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VIOLENT STRUGGLE IS NOW BEING KEPT UP ON THE WESTERN FRONT

Greece Said to Have Declared War on the Bulgarians

Positive Statement by the Associated Press That King Constantine Has Given His Decision---Strong Attacks by Germans in the West are Repulsed.

ATHENS, Sept. 27, via London, Sept. 28.—The Associated Press is in a position to state positively that King Constantine decided this morning in favor of an immediate declaration of war on Bulgaria.

PARIS, Sept. 28.—A strong attack was made by the Germans last night on the Verdun front, between Thiaumont and Fleury. The War Office today announced that the assault had been repulsed with heavy losses for the Germans. On the Somme front French batteries are actively bombarding the German positions with noticeable effect.

LONDON, Sept. 28.—The repulse of four successive Bulgarian attacks on Kaimakalan Mountain is described in a despatch from Serbian headquarters to Reuter's under yesterday's date. The despatch reads:

"The Bulgarians, after receiving reinforcements of more than a regiment, yesterday attacked the Serbian line at Kaimakalan. In the darkness they were able to get into the first line trenches, but at a heavy sacrifice. An officer who was taken prisoner said that crossing the space between the opposing lines was like walking over a field of corpses.

"Desperate hand-to-hand fighting occurred in the trenches. The Bulgarians attacked four times, but were driven out and finally retired, beaten. The Serbian losses were heavy, the Bulgarians fearful."

PARIS, Sept. 28.—Bulgarian forces made two attempts last night near Florina, on the western end of the Macedonian front. The repulse of these attacks by the French and Russians is reported in an official statement today. No further attack on Kaimakalan Heights has been undertaken by the Bulgarians. On the Struma front British artillery has been active.

Capture of Combles Regarded in London

As an Indication of Bigger Things to Come

NEW YORK, Sept. 28.—A London cable to the World says: London is greatly elated at the news of the capture of Combles and Thiepval. The value of the news is appreciated, but it is regarded only as the indication of bigger things, which must be gained by hard fighting.

It is claimed here that the casualties of both French and British are being reduced at every fresh move, not merely because of the terrific bombardments that precede all advances, but also owing to the new methods adopted.

The recent successes do not inspire any unduly optimistic hopes of an earlier termination of the war which is still expected to continue another year, unless something happens in Austria or the Balkans to cripple Germany.

Air Behind the British Lines is Full of

Rumors, and Victory May be Far Reaching

The shortening of the German front now being predicted by the German papers as the best means of blocking the Allied advance, causes no concern here. It is doubtful if such a manoeuvre could be carried out without huge losses by the Germans. It is believed, moreover, that even when carried out it will increase instead of lessening the vulnerability of the German lines.

The Daily News correspondent at the Somme front says the air is full of rumors behind the lines, and no one knows how far reaching the Allied victory may be.

The Allies Have Swept the Opposition

Aside on a Large Part of the Western Front

"The Allies over a large part of the front have swept the opposition aside," he says. "and the immediate resistance has melted in a way they hardly dared hope for. We hear only stories of how the Germans ran.

"A wounded private today told me contemptuously, 'We could have taken a trench with picks and shovels.'"

MARITIME MEN IN CASUALTY LIST

Ottawa, Sept. 28.—The midnight casualty list contains the names of the following eastern men:

Infantry.
Died of Wounds.
Pte. C. Boldon, Minto, N. B.
Wounded.
Pte. McGinnis, Antigonish, N. S.
Pte. H. W. McGrath, Victoria Peak, N. S.
Pte. W. E. Marsden, Halifax.
Pte. W. E. McLellan, Greenmount, P. E. I.
Lance Sergt. H. B. Moore, Halifax.
Pte. N. B. Moore, Kentville, N. S.
Pte. A. H. Paton, Westville, N. S.
Pte. A. Langille, Pugwash, N. S.
Pte. G. I. Leach, Brooklyn, Maine.
Pte. E. A. Power, Halifax.
Lance Corp. G. A. Lockhart, Steeves Mountain, N. S.
Pte. Johns, New Germany, N. S.
Pte. C. J. McPherson, St. John, N. B.
Pte. E. McCarthy, St. John.
Pte. W. Hire, Halifax.
Pte. F. L. Young, Mill Cove, Lunenburg, N. S.
Lance Corp. J. H. Waterfield, Dartmouth, N. S.
Pte. W. Leclair, Balmoral, N. B.
Pioneer O. Swimmer, Three Mile Plain, Hants, N. S.
Artillery.
Died of Wounds.
Pte. W. Laidlaw, Midlothian, N. S.
Wounded.
Pte. C. L. Cies, St. Johns, Que.
Bombardier Chas. L. Meurant, Souris, P. E. Island.
Engineers.
Died of Wounds.
Pte. M. R. Riex, Anderson Siding, Restigouche Co., N. B.
Mounted Rifles.
Wounded.
Died of Wounds.
Pte. E. E. Bishop, South Alton, Kings County, N. S.
Acting Corp. G. Haines, Newport Station, N. S.
Army Supply Service.
Wounded.
Driver C. C. Barton, Cumberland Bay, Queens County, N. B.
When a miser marries he picks out a woman who looks nice in her old clothes.

