

BULGARS IN WILD FLIGHT TO NORTH

Entente, in Hot Pursuit, Advances 40 Miles.

THOUSANDS ARE CAPTURED

Railway Communications Are Severed by Serbs, Who Go 25 Miles in One Day.

WHOLE LINE IS SMASHED

British Cave in Front From Doiran Westward and Italians Take 16 Towns.

LONDON, Sept. 23.—(8 P. M.)—Between the Vardar River and Lake Doiran, on the eastern end of the Macedonian front, British troops have reached the line of Kara Oghlular and Hanzali, and are advancing on Mrzentsi on the west bank of the River Vardar, according to an official statement issued this evening by the British War Office.

As the result of the heavy pressure of the entente allied forces the enemy has evacuated the whole line from Doiran to a point west of the Vardar.

Enemy Evacuates Line.

The text of the official statement follows:

"As the result of attacks and continual heavy pressure by British and Greek troops in connection with the French and Serbian advance farther west, the enemy has evacuated his whole line from Doiran to the west of the Vardar. He has set on fire the Huduva station and the Cestovo and Tika and Tatarli dumps and his troops and transports are crowding along the road northward, heavily bombed and machine gunned by the royal air forces.

"We have reached the line of Kara Oghlular, Hanzali, one kilometer south of Boglamoe, and west of the Vardar are advancing on Mrzentsi, in touch with Greeks at Gurinchet."

LONDON, Sept. 23.—(5 P. M.)—The Serbians have captured between 9000 and 10,000 prisoners and 120 guns. The Evening Standard says it learns.

Main Railway Is Cut.

Serbian troops have cut the main railway line between Uskub and Saloniki and are on the western bank of the Vardar River, according to the Serbian official statement of Sunday.

West of the Vardar the Serbians have cut the railway line to Prilep, which is the main line of German communication in this region.

Serbian infantry units now are in the mountainous regions and advanced 25 miles in one day. The number of prisoners and the amount of war materials captured increases daily.

The neighboring German and Bulgarian sectors now are feeling the loss of their communication lines. Enemy reinforcements have been forced to retreat.

Long Advance Is Made. Since September 15 the Serbians have advanced 40 miles.

The Serbian statement reads:

"Serbian troops in a victorious advance are forcing the German and Bulgarian reinforcements to retreat. The Serbian troops this morning (Sunday) reached the River Vardar and cut the main railway line between Uskub and Saloniki.

"Our troops have crossed the Crnreka (the Drenaka mountain range) and have cut the railway between Gradsko (southeast of Uskub) and Prilep, which is the main line of communication of the German Army. "All the surrounding enemy sectors are feeling the consequences of having their lines of communication cut. Our advance from September 15 to today amounts to a total of 65 kilometers (40 miles).

Infantry Gains Swiftly.

"Infantry units now have reached the highest part of the very mountainous regions and advanced 40 kilometers (25 miles) in one day. The number of prisoners and the volume of war material is increasing constantly."

PARIS, Sept. 23.—Entente allied cavalry yesterday was three miles from the Bulgarian frontier in the region of Strumitza, according to news dispatches received here today from

JAPANESE CAPTURE 2000 AUSTRO-HUNS

BLAGOVESHCHENSK AND ALEXIEVSK ARE OCCUPIED.

Nipponese Cavalry Pursues Victorious March Through Amur Province in Siberia.

LONDON, Sept. 23.—(By The Associated Press.)—Blagoveshchensk, capital of the Siberian Province of Amur, and Alexievsk have been occupied by Japanese cavalry, according to information received by the Japanese embassy. Two thousand Austro-Germans were taken prisoner.

They laid down their arms at Kokka. The information which was given out by the Japanese military attache, is to the effect that Blagoveshchensk and Alexievsk were occupied by Japanese cavalry converging from Khabarovsk and Tsetsihar, September 18. Troops moving up the Amur River reached Blagoveshchensk the following day.

Kokka, where the Austro-Germans laid down their arms, is on the right bank of the Amur opposite Blagoveshchensk.

Another enemy formation has retreated to the upper reaches of the Zeya River.

U. S. IS SEEN PROSPEROUS

America Can Go on Indefinitely With War, Says Banker.

CHICAGO, Sept. 23.—George A. Hirsch, president of the American Bankers' association, which met in annual convention here today, said he was amazed at the amount of business being done in the country.

Mr. Hirsch, a banker of Cincinnati, has just completed a tour covering 19 states in connection with war finance.

"More money is being saved in this country than ever before," he said. "Business in general has not suffered from measures of economy. I have been amazed at the earnings in many lines of business."

Mr. Hirsch said that Germany is bankrupt, while the United States, with \$300,000,000 in wealth, can carry on the war indefinitely.

DRAFT HIM, BRIDE'S APPEAL

Unhappy Wife Wants Hub Sent Where Shells Fall Fast.

