

CONDUCT OF ALLES MOURNED BY BERLIN

French Refugees in Denain Shelled, Says Statement.

BRITISH GUNS ARE BLAMED

Roches Also Say Enemy Shelled Welfare Center Near Laon, Which They Had 'Carefully Spared.'

BERLIN, via London, Oct. 16.—The War Office communication issued this evening follows:

"North-east of Roulers, on the Selle sector, near Hausay, between the Aire and the Meuse and on the eastern bank of the Meuse, enemy attacks failed."

"The town of Denain (five and a half miles southwest of Valenciennes), which is filled with French refugees, lies under the continuous fire of the heavy English artillery."

"Yesterday the enemy shelled the welfare center of Liesse (eight miles from Laon), which had been carefully spared by us during the war."

"The German forces in Northern France have withdrawn their lines somewhat in the district west and southwest of Lille, army headquarters announced this morning."

"Renewed American attacks between the Argonne and the Meuse failed, it is declared. East of the Meuse, it is added, American attacks resulted in engagements which ended in favor of the Germans."

"The text of the German official statement issued this morning reads: 'In Flanders the enemy continued his attacks. His main thrust was directed against Thourout and the Iseghem-Courtrai railway line. Against the remainder of the fighting front the enemy launched vigorous attacks often supported by armored cars.'

"Withdrawals Are Admitted. 'At isolated points our troops held their lines. At others they were repulsed. In many instances we repulsed the enemy at our rearward points of support by counter thrusts.'

"On the northern attacking wing Thourout remained in our hands. Enemy attempts to thrust forward between Wercken and Thourout in a northerly direction were frustrated in our front line. South of Thourout we held the Lichtervelde-Iseghem line."

"South of Iseghem the enemy succeeded in penetrating beyond the Iseghem-Courtrai line. East of the railway line we brought him to a standstill."

"West and southwest of Lille we withdrew our line somewhat from the enemy."

"Between Bohain and the Oise River the enemy attacked after strong artillery preparation. North of the Bohain-Aisonville road we held him down by means of our fire. Aisonville was retained after stubborn fighting against the enemy, who repeatedly assaulted both sides of the village and attacked the village itself with strong forces."

"An enemy attack which broke forward north of the Oise failed before our lines."

"Allied Losses Alleged. 'Engagements took place before our new positions northeast of Laon and west of the Aisne, in which we repeatedly inflicted heavy losses upon the enemy. The enemy here stands south of the former front line of Liesse-Sissonne-La Thour-Siermainville.'

"On the Aisne front there were no noteworthy fights. The small salient position between Olley and Grand Pre along the Aisne towards Mouron has been evacuated. Our troops fighting there caused the enemy to undertake several attacks productive of losses to him and thereby relieved the object of their temporary holding of the salient."

"Between the Argonne and the Meuse renewed vigorous attacks of the Americans failed under our fire and against our counter thrusts."

"On the eastern bank of the Meuse attacks directed between the Meuse and the northwest of Beaumont broke up into very violent partial engagements in the forest region, where observation was extremely difficult. These engagements ended in our favor. The Americans again yesterday suffered extraordinarily heavy losses."

GERMANY IS YET SILENT

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which may be asked will not intervene as an obstacle if guarantees are sought in sincere terms. If they are put forth as another vehicle for a quibble, an opportunity of diplomatic evasion and trickery, or a negotiated peace, they will meet only one reply.

Answer Already Given. If they mean guarantees for the integrity and sovereignty of the German which is rightfully German, always taking in the determinations of the human beings concerned, no obstacle is foreseen."

If they mean guarantees for the right of the German people to live their lives under a peaceful, responsible government which does not menace the life of the world, President Wilson's

utterances on the subject, officials believe, have already given the answer. Guarantees for the interests of Germany, involving only Germans, it was pointed out, are quite apart from the self-determination of the oppressed nationalities in Austria, for which President Wilson has pledged the peace to secure opportunity for an autonomous development."

There was no possibility that the conditions President Wilson has laid down as the basis for a peace already have come about in Germany. Diplomats noted that Chancellor Maximilian sent a note and that when President Wilson answered with an inquiry, it was Foreign Secretary Solf, and not the Chancellor, who replied, and that Solf spoke of a new government which had been formed in Germany."

