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PROGRESS OF THE WAR

[October 10 to October 16]
THE period under review was another
week of most satisfactory results to
the arms of the Entente Allies on nearly
every battle front.

On the Western front a drive, in great
force by British, French, and Belgians was
begun in Flanders between Nieupoort and
the River Lys, and a great advance was
made, reaching almost to Thourout and
Courtrai. Over 15,000 German prisoners
were taken, together with over 100 guns
and vast quantities of small arms and
war material. In this sector the Germans
were in retreat, with the apparent in-
tention of abandoning the Belgian coast
South of the Lys. The British advanced
their front on the sector between Lille
and Douai, both of which places were on
the point of capture at the week's close.
East and northeast of Cambrai British
and American troops made steady pro-
gress in hard-fought actions. The French
gained to the east of St. Quentin, and to
the south of it they completed the capture
of La Fere. They made further gains in
the St. Gobain forest between La Fere
and Laon, the Italians cooperating with
them in this sector. Further east, from
Cranshaw northwest of Reims to the Meuse
south of Dun, the French on the west and
the Americans on the east continued their
steady pressure on the strongly-resisting
reinforced Germans and made daily gains.
East of the Meuse, too, the Americans
gained important ground, overcoming
most stubborn German resistance. No
figures are available of the total number
of prisoners taken on the whole Western
front by the Entente Allies during the
week, but it cannot have been less than
50,000. The losses in killed and wounded
inflicted on the enemy were enormous;
but the Allies suffered severely too, as
the casualty lists show, and have shown
for many weeks past. Canadians figure
prominently in the lists, and have gained
further immortal renown in this, the last,
stage of the greatest war in history.

The Austro-Italian campaign was not
marked by any operations of great ex-
tent of importance, though there was con-
siderable local fighting, with the usual
cannonading and aerial raids.
The Balkan campaign yielded further
satisfactory results to the Entente Allies
during the week. In Albania the Italians
pressed the Austrians back to the north of
Elbasan, and they occupied Durazzo,
which had been used as a naval base by
the Austrians. The Allies occupied all
the Greek territory vacated by the Bul-
garians east of the Vardar river; and they
continued their advance northward in
Serbia, capturing Nish, and moving along
the railway in the direction of Belgrade
they occupied the valley of the southern
Morava River and the dominating heights
on both sides of it. Many German and
Austrian prisoners were taken, and much
booty was secured.

Very little was heard concerning Russia
during the week, but one satisfactory
piece of news was received, that of the
release by the Bolsheviks of British offi-
cials held prisoners or as hostages in
Moscow.

In the Holy Land the forces of General
Allenby took possession of Tripoli, a
Mediterranean port in Lebanon; and they
also took Hama, a town at the junction of
the railway from Tripoli with the Hedjaz
railway, and about 100 miles south of
Aleppo.

The "News of the Sea" this week re-
cords some of the greatest and most
terrible marine tragedies since the war
began. The sinking by German subma-
rines of the Japanese liner *Hirano Maru*
and the Dublin mail packet steamer
Leinster are on a par with the worst of
the previous German submarine atrocities.
The loss of the *Otranto*, a transport carry-
ing American troops, was due to collision
with another ship in the convoy. Over
1000 lives were lost from the three
vessels.

The most outstanding event of the week
was the sending by the new German
Foreign Secretary, Solf, another armistice
proposal to President Wilson. The
President's reply was uncompromising.
No armistice could be granted till the
atrocities on land and sea have ceased.
There will be no peace till Prussian
militarism has been wiped out, and auto-
cracy has been done away with forever.
Austria-Hungary, too, had sent peace pro-
posals to President Wilson, who had not
yet replied to the dual monarchy. Turkey
was expected to make a proposal for a
separate peace, but had not done so at
the week's close.

This talk of peace does not prevent the

war from going on, but it shows that the
Teutonic cause is hopeless, and that the
Allies will not stay their hand till the
Germans are driven from all invaded
territory. And it may be necessary for
the Allies to occupy portions of German
territory to guarantee the fulfilment of
obligations which must be imposed as a
condition of peace. All the wrong that
has been done must be righted as far as is
possible, the crimes committed must be
expiated, and the losses and damage in-
flicted must be compensated for. "The
way of the transgressor is hard." Who
can ask to have it made smooth for the
worst transgressor since the world began?

WEIR OWNERS STAND A LOSS

This has not been a good year for the
sardine fisheries. Last year such large
amounts were made in this branch of fish-
ing that more capital than ever before was
invested this spring in the erection of
weirs and the purchase of plants and
equipment. According to a statement
made yesterday by J. Frederick Belyea,
the losses sustained in this district alone
amount to something like \$150,000, and it
will take an extraordinarily good season
next year to begin to square the losses
made owing to the lack of fish this year.
Various theories are advanced to account
for the failure of the season, but the fact
with which the fishermen are chiefly con-
cerned is the absence of the fish, with
the consequent balance on the wrong side
of the ledger.

Owing partly to the great quantity of
fish caught last year, the Booth Fisheries
Ltd., erected a large sardine canning plant
here this year. So far the catch has been
so small that the plant has not been able
to turn out the anticipated stock of sar-
dines, but better luck is hoped for next
year.

