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FRENCH MAY SURRENDER PARIS TO SAVE CITY

GERMAN ARMY WITHIN TWENTY MILES OF PARIS PROPER NOW

Persistent Advance of Kaiser's Forces Not Appreciably Checked by Allies' Forces, Which Now Occupy Siege Lines East and West of Paris.

GERMAN RIGHT WING AT REAR OF RETREATING FRENCH NEAR CREIL

Late News Dispatches From Dieppe Indicate That Nothing Is Stopping Rapid Advance of German Armies From North and East on French Capital

LONDON, Sept. 4.—The German army, at least one part of it, is now within twenty miles of the outer fortifications of Paris, according to the latest advices received here. There is no evidence to show that the Germans' persistent advance has been appreciably checked. Late news dispatches from Dieppe describe the German right as at the rear of the retreating French through Creil, Senlis and Crepy en Valois, towns 24, 20 and 35 miles, respectively, from the boundaries of Paris proper. The allies probably now occupy a line of siege east and west of Paris.

REPORT GERMAN WARSHIPS RETURNED TO KIEL DAMAGED

LONDON, Sept. 4.—The official information bureau issued a statement saying that "according to information derived from a trustworthy source, seven German destroyers and torpedo boats have arrived at Kiel in a damaged condition. It is understood that others have been sunk in the vicinity of the Kiel canal."

ENGLISH SINK AUSTRIAN STEAMER

LONDON, Sept. 4.—The sinking of the Austrian steamer Batori by a British cruiser in the Bay of Biscay was reported this afternoon.

FREE TRAINS CARRY FRENCH FROM PARIS TO OTHER CITIES

PARIS, Sept. 4.—Tens of thousands of Parisians, chiefly women and children, have taken advantage of free trains placed at their disposal by the government for the purpose of clearing Paris and its environs of civilians who might hamper military operations. Most of these people are going south or west. The military government has given non-combatants 15 trains of 25 cars each. They will run today, tomorrow and Sunday, conveying refugees to points outside of the military zone. The principal Paris newspapers have transferred their offices to Bordeaux, where the Havas News Agency has also established headquarters.

GERMAN ADVANCE IS RAPID

LONDON, Sept. 4.—The Times' correspondent at Dieppe, France, under Thursday's date, indicates that the Germans are less than twenty-five miles from Paris. He says: "All day yesterday, the German right was furiously forcing its way toward Paris, battering at the rear of the retreating French through Creil, Senlis and Crepy En Valis. The cannonading broke windows in Chantilly, seventeen miles north of Paris. The Germans are also near Seissons."

Another dispatch to The Times from Beauvais, forty miles northwest of Paris, says the Germans entered Cleimont, thirty-five miles from Paris, at seven o'clock Wednesday morning. At the same time their cavalry was operating around Beauvais.

RUMOR REVOLUTION IN AUSTRIA

LONDON, Sept. 4.—A Reuter dispatch from Rome says: "According to a report from Servia, the secret Servian society Narodna Obrana is preparing a revolutionary movement in Bosnia and Herzegovina, both Austrian provinces, which will break out simultaneously with similar movements in Bosnia and Hungary."

ENGLISH CLAIM GERMANS REPULSED.

LONDON, Sept. 4.—A Reuter news dispatch from Antwerp says it seems that the Germans' attempt to envelope the allies' left wing has been frustrated. A big force of German cavalry which was advancing on Campaigne, has been vigorously repulsed and obliged to abandon several pieces of artillery.

TO SURRENDER PARIS WITHOUT BATTLE TO PREVENT DESTRUCTION

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) LONDON, Sept. 4.—In a dispatch from Rouen, France, the correspondent of the Chronicle says he learned that the French authorities in Paris are considering the surrender of the city to the Germans to avoid destruction of property from artillery fire. This will be done, the correspondent declares, if the outer line of the Paris defenses are passed by the invaders. The British, French and Belgian wounded are being transferred from Paris to other cities. A great exodus of the populace to the south continues.

BERLIN DECKED WITH FLAGS IN HONOR VICTORIES IN FRANCE

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) BERLIN, Sept. 4.—(By wireless to Associated Press via Sayville, L. I.)—Berlin is prominently decked with flags. Confidence prevails that nothing can stay the victorious advance of the Western armies. Morhat, Tageblatt's military expert, expects the armies of Duke Albrecht and the Crown Prince will soon reach Chalons and Verdun, which can easily be mastered without delaying the advance. These towns have lost their strategic importance. Touland Epinal, the capital of the department of Vosges, may delay the armies of Prince Rupprecht and General von Heringen, but this is unimportant. Raids in Upper Alsace are to be expected while Belfort is in French hands, but this is without significance as far as the general result is concerned. It is now revealed that the Austrian motor batteries, each consisting of 12-inch guns mounted in autos, have been co-operating with the German heavy artillery in the reduction of the Northern fortresses. The manning and accuracy of these batteries is highly praised.