Big Possibilities Seen. It would not be without precedent if the peace party in Germany actually was in possession of an imperial receipt or other secret act renouncing the power of the Kaiser and his party, when the reply to President Wilson's inquiry was sent."

It would not be without precedent if the negotiations were being with a maneuver for the best possible terms and holding back this last card—the downfall of kaiserism."

These will be the means of taking from Germany every agency with which she could break her word if she would; the occupation by allied forces of such places as Strasbourg, Metz and Coblenz; turning over to the allies of her fleet and submarine bases; with the recall of her submarines which today's dispatches hinted she was ready to do, and the surrender of munitions of war, undoubtedly also the agencies by which others might be produced, and probably the employment of the great war machine plants of Germany to repair the industrial damage done in Belgium and France."

Scraps of Paper Barred. Seeing it believing, one official declared tonight, and there will be no scraps of paper."

In a military sense, Germany would be treated as an individual prisoner of war—disarmed and guarded. Allied forces would be in a position to enforce the decisions of the peace conference."

Chief question in the minds of public men tonight is: Is the German military power really so broken as to be unable to accept the allied terms throughout the American capital there is an air of calm, determined confidence. People are reading the news in the newspapers and buying liberty bonds at the curbs."

COMPLETE DENIALS ISSUED London and Amsterdam Fail to Confirm Reports. LONDON, Oct. 16.—The official press bureau is officially informed that the reports published this afternoon to the effect that Germany has capitulated have no foundation in fact."

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 16.—The Nieuwe Rotterdamse Courant has withdrawn its statement reporting the capitulation of Germany and the abdication of Emperor Wilhelm."

This step was taken, the newspaper says, because it was unable to obtain any confirmation of the report."

LONDON, Oct. 16.—(By the Associated Press.)—The British Foreign Office stated this evening that it had no official confirmation of the rumors that the German Emperor had abdicated, but that opinion in well-informed circles was not disposed to reject the rumor."

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 16.—A movement can be observed in the German capital, says a dispatch from Berlin to the TUD, to bring about a cessation of the submarine war as the result of President Wilson's note."

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 16.—Emperor Wilhelm has issued a decree saying that martial law in Germany can only be administered by an agreement between the civil and military authorities, according to report received here."

OISE RIVER CROSSED BY DEBENY'S TROOPS

Advance of Supply Trains of Allies Difficult.

COUNTER-ATTACKS FAIL

General Guillaumont's Forces Hold Their Front Intact — Ayr Is Taken by Gourand.

FRENCH HEADQUARTERS IN FRANCE, Oct. 16.—(Reuter.)—General Debeny's troops this morning crossed the Oise River at Choigny, three miles north of its junction with the Serre River."

PARIS, Oct. 16.—Northwest of Sissonne, in Champagne, the French have captured the town of Nore Dame de Liesse and west of Grand Pre have taken the village of Talma, according to tonight's official communication."

WITH THE FRENCH ARMY ON THE AISNE, Oct. 16.—(By the Associated Press, 2:30 P. M.)—Favored by the bad weather and bad roads which are slowing up the advance of the allied supply trains, the Germans appear disposed to make a stand, for the time at least, on the line from the region north of Sissonne to Rethel."

General Debeny's forces have made a slight advance west of Angoulcourt, passing the Serre, and arriving before the marshes which the enemy is utilizing with the aid of a well sustained machine gun fire to stop their forward march. The German artillery has also increased in its activity in this sector."

Huns Counter-Attack Vainly. North of Sissonne the French troops now are along the bank of the drainage canal, which consists of advanced defense positions prepared there as a secondary line of retirement from the Hindenburg line."

Further east the Germans, supported by a violent artillery fire, counter-attacked the French troops under the command of General Guillaumont. This reaction was of no avail, General Guillaumont's men maintaining their line a quarter of a mile east of the road from St. Germainmont to Gerzicourt."

The Town of Ayr Captured. General Gouraud took Ayr, on the south bank of the Aisne southwest of Rethel. The Germans are shelling the rear areas all along the line and appear to be reinforcing their line strongly with machine guns."

