

# BULGARIAN FORCES IN FULL FLIGHT, PURSUED BY SERBS

### Burning Villages and Supplies in Retreat—Serbs, French, Greeks and British in Strong Attacks Carry Important Positions.

A despatch from London says: News from the Macedonian front shows that the allied successes are extending beyond all expectations. British and Greek troops are now officially reported to have gained enemy first positions on a wide front, while the Serbian and French operations continue to develop amazingly.

A Reuter's despatch says that the Serbians have completely broken the Bulgarian front. Ober Serbian cavalry are advancing upon the important junction of Prilep. The front is now twenty-five miles wide, and is regarded as the most important success. It looks likely that the allies will clear the whole of this area.

The late French official report, under date of September 18, reads as follows:

"On September 17 and 18 the allied armies in the East greatly extended the successes of the two preceding days. The Bulgarian divisions retreated in disorder on the Cerna. Our troops in their pursuit, however, had the Cerna on one part of its course and have occupied in the mountains, zone, Groyov, Kamen and Chazina, have crossed the Belashitsa River, and gone beyond the region of Boden, as well as the Blizets massif.

"The enemy left behind prisoners and considerable material, which have not yet been enumerated.

"In the region of Lake Doljan British and Greek troops, likewise have carried forward an attack and gained a foothold in the enemy first positions, notwithstanding stubborn resistance. A great number of prisoners have already fallen into our hands. The attack continues."

The Bulgarians are in flight in Macedonia, and are burning stores and villages, according to a Serbian official statement received here.

The allied troops now have advanced more than 12 miles, and their progress is so rapid that they have not been able to count the prisoners and war material taken. New regiments thrown in by the Bulgarians have been forced to retreat with the others.

The Bulgarians have been defeated completely, and the Serbian troops are pursuing them day and night. The Serbian and French troops have taken the towns of Topolet, Potshishta, Reshishta, Melyntes, Vilclishta and Rasimby. They have also taken the height of Kuchkov Kamen.

A later despatch says:—In Macedonia both the French-Serbian and British-Greek detachments have gained important victories over the Bulgarians. The Serbians have extended their front westward to the Cerna River, and it is now 25 miles wide.

The total depth of the advance is 15 to 17 miles.

All the Bulgarian trench systems on the Serbian front have been penetrated. Allied cavalry has taken up the pursuit, and one cavalry unit has crossed the Cerna 20 miles north of the Sokol positions. Another force of horsemen has moved the same distance north-east.

The capture of several villages and 5,000 prisoners are reported in the Serbian official statement made public on Friday.

"Continuing our advance," the statement says, "we crossed the left bank of the Cerna River. The enemy burned his depots and camps. We have taken more than 3,000 prisoners and captured ten additional guns, mostly heavy pieces. Several villages have fallen into our hands."

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Winter Travel in Mountain Land—Yukon huskies should be useful here this winter or some of the dog sleds used by the boys in Manitoba.

# ENEMY LOSSES HEAVY IN STRUGGLE FOR ST. QUENTIN

### Allies Take 10,000 Prisoners and More Than 60 Big Guns—Enemy Counter-Attack Everywhere Repulsed.

A despatch from London says:—The prisoners taken by the British in the operations begun Wednesday north-west of St. Quentin now exceed Haig's report on Thursday night. More than sixty big guns were taken, and further ground was captured. Most of the fighting was around Gouzenourt and to the east of Epehy.

After a violent bombardment Wednesday afternoon the German launched a series of desperate attacks to regain their lost positions. They were everywhere beaten off. "Great numbers of German dead are lying before our positions on the whole front of the enemy attack," says Field Marshal Haig.

The important town of Gouzenourt, southwest of St. Quentin, and near it, are both in the hands of the French, operating on the right of the British. Our allies have also reached their costly counter-attacks of Wednesday evening.

Fighting still proceeded, particularly on the extreme flank of the battlefield, where the British were cleaning out strong points and strengthening their lines, but the initiative remained entirely with them.

That the situation created by the British seizure of the long Hindenburg outpost line and the dominating heights in front of it could not remain stationary for long seemed a foregone conclusion. "Whether the enemy would essay further heavy counter-attacks depended entirely on the badly-drained resources of his command, for the next move undoubtedly belonged to the Germans, since they must push the British back or continue to live with the naked sword hanging over them in this vital sector."

The enemy losses Thursday were extremely heavy, both in the early fighting and in the numerous counter-attacks which were thrown in toward night, in a desperate attempt to regain part of the lost ground. The whole zone of the long battlefield today was strewn with lead in field-grey uniforms.

