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BY ACTS EPIDEMIOLOGICALLY PALESTINE

Swiftness of Strokes Shows Purpose to Overwhelm Remaining Turks. CRISIS IN MACEDONIA

Bulgarians Continue Rapid Retreat With Army Split in Sections.

New York, Sept. 25.—The Associated Press tonight issued the following: The Teutonic allied forces in Macedonia and Turkey still are in retreat before the armies of the entente, while on the highly important Macedonia sector in France the British and French armies after hard fighting have drawn more closely together in the investment of the town of Arras northwest of Valenciennes. The stubborn resistance of the Germans in defense and in counter-attacks has been unavailing except to delay the progress of the entente armies of Field Marshal Haig and General Debeney.

In Macedonia the Bulgarian and German troops still faced the entente in Palestine the remaining German seem to have scarcely a chance of escape from the British forces. More than 40,000 prisoners and machine guns have been taken by the entente and yet General Allenby's battle for further entente for the Hindenburg line has not been attained.

Confetti and Public Ownership. On the French front the British have advanced the village of Selency, a scanty mile from the western environs of St. Quentin, and both the British and French troops north and south of the village have done further wedges into the German front. More than a thousand prisoners and many machine guns have been taken by the British in these operations. Numerous strong counter-attacks were delivered by the enemy, both at Selency and at Gricourt. The British men put all of them down. The Germans have also reacted strongly in the region lying west of the Chemin des Dunes, endeavoring to regain the territory held by the French as a signpost against both the Chemin des Dunes and the village of Selency. Here the enemy was beaten off.

Spain Sympathetic TO RESTORING RUSSIA. Madrid, Sept. 25.—The Spanish government has not yet made any statement concerning the receipt of President Wilson's recent note of appeal and neutral governments to take action in condemnation of the massacre in Russia.

Spain, therefore, without committing any unneutral act, is inclined to aid in any common diplomatic action that is likely to bring to an end the state of anarchy in Russia, it was held.

KING GEORGE FELICITATES KING PETER OF SERBIA

His Majesty Praises Incomparable Heroism of Balkan People. Washington, Sept. 25.—King George of England has sent a message of congratulation to King Peter of Serbia on the successes of the Serbian troops in Macedonia, the Serbian legation was advised today in a cablegram from Corfu. King George's message follows: "I wish to express to your majesty my most sincere congratulations for the successes accomplished by your splendid troops commanded by Prince Alexander of Serbia, and also my admiration for the incomparable heroism and endurance of which the Serbian people have given proof during these four years of its unexampled ordeal and sacrifices."

GOOD FOR OSHAWA

A collection for the Red Cross was taken up in Oshawa yesterday and \$25,000 was obtained. Col. Marshall was delighted when informed of the result.

CANADIANS SCORE USEFUL SUCCESS

Dominion Forces Push Forward to Southeast of Inchy.

British Headquarters, Sept. 25.—The Canadians have scored a useful success by pushing forward southeast of Inchy to a depth of one hundred and fifty yards on a front of two-thirds of a mile. This fighting has only local significance, and is designed to take over the deep fringe of outposts protecting the Hindenburg line. As a result of yesterday's fighting in the neighborhood of St. Quentin we advanced our line to well east of the Hamlet of Ste. Helena, which lies between Selency and Fontinet, so that here we are within rifle range of the St. Quentin Canal, which the enemy has utilized as part of the Hindenburg system. During the night much desultory fighting has taken place, in which we captured a trench of some importance near the right bank and 100 prisoners. Everywhere evidence was found that the Germans had suffered heavy losses. The French had a most successful day, securing all their objectives with one exception, and here the fighting is still progressing. Over five hundred prisoners were taken. The weather is improving.



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BRITISH PIERCE GERMAN LINES, TAKE SELENCY

Sharp Local Fighting Brings Gains Before St. Quentin.

COUNTERS ARE BROKEN

Enemy's Two Efforts Near Fayet Yield Him Only Casualties.

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TOTAL SHIP LOSSES MOUNT UP SLIGHTLY

The British Reduce Casualties From Submarines, Allied and Neutral Increase.

