

FRENCH CLEAR-WAY FOR DRIVE TO SOUTH

Artillery and Infantry Combine for Start of New Offensive on Somme.

DASH MADE FROM CHILLY

Allied Lines Move to Within 800 Yards of German Munitions Depot at Hallu-Touton Counter Attacks Spent.

BY FRID B. PITNEY.

PARIS, Sept. 7.—(Special.)—The French have cleared the way for the extension of their offensive south of the Somme. While their artillery north of the river was busy preparing the German trenches for further assault, infantry south of the river gave another squeeze to the pinners that are rapidly closing on the German positions.

The principal attack is against the Berny-en-Santerre, which is an extremely important village. Situated on the flank of the hill that dominates Barleux, it protects the little plateau of Villers-Carbonnel, where the Germans have massed large collections of heavy batteries.

German Position Menaced. Berny-en-Santerre, three kilometers from Villers-Carbonnel and four and four-fifths kilometers from the Somme, is at the head of the system of deep ravines leading to the Somme and turning on southward to the German gun positions. An advance by the French in this region would be disastrous for the Germans, as it would make it extremely difficult for them to withdraw their big guns. In addition, the advance on Berny-en-Santerre greatly helps troops attacking Dencourt. The latter village is now three-fourths of a mile from the French.

Another important work of the French was the advance on Chaulnes from the south. Two railroads run into Chaulnes from the north, the next other from the east, and the Germans have established there a large munitions depot near an old sugar mill. The French yesterday, sweeping out of Chilly and Lihons, carried their lines right up to the north and south railroads and within 200 yards of Hallu and 400 yards of the main line. The French have now under their fire not only the munitions depot, but all roads bringing up fresh supplies to all that section of the German lines.

Counter-Attacks Spent. German counter-attacks on both banks of the Somme, directed against the important positions won by the French forces yesterday, have spent themselves. After a night of furious assaults the Kaiser's troops made no effort to charge today. The French curricula of fire precluded any such attempt.

The allied armies are ready for a new lunge. Near Dencourt the French made a dash for the German positions, but the thrust will be directed at Chaulnes, from which Foch's line is now less than two-thirds of a mile away. The German lines of communication behind the Somme are now controlled entirely by the entente allies.

Against Combloux, too, a heavy blow will be struck without much delay. Dispatches from the front say that the Kaiser himself is watching the defense of this stronghold. In this sector, too, the Germans attempted heavy counter-blows, but their only result was a large toll of losses.

As if to prove the completeness with which the initiative has now been wrested from the Crown Prince, the French troops struck again at Verdun. Before the attack was halted they had captured more than half a mile of the enemy's first-line trenches in the Vaux Wood.

The Somme battle, with a renewal imminent, however, engrosses Paris. Are the Germans to shorten their line in the west? That is the question which many are asking just now.

WOMEN HOLD CONVENTION

Yamhill County W. C. T. U. Gathering Is Enthusiastic.

MINNIVILLE, Or., Sept. 7.—(Special.)—The Yamhill County Woman's Christian Temperance Union closed the most enthusiastic annual convention of its history here yesterday afternoon. The convention was called to order Tuesday morning in Library hall by County President Miss Edith Minchin and was full of interest.

Mrs. I. M. Hanson, president of the local union, welcomed the visiting delegates and Mrs. Anna Sims, of Sheridan, presided. The guests, Rev. Nettie Riley, of Portland, very ably discussed the subject of "Peace and Preparedness" and Attorney Earl A. Nott, of this city, gave an address on "Preparation and Missions." President Levy T. Pennington, of Pacific College, Newberg, was the speaker at the meeting in the city auditorium last night.

KAISER PRAISES BULGARS

King Congratulated on Capture of Rumanian Fortress.

BERLIN, via London, Sept. 8.—The Emperor has sent a congratulatory telegram as follows to the King of Bulgaria, it is announced: "I have learned the allied troops have captured the fortress Tutrahan (Turtukai). Accept my heartfelt congratulations on this brilliant feat of the army of the brave soldiers, from which our enemy may realize, from which only know how to defend ourselves, but may strike him even in his own country. May God help further faithfully. WILHELM."

