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ALLIES KEEPING UP GOOD WORK ON THE WESTERN BATTLEFRONT

Important Gains by British Troops on the Somme Front

**Line Pushed Forward From Two to Three Thousand Yards---
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Miles---French Capture More German Trenches North
of the Somme---Allied Successes in Macedonia**

LONDON, Sept. 15.—The British returned to the attack on the Somme front last night, charging over a sector about six miles long. The War Office announced today they had advanced from 2,000 to 3,000 yards and were continuing to make progress as the attack went on.

The attack was made along the whole British front, along which the heaviest fighting has been in progress recently. The British advanced on the line from Bouleaux wood, between Combles and Ginchy, to a point to the north of the highway between Albert and Bapaume.

PARIS, Sept. 15.—North of the Somme, the French last night captured a series of German trenches and advanced as far as the village of Ran-court, the War Office announced today. On the Verdun front two German attacks were repulsed and the enemy forced to retire to their trenches.

The Entente Allies have won a series of successes on the Macedonian front, the War Office announced today. French, British and Serbian forces operating at different points have broken through the Bulgarian defences and the French have captured positions half a mile deep over a front of a mile. A brilliant victory by the Serbians over the Bulgarians was scored after a battle lasting several days, west of Lake Ostrovo, near the western end of the fighting front. The British success was effected west of the Vardar, near the centre of the Entente front, where they captured important positions. The lines forced by the French were east of the Vardar.

Gallant Serbians Pushing Back the Bulgarian Forces on the Saloniki Front

SALONIKI, Sept. 14, via London, Sept. 15.—The Serbians are successfully pushing the Bulgarians back at several points on their section of the Saloniki front, according to an official statement issued at Serbian headquarters today.

The statement says: "Our offensive continued yesterday on the entire front with complete success. According to the statements of prisoners, the intensity and precision of our artillery fire inflicted heavy losses on the enemy. At many points the Bulgarians are retiring under the pressure of our infantry, which is successively occupying enemy positions. Our action continues energetically."

Maud Allen, the Famous Classic Dancer, Describes the Recent Air Raid on London

NEW YORK, Sept. 15.—Miss Maud Allen, classic dancer, who will soon tour the United States and Canada, and who arrived yesterday on the Lapland, told of a narrow escape she had in the last Zeppelin raid on London, on Sept. 3rd, when thirteen Zeppelins bombarded the east coast of England and three succeeded in dropping bombs on London itself.

Miss Allen said she was awakened at 2.30 in the morning by the heavy firing of the anti-aircraft artillery in a nearby arsenal. Shrapnel began falling all around. The Londoners had a taste of real warfare, she said.

"We watched the flying cigar-shaped object, which was occasionally illuminated by one of the high-power search-lights. Suddenly a spark glowed at the end of the airship, and soon little tongues of flame could be seen spurting from various parts of the envelope. Two explosions followed, and the Zeppelin burst into a mass of flames.

"It remained stationary a moment, then swayed and dropped with amazing rapidity. The following morning I found many pieces of shrapnel and burst shells in my garden, which showed what a narrow escape we all had."

ITALIANS IN AIR RAID.

Rome, Sept. 15.—Eleven Italian seaplanes accompanied by several French aeroplanes, bombarded batteries and sheds at Parezo, thirty miles southwest of Trieste, with good effect, according to an official statement issued today. The statement says the aircraft all returned intact to their bases.

BOMBS DROPPED ON SOFIA.

LONDON, Sept. 15.—Five bombs have been dropped on Sofia by two French aviators, Noel and Leseur, according to a despatch to Reuter's from Bucharest. The two airmen flew from Saloniki to Bucharest, passing Sofia on their way. The voyage lasted five hours. The distance traversed was about four hundred miles.

LIBERALS SMASHED THE MACHINE

Montreal, Sept. 15.—A Vancouver despatch to the Star this afternoon says:

Winning from 40 to 42 seats out of a total of 47 in the Legislature, the Liberals of British Columbia have succeeded in "smashing the machine," as their party slogan sang it during the recent campaign. On yesterday's vote Premier Bowser and his entire cabinet were apparently defeated, though results in several close constituencies, are still in doubt.

Prohibition has been carried by 6,000 to 7,000 majority, and woman suffrage by more than that.

Fifty thousand votes were cast yesterday and the votes of upwards of 20,000 soldiers are yet to be counted. There is no justification for believing that the general result of the election or of the referendums on prohibition and woman's suffrage will be materially changed when the ballots of the men in khaki are counted. Six liberals were elected in Vancouver, with Premier Bowser 170 votes below the lowest Liberal. It would not be surprising if he would overcome this lead by the military vote. The only seats definitely known to have been won by the Conservatives are Nelson, Cowichan, Atlin and Yale. Still in doubt are Lillo-let, South Okanagan, and Slocan.

SCHOONER GOES DOWN.

Fecamp, France, Sept. 14.—The three masted schooner Europe, 356 tons gross, formerly in the Newfoundland fisheries trade, has been sunk. Eleven of the crew landed.

BOWSER GOVERNMENT COMPLETELY ROUTED IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

**Conservatives Will Have Only Ten Mem-
bers in a House of Forty-Five---
Premier Bowser Among the Slain in
Vancouver--Liberal Leader N. B. Man**

VANCOUVER, Sept. 15.—The Bowser government has gone down to defeat. So far the returns are not full enough to determine definitely, but it looks as if about ten Conservatives would survive the election. Premier Bowser himself is defeated. Prohibition has carried, although the vote is closer than expected, and the suffrage bill is also carried.

