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FRENCH CLAIM GERMANS HAVE BEEN REPULSED AT MANY POINTS

Paris Reports That Germans Have Been Forced to Retire at Numerous Points and That French Forces Have Not Lost Ground Anywhere—Violent Encounters

GERMAN ATTACK ON FRENCH RIGHT WING REPULSED NORTHWARD AFTER HARD BATTLE

Claim That French Troops Have Re-Occupied Important Positions Near the Crest of Mandry—Day's Developments in Campaign in France

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

PARIS, Sept. 8.—Violent encounters have occurred on the French center between Fere Champenoise and Vitry Le Francois at southern point of the forest of Argonne. The French have fallen back nowhere. The Germans have lost ground. Near Vitry, a movement of retirement is confined on the German side. On the French side, a German division attacked on the axis of Chateau Salina and Nancy but was repulsed northward.

Further to the east, French troops re-occupied the crest of Mandry and the Peak of Fourneaux. There is no change in the situation in the province of Alsace.

PRES. WILSON ASKS AMERICANS TO PRAY FOR END OF WAR

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

WASHINGTON, Sept. 8.—President Wilson today signed a proclamation calling on the American people to pray for peace in Europe. The President's proclamation sets aside Sunday, October 4, as the day of prayer.

ROME PAPER CLAIMS 250,000 RUSSIAN TROOPS IN FRANCE

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

ROME, Sept. 8.—According to the Rome Tribuna, there is in France today a total of 250,000 Russian troops. The newspaper attributes Emperor William's presence at Metz to this concentration of Russians.

RUSSIANS REPORT ANOTHER VICTORY

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

PARIS, Sept. 8.—A dispatch to the Havas Agency from Petrograd, says the strong Austrian forts at Nicolief and Mikelajow in Galicia, about twenty-five miles southwest of Lemberg, were captured by the Russians on September 5th.

REPORT AUSTRIAN LOSS NEAR LUBLIN

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 8.—A dispatch from the British embassy from the London foreign office states that "a strong Austrian army now operating in the Lublin region, is suffering serious loss. It is now acting on the defensive and in places has retreated."

ALLIES CLAIM MANY VICTORIES

PARIS, Sept. 8.—The French and English troops engaged in the battle now progressing east of the capital, have taken numerous prisoners, including a battalion of German infantry and a company serving rapid fire guns. They captured also many guns and carriages.

GERMANS CLAIM AUSTRIANS HAVE REPULSED RUSSIANS ON BORDER

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 8.—The German embassy today received the following from Berlin: "A column under the Austrian General Kestran, advancing with the Eastern army under General Danki on the Russian territory, repulsed a vigorous Russian attack and captured 600 Russian prisoners. In the South the Servians tried near Mitrovida to break into Croatian territory. About 5000 Servians were taken prisoners."

RUSSIANS STILL ADVANCING ON AUSTRIA

PARIS, Sept. 8.—An official announcement says the Russian cavalrymen are now on the crest of the Carpathian Mountains. Continuing, the announcement says the Russian offensive movement against the Austrians in Galicia continues successfully.

SERVIANS BEGIN BOSNIA INVASION

LONDON, Sept. 8.—An Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Nish, Serbia, says the Serbian army has begun an invasion of Bosnia and has crossed the River Save near Mitrovitch.

ROB EMPIRE SALOON CROWD OF \$921 AND GET AWAY

Two Bandits Make Big Haul in Tom Edgar's Place—Third Stood Guard

TWO SHOTS FIRED AT PROPRIETOR AT START

Believed That Same Gang Held Up Autos Twice—May Be Gardiner Robbers

Two masked men, believed to be the same pair who twice held up automobile parties between North Bend and Empire, last night robbed Tom Edgar's saloon, formerly the Klahn Saloon, and parties there of \$921.55. They made their escape their identity being concealed by handkerchiefs tied over their faces. It is thought that a third member of the gang stood watch outside. The robbery was at the point of a gun and two shots were fired at Edgar when he did not come through quickly enough to suit them. Both were dangerously near.

The men robbed and the amounts taken were:

Tom Edgar, \$395.35.
F. C. Jennings, \$167.50.
Tom Jennings, \$12.
Fred Potter, \$91.80.
L. Jennings, \$125.
Coy Elliston, \$130.