AMERICAN SCHOONER LOST

George E. Dudley Wrecked Off Coast of Iceland.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 7.—Loss of the American schooner George E. Dudley off the coast of Iceland was reported to the State Department today by American consuls at Copenhagen. The crew was saved and taken to Sigelford.

No details of the wreck were given. The schooner sailed from New York for Sigelford July 13.

Late Hops Are Ruined.

HARRISBURG, Or., Sept. 7.—(Special.)—Practically all of the late hops in this section are ruined and no effort will be made to save any of the crop in some of the yards. The bulk of the early crop is saved and will be picked, of which there are 12 yards, aggregating 200 acres.

Read The Oregonian classified ads.

OFFICIAL WAR REPORTS

French. PARIS, Sept. 7.—The French official statement today says: "North of the Somme, the Germans made a powerful effort to dislodge us from Hospital Farm, but were dispersed with heavy losses."

"The German troops beaten back yesterday by our infantry in the region east of Chilly belonged to a Saxon division, which was transferred hurriedly from the Aisne front."

"On the right bank of the Meuse yesterday our troops attacked the German organizations on the front between Vaux-Chapitre wood and Chenois. The entire front line of enemy trenches fell into our hands on a length of about 1500 meters. We took about 250 prisoners and 10 machine guns."

A supplemental statement issued by the French war office today says: "North of the Somme, in a trench recently captured, four bomb-throwers and 16 machine guns were added to the material booty brought in."

"South of the Somme the enemy, reduced to impotence by the violence of our artillery fire, was unable to make a counter-attack. East of Dencourt we captured some new trench elements and took 50 prisoners."

"German reconnaissance west of Malson de Champagne was dispersed. Some prisoners fell into our hands."

"On the right of the Meuse the enemy bombarded our positions in the Vaux-Chapitre wood. During last evening's attack in this sector we captured 250 prisoners, including six officers."

"Aviation. On the night of September 6-16 of our bombing aeroplanes dropped heavy bombs on railway stations, bivouac and enemy stores at Rolisel, Athis and Villécourt, a big fire being caused at the last named place."

Russian.

PETROGRAD, via London, Sept. 7.—Today's Russian official statement says: "In the region of Hallu our troops occupied the railway line from Hallu to Semikowitz and to Wodniki. They are bombarding with heavy art. light artillery the town of Hallu, in which the enemy is still stubbornly holding out."

"The town is now in flames. In this region yesterday, we captured a total of 45 officers and 5500 men, including 22 German officers and 1000 machine guns. The captured officers and 655 men. The captured machine guns and materials are being conveyed to the Carpathians our advance continues."

Italian.

ROME, via London, Sept. 7.—"In Albania yesterday, today's official statement says, 'our batteries dispersed some enemy detachments near Hambari on the right bank of the Vovusa, which were troublesome with their fire. Notwithstanding persistently bad weather, the artillery was particularly active throughout the day. The Germans in the zone east of Gorizia and on the Carso. At the head of the Rio Felisson an enemy detachment which attempted a surprise attack was almost destroyed by our fire.'"

British.

LONDON, Sept. 7.—Today's British official announcement follows: "The enemy made a counter attack against our position in Leuze wood. After hand-to-hand fighting the enemy was driven back, leaving two officers and 17 men prisoners in our hands."

"The fighting at Ginchy continues. There has been considerable artillery activity on both sides during the night and this morning, the enemy using gas and lacrymatory shells."

Austrian.

BERLIN, Sept. 7.—By wireless to Sayville.—An Austrian-Hungarian official statement, issued at Vienna under date of September 5, says: "Numerous strong attacks by the Russians in the Carpathians were repulsed."

"In Albania the Italians were pushed back to the southern bank of the Vovusa."

VIENNA, via London, Sept. 7.—The Austrian official statement today follows: "Rumanian front.—Near Olah Toplitza (conjunction of the Maros and the Toplitza Rivers) to avoid a threatened envelopment, our troops have been withdrawn to the heights west of the town. "Russian front.—In connection with

HALLUZ UNDER FIRE

Berlin Admits Serious Reverse at Hands of Russians.

