

steadily developing under the direction of General Pershing.

The British troops rapidly attained their first objectives. As a rule the enemy fought stubbornly, but not desperately, and was not long in retreating when in a tight corner. Light tanks did invaluable work in dealing with camouflaged machine gun nests. So quickly did the attack go in some places that the enemy's motor ambulances and mechanical transport were captured before they could be cranked up.

The British are fighting typical field warfare. The line of attack is developing into a series of local combats in which cycling patrols are participating and doing excellent service with their machine guns.

The Germans have launched some counter-attacks, but these were nowhere successful.

**Headquarters of the Fourth French Army, Nov. 1—Gen. Gouraud's army attacked this morning on a front of five to six miles between the Aisne and the Argonne, in conjunction with the first American army on his right. The immediate objective of the French commander in this region is to clear the enemy out of the thickly wooded and much broken mass of the Argonne, the last natural fortress which remains to him until he reaches the Ardennes.**

Ever since Sept. 27 the Germans have hung to the Argonne in spite of the unremitting endeavors of the French army on the west and the Americans on the east of the forest. After a series of extremely difficult and hotly contested attacks, Gen. Gouraud has succeeded in establishing himself on the left bank of the Aisne between the villages of Tervon and Palaise, a distance of about five miles.

With the river at their backs, and little more than a mile from the German trenches between them and the forest, the operation was one of considerable difficulty. The night was spent in throwing bridges across the Aisne in preparation for the passage of an important force with its material. The enemy knew that the attack was coming, but seems to have been unaware that it would come so far north as it did, and he left the bridge-makers almost undisturbed.

Started at 6 a.m. The attack was launched shortly before 6 o'clock after a whirlwind artillery preparation of 30 minutes. The Germans had not acted wisely in leaving the bridges unguarded. The attacking force was on the opposite bank of the Aisne at 9 o'clock. The loop of the Aisne at this point was held by the enemy and formed a salient in the allied line, protected by the winding course of the river, was carried. Rilly-aux-Oris then was captured and the French troops pressed up the river bank opposite Semuy.

By the middle of the morning Gen. Gouraud's men had largely occupied their first line of objectives in spite of an energetic and increasing resistance on the part of the enemy. Semuy was endangered, Voncey, which is situated on a lofty spur overlooking the river and was the most important position on the front of attack, was carried with a considerable bag of prisoners.

**Palaise Occupied.** Possession of Voncey enabled the Germans to enfilade the whole Aisne valley as far south as Voziers and gave them wide views up and down the river. Further south Hill 193 on the left bank was captured, and Palaise has been occupied and the line is making satisfactory progress eastward in the teeth of a stiffening artillery fire.

The enemy's position to provide for an attack north of Tervon, which marks the limit of Gouraud's holdings on the left bank of the Aisne, seems to have assured the success of the first day of the new operation.

The attack of General Gouraud's army must be taken in conjunction with the American attack on much larger scale, which is progressing in the most encouraging fashion, on the other side of the Argonne. Last night, as has previously been stated, Gouraud held a narrow strip about five miles long on the left bank of the Aisne, marked by the villages of Tervon, Vandy and Palaise. South of Palaise his line passed by Olizy, three miles to Grand Pre, on the eastern edge of the forest. At Grand Pre, Gouraud is in touch with the American army on his right.

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## RESULTS IN ONTARIO

### Showing Divisions, Districts, Amounts Collected Special Subscriptions and Percentage of Objectives.

SUMMARY BY DIVISIONS.		
Division	Total	Per cent. to date objective.
Toronto	\$28,743,600	33.43
Ottawa Valley	4,774,600	23.03
Western	4,981,700	26.87
Central	3,383,900	24.36
Hamilton & Niagara	8,671,000	31.42
London & Southern	5,740,000	27.10
Northern	3,945,000	30.12
Grand total for province	\$67,871,800	30.47
City of Toronto.		
Canvassers	\$7,152,400	24.76
Specials	16,535,000	50.35
Total	23,687,400	33.43
Hamilton and Niagara		
Canvassers	\$1,356,700	15.44
Specials	4,583,500	76.49
Total	5,940,200	27.78
Hamilton—	383,700	42.23
Niagara—	383,700	31.98
Lincoln—	538,900	17.96
Canvassers	250,000	33.33
Specials	788,900	21.04
Total	2,974,500	27.08
Canvassers	297,850	27.08
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Total	595,700	27.08
Canvassers	527,200	28.36
Specials	527,200	28.36
Total	1,054,400	28.36
Canvassers	722,150	21.29
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Total	1,444,300	21.29
Eastern		
Durham—	315,000	24.23
Canvassers	30,000	24.23
Specials	375,000	27.78
Total	405,000	24.23
Canvassers	426,000	24.23
Specials	526,000	24.23
Total	952,000	24.23
Canvassers	767,500	24.90
Specials	338,000	24.90
Total	1,105,500	24.90
Ontario		
Canvassers	407,300	20.37
Specials	235,500	78.23
Total	642,800	27.93
Northumberland		
Canvassers	335,400	30.65
Specials	335,400	30.65
Total	670,800	30.65
Lennox and Addington		
Canvassers	250,500	27.65
Specials	35,000	50.00
Total	285,500	29.02
Victoria and Harbour		
Canvassers	283,150	32.24
Specials	283,150	32.24
Total	566,300	32.24
Northern		
Sault Ste. Marie and Algoma—	283,350	26.30
Canvassers	50,000	5.50
Specials	333,350	32.74
Total	383,350	26.30
Kenora District		
Canvassers	89,350	25.83
Specials	420,000	86.82
Total	509,350	1.67
Fort William and District		
Canvassers	428,600	35.23
Specials	407,500	101.57
Total	836,100	37.51
Perry Sound District		
Canvassers	365,750	48.77
Specials	365,750	48.77
Total	731,500	48.77
Muskoka		
Canvassers	100,850	25.31
Specials	100,850	25.31
Total	201,700	25.31
Nipissing District		
Canvassers	192,850	32.14
Specials	25,000	35.00
Total	217,850	31.12
London and Southern.		
Canvassers	\$96,700	17.25
Specials	30,000	30.00
Total	126,700	17.78
Middlesex—		
Canvassers	275,200	10.01
Specials	275,200	9.92
Total	550,400	9.92
Lambton—		
Canvassers	788,250	31.87
Specials	1,310,250	47.08
Total	2,098,500	47.08
London—		
Canvassers	595,700	18.04
Specials	3,285,000	69.83
Total	3,880,700	46.42

