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London, Sept. 25--"Field Marshal Sir John French in a report from British headquarters states that on Saturday, following heavy bombardment which had been continued for some days, British forces succeeded in penetrating German positions, in some instances to a depth of 4,000 yards.
"Hill No. 70, around which so many struggles have taken place, was captured by assault, 1,700 German risoners and many guns falling into British hands.
Berlin official report admits a victory for the allies and admits also a repulse by the Russians in the east.
London, Sept. 26.-The British and French armies have taken several large "nib-
bles" out of the German lines between Verdun and the Belgium coast, capturing in the process trenches along a front of about 20 miles and just under_fourteen thousand prisoners, eight guns and a number of machine guns.. At the same time British warships and French and Belgium batteries heavily bombarded the German positions on the coast between Seebrugge and Nieuport.

The offensive which resulted in the French and British victories begun Saturday
ning. For several weeks there has been an almost incessant bombardment with big morning. For several weeks there has been an almost incessant bombardment with big guns which late last week increased in intensity particularly in the sectors where the infan-
try attacks took place. The French, who has the most important gain to their credit, made their chief onslaught on the German lines around Perthes, Beusejour and Sippes in Champagne, where in December, they made considerable gains of ground.

Saturday's attack, however, backed by a tremendous artillery fire, gave them possession of more territory than they had retaken from the Germans since the latter oug themselves in after the battle of Marne.
$A$ a front of 15 miles varying in depth from two thirds of a mile to two and a half miles. The French in this engagement captured 12,000 prisoners. Apparently the advantage is being pressed still further as the French communication makes only the briefest mention the operations.

The importance of this gain lies in the fact that every yard of ground taken in this region weakens the German position around Verdun, from which the Germans might be compelied to retire should the French succeed in making any further advance. The French
also have regained the cemetery of Souchez and trenches east of the "Labrynithe" in the Arras district which was the scene of much heavy fighting earlier in the year. There the Germans had built what they considered aimost impregnable fortifications.

The attack was made in co-operation with the British, who attacked on either side of La Bassee Canal. The attack to the south of the canal was, Field Marshal Sir John French reports, a complete success. Trenches five miles in width and about four thousand yards in depth were taken at this point.

This push forward gives the British possession of the road from Lens to La Bassee, threatens to flank the German troops which hold the town Lans.


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