AUSTRIAN CITY IN FLAMES

Czar's Troops Occupy Railroad Between Halluz and Wodniki. Petrograd Reports Taking 5600 More Prisoners.

PETROGRAD, via London, Sept. 7.—The Russians are bombarding the Galician town of Halluz, about 60 miles southwest of Lemberg, says the Russian report issued today. The town is in flames.

The Russian statement adds that Russian troops have occupied the railway line between Halluz and Semikowitz and Wodniki.

In the fighting in Eastern Galicia yesterday, the announcement says, the Russians took 5600 more prisoners.

BERLIN, Sept. 7.—After heavy fighting with the Russians in the sector southeast of Lemberg, Eastern Galicia, the Germans have fallen back in the sector between the Ziota Lipa and Dniester rivers, the War Office announced today.

In the Carpathians, southeast of Ziolona and on the Bagaludova on the border between Bukowina and Hungary, the Russians made attacks which were repulsed. We also repulsed attacks delivered by Russian and Rumanian troops on both sides of Dorna in Southern Bukowina near the Rumanian and Hungarian borders.

HUNTRESS KILLS BOBCAT

Miss Lottie Reed Collects Bounty on Varmint's Scalp.

Miss Lottie Reed, 294 Fifth street, is making a bid for the record as Portland's champion huntress.

Miss Reed yesterday presented her-

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FIGHTING NEAR BUCHAREST

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British, Western Front.

LONDON, Sept. 8.—The British official communication issued shortly before midnight says: "The general situation is unchanged. Our artillery dispersed enemy working parties east and southeast of Ginchy. Between the Somme and the Anco the enemy's artillery shelled the rear of our lines. Our artillery replied effectually."

"Between Souche and LaBasse canal our artillery and trench mortars bombarded the enemy's lines continuously and northwest of Hollebeke we effectually shelled the bridgehead of the Turtukai canal."

"Yesterday our machines bombed an important railway junction on the enemy's lines, causing great damage to the station and rolling stock. One of the enemy's aerodromes was bombed. One machine was destroyed on the ground. Many other points of military importance were bombed. Some good work was done from low altitudes in locating positions reached by our troops."

"Three hostile machines were wrecked and four others driven down in a damaged condition. Two of our machines are missing."

British, African Front.

LONDON, Sept. 7.—An official statement on fighting in German East Africa says: "September 2 a naval attack by British forces in conjunction with a heavy bombardment of enemy positions north of the town was followed by landings at Kunduchi and in Maassani Bay. The enemy evacuated Dar-Es-Salaam, which was occupied by the British. The town was virtually unharmed."

"On the seventh British naval forces and marines, with military landing parties occupied the ports Kilwa Kivine and Kilwa Kiswani, which survived under threat of a naval bombardment."

Thursday's War Moves

SOUTH of the Somme Thursday the French, east of Dencourt, captured trench lines from the Germans and brought their front more in alignment with their new line through Berny-en-Santerre and Berny-en-Santerre, which is still stubbornly holding out.

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The Germans are heavily shelling the French in the old first line German trenches a mile in length between Vaux-Chapitre region and the town of Chenois, in the Verdun section, which were taken by the French Wednesday night.

In Galicia, the Russians are still actively in quest of Lemberg, keeping up their pressure against the Austro-Hungarian front from the regions of Brzesany and Halluz. Near Brzesany the Russians have driven back the Germans from fortified positions and advanced to the Naratvia River, and at some points have crossed the stream. Russians now are heavily bombarding the Austro-Hungarian front, and the forces of the central powers are stubbornly defending.

In Wednesday's fighting in the Halluz sector 244 officers and men of the Tenthers were made prisoner. Both Berlin and Vienna admit retreats between the Ziota Lipa and Dniester rivers.

Vienna concedes a retreat of the Austrian forces before the Rumanians near Olas Toplitza, 20 miles from the Rumanian border. Southeast of this same region the Rumanians have occupied the Gergyo-Citro-Orova Pass.

In the capture of Turtukai fortress the Germans and Bulgarians took more than 20,000 prisoners and more than 100 guns, according to Berlin. Bucharest says losses on both sides have been heavy.

