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GERMANS CLAIM TO BE MAKING STEADY PROGRESS AGAINST ALLIES

Official States Says That They Are Hammering the French Position With Heavy Artillery and Claim to Begin Getting Results.

SILENCE TWO BELGIAN FORTS AT ANTWERP AND CAPTURE THIRTY FRENCH AEROPLANES

Announce General Activity Against Allies in France, Progress in Siege of Antwerp and General Offensive Movement Against Russians

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

BERLIN, Oct. 2.—(Wireless to Sayville, L. I.)—According to an announcement made here today the great battle in France is still undecided. The Germans are described as hammering the French positions at numerous points with heavy artillery. Attempts of the allies to break through the German lines have been repulsed. The heaviest losses have been in the Argonne regions. The Germans continue to make steady progress.

In the fighting before Antwerp, the German artillery has silenced two Belgian forts. The German troops captured thirty aeroplanes sent from France to Belgium. In the Eastern area, the Russian offensive movement from the River Niemen against the Germans in the province of Suwalki is declared to have failed. The Russian fortress of Ossowetz, in Russian Poland, was bombarded by Germans until September 25.

The fighting in France, the siege of Antwerp and the offensive operations under General Von Hindenburg are all going on at the same time, and are taken in Berlin to indicate that the Germany army is not lacking in men.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

LONDON, Oct. 2.—Whether two forts have fallen near Antwerp, as the Germans insist, or whether the Belgians have so far repulsed the artillery onslaught is a matter of conjecture here. From the east through various sources comes the news of the Russian assault of Cracow and vicinity, where two and a half million Germans and Austrians are said to be concentrated.

So many conflicting reports have been received concerning the Russian advance through Galicia, however, that the public is inclined to await further details.

London papers make a feature of the successful landing of Indian troops in a score of transports at Marseilles. Only guesses can be made of the number of troops.

GERMANS PLAN TO BREAK THROUGH ALLIES' WING NOW NEAR BELGIUM

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

LONDON, Oct. 2.—The turning movement of the allied armies in northern France has brought the extreme of their left wing within about thirty miles of the Belgian frontier. The French war office states that part of the battle line, stretching generally north and south, has been extended north to a point south of Arras. This line on which the allies are attempting to envelope the German right wing under Von Kluck has been pushed generally toward the Belgian border as the Germans widened their front in defense, until it now extends from 55 miles from the angle that rests on Tracy-Le-Mont.

Near Roye, 25 miles east of Amiens, the Germans have concentrated strong forces, probably with the purpose of breaking through the front of the allies and isolating their forces to the north.

U. S. CONSUL'S HOME AT RHEIMS IS STRUCK BY GERMAN SHELL

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

RHEIMS, Oct. 2.—The bombardment of Rheims continues. The city has now been under fire of the German guns for sixteen days and in every part of the city the whistle of shells and explosions are heard, wrecking buildings in every quarter. Wednesday morning a fierce artillery duel raged.

During the bombardment, William Bardel, the American Consul, had a narrow escape as a shell wrecked half his residence over which the stars and stripes were flying.

Passing the scene of the recent battle of Marne a traveler may see hundreds of old men and women harvesting in the same spots where, a few days ago, there were numerous bodies.

The Rheims cathedral still stands, although Monday night four shells dropped through the shattered roof and exploded in the interior.

FRENCH WAR OFFICE SAYS BATTLE WAGES FIERCE ALONG LEFT WING

Official Statement of Developments in Campaign Today Says That Germans Have Concentrated Reinforcements in Region of Roy

FIGHTING LINE NOW EXTENDED INTO REGION OF ARRAS ALONG MEUSE—TRY TO BRIDGE RIVER

French Claim Big Guns Destroyed Bridge Which Germans Attempted to Throw Across River Near St. Mihiel Under Cover of Darkness Last Night.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

PARIS, Oct. 2.—The war office official statement issued this afternoon says: "On our left wing, the battle continues with terrific fighting notably in the region of Roye, where the Germans appear to have concentrated important reinforcements. The action extends more and more toward the north front of the battle line which is now extended into the region of Arras on the Meuse. The Germans attempted at night to throw a bridge across the river near St. Mihiel. The bridge was destroyed by our guns. In the Woevre district our offensive continues, notably in the region between Apremont and St. Mihiel. On the remainder of the front there has been attempted only partial operations."

SPECIAL CARRIES KAISER FROM ONE BATTLE FRONT TO ANOTHER

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

ROME, Oct. 2.—Emperor William, says a telegram from Berlin, is going from one front to another. He travels in a special train of ten Pullmans, and is accompanied by his aides and bodyguard.

