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Huns Striving Desperately To Stem the Tide of Battle

Are Throwing in Their Best Troops and Fighting With the Energy of Despair---Breach in the Hindenburg Line is Extended

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

LONDON, Oct. 4.—News from all sectors of the western front tells of giant efforts by the enemy to stem the daily advancing tide of battle. The Germans are putting in their best troops, and, according to all correspondents, are fighting with the energy of despair. Still, there is no sign of any great retreat, except the withdrawal in the Flanders sector, where the British have occupied Armentieres and Lens and are closely pressing the retreating enemy. The recapture of the great French coal region affords great satisfaction here.

In the Sequehart-Bony sector, the Allied breach in the Hindenburg system was extended today and the fighting reached the outskirts of Mont Brehain, where Australian units, with tanks, are operating.

British forces pursuing the retreating Germans in the Lens region have reached the railway east of Lens.

FRANKFORT GAZETTE ADMITS THAT THERE IS DANGER ALONG THE WHOLE WESTERN FRONT

The importance Germans attach to the retention of this portion of the line is indicated by the Frankfort Gazette, which states that in order to prevent a frontal break through between Cambrai and St. Quentin, General Von Boehm's army has been made so strong that it is equal to a complete army group. The Gazette declares "there is great danger along the whole western front. It won't be long before an important retreat from the Hindenburg line is bound to happen, according to military opinion here."

Interesting news comes from eastern Europe. Austria has withdrawn her troops from Albania and the Italians have recaptured Berat. It is learned in official circles that German residents of Sofia and Constantinople, including officers and their families, are leaving hastily for Germany.

FRENCH AND AMERICAN TROOPS IN CHAMPAGNE CONTINUE TO MAKE SATISFACTORY PROGRESS

PARIS, Oct. 4.—French troops in the St. Quentin region have advanced east of Lesdins, says the War Office statement today, which reads as follows:

"During the night we made an advance east of Lesdins in the region of St. Quentin. North and northwest of Rheims detail operations enabled the French to enlarge their bridgehead east of the canal and to improve their positions in the region of Bethany. One hundred prisoners remained in our hands. In Champagne the Franco-Americans increased their gains northwest of Mont Blanc and Medea farm."

MAXIMILIAN TO OUTLINE HIS PROGRAM

(Canadian Press direct wire.)
London, Oct. 4.—There is little room for doubt that the solution of the German governmental crisis will be found in the shape of a coalition government under the chancellorship of Prince Maximilian of Baden. No official news of the question has as yet been reported in London, but according to German newspapers, there is a possibility that among the ministers there will be some socialists.
It is understood that the new government will be considered a collective body. All the secretaries will participate in its decisions, but the chancellor, vice-chancellor and the secretaries without portfolios.
Philip Scheidemann and a centrist deputy will form an inner committee. It is stated that Prince Maximilian will outline his programme before the Reichstag on Saturday.

SALOONS HAVE BEEN CLOSED

Philadelphia, Oct. 4.—Orders of the state health commissioner closing every saloon and place of amusement in Pennsylvania were enforced today in an effort to check the spread of Spanish influenza which in some sections of the state, particularly in the east, has reached epidemic proportions and is seriously interfering with the war industries.

TURKISH MINISTER QUILTS.

Amsterdam, Oct. 4.—The Turkish minister of the interior has resigned, according to a Constantinople message today.

C. P. R. EXPLAINS A MISLEADING STATEMENT

(Canadian Press direct wire.)
Winnipeg, Oct. 4.—In view of misleading statements issued by an organization of freight handlers, suggesting that the threatened strike at Winnipeg and elsewhere is due to the C. P. R. refusing to make the McAdoo award retroactive from August 1st to May 1st, officials of that company state that this is a smoke-cloud raised by the men to conceal the real source of dispute, which was an attempt by a small union in Calgary controlled by a foreign organizer to dictate the appointment of a superior officer, and introducing a system disorganizing all discipline in the company's organization.

The C. P. R. is pledged to carry out the interpretation of McAdoo award as made by the Canadian Railway Board, and its good faith is accepted by the responsible brotherhoods.
The men refused to submit their alleged grievances to the Railway Labor War Board. The business men of Calgary and other western cities are backing the company very strongly.

THE HUNS ARE ALARMED

Amsterdam, Oct. 4.—Responding to a demand for the establishment of a dictatorship in Germany, Herr von Berg, chief of Emperor William's cabinet, has sent the following reply to the citizens of Hanover:

"His majesty confidently expects in the present times that the entire German people will unanimously and trustfully support the Kaiser and the Empire, and with its competent leaders pursue only one aim, staking its blood and treasure to free the Fatherland from threatening dangers."

HINDENBURG LINE BROKEN BY BRITISH

Break Occurred in the Vicinity of Fresnoy—Cavalry and Whippet Tanks Get Through.