Russians in Turkish Armenia near Ognott continue to drive the Turks from their strong mountain defenses, according to Petrograd, and also have put down a Turkish offensive west of Erzingan. On the Macedonian front and in the Austro-Italian theater fighting is being done mainly by means of artillery.

In German East Africa two additional ports—Kilwa Kivine and Kilwa Kiswani—have surrendered to the British.

self at the County Clerk's office and was given a bounty of \$2 by F. A. McMenamin, deputy probate clerk, for a bobcat, which she had killed in the vicinity of Multnomah. She was with her two mink skins, testifying to her prowess as a huntress.

Miss Reed told Mr. McMenamin that she had shot a deer and a bear while on a hunting trip last week.

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Russians Aid in Defense of City Taken by Central Allies—Defenders Said to Have Suffered Heavy Casualties.

PETROGRAD, via London, Sept. 7.—Turtukai, fortified Rumanian town on the Danube about 70 miles southeast of Bucharest, has been evacuated by the Rumanians, according to the Russian official statement issued today.

BUCHAREST, Sept. 6.—German and Bulgarian forces, having received numerous reinforcements, continue to attack with great violence the Rumanian fortress of Turtukai. The garrison of the fortress is ceaselessly counter-attacking, the Rumanian statement says. The losses on each side are said to have been serious.

BERLIN, via London, Sept. 7.—More than 20,000 Rumanians were taken prisoner when Bulgarian and German troops captured the Rumanian fortress of Turtukai, says the official statement issued today by the German army headquarters.

The official statement says that in the capture of the Rumanian fortress more than 100 guns were taken. The official account of operations in the Balkan war theater also shows that strong Russian forces have reached southeastern Rumania near the Bulgarian border, where they are now engaged with the Bulgarians and the Germans. The statement adds: "The number of prisoners taken by them, according to accounts already received, exceeds 20,000. Among them are two Generals and more than 400 other officers. More than 100 cannon were captured. The Rumanians suffered heavy casualties."

VIENNA, via London, Sept. 7.—Austrian troops have withdrawn before a threatening Rumanian envelopment to the heights west of Olah Toplitza, south of Dorna Watra and 20 miles west of the Rumanian border, says the official statement issued at the Austro-Hungarian headquarters today.

On the Russian front the Austrian troops between the Ziota Lipa and the Dniester Rivers also have been withdrawn.

BUCHAREST, via London, Sept. 7.—Rumanian troops have occupied Gergyo-Ditro-Orova Pass, on the north and northwest frontier of Rumania, says the official statement issued by the Rumanian War Department today. Seven guns, a number of machine guns and important ammunition stores were captured from the Austrians.

Student Hit by Cable. H. H. Taylor, a student of the Oregon Agricultural College at Corvallis, was bruised yesterday at Cathlamet, Wash., when he was hit by a flying cable. He was brought to Good Samaritan Hospital last night.

FALL FROM FLUME FATAL. Sawmill Engineer Dies From Broken Neck. CORVALLIS, Or., Sept. 7.—(Special.)—Jacob Condon, an engineer in the Rosecrans sawmill, died last night from a fall in which he suffered a broken neck. He came to Corvallis to do some

shopping started back to the lumber camp by walking on a narrow plank used by the flume gang. Falling to arrive on time his wife turned in an alarm. Searchers found the body a mile from the camp lying at the foot of the flume, from which it is thought, he must have slipped in the darkness and lost his life. He was 54 years of age. The funeral will be held at 11 o'clock Friday morning in Corvallis.

Stolen Motorcycle Burns. A motorcycle, stolen from S. Simonson, 841 East Tenth street, some time yesterday, was found to have caught fire near Twenty-first and Thurman streets last night. Residents in the

neighborhood said the man riding it at the time was burned. The police are investigating the reported theft and incident.

Luncheon Guests Many. So many requests have come for reservations for the luncheon of the State Federated Clubs, to be held Saturday at the Portland Hotel, that arrangements were made late last evening for a larger room. At first plans were made for only 60, but by having the luncheon in another room of the Portland an almost limitless attendance may be accommodated, providing reservations are made during this afternoon with Mrs. C. A. Rankin or Mrs. J. A. Pettit.

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