GERMAN RIGHT FIGHTING HARD

Vigorous Attacks Met by Fresh Reinforcements.

ALLIES CAPTURE PERONNE

for Decisive Battle, Not Yet Really Begun.

FIGHTING IS HAND-TO-HAND

Contest in France Takes on Nature of Siege, Broken by Counter-Attacks.

AT THE BATTLE FRONT, Sept. 64 (via Paris).-The German of the Norwegian steamer Hesvik Aisne and Woevre.

The allied troops, whose gaps had been filled with freshly arrived rethrust back the masses of Germans thrown against them but eventually tack, which resulted in the gaining were captured. of considerable ground and the definite capture of Peronne, about which border men and 400 Indian Sikhs were town the fiercest engagement oc- landed near Laoshan, China, yesterday.

Germans Mow Down Hundreds.

At one place the victims of the deadly German machine guns were counted in hundreds, especially where ance of cholers in the Austrian army. the advance was across an open According to this intelligence it is adwheat field that recently had been mitted that there are nine cases of cholera among Austrian wounded sent harvested.

Some men of a French regiment taken behind the sheaves of wheat and by fulling debris. from where they had emptied their magazines, intending to start a final rush and bayonet charge.

900 Buried in One Trench. After the fight 900 dead were retreat.

buried in a single trench six feet deep, the Germans being placed at one end and the French at the other. Further toward the east, near

Berry-au-Bae, on the Aisne, north of chen has begun. Rheims, there appears to be concenhas stolidly occupied strong en- Austrian torpedo-boats and one torpedotrenchments, from which it is most difficult to dislodge them. Hereabouts the fighting has been of a desultory the Havas News Agency. character with, however, slight advantage in favor of the allies.

The men of both armies in this vi-Battle Vigorous Above Verdun.

On the Eastern wing, the Germans are throwing enormous masses of men the line of defensive forts above Verforts, although costing immense sacrifices, have been vain and the French line remains intact.

The military experts shower praise on General Joffre for the way in Zeppelin Drops Three Bombs Which which his plans are carried out. Owing to the strictness of the censorship it is impossible to give an idea of the allies' ultimate intentions.

Strong Positions, Previously Prepared, Now Occupied.

LONDON, Sept. 24 .- The Bordeaux correspondent of the Times says that the Germans apparently are concentrating their attack on the line of forts between Verdun and Toul. On the French center and left, he says, the allies have reason for confidence. He

"Let there be no mistake-the enemy are going to give serious trouble along the line where, with striking recuperative power, they managed to gather their routed hosts fleeing from the battle of the Marne.

German Positions Strong. "A week has elapsed since it first beabandon successive positions prepared ent of the Express in France says: for defense, the enemy had found to the positions on which they might hope to (Concluded on Page 2.)

correspondent of the Times writes today as follows: "The question of officers is a serious one. An examination of our casualty lists shows we have lost already over 1100 officers in killed, wounded or missing. This is two on of every five among those at the front."

LONDON, Sept. 25.—A Berlin dis-putch to the Reuter Telegram Com-pany, by way of Amsterdam, says a warrant has been issued for the arrest of Abbe Wetterle for high treason. Abbe Wetterle is a member of the Reichstag from Alsace-Lorraine and recently declared the people of that province were waiting for the French soldiers to rescue them.

LONDON, Sept. 25 .- A Pretoria dispatch to the Reuter Telegram Company says it is officially announced that the German post at Schuckmannsberg, near Zambesi, Southern Africa Both Sides Massing Troops surrendered without opposition on September 21 to the Rhodesian police. The German resident was taken to Living-

> LONDON. Sept. 24 .- Reuter's Constantinople correspondent says the former German cruiser Breslau has been renamed Midirli and the Goeben Sultan Selim. The correspondent adds that the cruisers, accompanied by Turkish gun-bonts and torpedo-boats, have been engaged in gun practice in the Black Sea.

BERLIN, Sept. 24, via Wireless to London.-Army headquarters reports that it has ascertained that one mortar shot was fired against the cathedral of Rheims, as otherwise it would have been impossible to drive away with field artillery the enemy's observation posts which were noticed there.

LONDON, Sept. 25 .- A South Shields dispatch to the Central News says that fensive was extremely vigorous today been destroyed by striking a mine in at the western end of the long line one of his assistants were killed, but stretching along the rivers Oise, the captain and the crew of 14 were the supposed intentions of Japan berescued by a British warship and brought to South Shields. *

LONDON, Sept. 24.—Russian troops occupying Seniawa, 18 miles norththrown against them, but eventually town had been sacked by the Austriaus. carried out a successful counter at- A large number of Austrian soldlers the Chinese coast

> PEKIN, Sept. 24.-A British detuch It is expected that the Anglo-Japanese attack on the first line of the Tsing-Tau defenses will begin tomorrow or Saturday.