The result came as a distinct surprise to the Conservatives. The Liberals accepted the result as a natural conclusion to conditions in the province and the revolt against a long continued rule of party. Although the returns are still far from complete, there is no doubt that first indications will be sustained—35 Liberals, 10 Conservatives.

Returns From the Prohibition Vote Were Incomplete at an Early Hour Today

The prohibition returns received up to an early hour this morning were still far from complete. Though the general impression among leaders of both the prohibition and liquor interests expected the vote would be favorable to the "drys," there was a good deal of uncertainty regarding the probable decision in Vancouver.

List of the Candidates in the Various Constituencies Who Have Been Returned

The following is a list of the candidates whose election is assured:

Constituency.	Liberal.	Conservative.
Alberni	H. C. Brewster	
Atlin		W. X. Macdonald
Cariboo	J. Yorston	
Chilliwack		W. I. MacKean
Cowichan		W. H. Hayward
Columbia	John Buchan	
Comox	Hugh Stuart	
Cranbrook	Dr. J. H. King	
Delta		F. J. Mackenzie
Dewdney	John Oliver	
Esquimalt	A. W. McGurdy	
Fort George	W. B. Ross	
Fernie	A. E. Fisher	
Greenwood	Dr. J. D. McLean	
Grand Fork	J. F. Thompson	
Islands		W. W. Foster
Kamloops	F. W. Anderson	
Kaslo	John Keen	
Lillolet	J. P. Bryson	
Nelson		Dr. W. O. Rose
Nanaimo	William Sloan	
North Okanagan	Dr. K. McDonald	
South Okanagan		Mayor Jones
Newcastle	P. Williams	
Westminster	D. Whiteside	
Omineca	A. W. Manson	
Revelstoke	Dr. Sutherland	
Rossland	W. D. Wilson	
Richmond	G. C. McGeer	
Saanich	F. A. Pauline	
Similkameen		L. W. Shatford
Skeena	T. D. Pattulo	
Slocan	G. F. Nelson	
North Vancouver	Mayor Hayes	
South Vancouver	J. W. Wear	
Trail	J. Schofield	
Vancouver	M. A. Macdonald	
Vancouver	Ralph Smith	
Vancouver	P. D. Donnelly	
Vancouver	Dr. McIntosh	
Vancouver	J. S. Cowper	
Vancouver	J. W. DeB. Farris	
Victoria	H. C. Brewster	
Victoria	George Bell	
Victoria	John Hartt	
Victoria	H. C. Hall	
Yale	Alex. Lucas	

Premier Bowser Was Nearly 1,300 Votes Behind Highest Liberal in Vancouver

Complete returns for Vancouver are as follows:

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TURKEY AND BULGARIA ARE BADLY IN NEED OF HELP

NEW YORK, Sept. 15.—A London News Agency despatch to the New York Sun says:

"Bulgaria and Turkey are badly in need of help from Germany and Austria, because of the entry of Roumania into the war. That is why Enver Pasha, the Turkish minister of war, and King Ferdinand of Bulgaria are conferring with the Kaiser and Von Hindenburg at headquarters on the eastern front, according to a despatch from the correspondent of the Daily Express at Geneva, who bases his message upon Budapest despatches.

Defeat of Bulgarians Would Mean Isolation of Turkey.

These despatches say that Enver Pasha and King Ferdinand pointed out to the German and Austrian leaders that if Bulgaria were attacked on the north by a large Russo-Roumanian army, she would be forced to evacuate Greek Macedonia and the whole Saloniki front before General Sarrail's allied army. Enver suggested to the Kaiser that the Turkish forces sent recently to the Russian front should return to aid the Bulgarians, for if the Bulgars were defeated Turkey would be isolated and surrounded.

The correspondent says Austria has promised guns, but no men to aid her southern allies. The answer of Germany is unknown.

PERSONAL

Judge Wilson left yesterday for Halifax to attend the exhibition.

Mr. Henry Braithwaite, the veteran guide, returned yesterday from the Miramichi woods.

Miss Maud Wheeler, of Edmundston is spending a few days in the city.

Mr. Edward Dunphy, formerly of St. Marys, who has been in Winnipeg for fourteen years, arrived here yesterday to visit his sister, Miss Prudence Dunphy.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Lewis, of Haverhill, Mass., are in the city visiting Mrs. Lewis' sister, Mrs. Geo. O'Neill.

Mr. James Lowther, who travels for the Hartt Boot & Shoe Co. in western Ontario, is spending a few days in the city.

Mr. J. H. Sackville is visiting her sister, Mrs. Wardlaw Kilburn.

British Capture Village of Fleers

London, Sept. 15.—The British in their offensive along the Somme have broken the German third line of defence and have taken the village of Fleers, two miles north of Ginchy, according to reports received by Reuter's Telegram Co. today.

British forces are also reported to have gained the outskirts of Martinpich, a mile and a half east of Pozieres, the report adds.

Hartland Observer: Miss Geraldine Thompson, who has been the guest of Miss Elso Sipprell, has returned to her home in Fredericton.