ALLIES CAPTURED FIVE THOUSAND PRISONERS IN TWO DAYS

Many Stories of Courage and Heroism Told by Correspondent With British On Western Front---Tank Became Stalled and Was Rescued.

British Front in France, Sept. 27, midnight, (via London).—In the lull which has occurred after the great two days' battle, in which five villages and 5,000 prisoners were taken by the Allies the correspondent has had an opportunity to glean many stories from the participants in the struggle.

These stories were not only of courage and heroism, but of a humor and paradox possible only in such complicated and remorseless warfare. The most wonderful of all the tales told was perhaps that of one of the tanks, or new armored motor cars, which started for Berlin on its own account. This monstrous land ship, ambling and rumbling along, did not join the infantry after the taking of Guedecourt, but plodded on over shell holes and across lots, looking for its prey like some prehistoric lizard.

Tank Car Ran Short of Gasoline While

Making an Attack on a German Trench

In the course of time it found a German trench, but as it engaged the occupants with its machine guns it ran out of gasoline. When the Germans found this strange creature, with steel hide impenetrable to bullets, stalled, curiosity and revenge caused them to go after it with the avidity of prehistoric man stalking a wounded mammoth, whose bulk was fast in one of the alleys of the cave dwellers.

No such game was ever seen on the western front, marked as it has been by all kinds of bizarre fighting.

Huns Crawled About the Monster, But

Did Not Succeed in Finding a Vital Spot

According to the accounts given by the British officers with veracious solemnity, while the tank's machine guns blazed right and left, some of the Germans managed to creep along the trenches under the forelegs and hindlegs of the crouching beast. Then they swarmed over it, looking for an opening through which to strike at its vitals.

They fired their rifles into joints and bombed it all over, but to no more avail than burglars trying to reach the inside of a battleship turret with a jimmy. All the while the tank's machine guns kept busy at the human targets in reach, while its crew, chosen daredevils, concluded to stick until they starved or the Germans found the proper can-opener to get them out.

Heroic British Soldiers Drove Off the

Germans and Rescued the Impounded Tank

Finally the British infantry in the rear, seeing the tank in distress, refused to wait on any general's orders that they should remain at the objective which they had gained.

They were out to save the impounded tank and with a cheer they rushed the Germans and overwhelmed them.

When the crew heard the laughing and shouting in English, they opened the door and called out: "We are all right if you will only get us some more juice, so that the old girl can have a guzzle of her proper drink and we can take the road again." So the infantry formed a line in front of the tank and determined to defend her to the last man while a runner was hurried back for a can of gasoline.

The gasoline arrived safely, and the beast, having taken a swallow, ambled back into reserves, amid wild cheers.

It left behind 250 dead Germans, according to its commander. Another tank which did well in this fight assisted in the taking of Thiepval.

TO PROCLAIM REVOLUTION.

PARIS, Sept. 28.—An Athens despatch to the Havas News Agency says that a monster meeting will be held at Mytilene tomorrow, at which the revolution will be proclaimed.

WHOLE GERMAN BATTALIONS WIPED OUT BY THE BRITISH

Enemy Not Yet Falling Back on the Rhine, But Will Renew Resistance With Fresh Troops--Wounded Officer Says His Men Would not Stand.

LONDON, Sept. 28.—Telegraphing yesterday, Percival Phillips, special correspondent of the Daily Express with the army, says:

"Let there be no false optimism about the extent of the Prussian defeat. The enemy is not falling back to the Rhine. Indeed, there is every reason to believe he will renew resistance with fresh troops and another formidable mass of guns on the line he is now taking up against his will.

Eight German Battalions Wiped Out.

Eight enemy battalions have been wiped out in trying to stem the British flood between Lesboufs and Guedecourt.

Of the 236th, 237th, 238th, 239th and 240th regiments a mere handful of daed men survived. Their fighting spirit was dead before Lesboufs and Morval fell.

As far as I could ascertain today, practically no resistance was offered in these villages.

The Men Would Not Fight.

A wounded officer commanding the fragment of a German battalion, said to his captors, "My men would not stand; I could not make them fight; they had had enough."

"This, remember, is an apology for soldiers possessed of ordinary courage and endurance, infantrymen accustomed to fierce warfare. They were not cowards.

I think that clearly represents the spirit of the Prussian troops, who sit tonight in new trenches waiting for the next inevitable onslaught."