"Send him to France. If he can get the Kaiser's goat as he got mine, heaven help his Royal Majesty!"

This unusual plea of an unhappy bride was in a letter received yesterday by District Attorney Evans, who wants her husband sent to the Army and to that part of the battlefield where shells fall thick and fast.

The young woman, whose name Mr. Evans will not make public at this time, says she was married to a young shipyard worker just a month ago, but her brief married career has been a sad one and she thinks the one way out is to have her spouse sent to war. The District Attorney is investigating her case.

VICTORY TO BE OBSERVED

Liberation of Palestine Signal for Huge Demonstration.

NEW YORK, Sept. 23.—The liberation of Palestine by the British forces will be celebrated here by a demonstration at Carnegie Hall next Sunday night, at which Secretary of the Navy Daniels is expected to speak. It was announced today by the Zionist Council of Greater New York.

Significance is added to the celebration by the fact that the Jewish Legion, probably including the American contingent, is actively participating in the Palestine drive.

LAST SACRAMENTS GIVEN

Archbishop Ireland Unconscious, Says Late Report.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Sept. 23.—At 8:15 o'clock tonight Archbishop Ireland's life was hanging on a thread, it was said at his home.

ST. PAUL, Sept. 23.—Archbishop John Ireland became unconscious late this afternoon. It was announced at 5 o'clock that he was "very low."

JOHN REED IS INDICTED

Former Portlander and Companion Accused of Disloyalty.

NEW YORK, Sept. 23.—Abraham I. Shipplacoff, a New York state Assemblyman and Socialist candidate for Congress in Brooklyn, together with John Reed, magazine writer, who was recently in Russia, were indicted today by the Federal grand jury charged with making disloyal remarks in public addresses at a Socialist mass meeting in this city recently.

CHANCELLOR MAY NOT TALK

Main Committee of Reichstag May Sit for Entire Week.

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 23.—It is likely that the main committee of the German Reichstag, which meets tomorrow, will sit for a week.

It is uncertain, says the Tageblatt of Berlin, whether Chancellor von Hertling will make a speech, but it is certain that Foreign Minister Hintze will do so.

FAIR IS DEDICATED TO NATION'S CAUSE

Great Military Pageant Opening Feature.

ALL COUNTRIES PLEDGE HELP

Rural Exhibits Are Held Better Than Ever Before.

OREGON PRODUCTS BOOSTED

Agricultural College Display Teaches Spirit of Conservation and Is Typical of the Times; Junior Exhibits Lure.

SALEM, Or., Sept. 23.—(Special.)—

With old Glory fluttering to the breeze from the new 120-foot flagpole, and hundreds of Oregonians singing "The Star-Spangled Banner," the Oregon State Fair, at its opening day today, was dedicated to the cause of humanity by one of the most inspiring events ever held on the grounds here.

A bevy of beautiful young women, attired in the national costume of the allied nations added to the inspiration of the occasion by joining in the singing and waving the flags of the countries that are dedicated to a conflict which will wipe autocracy from the face of the earth.

Patriotism Is Keypnote. With patriotic speeches, band music and song and with a remarkably beautiful pageant of all nations, the great flag, as it fluttered aloft, was paid proper tribute by the state which has been first in all war demands of men and treasure. Governor Withycombe, the Rt. Rev. Bishop W. T. Sumner, Rev. William Peterson, Professor John O. Hall and others took part in the programme, with S. Benson, of Portland, presiding.

Vocal selections also were furnished by Mrs. Halle Parrish Durdall, of Salem, and Mme. Lucie Valaire, of Portland, who was given an ovation as she sang the "Marseillaise."

All Nations Pledge Help. Resolutions were adopted by all assembled pledging themselves and their state to the last pound of flesh, the last drop of blood and the last dollar needed to aid in bringing the war to a successful conclusion.

The crowd that was here today was considered up to the Monday standard and all portions of the fair grounds were generally patronized.

In some respects the exhibits are a little lighter than normal this year. The stock showing is not quite as heavy as usual, but is of the finest quality and may be enlarged before the fair is over. This doesn't mean that it isn't a good stock show, or that it isn't a big one. The barns are showing some of the finest stock ever seen in the West, but in some instances the exhibits failed to arrive as a result of

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GLORIOUS SILK TILE TO CROWN SENATOR

JIM HAM LEWIS BRINGS HOME SARTORIAL TRIUMPH.

Specimen of London Hatter's Skill to Dazzle Senate on First Suitable Occasion.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 23.—(Special.)—Senator Lewis, of Illinois, was back in his seat in the Senate today fully recovered from the fatigue and exposure of his eventful voyage home from the front.