LONDON, Sept 24.—Official confirmaback from the front.

LONDON, Sept. 24.-Another Grimswhich was making a dash toward the by trawler was blown up by a mine German position when it was struck yesterday in the North Sea. The vesterday in the North Sea. by the sweeping fire were found dead enabled all the members of the crew in the kneeling posture they had to escape, except one deckhand, killed

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 24, via London The Nieuws Van Den Dag says that the Berlin Vorwacrts, which yesterday was ordered suspended for three days, was suppressed for saying in an article that the German advance was in reality a

BARI, Italy, via Paris, Sept. 24 Vessels which have arrived from the Dalmatian coast report that the bombardment of Cattaro by the French ships and by the guns on Mount Lov-

PARIS, Sept. 24 .- The correspondent trated a large German force which Zerra telegraphs from Trieste that two boat destroyer were sunk by floating matin, according to a Rome dispatch to

MONTPELIER, via Bordeaux, Sept. 24.—A German prisoner who escaped at the beginning of the month was recaptured today by a sergeant, to whom he cinity seem to be enjoying their rest. declared he had lived in the open air for 20 days, subsisting on raisins and

BUENOS AYRES, Sept. 24 .- The German steamer Waermann arrived here against the French troops protecting today from an African cruise, having on board 18 officers and 292 other persons from the German steamer Cap dun; but up to the present their ef- Trafalgar which was sunk by the British auxillary cruiser Carmania.

OSTEND MAY BE ATTACKED

Work Great Havoc.

LONDON, Sept. 25., 3 A. M .- A Zeppelin airship coming from the direction of Thourot (12 miles southwest of Bruges, Belgium) dropped three bombs GERMANS ARE RECUPERATING yesterday, one of them striking the Avenue P. De Smet De Nayer bridge, on the outskirts of the town, another fell in the harbor and another on the premises of a wholesale fish dealer in the fish-market, partly wrecking the building.

Although the censor evidently has eliminated the point of origin of the above dispatch and also the name of the town into which the bombs wer dropped the latter place undoubtedly is Ostend on the coast of Belgium.

From Ostend as the crow flies it is only about 70 miles across the North Sea and the Strait of Dover to the English Coast.

Day's Charges Total 22.

LONDON, Sept. 25,-Speaking of the numerous charges made daily by the came clear that, although forced to Germans near Soissons, the correspond-"Sunday night there were no fewe north of the Alsne, north-northwest of than 23 cavalry charges under the per-Rheims, formidably prepared fortified sonal supervision of the Crown Prince.

and keep them from sleeping."

Line Made Necessary by Big Siege Guns.

REPORTERS ACCOMPANY ARMY

China Forbids Boycott; Troops to Prevent Uprisings.

GERMANS CLAIM VICTORY

Heavy Losses Inflicted on Invading Force Crossing Frontier of Kaiser's Leased Territory, in Advance Guard Fight.

PEKIN, China, Friday, Sept. 25 .-The Japanese government, if it has not begun to do so, evidently intends building a narrow gauge railway from the seaport of Lung-Kow, on the northern coast of the Chinese province of Shan-Tung, to Klau-Chau, the German concession on the Shan-Tung Peninsula. Considerable suspicion has been aroused among the Chinese officials by cause of the precedent of the Antung-Mukden Railway, which became ultimately a permanent broad-gauge line

Road Is for Artillery. ports which brought the Japanese to

Eki Hicki, the Japanese Minister at Pekin, admitted to the Chinese Minister a few days ago the necessity of the Japanese constructing such a railway, the Minister explaining that siege artillery could not be transported over the Chinese roads.

The Foreign Office replied that the government hoped the Japanese would respect the sovereignty of China. Chinese Would Boycott Japan.

Reports received here from Canton say that the Chinese there desire to institute a boycott against Japanes goods, but that the government, which already has suppressed a newspaper for writing anti-Japanese articles, is apable of preventing the boycott,

provinces but the war department an- revolutionist, has reached Stockholm on days can be described in a few words. nounces they are designed against pos- his way to Russia to offer his services During Friday, 18th, artillery fire was sible revolutionary outbreaks and to to the Russian government. prevent anti-foreign demonstrations. is reported that the Chinese are as- revolutionary activities, but though line, supporting the advance of their sociating all foreigners with Japanese because they learn that the British, (Concluded on Page 2.)

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ESCAPED PRISONER LOYAL

Bourtzeff Returning to Russia to Fight Without Amnesty Offer.