The money taken from Edgar was all in gold with the exception of a \$10 bill and some silver. The others had gold and bills.

Elliston, one of the victims, is the man who was arrested by Sheriff Gage at Florence last week as a suspect in the Gardiner robbery but who was released when he showed that he won the \$300 he had on him in a poker game at Lakeside.

Mr. Edgar stated that the others were all from Marshfield and North Bend. He said that they had come down for a good time and were waiting for an auto to go home when the robbery occurred.

Found Hidden Money.

Evidently the robbers knew that the victims had money. Fred Potter was near the wash room when the robbers appeared and when they were dickered with Edgar, he slipped into the wash room and taking his wallet of \$125, hid it under the papers. The robbers saw him come out and after they had searched him and found nothing in his pocket, they searched the wash room and found his roll.

Like Auto Robber

Mr. Edgar stated today that one of them tallied exactly with the description given of one of the auto bandits. He wore corduroy trousers and had a patch on the knee. He was about the same height. One was slim and both were dark.

Thought It a Joke

Mr. Edgar said that when he saw the two men come with handkerchiefs tied over their faces he thought it was a joke. When they pulled their guns and ordered "Hands Up! Get busy!" he thought it a joke. But when he did not get busy one of the men started shoot-

TWO ROBBERIES LAST EVENING

Milo Pierson's Store at Lakeside Entered—North Bend Place Entered

Milo Pierson's store at Lakeside was robbed last night. Entrance was gained by breaking out a front window. Dal Cathcart received a phone message from Mr. Pierson today stating that the robbers got but little, but he did not state what. It is presumed that the thieves were after cash and Mr. Pierson fooled them by having most of his cash out of the cash drawer.

North Bend Robbery.

Andrew Landles stated today that unknown parties broke into the Simpson pavilion at North Bend last night and stole a considerable quantity of stuff that had been left there from the Labor Day picnic. George B. Hughes lost a 5-gallon can of ice cream, quite a few cigars and Mr. Landles twelve or fifteen pounds of candy.

ing and when the second bullet whizzed dangerously close to him, Edgar said he told them to take what he had.

The others were in the back room and rushed to the door when the affair started, but were quickly covered by the bandit while his companion went through them and got their money.

After getting everything in the till and from the pockets of the victims, the robbers backed out of the room and after getting outside separated and started away on the run by different routes toward South Inlet.

Sheriff Gage There.

Sheriff Gage was at Empire this morning and Mr. Edgar stated that he was certain they had a clue that would result in the robbers being arrested. He lamented the fact that he did not have a gun. He said that both robbers were decidedly nervous and that if he had a gun or anything he could have scared them out.

The "corduroy" trousers which marked one of the auto bandits and also one of the Empire robbers is believed to be worn by the leader of the gang. The Marshfield police have seen him a few times but were uncertain about arresting him.

May Be Gardiner Robbers

Some think that the trio, for other parties at Empire are sure that the third man was on guard outside the saloon while the two pulled off the stunt, are the men who robbed the Gardiner safe.

It was reported today that the men robbed were employes of the dredge Michie but Mr. Edgar said that they were not.

NEW VICTORIES OF RUSSIANS

Claim to Have Defeated Them Badly—Only Minor Battles in East Prussia

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

PARIS, Sept. 8.—The Havas correspondent at Petrograd transmits the following official announcement: "The Russians adopted extended offensive tactics Friday along the entire Austrian battle line. The enemy's center near Kranostate bore the Russian attack. The forty-fifth Austrian infantry was completely surrounded and the Commander, 44 officers and 1600 men were taken prisoners. A German division which came to the Austrians' aid was attacked on the left bank of the Vistula. The Russian troops occupied the region around Stryj. The Russian cavalry possesses Carpathian Heights. Only light skirmishes are reported in Eastern Prussia."

FAMINE IN AUSTRIA

Russians Report Austrian Defense Broken on Vistula.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

PETROGRAD, Sept. 8.—The following official announcement was issued today: "The Austrian army corps between the River Vistula and the River Burg are retreating with enormous losses. The enemy's resistance has been broken. There are evidences of the possibility of a famine in Austria."

BAND DANCE PLATFORM Second and Market, Saturday night.