London, Sept. 25.—Aitho the British shipping losses were lower, there was a slight increase in the total allied and neutral shipping losses due to enemy action and marine risk in August over July, according to a statement by the admiralty issued today. The total figures are 327,475 gross tons, an increase of 8904; divided as follows: allied and neutral losses, 151,275, an increase of 10,027; British losses, 176,401, a decrease of 6123. The statement says: "The British losses from all causes in August were slightly higher than for June, which was the lowest since the introduction of submarine warfare. If the British losses from enemy action alone are considered, August was better than any month since September, 1917." The tonnage of steamships, 599 gross tons and upward, arriving and clearing from United Kingdom ports in August amounted to 8,158,639, an increase over July of 429,741 tons.

LIUET-CUMMING IS DEAD

Toronto Flying Officer Died of Wounds.

London, Sept. 25.—Major W. J. Hyster, Major-General in the staff. Capt. V. Hodson of Nova Scotia, Lieut. Newton are gazetted to duty with the flying corps. Lieut. E. L. Pencock, of Manitoba, resigns. Flight-Lieut. W. Cumming, Toronto, is posted as died of wounds.

Attitude of French-Canadians To Be Explained in France

Quebec, Sept. 25.—It is reported that the Quebec Provincial Government is about to appoint a commission to go to France to explain the real attitude of the French-Canadians in the present war. Among the probable commissioners mentioned are Hon. Thomas Chapais, Hon. Dr. Beland and Hon. Adolphe Turgeon.

IMMENSE CIVIL BUDGET IN FRENCH PARLIAMENT

Louis Klotz Asks Nearly Nine Billion Francs for Civil Expenditure.

Paris, Sept. 25.—Louis Klotz, minister of finance, asked parliament today to appropriate 8,928,000,000 (\$1,700,000,000) francs for civil expenditures in 1919, an increase of 95,000,000 francs over the current year, chiefly due to the interest on the national debt, which would be 713,000,000 more than in 1918.

SEND 40 CANADIAN PLANES TO SIBERIA

Announcement Made of Important Decision by the Militia Department.

Canada will have forty airplanes as part of the Dominion's expeditionary force for service in Siberia. An authoritative announcement of this important decision of the department of militia was made in Toronto to The World yesterday afternoon. The announcement of this decision is regarded as of great importance in relation to the purpose of the imperial authorities in securing so completely equipped a contingent. It is pointed out that the sending of such a comparatively large aviation unit indicates offensive work by the Canadian contingent in Russia. This is considered to be in line with the personnel of the chief officers, both General J. H. Elmsley, who will command the contingent, and General H. C. Bickford, who will command the infantry brigade, being noted for their strong powers of initiative and active service experience in several British campaigns.

EVACUATING METZ

Amsterdam, Sept. 25.—"It is announced that, owing to the long range bombardment of Metz and other places, preparations are making for the expeditious evacuation of civilians and movable property from places within range of such guns when the evacuation becomes necessary," says a despatch received here from Berlin.

WOULD GUARANTEE FARMERS \$15.50 A HUNDRED FOR HOGS

Washington, Sept. 25.—Guarantee to farmers of a minimum price of \$15.50 a hundred pounds for hogs during the war is recommended by the national agricultural advisory committee in a report submitted today to the food administration. The food administration possesses no power to fix definite prices for hogs or for corn, the report points out, that prices may be regulated to a great extent through control orders for the army, navy, allied and export trade.

ADVICE THAT METRIC SYSTEM BE ADOPTED FOR CANADA

Montreal, Sept. 25.—That the metric system for weights and measures should be optional for a certain fixed period of years, and then become obligatory, is the suggestion being sent forward by the Montreal Chamber of Commerce to the Dominion Government.

CHANGE IN TACTICS OUTDOES GERMANS

French Carry Dallon Position in Resolute Frontal Attack.

SWEEP WOODS CLEAR. Allies Speedily Overcome Resistance Ordered to the Death.