## TORONTO ROLLING LARGE TOTALS UP

Has Subscribed More Than Twenty-Six Million to Loan.

District	Toronto Totals.	Amount.
A	.....	482,900
B	.....	437,850
C	.....	409,200
D	.....	272,350
E	.....	231,200
Team totals for Friday	.....	\$2,213,600
Previously	.....	5,525,600
Grand total	.....	\$28,743,600

High men in each district: Amount.

A—H. S. Thorne ..... \$1,800

B—W. S. Nicholas ..... \$1,800

C—John A. Sutherland ..... \$6,500

D—D. C. Donaldson ..... \$1,500

E—D. C. Donaldson ..... \$1,500

Toronto is rolling up totals for Victory Bonds daily, and the results of yesterday's total of \$28,743,600 was reported when the team captains met last night. The special subscriptions committee was able to announce several fine, big additions to those already given out, which swelled the total by \$3,225,000.

The teams were in fine fettle, and good-natured rivalry existed, which was shown by the changes passed back and forth from team to team. G. H. Wood, chairman of the provincial organization, told of the fine work being done throughout Ontario. However, in spite of the wonderful work that was being done, Mr. Wood said that the percentage of objective in the province, not counting Toronto, was behind what it should be at this time.

Up to Friday night the province should be able to show 22.2 per cent. of its total objective, but was only able to produce bonds to the amount of 18.2 per cent. of the amount, however, the special subscriptions, however, were in advance of the necessary percentage. This date, being 46 per cent. when only 22.2 per cent. was required.

Mr. Wood issued a challenge from the provincial organization to the teams of Toronto. For every million increase that Toronto could show over last year, he said, Ontario would show four million increase.

J. W. S. Stewart read out the list of firms that had to date received honor flags, and made special mention of the wonderful work done by the employees of the Robert Simpson Company, who had raised \$1060 for every employee of the store overseas, amounting in all to \$465,300.

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## WAR SUMMARY

### THE DAY'S EVENTS REVIEWED

By the Associated Press.

From the mountain regions of northern Italy to the plain of Venetia and on valley sectors in Belgium and France the armies of the Teutonic allies are being violently attacked by troops of the entente.

In Italy, except on several sectors in the hill country, the enemy is fast being overwhelmed; in both Belgium and France additional splendid gains have been recorded in favor of the entente.

In Serbia the Austrians and Germans are fast making their way out of the little kingdom, many of them already having crossed the Danube. French and Serbian cavalry have reached Belgrade, from where a fast turning movement westward along the Save River is likely to work havoc with those of the enemy forces coming northward in western Serbia and those who are struggling northward thru Albania.

So far as Turkey is concerned her capitulation is an object one, and the turning movement is to prove a factor in the world war.

Altho the new smashes of the British, French and Americans in Belgium and France have been markedly successful in the carrying out of the general program of the invaders, it is still the Italian theatre on which the eyes of the world are centred. Internal strife in Germany and Austria-Hungary, and continued pleadings from the dual monarchy for an armistice and a cessation of hostilities, have received scant notice, when compared with the impression that the wonderful drive of the Italians and their allies against the Austro-Hungarians has made upon the world at large.

Everywhere the enemy is being defeated in Italy. In the Alpine region, where the natural barriers had acted as bastions of defences, the enemy line has been broken at salient points, and the foe compelled to seek safety in retreat to higher mountain strong holds.

On the plains the retrograde movement of the enemy eastward toward the Tagliamento River is virtually complete, with allied airplanes violently attacking with machine guns the throngs of the enemy hurrying eastward, with the cavalry cutting to pieces the stragglers, and the infantry and machine gunners taking a heavy toll in men killed or wounded.

Great numbers of the Austro-Hungarians still continue to be winnowed back of the line to the prison cages. Large quantities of stores are still falling into the hands of the entente forces and numerous additional towns are being liberated. More than 700 guns already have been added to the store of other trophies taken by the allies.

In Belgium along the Scheidt from Berchem to Gavere King Albert's men have pressed forward in the general direction of Ghent, and at last accounts were standing on the western side of the canal, which the Germans had hoped before the concentration was begun some time ago would prove a strong point in their northern defensive system.

To the south, below Valenciennes, the English and Canadian troops have driven the German line farther westward over a front of six miles, inflicting exceptionally heavy casualties on the enemy, and drawing their line almost to the outskirts of southern Valenciennes. Several thousand prisoners were taken in the enterprise.

On the southern part of the front the French and American troops are driving northward over wide fronts, clearing the enemy from the territory which it is essential for him to hold if his line from Belgium to the Meuse is to be retained intact. Splendid progress has been made in the first stages of the battle, and seemingly the great wooded mass of north of Grand Pre, a continuation of the Argonne Forest, is likely soon to be enveloped, leaving the allies only comparatively strong natural barriers to an advance northward.

—BUY BONDS—