SERVIANS FORCED TO GIVE UP PLAN TO CAPTURE SARJEVO

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

ROME, Oct. 2.—A dispatch from Nish says General Jankovitch, the Servian command-in-chief, has ordered the attempt to capture Sarajevo be abandoned temporarily, as it was found the Austrians defending the city occupy positions that could only be taken by great sacrifices.

GERMANS HAVE 2000 RUSSIAN OFFICERS

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

BERLIN, Oct. 2.—(Wireless to Sayville, L. I.)—A statement given out here says that about 2000 Russian officers, including 18 generals, are held as prisoners of war in detention camps in Germany.

ENGLAND WILL NOW LAY MINES

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

LONDON, Oct. 2.—The official information bureau announced today that the government had decided to lay mines in certain areas as a counter stroke to the German procedure.

SERVIANS ATTACK SERAJEVO

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

LONDON, Oct. 2.—Although earlier advices from Nish said the Servian war office thought the attempt to take the city would be inadvisable, the Montenegrin official report says an attack on Serajevo, the capital of the Austrian province of Bosnia, has begun.

SIKHS RIOT IN INDIA ON RETURN

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

CALCUTTA, Oct. 2.—The Sikh passengers on the steamer Komagata Maru, who were refused permission to land at Vancouver, arrived at Bajbaj last Saturday. Some of them refused to board the train for Punjab and opened fire with revolvers. One European was killed and several others, including the Commissioner of Police, was wounded. One Punjab policeman was killed and several wounded. The troops were compelled to fire to stop rushes of the Sikhs and sixteen rioters were killed. The remainder were scattered to surrounding villages.

BELGIANS CLAIM GERMANS HAS LOST THOUSANDS AS ANTWERP

Declare That Belgian Machine Gun Fire Has Been Most Deadly To Assaultants—Thousands Fall Before Two Forts Outside Antwerp

AMSTERDAM REPORTS GERMANS ARE PREPARING TO WITHDRAW FROM BRUSSELS

German General Staff Leaves Luxemburg in Sixty Autos for Aisnes and Official Documents at Belgian Capital Are Being Packed Today

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

LONDON, Oct. 2.—"The Germans suffered heavily everywhere under the well-directed machine gun fire of the Belgians," according to a statement from the Antwerp correspondent of the Central News. "At Wavre and St. Catherine forts alone, (outside of Antwerp,) the German dead may be counted by thousands. At several points the corpses lie in heaps."

Germans May Vacate Brussels

In a dispatch from Amsterdam the correspondent of the Daily News says the advices reaching there from Brussels set forth that there is every reason to anticipate the early withdrawal of Germans from the Belgian capital. The wounded men are being sent back to Germany, he says, and German official documents are being packed up. The correspondent adds that he has learned from a good source that the German general staff has left Luxemburg in sixty motor cars for Aisnes.

VILLAGERS FLEE INTO ANTWERP

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 2.—A dispatch from Antwerp says the population of all the villages between the first and second ring of forts surrounding the city are fleeing into Antwerp, but there is no panic and the inhabitants feel certain that help will come.

ITALY'S OPPONENT OF ENTERING EUROPEAN WAR RESIGNS TODAY

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

LONDON, Oct. 2.—The Idea Nazionale of Rome, the Nationalist party organ, declares the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Marquis di San Giuliano, who is reputed to be opposed to Italy entering the conflict, has resigned from the cabinet.

BULGARIA RECALLS OFFICERS

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

ROME, Oct. 2.—The Bulgarian Minister to Italy has been instructed by his government to order all Bulgarian army officers in Italy and Switzerland to return home immediately.

RUSSIA CLAIMS TO BE REPULSING GERMANS AND AUSTRIANS TODAY

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

PETROGRAD, Oct. 2.—An official announcement says: "Russian troops have continued to repulse the enemy from the boundaries of the government of Suwalki and Lomsea. The engagement has been fierce west of Symno. The Germans that were attacking Ossowetz are retreating hastily to the north. Considerable forces of the enemy are concentrating in districts west of Piotrkow and Kielce. An attack of Russian cavalry against the German vanguard marching on Kielce was crowned with great success. South of Augustowi a hand-to-hand engagement took place. The battle is proceeding over an extensive front, the Germans occupying positions near Mariampot and south of St. Slutshin."

LABOR TO END WORLD WARS

Samuel Gompers Proposes to Co-operate in Plan for Preventing Outbreak

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

NEW YORK, Oct. 2.—An appeal for a world congress for the estab-

lishment of peace has been issued by Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, who announced that the Federation stood ready to assist in any movement to end the European war. The plan outlined provides for the establishment of agencies to prevent the repetition of international wars.

COMMITTEE IS FORMED.

SEATTLE, Oct. 2.—The Democratic state central committee yesterday elected John B. Fogarty of Everett chairman, and George Ryan of Seattle, secretary. Fogarty will name the executive committee.