WITH THE FRENCH ARMY IN FRANCE, 4:30 P. M., Oct. 16.—(By the Associated Press.)—The entire subsistence of the German armies between Cambrai and the Meuse must pass through two points, the towns of Hirson and Mexieres. These are the two lines upon which the security of the German armies now depend, and it is toward those two lines that the French and Americans in Champagne and the British and French in the region of Cambria and Guise have been advancing."

Pitched Battle Avoided. The most plausible reason for a general retreat of the German armies is the necessity of reducing the distance between them and these two points, both of which are already remotely threatened, and to parry the danger of their being bottled between the lines. The only alternative would have been the engagement of their entire reserves in a desperate pitched battle in the former hope of wresting from the allies the initiative in operations for the balance of the fighting season."

Military experts who regard the German retreat as that of a completely defeated force attribute the German reverse first to the desperate game risked by Ludendorff in the Spring in throwing in and compromising the greater part of his strength in an attempt to gain a quick and decisive result, which left his forces exhausted; second, to the discouragement of the German soldier, disappointed in the promises held out to him in March of an early peace; third, to Ludendorff's tactics of attacks over restricted fronts in mass, pursued to the exhaustion of the forces engaged, and fourth, to the success of Marshal Poch's tactics of harassing the enemy without respite at many different points simultaneously, making it impossible for the enemy to bring up reserves to all the threatened positions."

PARIS, Oct. 16.—The War Office statement on aerial operations, issued tonight, reads: "On October 14 there was great reconnoitering activity. Our observation machines carried out excursions and saw many fires which the enemy had started east of our lines. Seven German machines were destroyed in combat and four balloons shot or captured. During the night our bombing aviators dropped six tons of bombs on railway stations, particularly the important ones of Hirson, Vervins, Marie and Montcornet."

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At First Sign of Defection of Porte Kaiser's Fleet Will Open Fire on Capital.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16.—With the Berlin-Constantinople railroad cut by the allied occupation of Nish, Germany is relying on its Black Sea fleet to hold Turkey in line. Information has been received at the State Department that the Turkish government has been told by Berlin that the fleet will open fire on the Ottoman capital at the first sign of defection."

This German fleet consists largely of warships captured from the Russians, but is believed here to be strong enough to control, for the present at least, the Turkish government."

It was pointed out today that, with the British forces rapidly clearing Palestine and Mesopotamia of Turkish control, Turkey must hold to Constantinople as its only hope of maintaining any power as a government."

News from Copenhagen that Izzet Pasha has been appointed Premier and Minister of War in the new Turkish Cabinet was interpreted as meaning that Berlin is still not without a friend at court. Because of his long services as chief of the Turkish army staff and his association with German officers, Izzet is looked upon as friendly to Germany."

The accuracy of reports that the Union and Progress Club, the most powerful organization in Turkey, had been closed at the demand of the Turkish army staff was doubted by officials here, who said such action would be tantamount to a military revolution. If the report is true, they declared, anything might happen in Constantinople."

COPENHAGEN, Oct. 16.—Upon the resignation of the Turkish Ministry of Talat Pasha, the Premiership was assumed by Izzet Pasha, a former Minister of War, instead of by Tewfik Pasha, former Turkish Ambassador to Great Britain, as has been reported, says a Constantinople dispatch under date of Monday, October 14. Izzet Pasha also took the portfolio of Minister of War."

No Foreign Minister has been appointed, but Naby Bey, former Turkish Ambassador at Rome, is in charge of the Foreign Ministry ad interim."

Shoemaker Succeeds Stewart. SALEM, Or., Oct. 16.—(Special.)—Dr. R. R. Shoemaker has been appointed by Robert C. Markee, commandant of the State Soldiers' Home at Roseburg, as official physician of the institution to take the place temporarily of Dr. E. B. Stewart, who has been granted leave of absence to enter military service. Dr. Shoemaker is brother of State Game Warden Shoemaker."

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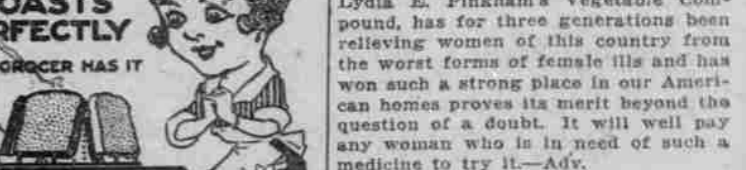
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