The outstanding development in connection with his return was the disclosure that he had brought back from England the most magnificent cream-colored silk plug hat ever seen on this side of the Atlantic. The "title" represents the crowning achievement of the Senator's sartorial career, and is said to harmonize perfectly with the purple vests, rainbow haberdashery and lavender spats which so often thrilled the Senate in the past.

The new lid has not yet been unveiled, and will be kept hidden from the public until an occasion adequate to its dignity arises.

A London shopkeeper presented the hat to the Senator. It was stated the price of it was \$30.

"I told him," said Senator Lewis, "that I could pay no such price for a hat. He exclaimed:

"Oh, no! I give it to you. I have had it on my shelf for six years, and I have never before found anyone handsome or dignified enough to wear it."

This appeal was too much for the Senator, and he was forced to accept the gift.

PATRONS FLEE HOTEL FIRE

New Willard in Washington, D. C., Damaged by Water and Smoke.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 23.—Fire early this morning damaged the New Willard Hotel and sent the thousands and more occupants hurrying to the street in scanty attire. In the hotel were Vice President Marshall, several Senators and other Government officials who have suites there.

The blaze started in the kitchen from an undetermined cause. It immediately spread to the palm room, but was confined there. The greatest loss will result from water and smoke.

LABOR PROBE CALLED OFF

Investigation of Shipyard "Slackers" Up to Fleet Corporation.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 23.—Chairman Fletcher, of the Senate commerce committee, announced today that no further investigation is planned at this time of so-called "labor slacking" in Government shipyards.

The committee, he said, is satisfied that the Emergency Fleet Corporation and Provost Marshal-General Crowder are taking steps necessary to cope with individuals not doing a fair day's labor.

ALLEGED I. W. W. ARRESTED

Thirty-Four Held for Conspiracy at Wichita, Kan.

WICHITA, Kan., Sept. 23.—Thirty-four alleged members of the Industrial Workers of the World, five of them said to be enemy aliens, are held here on charges of conspiracy to hamper production of coal, gas and oil in Kansas and Oklahoma.

PORTLAND LAGGING IN LIBERTY'S TASK

City Still \$12,000,000 Short of Quota.

FOUR DAYS ONLY REMAIN

Double-Quick Time Needed to Carry Through 4th Loan.

STATE FORCES DOING WELL

Multnomah County's Proud Boast of Being First Seems Far From Realization—"Go Get 'Em" Spirit Thoroughly Aroused.

HOW PORTLAND FACES HER PROMISE TO FINISH QUOTA BY SATURDAY.

Portland's quota, \$19,000,000. Reported by the first division. Lieutenant-General Meier and Major Daly, \$2,675,300. Reported by second division. Lieutenant-General Cranston, \$1,677,710. Reported by Portland banks, \$640,000. Reported by shipyards and industrial plants, \$2,800,000. Miscellaneous, \$39,000. Grand total to yesterday, \$7,036,010. PORTLAND MUST RAISE \$12,000,000 IN JUST FOUR DAYS! GUY W. TALBOT, General in Command.

BY BEN HUR LAMPMAN. It's double-quick for Portland and Oregon, for every citizen and campaigner in the state, if the fourth liberty loan quota of \$35,000,000 is to swing past in grand review at high noon next Saturday—the day and the hour that has been set for announcement of another patriotic promise fulfilled.

Four fighting days remain. The state at large is reported to be holding the pace. But Portland, the city that has boasted that it sent both sons and money freely to the front, must stir to the magnitude of the task remaining.

Confidence in State Felt. Outer-state forces, numbering more than 10,000 volunteers, were loaned yesterday to race for the finish, when John L. Etheridge, state director of organization, telegraphed instructions to each county chairman and city manager, asking for daily reports of progress, and bidding them take the field for the final foray of the campaign.

Confidence came to state headquarters, so far as all counties save Multnomah are concerned, when dozens of answering telegrams arrived. Not one of these but was stalwart with purpose and cheery with reports of good work.

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EDGAR B. PIPER IS OFF TO WAR ZONE

MANAGING EDITOR OF THE OREGONIAN SENDS GOODBYE.

Party of American Editors to See Great Conflict at Invitation of British Government.

BY EDGAR B. PIPER. NEW YORK, Sept. 23.—(Special.)—I shall leave on a vessel not to be named from a port not to be named on a date not to be named for a trip to the War Zone in company with 12 or 13 other American editors. The party goes as guests of the British Government. It includes the editors or publishers of the Springfield (Mass.) Republican, Minneapolis Journal, Birmingham News, Baltimore Sun, Denver Post, Houston Chronicle, Buffalo News, Des Moines Capital, Salt Lake Tribune, St. Louis Globe-Democrat, and several others, besides myself.

The invitation was extended to all of them through the British Minister of Information, as representative American journalists, and I was fortunate enough to be included among them. The purpose of the expedition is to give the American editors an opportunity to see the war as it is, to meet the statesmen and journalists of British, French and allied governments, and to exchange views with them.