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# POISON WELLS DURING RETREAT

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# Markets of the World

**Breadstuffs**  
Toronto, Sept. 24. Manitoba wheat—No. 1 Northern, \$2.24; No. 2 Northern, \$2.21; No. 3 Northern, \$2.17; No. 1 wheat, \$2.11; No. 2 wheat, \$2.07; No. 3 wheat, \$2.03; No. 1 feed, \$1.75; No. 2 feed, \$1.71; No. 3 feed, \$1.67; No. 1 yellow, \$1.75; No. 2 yellow, \$1.71; No. 3 yellow, \$1.67; No. 1 white, \$1.75; No. 2 white, \$1.71; No. 3 white, \$1.67.

**Country Produce—Wholesale**  
Eggs, No. 1, candled, 48 to 49; selected new laid, 42 to 43; cartons 54 to 55.

**Butter—Creamery, solids, 45% to 46%; do fresh made, 47 to 48; choiced dairy prints, 41 to 42; ordinary dairy prints, 38 to 40; baker's 36 to 38; Oleomargarine (best grade), 32 to 34.**

**Cheese—New, large, 2 1/2 to 2 3/4; twins, 2 1/2 to 2 3/4; spring-made, large, 2 1/2 to 2 3/4; Canadian, prime, bushel, \$8.50 to \$7.50; Foreign, hand-picked, bushel, \$6.75 to \$7.**

**Comb Honey—Choice, 10 to 12; \$5 to \$6 per dozen; 12 oz., \$3.50 to \$4 per dozen; seconds and dark comb, \$2.50 to \$2.75; bulk, 20 to 25c per lb.**

**Maple Syrup—Imperial gallons, \$2.25; gallon tins, \$2.10 per gallon; Maple sugar, per pound, 24 to 25c.**

**Provisions—Wholesale**  
Barrelled Meat—Pickled pork, \$48; mess pork, \$47.

# Green Meats—Out of Pickle

Smoked meats—Rolls, 32 to 30c; hams, medium, 38 to 39c; heavy, 39c; 3 1/2; cooked hams, 53 to 54c; backs, plain, 44 to 45c; backs, boneless, 48 to 50c. Breakfast bacon, 22 to 24c. Cottage rolls, 25 to 30c.

**Dry Salted Meats—Long cleats, in tons, 30c; in cases, 30 1/2c; clear bellies, 28 to 28 1/2c; fat backs, 28c.**

**Lard—Pure, tierces, 30 1/2 to 31c; tubs, 30 3/4 to 31 1/2c; pails, 31 to 31 1/2c; prints, 32 to 32 1/2c. Shortening, tierces, 25 1/2 to 26c; tubs, 26 to 27 1/2c; pails, 26 1/2 to 27 1/2c; 1-lb. prints, 27 to 27 1/2c.**

**Montreal Markets**  
Montreal, Sept. 24.—Oats—Canadian Western, No. 2, \$1.01 to \$1.02; extra No. 1 feed, 97c. Flour—New rolled oats—Bags, 90 lbs., \$3.25 to \$3.30. Bran \$37.00. Shorts \$42.00. Moultrie, \$67.00 to \$68.00. Hay—No. 2, per ton, car lots, \$16.00. Cheese—Finest easterns, 22 1/2 to 23c. Butter—Selected cream, 44 1/2 to 46c. Eggs—Selected, 43 to 44c; No. 1 stock, 40c; No. 2 stock, 38 to 40c. Potatoes—Per bag, car lots, \$1.90 to \$2.00. Dressed hogs—Abattoir killed, \$28.50. Lard—Pure, rodd pails, 20 lbs net, 31 1/2 to 32c.

**Live Stock Markets**  
Toronto, Sept. 24.—Extra choice heavy steers, \$15.50 to \$16.00; choice heavy steers, \$14.50 to \$15.00; butchers' cattle, choice, \$12.75 to \$13.50; do, good, \$11.50 to \$12.25; do, medium, \$10.35 to \$10.75; do, common, \$8.75 to \$9.25; butchers' bulk, choice, \$11.00 to \$11.25; do, medium bulls, \$7.50 to \$8.50; butchers' cows, choice, \$10.25 to \$11.00; do, good, \$8.25 to \$9.50; do, common, \$7.25 to \$8.00; stockers, \$8.00 to \$10.50; feeders, \$10.50 to \$11.00; canners and cutters, \$5.50 to \$15.00; do, corn and meal, \$65.00 to \$75.00; do, corn and meal, \$150.00; light ewes, \$13.00 to \$14.00; yearlings, \$15.00 to \$16.00; spring lambs, 17 to 17 1/2c; calves good to choice, \$14.00 to \$17.75; hogs, fed, weighed off cars, \$19.75 to \$20.00.

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# LOCAL FIGHTING IMPROVES LINE

London, Sept. 22.—The Entente allied independent air force on Friday dropped bombs on the German towns of Mannheim, Karlsruhe, Bielefeld, Freystadt and Morhange according to an official statement issued this evening by the British Government.