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

With the American Army in the St. Quentin sector, Oct. 4.—British forces broke through the entire Hindenburg defence system in the neighborhood of Fresnoy yesterday. As soon as the break had been made, cavalry forces swept through, being followed closely by "whippet" tanks and armored cars. According to reports which are considered reliable, the village of Fresnoy itself, was taken soon afterward.

Allied airplanes which have been flying over the rear of the Hindenburg line, report that there are only one or two thinly held, hurriedly built trench lines in front of the advancing British.

This is a perfect cavalry country and with this force free behind the enemy lines, the entire German positions to the north and south of St. Quentin are gravely menaced.

The enemy appears in full flight north of the break in the line. Allied patrols have penetrated further into Cambrai, from which the Germans are now withdrawing.

Desperate Fighting.

There was fighting of the most desperate character before the last line of the system was smashed. Fresh troops which had not been in the earlier fighting here were poured into the battle. Prospect Hill, a strong enemy position, was taken by storm. An immense number of Germans were killed during the fighting.

During the afternoon the Germans delivered a terrific counter attack against Gouy and Le Catelet. Unconfirmed reports say that they gained slightly here, but their advantage was short-lived. New British attacks were launched and desperate fighting is in progress.

Last available air reports are to the effect that the advancing British are six thousand yards beyond the Beauverre line. Machine gunners in large numbers are said to have poured through the breach in the Hindenburg system aboard motor busses.

HELPING HAND TO BELGIUM

Washington, Oct. 4.—Belgium today was given further credit of \$9,000,000 by the United States government.
This raises the total loan to Belgium to \$166,020,000, and total credits to all the Allies of \$7,215,476,666.

HUNS THROWING RESERVES INTO FIGHTING ON ST. QUENTIN FRONT

Resistance is Stiffening in the Last Phase of the Great Battle—Belgian Coast Likely to be Lost to the Enemy—Many Huns are Captured in a Tunnel.

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)

PARIS, Oct. 4.—Germany is now throwing general reserves into the battle on the St. Quentin front. This accounts for the stiffening resistance there and also along the German left flank, and marks the beginning of the last phase of the great battle. Notwithstanding violent counter attacks by the enemy the Allies continue to make gains, which although local, are nevertheless important, as they have accumulative effect on the centre of the line.

As a further result of the German retreat in the north, the enemy is now in peril of losing the Belgian coast. Should the Allies succeed in forcing their way through the gap between Ostend and Lille, it would mean disaster for the Germans. Even if the drive should be stopped on the Escaut, General Ludendorff no doubt realizes it will be difficult to resist indefinitely the growing strength of the Allies in Flanders.

HUNS TRAPPED IN A TUNNEL.

With the British Army on the St. Quentin sector, Oct. 4.—After the forty-sixth English division had crossed the St. Quentin canal yesterday, one party was sent to one end of the Bellenglise tunnel and another to the other end. There were signs immediately that the tunnel was full of men. Therefore a captured German howitzer was brought up to one end of the tunnel's mouth and a shot was sent screaming through it. Germans then literally poured from the tunnel, with their hands up, yelling "Kamerad," and terror-stricken. One shot from their own howitzer was enough completely to change the plans of the Germans, who were apparently in hiding, hoping that the Englishmen would pass on and enable them to come out and attack them from the rear, as others of their comrades did in the case of the Americans who searched advanced positions in the neighborhood of Gouy. The tunnel later was found to be littered with machine guns, rifles, ammunition and all equipment of the thousand men who abandoned it in terror.

MARYSVILLE REPORTS CASE OF KIDNAPPING

FATHER TOOK CHILD FROM SCHOOL YESTERDAY

Now Has Possession—Mother Living at Marysville—Legal Action Possible—Personal Mention.

Marysville, Oct. 4.—The resignation of the Town Marshal Samuel Stafford has been handed to the Mayor and a special meeting of the Council has been called for Monday evening when the matter will be taken into consideration, as some members of the board are reluctant about accepting the resignation.

Mrs. J. R. McConnell and daughters Misses Jennie and Doris have returned from a visit to St. John.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Hatt are visiting relatives at Penniac.

Miss Mayme Gibson is visiting her uncle Mr. James Gibson at Penniac.

A real up-to-date kidnapping stunt was pulled off here yesterday afternoon by Stephen McMenniman a man residing at Fredericton. The parties were residents of Fredericton and some time ago his wife left her home taking with her their child a young lad of about six years of age. She has been residing with relatives here and the youngster has been attending school. The father evidently had a keen desire for the possession of the child and early yesterday afternoon arrived here from Fredericton by auto and proceeding to the school asked to see the child, and having been allowed this privilege by the school teacher carried the young lad off. The mother was sent for and commenced a search for the missing child but at last accounts the father had possession. Legal action is possible.

Mr. Fenton McCormick of Blackville was a visitor in town yesterday.

Mrs. T. T. Goodwin of Moncton is the guest of Rev. Dr. Harrison and family.