GERMANY SENDS HOLLAND ULTIMATUM

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) NEW YORK, Sept. 4.—Dow, Jones & Co., published the following on their news ticker today: "London—It is reported at Lloyd's that Germany has sent an ultimatum to Holland. There is no confirmation."

FRENCH CLAIM GERMANS REPULSED

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) PARIS, Sept. 4.—An official announcement says that the opposing armies "around Paris have not yet come in contact. They continue their movements of taking positions. The statement added that "the Germans have been checked at Verdun. The French are successful in Lorraine and the situation is not changed."

BELGIAN REPORTS GERMAN RIGHT WING CHECKED NEAR OSTEND

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) OSTEND, Belgium, Sept. 4.—The advance of the German right wing is reported to be cut, and the Germans have been obliged to retire on St. Quentin.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) PARIS, Sept. 4.—An official communication issued by the military government this afternoon says: "The movement of the opposing armies near Paris are being continued without a contact taking place. In the Verdun district the German forces have sustained some checks. In Lorraine and Vosges, our troops won fresh impartial successes. The general situation is little changed."

RUSSIANS CAPTURE LEMBURG

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) LONDON, Sept. 4.—A Petrograd special dispatch to the Reuter Telegraph Company, says the Commander-in-Chief has notified the Emperor that the Russians have occupied Lemburg. The Commander-in-Chief's message was as follows: "With extreme joy and thanking God, I announce to your Majesty that our victorious army under General Rusky captured Lemburg at 11 o'clock this morning. General Brussiloff's army has taken Hailez."

GERMANS CLAIM GREAT VICTORY OVER FRENCH NEAR VERDUN LINE

Claim That Over Three-Quarter of a Million Men Were Engaged in Greatest Battle in History—Crown Prince William and Kaiser Personally Direct Germans

CLAIM FRENCH SACRIFICED LINE IN FRONT OF PARIS TO RESIST ONSLAUGHT

Few Details of Great Struggle Given—Practically Opened Way To Fortifications of Paris—London Aroused At Turn of Affairs

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) LONDON, Sept. 4.—Reference to the titanic struggle between the Germans under Crown Prince Frederick William and the French forces which occurred between Rheims and Verdun Wednesday is made today from Berlin. If the Berlin statement proves correct that three-quarters of a million troops were fighting in that region Wednesday in "the greatest battle of history," it would explain happenings in the western field to bring troops to anything like 750,000. Enormous French forces must have been concentrated at the expense of the French left, where the Germans have been making progress with their brilliant dash on Paris. The battle along the Rheims-Verdun line claimed in a Berlin message as a victory for the Crown Prince, who is reported to have had the assistance of Emperor William, who was present.

ENGLISH TURN HOPES TOWARD RUSSIAN VICTORIES IN EAST

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) LONDON, Sept. 4.—The British public turns hopeful eyes from the adverse situation in France, toward the East, where the Russians' triumphs in Austrian Galicia have been amply confirmed. Besides the battle at Lemburg, where the flower of six Austrian army corps were destroyed, it is evident there has been a simultaneous victory at Tomasow, thirty miles southeast of Lodz, in Russian Poland. Galicia is virtually in Russian control. Meagre German reports indicate that the Germans are more than holding their own on the East Prussian border.

PRES. WILSON URGES SPECIAL TAX TO PROTECT UNITED STATES

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 4.—President Wilson personally addressed a joint session of Congress today urging legislation to raise \$100,000,000 additional revenue through internal duties to meet the treasury deficit threatened by the European conflict. While the treasury, he said, could get along for a considerable period, he pointed out the peril of the government's withdrawal from the National banks of \$75,000,000 treasury balance deposited there. He advised against the government borrowing money or selling bonds and appealed to the public to bear the burden of a special tax to meet the unforeseen emergency. The bill will be introduced as soon as possible.

JAPS CLAIM NO VIOLATION

Declare That Landing of Troops on Chinese Territory Not Treaty Offense

FOOD TRUSTS ARE ATTACKED

Thirty-two Indicted at Washington, D. C., for Raising Prices on Pretext of War

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 4.—The landing of Japanese troops on Chinese territory to participate in the attack on the German defenses at Kaito Chow is not viewed at the Japanese embassy here as a violation of China's neutrality which can lead to any serious protest. "When a nation's vital self-interest is at stake," it was said at the embassy, "that nation is obliged to hold itself to the strict letter of neutrality."

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 4.—Thirty-two indictments which were returned here today by the Federal Grand Jury after an investigation to determine whether food prices had been artificially increased on the pretext of having been caused by the European war. Bench warrants were issued for all the indicted men who are local commission agents or produce dealers. No Nationally-known concerns were indicted.