ITALIANS TO ASSIST ALLIES

Expect Italy and Spain May Soon Join in Fight Against Germany and Austria

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

LONDON, Sept. 8.—A Bordeaux dispatch to the Chronicle says: "Much attention is being paid here to the possible inclusion of Italy and Spain in the number of countries at war. The strained relations between Italy and her former allies have been greatly aggravated in the last three days, while in spirit, it is said, public opinion is becoming most insistent for a declaration in support of Great Britain and France."

DR. FRANK IS BATTLE VICTIM

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

BERLIN, Sept. 8.—Vorwaerts has learned that on September 3rd Dr. Ludwig Frank of Mannheim was killed near Luneville. Dr. Frank, who was born in 1874, was a Social Democrat member of the Reichstag and a leader in the Socialist party.

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ALLIED ARMIES IN FRONT OF PARIS CLAIM GERMANS REPULSED

Paris Reports That Left Wing of French and English Troops Are Making Good Progress Against Germans Who Are Retiring Towards Marne

FRENCH CAPITAL RESIDENTS OPTIMISTIC DESPITE GERMAN CONTROL OF CHAMPAIGN

Great Battle Now in Progress Being Fought on Field Selected By French Commander-in-Chief Joffre—German Right Wing in Jeopardy.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

PARIS, Sept. 8.—An official communication issued this afternoon says the left wing of the allied armies, comprising portions of the force defending Paris, continue to make progress. The advance reaches from the banks of the River Oureq into the Montnuirail region. Germans are retiring in the direction of the Marne River between Meaux and Sezanne.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

PARIS, Sept. 8.—Paris is optimistic this morning, surprise at finding the Germans have been able to traverse nearly the entire Champaign country does not shake their confidence in the outcome of the great battle which is being fought on the ground selected by General Joffre, the French Commander-in-Chief. The Germans' turning movement finally resulted in battle formation that puts their own rights in jeopardy, as yesterday's advance of the allies' left proved.

Bits of news coming in from the wounded show that the allies gained a distinct success. On the left the enemy is suffering while trying to cross the River Marne. As fast as pontoons are finished, French three-inch guns demolished them before they could be utilized. The general opinion of the morning press is that the Allies may lose the battle and still make the siege of Paris difficult for the enemy, while if the Germans lose, the situation of their entire army in France would be critical.

GERMANS REFUSED ARMISTICE TODAY

PARIS, Sept. 8.—It is unofficially reported here this afternoon that Germans east of the city have asked for an armistice to bury their dead and care for the wounded. It is understood that the request has been refused by the allies.

RUSSIANS TRY TO ANNIHILATE ARMY

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

LONDON, Sept. 8.—A Rome dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph says: "A telegram from Vienna states that General Ruzsky, who, following the capture of Lemberg, expected a flank attack northward against the Austrians under General Auffenberg, the Austrian War Minister, is today engaged in a desperate attempt to annihilate Auffenberg's army. The battle has already continued three days and it is likely to continue several more."

RUSSIAN TROOPS IN BELGIUM JOINED BY BELGIAN VOLUNTEERS

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

PARIS, Sept. 8.—An agreement was reached by the Belgian and Russian governments, according to the correspondent of Havas Agency at Petrograd, which authorizes the Belgian reservists and 1914 recruits to attach themselves to the Russian army. This would appear to be confirmatory of today's report from Rome that Russian forces had landed in Belgium.

LONDON PAPER CLAIMS EMPEROR OF AUSTRIA DIED 12 DAYS AGO

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

LONDON, Sept. 8.—The African World, a weekly publication, has received information through what it regards as a reliable Austrian source to the effect that Austrian Emperor Francis Joseph died twelve days ago. The news was suppressed in Austria, the paper says, on account of the dangerous internal situation.

RUSSIAN ACCOUNT GIVEN

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 8.—The Russian embassy here today issued the following statement regarding Russian movements: "September 5 our troops took the strong fortifications of Mikolac on Dunster River. Most of these works were covered by flanking fire, artillery placed in steel cupolas and the whole works surrounded by triple line of wire entanglements. We took forty guns and a large store

of supplies and ammunition. In Northern Galicia, serious fighting is going on at Rawa Russka. The first Austrian corps, which had been advancing toward Lublin and Holm is retiring. We are taking prisoners, guns and ammunition. In East Prussia only skirmishing is taking place.

WEATHER FORECAST

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)
OREGON—Fair in east; showers in west tonight and Wednesday; southerly winds.