Miss Viola McDowell of St. Andrews is visiting Mrs. R. Pettigrove and family.

Miss Alice Robinson is visiting friends at Danforth, Me.

Mr. G. A. Tapley is confined to his home with a severe attack of la grippe.

Mr. M. V. Dennison has recovered from his recent illness and is able to be out again.

DEATHS IN TORONTO

Toronto, Oct. 3.—Spanish influenza today claimed three victims from one family in this city. Five more patients believed to be suffering with the malady were removed to the General Hospital today.

GREAT PERFORMANCE BY THE BRITISH DIVISION IN ST. QUENTIN SECTOR

Broke Through the Hindenburg Line and Took Over 4,000 Prisoners Besides Numerous Guns --- The Terrified Germans Ran for Their Lives

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)

With the British Army on the St. Quentin Sector, Oct. 4.—Among the English divisions which have made deep gains in this sector in the recent fighting is the forty-sixth, commanded by a major general who was a private in the South African war. It was this division which first crossed the Hindenburg line at St. Quentin canal, north of Bellenglise, last Sunday. The entire division attacked from a point two thousand yards west of the Canal, and virtually annihilated all the Germans holding the first Hindenburg line there. Then, being unable to see 20 feet ahead, because of the dense fog, these soldiers followed the explosions of their barrage to the canal banks, where, under the leadership of a brigadier general, already winner of the Victoria Cross, they plunged into the water.

The opposite bank was lined with German machine guns. Some of the British wore life-belts, removed for the occasion from the "leave" boats plying between England and France, while others plunged boldly in and swam across, through a perfect hail of bullets. Some went hand over hand across life lines. Only one man was drowned in the whole operation.

REGARDED IN ARMY CIRCLES AS THE GREATEST FEAT EVER PERFORMED BY A BRITISH DIVISION

Once on the other bank the men of this North Midlands division immediately plunged into the fight, fought their way up the slippery canal banks, went over the enemy parapets and finished off hundreds in every section with bayonets, and rifles and pistols fired point-blank. The terrified Germans just a little bit further back saw the performance and ran for their lives. During the operations of a single day this division, by its dash and quick fighting took 4,200 prisoners, 70 cannon, more than a thousand machine guns and great quantities of war material. The total casualty list of the division was only 800. This is regarded by the British army as the greatest feat ever performed by a British division. It is known that the Germans are becoming so short of ammunition that many of the higher officers are alarmed, but in the retreat the destruction of dumps has been absolutely necessitated.

CAPTURE OF CHALLENGE MEANS A BREACH IN THE ENEMY'S SECOND LINE OF DEFENCE

French Headquarters in France, Oct. 4.—The capture of Challenge, northwest of the Argonne forest, means that the enemy's second line of resistance, which he was wise enough to prepare, has been breached. The line lacks the fantastic strength of the first line, seven miles back, but it enabled the enemy to hold on tenaciously during the last few days of fighting. It was organized in the great depth, like the old line, but it has no continuous lines of trenches, like the old front. It consists of many links of concrete machine gun shelters, protected by an abundance of extraordinarily deep entanglements.

The fighting has been of furious character, the Germans clinging to their positions with the greatest obstinacy. They have been enjoined by their commanders that they must hold the ground at all cost.

ACTED LIKE THE GERMANS

(Canadian Press direct wire.)
Salonki, Oct. 4.—Burning villages marked the trail of the retreating Bulgarian army in Macedonia, according to telegrams received here from the front. Bodies of slain civilians were found in the smoking ruins at many places by the advancing Allies.
Advices state that this work of destruction surpassed even that which has been reported from districts in France and Belgium, from which the Germans have been driven.

SOCIALISTS WANT PEACE

Basel, Oct. 4.—The Bulgarian socialist party will support the government in the Sobranje on the sole condition that the government makes peace, according to the socialist newspaper Nared, of Sofia, which is quoted in an despatch received here from the Bulgarian capital. As a further condition the Socialist demand that the government shall make such negotiations as are necessary to ensure good relations between the Balkan peoples and which will tend to ward the establishment of a Balkanic league.

INFLUENZA IN MONTREAL

Montreal, Oct. 3.—Forty-five new cases of Spanish influenza developed in Montreal during the last twenty-four hours, brings the total among the military forces here to 169. No further deaths have occurred since yesterday.
Fourteen new cases have developed at St. John's and four more deaths among the soldiers, making 610 cases today. Thus far the cases reported in Montreal are of a very mild type and there is little probability of a serious epidemic if due precautions are taken.

SUBSTITUTE FOR GASOLINE

New York, Oct. 3.—A "substitute" for gasoline, invented by Henry Cault, of Trenton, N. J. was tested here today at the automobile club of America and will be given a road test within a few days. It was said that today's test showed the "substitute" relatively higher horse power than gasoline. Cault said he could produce the substitute at 35 per cent less than the cost of gasoline.