

GREEK CROWDS CHEER FOR VENIZELOS

CONTINUED VIOLATIONS OF DUTCH NEUTRALITY BY HUNS; TRYING TO FORCE WAR

German Assaults in Champagne Repulsed; Combles Objective on Somme

CAPTURE OF MAUREPAS WAS BRILLIANT PIECE OF FIGHTING

British Forces Have Now Joined up Their Forces With the French, and Once Guillemont is Taken Both Armies Will Move Together on Combles

By Courier, Leased Wire New York, Aug. 26.—The Paris correspondent of The Tribune, calling last night, says: The British drove forward eastward and northward to-day, in the first movement closing on Ginchy and Guillemont, and in the second on Fiers. The advance joins up their line with the French, who seized the important strategic base of Maurepas yesterday.

Combles the Objective. In the brilliant dash which forced the French line well beyond the outskirts of Maurepas, General Fayolle did his part toward the capture of Combles. When Haig succeeds in a similar movement at Guillemont they will drive forward together to the apex of the triangle formed by Maurepas, Guillemont and Combles. The British gains to-day prepared the way for this movement. They advanced their line in the eastern wood, northwest of Guillemont, and then repelled a heavy counter-attack. Further north they moved forward several yards on each side of the road running out of Longueval toward Fiers.

Advance Now Down Hill. Haig's troops now have the advantage of advancing down hill toward Fiers. This village presents strong defenses, though they are hardly of the character of Guillemont. It is likely that progress will be faster in this direction and that the French victory at Maurepas soon will be equalled by Haig.

Maurepas Was Very Strong. At the opening of the Somme offensive, Maurepas was a magic name representing the chief fortifications of the German line between the French troops and the promised land. Since then it has lost some of its glamour, its ultimate fall before the French artillery preparation having become certain during the last fortnight, when it was the object of relentless assaults by Foch's troops and guns.

Now on the Heights. On August 11, Foch's staff showed it was ready to make a bid for this stronghold, and every day and night since then Maurepas has received a drubbing such as no town has ever before suffered. Although its spectacular importance faded as the fate of the village became more and more certain, its strategic importance as a barrier to Combles remained the same, until the last day of defensive work was in possession of the Polius, for Maurepas is perched on the edge of the heights which guard the communications feeding this portion of the front.

Flank Movements Also. On a lower level runs a road and a little railway from the Portress of Combles, which is the most important reserve and provision center of this sector. These thoroughfares are screened by German works north of the village, and traffic has continued with comparative impunity. The French reached Maurepas by the end of July and by August 11 had begun cutting their way through the underground strongholds prepared during the last two years. Yesterday at five o'clock they fixed their bayonets and charged the last defenses, crossing the holes and ruins which had been Maurepas before it was ravaged by French projectiles of all calibres during a concentrated bombardment of thirty-six hours.

While the center was attacking the forces thus occupied, the French left wing, turning at the elbow of the railway north of the village where it crosses the road between Maurepas and Ginchy, flanked and broke through the German positions. On the right they executed a similar movement, turning the slopes of Hill 121.

210 Machine Guns Taken. It was a difficult fighting because it was over ground formed of little ravines and hills cut by innumerable trench works, but the French attack was so quick that their losses were smaller than might have been expected. The entire front featuring in this operation was four kilometers long and naturally German mitrailleuses were fixed long enough to annoy the attacking forces, but the infantry opposition was slight. What remained of the German first line troops surrendered. Two hundred and ten mitrailleuses which tried to stem the tide were brought back by the French as trophies.

Extraordinary Credit Increased. Amsterdam, Aug. 26.—By decree of the Roumanian council of ministers, published in the Monitor, the extraordinary credit for the army is increased from 200,000,000 francs to 600,000,000 francs, according to a telegram from Bucharest to-day.

The Universal announces that General Paraskevoo has been appointed director of munitions, adds the despatch, and that General Popivo, inspector general of cavalry has been appointed to command the first army corps in succession to General Avaresco.

Demonstrations Occur in Greece Against the Bulgar Invasion. Saloniki the Centre of Big Meeting for Venizelos, and Trouble Threatened To-morrow in Athens.

By Courier, Leased Wire Saloniki, Aug. 26.—via Paris.—A large popular meeting was held here last night to protest against the occupation of Greek territory by Bulgarians. It was followed by a demonstration for Venizelos and the singing of the national hymn. The crowd then marched to the headquarters of General Sarrail, the Entente commander, and sang the Marseillaise. A formal protest against the Bulgarian occupation was drawn up and left with the prefect of police. Despatches from Athens say the government is much concerned about the Liberal party manifestation which is being organized for Sunday and threatens to hold counter demonstrations of supporters of the king.

THE WAR'S SECOND MILESTONE.



Third, and last, lap—and the Allies going strong.—London Opinion.

Zepplins Violate Dutch Neutrality Deliberately, Huns are Picking Fight

This Morning a Zeppelin, on Its Return from England, Flew About Holland's Capital, and Other Zepps. Were Elsewhere in Country.