Explosives were dropped on the Lutz Works at Mannheim, wharves and factories at Karlsruhe, and on airfields at Bielefeld, Freystadt and Morhange.

One allied machine is missing.

**BRITISH CASUALTIES FOR PAST WEEK**  
London, Sept. 22.—British casualties for the last week follow: Officers killed or died of wounds, 357; men, 3,133. Officers wounded or missing, 1,010; men, 17,209.

# TRANS-CANADIAN ROAD COMPLETED

Ottawa, Sept. 22.—The last link in the Canadian Northern Railway System between Vancouver and the heart of Montreal was officially declared open to traffic yesterday afternoon, when the first passenger train, bearing a party of engineers and officials representing both the Government and the company, passed through the new three-million-dollar tunnel between the new and modern station on Dorchester street. The Chief Engineer of the Railway Commission, Mr. G. A. Mountain, put his imprimatur on the Northern line now ready after six years of work on the new enterprise, a direct passenger business with the Canada's largest metropolis.

**LOSSES OF ITALIANS ARE OVER MILLION**  
A despatch from Rome says: The losses in the Italian armies since Italy entered the war amount to 1,350,000 in killed and permanently disabled, according to a statement by Francesco Nitti, Minister of the Treasury.

**4,800,000 U. S. TROOPS BY JULY NEXT YEAR**  
A despatch from Washington says: The army of 4,800,000 by next July, after all deductions have been made for conscripts and rejections is what the enlarged American military program calls for, General March said. There are now about 3,200,000 men under arms, General March said, and the plan is to call 2,700,000 of the new draft registrants to the colors between now and July.

# BAKU RETAKEN BY TURKS

### British Evacuate Town and Retire to North Persia

London, Sept. 22.—The evacuation of Baku in Trans-Caucasia, has been reported by the British, who have withdrawn their forces to North Persia.

The evacuation was made necessary, it is stated, because of the lack of steadiness on the part of the Armenian troops when they were attacked by the Turks during August. By the end of that month it was realized that the co-operation of the local government and its forces would not be sufficiently effective to justify the retention of the small British detachment in the face of the numbers which the enemy could collect.

On September 1 the evacuation was definitely decided upon, but on the same day the Turks again attacked the reports state, again failed to cover a Russo-Armenian retreat, and it is feared that this force lost heavily.

A small force of Russians arrived at Baku on September 9 to reinforce the British. This, with the activity of the enemy, tended to improve the morale of the forces already with the British, strengthening their wish to hold the town. They induced the feet in the Caspian, which was still in Russian hands, to refuse permission for the British evacuation, according to the advices. Meanwhile, it is added, the Armenians were negotiating to hand the town over to the enemy.

On September 14 the enemy made a determined attack, and after fighting that lasted 16 hours, the town of which was borne by the British, the account continues, the latter evacuated the town.

**GERMANY ADOPTS MEASURES FOR 'PITILESS REPRESSION'**  
A despatch from Paris says:—Because of the aggravation of the international situation in Germany, which continues to grow, the German Government has taken measures to "assure rapid and pitiless repression" in case of revolt, a Zurich despatch reports.

# FRENCH CLOSING TO LADIES

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# SERB FORCES WITHIN FOUR MILES OF USKUB-SALONICA RAILROAD

### Captured 16 Villages and 12 Guns in Rapid Advance in Central Macedonia—Italians Advance to East of Monastir.

London, Sept. 22.—Serbian troops pressing the Bulgarians and Germans in Central Macedonia, advanced more than 20 kilometres Friday and are now within four miles of the Uskub-Salonica railroad, the main artery for the supply of the Austro-German and Bulgarian forces opposing the British and Greek armies on the Serbian right.

An official despatch from Serbian general headquarters at Salonica received today by the Serbian legation said the Serbians captured 16 villages and 12 guns and now are several kilometres north of the village of Kladovo, in the Bulgarian and German

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# TURKS ANNIHILATED IN PALESTINE BY GEN. ALLENBY'S FORCES

### British Occupy Nazareth and Other Places Sacred to the World—18,000 Prisoners and 120 Guns Captured.

London, Sept. 22.—Gen. Allenby's forces in Palestine have taken 18,000 Turkish prisoners and have captured 120 guns. This means the virtual annihilation of the Ottoman forces in this region. The British losses were surprisingly slight, considering the importance of the advance.

In less than four days the British have swept forward in the centre between the River Jordan and the sea and taken the famous city of Nazareth, while their wings closed round Nazareth in a swift enveloping movement and pierced within the maw of the great Ottoman forces in the centre and along the western Jordan Valley. Meanwhile the King of the Hejaz has cut off the railway communication in front of the fleeing Turks, and are standing a barrier to their escape by eastern plains.

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