It is not permitted to give an exact statement of the proposed itinerary, except to say that there will be visits to the western battle field and to the Grand Fleet, and that there will be a considerable stay in England. We shall be gone about eight weeks.

The underlying motive behind the invitation is undoubtedly to give the American people, through these newspapers, a complete view of the allied activities in the war, with particular reference to the role played by Great Britain. Doubtless there is a thoroughgoing desire with England that there be a full understanding between the two branches of the English-speaking races, and it was believed that one excellent way to bring about that result was to ask the American editors to go over and see it all.

It appears to be thought that the American mind may be most impressed through these journalists outside of the greater cities, which have had some part in influencing American opinion and action. Whether or not this method of selection is sound may be determined by the results.

So far as I am concerned I shall go rather as a reporter than as an editor. I shall describe in detail what I see, subject of course to the necessary limitations of the censorship. But since I have been asked to look it all over I take it that there is a distinct understanding that I shall be permitted to tell about it, and I shall do it with due regard to opportunity and to the obligations imposed on me not to impart any military information of possible value to the enemy.

I take with me, I know, not only the deep interest of all readers of The Oregonian, but the fervent prayers and anxious thoughts of many thousand mothers, wives and fathers who want to know how fares the war, and all besides that may be known about their sons, brothers, and husbands, who are deliver, so far as I can, the unspoken messages of those at home to the valiant soldiers of Oregon and Washington at the front. I shall tell the boys of stout hearts and noble sacrifices at home. I know I shall send or bring back a shining chronicle of brave deeds and iron resolution in the face of the foe. For all both here and there I hope to prove a competent and trustworthy witness. Good-by!

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BRITISH WIPE OUT 2 TURKISH ARMIES

25,000 Prisoners and 260 Guns so Far Counted.

40,000 OF ENEMY TRAPPED

Entire Transport of Ottoman Forces Falls Into General Allenby's Hands.

SEIZED WAR BOOTY GREAT

Victory, Quickest of War, Expected to Exert Big Effect at Constantinople.

LONDON, Sept. 23.—Constantinople

was bombed by the British royal air force Friday and Saturday of last week, according to an official communication issued by the admiralty tonight.

The statement says: "The Greeks co-operated in the bombing of Constantinople on September 20 and 21 and dropped thousands of leaflets into Stamboul."

LONDON, Sept. 23.—(4 P. M.)—(By The Associated Press.)—Twenty-five thousand Turkish prisoners and 260 guns had been counted up to last night by General Allenby's forces pushing northward through Palestine, the war office reported today.

The Seventh and Eighth Turkish armies have virtually ceased to exist. The entire transport of these two armies was captured by the British.

Seizure by the British of the crossings of the Jordan at Jisr-Ed-Damer on Sunday morning shut the last avenue of escape to the Turks west of the Jordan.

Enemy's Escape Cut Off.

The text of the statement reads: "Having seized the passages of the Jordan at Jisr-Ed-Damer on the morning of September 22, the last avenue of escape open to the enemy west of the river was closed by our troops."

"The Seventh and Eighth Turkish armies have virtually ceased to exist. Their entire transport is in our hands. By 8 P. M. on the twenty-second 25,000 prisoners and 260 guns had been counted. Many prisoners and much material remain to be enumerated."

Reports received in London from the Palestine front this afternoon indicate that none of the Turkish force of at least 40,000 men trapped by the British through the seizure of the last of the passages of the Jordan, can possibly get away.

Stragglers Rounded Up.

Virtually the entire Turkish force is or will be accounted for in killed, wounded and prisoners. Hundreds of stragglers are being found wandering about in the mountainous country aimlessly, without a leader or a purpose. The Turks had seven divisions south of Nazareth and west of the Jordan, but the exact total cannot be determined owing to the weakness of some of the Turkish divisions, the totals of the different units varying. The total of 25,000 prisoners reported, however, is believed to be far less than the final count will show, as at last reports prisoners were still being brought in. The cleanup effected by General Allenby, which is pointed to here as the quickest and most complete of the entire war, is counted as having definitely deprived the Turks of Palestine. In addition, besides the personnel of their army, the defeat has cost them an immense amount of war material.

Turks Lose Airplanes.

So far as is known the Turks on this front only had four airplanes and these four have been captured.

It is anticipated that General Allenby will have little difficulty in entirely clearing Northern Palestine and be able to relieve his communications by establishing a base at Haifa, whence the railway runs to Beisan and Damascus. Thus the whole Turkish railway system in Southern Syria is controlled by the Anglo-French forces in Palestine.

The Turkish disaster, it is pointed out, is bound to have the most profound reaction in Constantinople and Sofia and likewise to compromise the situation of the Turks in Mesopotamia. It seems probable also that it will terminate the Turkish adventures in Persia and the Caucasus.