LONDON, Sept. 24 .- A dispatch to the have been victorious. There have been extensive move- Evening Star from Copenhagen says "So far as the British are concerned, ments of Chinese troops in the coast that Vladimir Bourtzeff, the Russian the course of events during these three

Bourtzeff once escaped from Siberia From the province of Shan-Tung it where he had been sent because of his counter-attacked certain portions of our political amnesty has not been granted infantry, as always, by a heavy bomhim, the correspondent says, he does bardment. But the strokes were not

BLAMING IT ON MARS.

ME

Enemy Less Efficient, Says Sir John French.

Use of Prisoners as Shield Is Among Violations Charged.

KAISER'S ARMY IS MIXED

All Classes on Battle Line; Material for Siege of Paris Is Now Used as Teuton Defense-Allies Claim Advantages.

LONDON, Sept. 24 .- The official press attacks. bureau tonight issued a report from Field Marshal Sir John French's headquarters, supplementing the dispatch tions in France. The text follows:

"The enemy is still maintaining itself do so is throwing into the fight de- French took a few days ago. tachments composed of units from very different formations-the active army.

Germans Virtually Besieged.

tinuous, but the present battle will last the Japanese, for some days more before a decision is reached, since it now approximates omewhat to siege warfare.

"The Germans are making use of their great strength in heavy artillery. their great strength in heavy artillery, leads to the supposition that they are leads to the supposition that they are employing material which may have waited in vain for any serious Rusbeen collected for the siege of Paris. been collected for the siege of Paris.

Feeling Is One of Victory.

after the operations of the 18th, 18th and 20th cannot better be summarized than as expressed recently by a neighboring French commander to his corps: 'Having repulsed repeated and violent counter attacks made by the enemy, we have a feeling that we cow, while the Russians are taking

kept up intermittently by both sides during daylight. At night the Germans

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Thursday's War Moves

HEAVY artillery continues to play a leading part in the battle of the Aisne, which now has been in progress nearly a fortnight. With the greatest stubbornness the opposing forces con tinue to hammer away at each othe from their well-entrenched and strong ly-fortified positions, but, up to the present, without reaching a decision. Almost without a lull great shells are being hurled across the rivers, valleys and plains stretching from the River Oise in the west to the Meuse in the east, and thence southward along the whole Franco-German border, while ARTILLERY EXCELS, HOWEVER the lighter guns play on the infantry BRIDGES ARE BEING BURNED lying in the trenches awaiting an op portunity to deliver attacks and counter attacks with, as the French official communication says, "alternate retire-

> The battle line has stretched out farher to the westward, the French left wing having made some progress in the direction of Noye, which lies to the northwest of Noyon. The latter place few days ago was the allies' extreme left. A detachment has occupied Pe conne, which is still further north. A report from German headquarter

dated September 23, says, however, that the efforts of the French to encircle the German right have had no result The French also say they have made an advance to the northwest of Berryau-Bac, which is about the point where the German line crosses the Aisne, con tinuing southeast to Brimont, which has been the center of many vigorous

Along the rest of the line, although which both sides claim victory, the sitof September 22 on the British opera- uation is unchanged except that, ac- General Funston, in command of the along the whole front, and in order to Department of Meuse, which the The French account of the battle

compares it with Mukden. In the latreserve and Landwehr—as is shown by ter case the tide of battle was turned the uniforms of the prisoners recently by the arrival on the Russian right of returned. Nogi's army from Port Arthur, which it had just captured, and the Russian "Our progress, although slow on ac-ount of the strength of the defensive eral Kuropatkin withdrew the great positions against which we are press- bulk of his army northward, leaving day and at the same time cut the land ing, has in certain directions been con- the rearguard to fall into the hands of The Austrian general staff issues a

denial of the reports of Russian victories and the defeat of General Dankl's cearchlights. This fact, coupled with army. The Austrian force, the report message to Orizaba, in the south, saysays, has been concentrated in a new

From other sources, however, it is "The nature of the general situation rounded Przemysl and have got be-after the operations of the 18th, 19th tween that fortress and Cracow. It rounded Przemysl and have got be- by Aguilar's men. the smaller towns in Galicia under

their wing. A reports, which lacks official confirmation, says that General Rennenkampff, who withdrew over the East Prussian frontier when the German reinforcements arrived, has himself received more men and has again taken the offensive and compelled the Germans, in their turn, to withdraw.

It is considered probable that the fall of Jaroslau and the isolation of Przemysl have compelled the Germans look more closely to the protection of their line drawn from Thorn to Kalicz, which guards Posen, as the Russians now are able to release a large number of men for the invasion of that part of Germany.

The Servian and Montenegrin armies, mposed largely of veterans of the Balkan battlefields, are before Sarejevo, capital of Bosnia, flushed with victory and preparing to take this latest acquisition of the dual monarchy. the possession of which by Austria has been a thorn in the side of the Southern Slavs.