WAR IS WANTED SO ENEMY CAN SEIZE PORTS

By Courier, Leased Wire London, Aug. 26.—The Times prints the following despatch from its Amsterdam correspondent: The German violation of Dutch territory by Zeppelins continues without regard for Holland's position and interests as a neutral. No attention has been paid to the repeated protests against the presence of Zeppelins over the Netherlands, whether going or returning from their expeditions. This morning, with indifference to Dutch rights or susceptibilities, a Zeppelin, on its return from England, manoeuvred above the Netherlands capital, while other Zeppelins were reported elsewhere over Holland.

Not Accidental. It would be a mistake to suppose that these incidents are purely accidental. The German press has lately made threats against Holland, which are particularly significant when taken in conjunction with the scare raised by Germany earlier in the year, when she expressed the desire to save Holland from the allies.

Wants War with Holland. "The destruction of Dutch ships, such as the Tubantia and the Palembang, and many smaller vessels, without compensation or apology, speaks for itself. Germany desires to pick a quarrel with the Netherlands with a view to seizing the Dutch port and obtaining possession of the Scheldt and the mouths of the Rhine and Zuider Zee, so as to save something from the impending wreck of the German military plans. Meanwhile, Germany continues at the same time to violate Dutch territory and quarter her children on Dutch charity.

B. AND N. TROUBLES. By Courier, Leased Wire Boston, Aug. 26.—The Boston and Maine Railroad's financial difficulties will be taken up in the United District Court here on August 29, Judge Putnam having announced to-day that he had issued an order of notice returnable on that date for a hearing in connection with equity proceedings looking to receivership for the road. It is understood the hearing will embrace all pending proceedings in the case.

UNITED STATES AND CANADA ENGAGE NOW IN TRADE WAR

American Fishing Vessels Cannot Get Supplies in Canada Unless Catch is Brought to Canadian Port—United States Now Prohibits Entry of Fish if it Comes Through Any Other Country

By Courier, Leased Wire New York, Aug. 26.—The New York American this morning publishes the following from Washington, under yesterday's date: "Simultaneously with the news of the seizure of two American fishing vessels off Iceland by a British patrol, complaints have been received here of British treatment of American fishermen nearer home. "While discussing the revenue bill in the Senate to-day Senator Jones of Washington, declared Great Britain had recently blacklisted several American fishing vessels in North Pacific waters. "Supported by a British order-in-council, the Canadian Government now refuses to furnish American fishing vessels with supplies unless the catch is brought into a Canadian port. Then the catch is not permitted to be sold, the senator claimed, but must be shipped in bond over the Canadian Pacific Railroad. "Only this week Senator Jones said, he had received a letter from a firm in Seattle stating that one of its ships had been refused supplies in a Canadian port because the last previous catch had been taken to an American port. The master of the ship was notified he had been blacklisted. "In response to an urgent appeal by American fishermen, the finance committee inserted in the revenue bill a provision that after ninety days from the passage of the act no frozen or fresh halibut or salmon from the North Pacific Ocean or its tributary waters shall be admitted into the United States through any foreign country, except when the same shall be in bond from an American port. "At the state department it was denied that the blacklist issue would be left until the end of the war for settlement.

PRUSSIAN GUARDS NOR KAISER'S SON COULD STOP DRIVE

Anglo-French Driving Deeply Into Enemy's Fortified Terrain.

PRINCE EITEL BEAT A RETREAT.

Was in Maurepas When Shells Came and Got Out in a Hurry.

By Courier, Leased Wire New York, Aug. 26.—A cable to the World from Paris, Aug. 25, says: Although the Kaiser sent his son, Prince Eitel Friedrich and the crack first division of the Prussian Guards to the Somme front to halt the wedge the Anglo-French are driving deeply into territory occupied by the Germans. "General Fayolle has hammered this salient further by cleaning up the Germans from Maurepas into which they had penetrated again since the village was stormed by the French on August 16, and by occupying the heights and slopes northeast and south of Maurepas. Moreover, with the advanced French forces on the outskirts of the wood, the Germans lateral communications with Clercy are cut and Combles is menaced from the south by the British and from the north by the British at Guillemont.

It's a Long Way to Tipperary

By Courier, Leased Wire New York, Aug. 26.—A London cable to The Tribune says: Colonel Rapington, one of the keenest military observers in this country, though reasonably assured of the success of the allies, believes the end is still far away, he said to-day. He holds that the allied superiority in the field is inadequate still. An American just back from Berlin says Germany is far from starved, though the people are peevish over the lack of variety in their food.

Statesman Dead

Wellington, New Zealand, via London, Aug. 25.—Sir George Maurice O'Rorke, speaker of the New Zealand House of Representatives, is dead. Sir Maurice O'Rorke was eight times elected speaker of the New Zealand House, was speaker of the Auckland provincial council, member of the New Zealand ministry, and of the legislative council.

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