South of Cambrai, British troops, including Scottish and New Zealanders, have occupied Crevecoeur and Rumilly.

HUNS SET FIRE TO FLANDERS' TOWNS OF MENIN AND ROULERS

Paris, Oct. 2.—The towns of Menin and Roulers, railway junctions, in Flanders, have been set on fire by the Germans, in face of advancing Belgians, British and French troops. French guns now control the railway line running from Ostend through Thourout and Roulers to Courtrai.

British monitors are co-operating actively in bombarding the German lines on and near the coast.

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