Owing to the delay in the arrival of the
usual fall storms, the weirs have not been
dismantled this year as early as usual,
and on this account some of the owners
were able to take advantage of a run
which occurred over the week-end.
Something like thirty hogheads of fish
were taken from the harbor weirs, but
those outside escaped this run of luck.
As the season practically is over, the fish-
ermen do not expect to take many more
fish this year and there is no chance of re-
couping the losses already sustained.—*St.
John Telegraph.*

THE WEEK'S ANNIVERSARIES

October 20.—Navarino, 1827. John
Winthrop chosen first Governor of Mas-
sachusetts, 1629; Sir Christopher Wren,
architect of St. Paul's Cathedral, London,
born, 1632; Lima, Peru, destroyed by
earthquake, 1687; Copenhagen destroyed
by fire, 1728; Lord Palmerston, British
Prime Minister, born, 1784; Grace Dar-
ling, heroine of Longstone Lighthouse,
Northumberland, England, died, 1842;
Red River Rebellion began, 1869;
Earthquake in Canada, 1870; Bartholdi
Statue of Liberty erected in New York
Harbor, 1886; James Anthony Froude,
English historian, died, 1894.

October 21.—TRAFALGAR DAY. Death
of Admiral Lord Nelson, British naval
hero, 1805; J. C. Scaliger, Italian scholar,
died, 1588; Edmund Waller, English poet,
died, 1687; George Colman, the younger,
English dramatist, born, 1762; Tobias
Smollet, Scottish novelist, died, 1771;
Samuel Taylor Coleridge, English poet
and philosopher, born, 1772; Frigate *Con-
stitution* launched at Boston, Mass., 1797;
John Philpot Curran, Irish orator, died,
1817; Jenny Lind Goldschmidt, Swedish
singer, born, 1821; Sir William Christie,
former English Astronomer Royal, born,
1845; Will Carleton, American poet, born,
1845; Rt. Hon. John Burns, M. P., British
labor leader, born, 1858.

October 22.—Revocation of the Edict of
Nantes, 1685; Admiral Sir Cloudesley
Shovel, English naval commander, died,
1707; Sir Philip Francis, clerk in the Brit-
ish War Office, reputed author of the
Letters of Junius, born, 1740; Peyton
Randolph, first President of the American
Continental Congress, died, 1775; Franz
Liszt, Hungarian pianist and composer,
born, 1811; City of Moscow reconquered
by Russians, 1812; Samuel Houston elected
first President of the Republic of
Texas, 1836; Madame Sarah Bernhardt,
French actress, born, 1845; Captain
Mayne Reid, R. N., Irish novelist, died,
1883.

October 23.—Edgehill, 1642. Ypres, 1914.
Carthage sacked by the Vandals, 439;
Francis, Lord Jeffrey, Scottish judge and
literary critic born, 1773; Charles Fechter,
French actor, born, 1824; Lord St.
Aldwyn, British statesman, born, 1837;
Dr. Robert Bridges, English Poet Laureate,
born, 1844; Marquess of Lansdowne
assumed office of Governor-General of
Canada, 1883.

October 24.—Tycho Brahe, Danish
astronomer, born, 1564; Peace of West-
phalia, ending "Thirty Years' War," 1648;
William Penn first landed in America, at
Newcastle, Del., 1682; Sir Moses Monte-
fiore, Jewish philanthropist and friend of
Queen Victoria, born, 1794; First patent
for a friction match granted to Alonzo
Phillips, Springfield, Mass., 1836; Joseph
Lancaster, English educationalist, died,
1838; Legal fiction of *John Doe* and *Rich-
ard Roe* abolished in Great Britain, 1852;
Daniel Webster, American statesman and
orator, died, 1852; Rt. Hon. Sir Horace
Plunkett, British statesman and agricul-

turist, born, 1854; McKensie family
murdered by Slavin and Breen at Mispic,
St. John County, N. B., 1857; Queen Vic-
toria of Spain born, 1877.

October 25.—St. Crispin. Agincourt,
1415. Balacava, 1854. Demosthenes,
Greek orator, died, 322 B. C.; Alfred the
Great of England, born, 1849; King
Stephen of England born, 1254; Geoffrey
Chaucer, English poet, died, 1400; Dr.
James Beattie, Scottish poet, born, 1735;
King George II. of England died, 1760;
William Hogarth, English painter and
engraver, died, 1764; John Hancock chosen
first Governor of Massachusetts under
new constitution, 1780; Lord Macaulay,
English historian, essayist, and poet, born,
1800; Erie Canal completed, 1825; Mrs.
Annie Besant, English theosophist and so-
cial and political agitator, born, 1847; Hon.
Peter Mitchell, one of the "Fathers of
Canadian Federation," a Minister of
Marine and Fisheries, died, 1899; Great
Britain formally annexed the Transvaal,
South Africa, 1900.

October 26.—Sir Godfrey Kneller, Ger-
man portrait painter, died, 1723; Charles
F. Dupuis, French astronomer, born, 1742;
Dr. Philip Doddridge, English divine and
author, died, 1751; Count von Moltke,
German military commander, born, 1800;
Thomas W. Keene, American actor, born,
1840; Captain McClure, British naval
commander, discovered North-West Pas-
sage, 1850; Hon. A. L. Sifton, Canadian
statesman, born, 1858; Elizabeth Cady
Stanton, American leader in women's
advancement, died, 1902.

TOWNS DESTROYED AND LIVES LOST

Duluth, Oct. 14.—Twenty-one towns
were destroyed, with a known death list
of 298, by the fire which swept north-
eastern Minnesota Saturday and Sunday.
The injured in Duluth hospitals total 106.
The towns totally or partially destroyed,
are: Cloquet, Moose Lake, Kettle River,
Lawler, Adolph, Munger, Five Corners,
Harney, Grand Lake, Maple Grove, Twig,
Barner, Matthews, Atkinson, French
River, Clifton, Carleton, Brookston,
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