In the operations here the invaders look forward to a hearty welcome from the greater part of the population, who belong to the same race as they do.

This war, while in Bosnia and Galicla it is uniting races long separated by artificial boundaries, is also drawing together the races and sects of all the countries engaged.

In Germany the Socialists are fighting in line with their greatest enemies, the militarists. In Russia revolutionists are fighting or returning home to fight for the Emperor. Great Britain is receiving support from all sections of the empire and the Irish and the Welsh have now decided to organize an army made up entirely of their nationals, irrespective of the men who have joined Kitchener's armies.

GERMAN TRICK COSTS SHIP British Angered by Cap Trafalgar's Fire Shoot in Broadside.

the sinking of the German steamer Cap resentative, Paul Fuller, that the United Trafalgar by the British auxiliary States will look with disfavor on concruiser Carmania several days ago tinuance of fighting in Mexico. There were related by the sailors of the was confidence among high officials British, vessel, which arrived here to- that the advice recently given would day. The battle took place at a point not go unheeded. 390 miles off Rio Janeiro and lasted two hours. The Cap Trafalgar lowered Government will take no steps to inher flag as if to surrender, whereupon terfere in the quarrel and will await a yawl filled with sailors put out from patiently the course of developments. the Carmania to take possession of the For the present no change will be German vessel.

The Cap Trafalgar, however, sud- Cruz, though no date has been fixed. denly opened fire on the yawl, which sank, the sailors in the boat perishing. The Carmania, whose officers were angered by the act of the Cap Trafalgar. Minister and American Consul Silliopened fire and sank the German vessel. The British boat then continued on her voyage.

London on September 20 added that the discuss the situation and later confer Carmania lost nine men killed and that with Villa. 26 others were wounded. The survivors General of the German ship, it is said, were escued by a collier.

Track West of Vera Cruz Torn Out.

ment on certain points and advance on Activity Charged to General Aguilar With 6000 Men.

TELEGRAPH WIRES DOWN

News Not Available of What Is Transpiring in Capital, to Which Large Number of Americans Have Returned.

VERA CRUZ, Sept. 24 .- All the telegraph and telephone wires and the one there have been flerce engagements in railroad line linking the capital and cording to German reports, the Ger- United States forces here, and W. W. man troops have recaptured Varennes, Canada, the American Consul, have been unable to ascertain the reason of severing of communications and of what is transpiring in Mexico City, to which who fled during the revolution have

A force of men under Higeno Aguilar, an aged ex-federal General, began tearing out the rallroad north of Esperanza about 100 miles west of Vera Cruz to-

wires.

The first intimation that these things were being done came from the railroad agent at Esperanza, who sent a ing: "People are burning the bridges sald it was understood there that the reported that the Russians have sur- work of destruction was being done

Retention of Troops Advised.

On account of the change in the situation Consul Canada has recommendbility of retaining the American troops In Vera Cruz until conditions are more are now here leading Army supplies in anticipation of evacuation of Vera Cruz

It is said that one of General Villa's agents was in Vera Cruz recently canvassing the fugitives here. that promises were held out to so of them that if they joined Villa their

old ranks would be recognized.

Agullar's Men Number 6000. It is said that Higenio Aguilar has bout 6000 men in his force, the greater part of them old army men, whose offloers have held them together. Associated with Aguilar are Generals Argunendo and Andrew Almazan.

It is reported here that General Villa ecently attempted to buy ammunition in the United States, but falled to contract for more than 2,000,000 rounds.

Carranga's Men Move North, After the destruction of much of the

oad, in order to make sure that troop trains would not crowd him from either direction, General Aguilar sent two ight locomotives over the undisturbed portion of the track under full heads of steam.

He then made up a trainload of troops and started them southward toward Orizaba, whence two troop trains paded with followers of General Carranza already had moved toward the north. Five hundred men of the forces just beyond the American lines also have been sent north to support the Carranga forces.

WASHINGTON STILL IS HOPEFUL

President, However, Will Frown on

Further Fighting in Mexico. WASHINGTON, Sept. 24 .- Hope that Generals Carranza and Villa would adjust their differences peaceably and avoid a second revolution was expressed by high administration officials tonight.

President Wilson has made it plain MONTEVIDEO, Sept. 24 .- Details of to both men through his personal rep-In the meantime the Washington

made in the plan of evacuating Vera Settlement to Be Attempted.

In the course of the day, official dispatches revealed that the Brazillan man were in conference with General Carranza, while George C. Carothers. American consular agent, was await-In announcing the sinking of the Cap ing the arrival at Juarez of General Trafalgar, the official press bureau at Obregon, with whom he expected to

General Carranza informed the American consular representatives that (Concluded on Page 2.)

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