With the French Army in France, Sept. 25.—General Debeney's troops in their latest advance toward St. Quentin, took a position at Dallon which the enemy German division had been ordered to "hold to the last drop of blood." Ten German officers and more than 500 men were prevented from making the sacrifice demanded of them. The French troops were not to carry on so quickly that they could not carry out the order of their commanding general, Von La Chevalerie, except by committing suicide. The alternative of holding strong positions on the heights protecting their own frontier. This is the only place where they are offering much resistance. With the expected fall of Vales, it is believed that the next objective of the allied army will be Uskub in order to re-establish the Salonica-Uskub railway communication. From Uskub it will be easier to move into Bulgaria than by attempting to enter thru the Strumitsa district, where the natural defenses are exceptionally strong. Allied patrols have reached the Bulgarian frontier and at several places have penetrated into Bulgarian territory, but no infantry is yet on Bulgarian soil. The artillery steadily is bombarding the mountain passes thru which the Bulgarians are removing their heavy material under the protection of strong rear-guards.

FIFTY-THREE AIRPLANES WORSTED BY BRITISH

Over Two Thousand Aerial Photographs of German Positions Taken.

London, Sept. 25.—Fifty-three hostile airplanes were accounted for by British aviators on Tuesday, according to the official announcement tonight. Thirty-one of these were destroyed and 22 driven down. Ten British machines failed to return. More than 2000 photographs were taken and 121-2 tons of bombs were dropped in 24 hours.

AMERICAN RAIDERS TAKE PRISONERS IN WOEVRÉ

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DISASTERS PILE UP ON ENEMY IN MACEDONIA

Bulgarian Armies, Splitting Up, Continue Flight Before Allies.

SERBIANS OVER VARDAR

British Cavalry Approaches Border of King Ferdinand's Realm.

London, Sept. 25.—Developments on the Macedonian front today point to further disasters for the Bulgarian armies, which are fleeing before the allied troops. The Serbians, according to the latest news reaching London, have crossed the Vardar River northwest of Gradsko and have established a third bridgehead south of Bish Ota. They are also advancing along the Bregalnitsa River, which flows into the Vardar about four miles northwest of Gradsko, and have cut the main road to Ishtib. The Hungarian army has now been cut into a number of groups. The whole of the Monastir-Prilep-Gradsko road connecting up the two Bulgarian armies is now in the hands of the allies, according to news received here late tonight. The allied cavalry is within 10 miles of the second line extending between Vales, Ishtib and Prilep. The enemy is fighting hard to obtain possession of this road and also the sector west of Prilep, and it seems to be a race for Ishtib, as the allied forces are as near to the city as the Bulgarians. A bold course of Vardar. The allies are now in possession of the whole course of the Vardar River from Ghegeli to Gradsko. Tonight's reports say that the Serbians have taken 30 guns in addition to those already reported. The Bulgarians are now retreating on a total front estimated at about 130 miles, the second Bulgarian army under Gen. Fedoroff being in retreat before the British and Greeks on a front extending from the Vardar to the Struma. A British invasion of Bulgaria seems likely, and the Bulgarians are reported to be fortifying the old road from Fohrovo to Strumitsa, which the British cavalry is approaching.

STUBBORN RESISTANCE

Paris, Sept. 25.—Stubborn resistance is being encountered by the allied army under Gen. Fréchet d'Espèrey on the Bulgarian frontier beyond Denirkapu Pass and Strumitsa station, where furious fighting is progressing on the left bank of the River Vardar. The Bulgarians are holding strong positions on the heights protecting their own frontier. This is the only place where they are offering much resistance. With the expected fall of Vales, it is believed that the next objective of the allied army will be Uskub in order to re-establish the Salonica-Uskub railway communication. From Uskub it will be easier to move into Bulgaria than by attempting to enter thru the Strumitsa district, where the natural defenses are exceptionally strong. Allied patrols have reached the Bulgarian frontier and at several places have penetrated into Bulgarian territory, but no infantry is yet on Bulgarian soil. The artillery steadily is bombarding the mountain passes thru which the Bulgarians are removing their heavy material under the protection of strong rear-guards.

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