

# A SMASHING BLOW ON GERMAN LINES

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Attacking simultaneously on an arc of fifty miles, running from Martinpuich to the Somme, the British and French forces have delivered another smashing blow on the German lines and pushed forward their positions for notable gains.

From Martinpuich to Combles, a distance of six miles, the British have driven in their wedges to a depth of more than a mile and captured in the attack the important strategic towns of Lesbois and Morval, the latter a scant mile north of Combles.

To the French fell the town of Ran-court, two miles east of the outskirts of Freigcourt, one mile northeast of Combles. In addition, trenches near Freigcourt in the vicinity of Bouchavesnes and to the south from the vicinity of the Canal du Nord to the Somme were taken.

The capture of Morval by the British and the Freigcourts by the French apparently seals the fate of Combles, which the Germans have steadily held for weeks despite the violent attacks thrown against it. The defenders of the virtually surrounded town have left to them for escape only the valley, a mile wide, running north-northeast and in the traversing of which they must come under the guns of the British and French respectively from Morval and the vicinity of Freigcourt.

Another notable step in their approach upon Perrone is marked in the capture by the French of trenches in the Canal du Nord region.

Except in Belgium, there have been no important engagements on any of the various fronts. Berlin reports the repulse of Russian advances, but no offensive on a large scale in the hope of putting down the counter-attacks of the British and French troops before winter sets in.

The Rumanians are still struggling for supremacy over the Teutonic allies in the Scurduk and Vulcan passes of the Transylvanian Alps, but according to Berlin all their attacks have been repulsed.

In the Macedonian campaign repeated reports of successes for the entente allies come from their various war chancelleries. West of Florina the Russians have captured a hill from the Bulgars, and have crossed the frontier into their own country, reaching a position north of Kruzograd, while the French northeast of Florina have penetrated to the village of Florak. The British to the north of Falino, one of the eastern end of the battle lines, have been successful.

Aside from the capture by the Italians of an important mountain peak on the Trentino front, artillery bombardments have taken place on the Austro-Slovene front.

Despite the loss of two Zeppelins in an air raid on eastern England Saturday night, the Germans Monday night again returned with a heavy attack with airships and dropping bombs in the northern and midland countries.

FOOD SHORTAGE DISCUSSED IN LUXEMBURG PARLIAMENT.

Due to Refusal of Great Britain to Permit Importation.

Berlin, Sept. 25 (By Wireless to Sayville).—According to reports from Luxembourg, the question concerning the supply of food caused a violent discussion in the Luxembourg parliament, says an item given out today by the German news agency. Director-General Welter, it is added, decided that the difficulties over the food supply were due to the refusal of Great Britain to permit importation of victuals, even though their distribution would be under control of agents of the United States.

### Cabled Paragraphs

Earl of Essex Dead.  
London, Sept. 25.—The Earl of Essex died suddenly today at Newmarket. He had been ill for some time.

Resignation of German Foreign Minister.  
London, Sept. 25, 7:08 p. m.—The Amsterdam correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph company says that he hears that the resignation of Gottlieb von Jagow, German foreign minister, is imminent. His health is given as the reason.

Mrs. J. W. Gerard in Auto Accident.  
Berlin, Sept. 25 (By Wireless to Sayville).—Mrs. James W. Gerard, wife of the American ambassador, sustained slight nervous shock today when her automobile came into collision with a taxicab. She was able to return to her home, however, without requiring the services of a physician.

AMERICAN EXPORTS  
BREAK WORLD'S RECORD  
Passed Half Billion Dollars a Month Mark in August.

Washington, Sept. 25.—American exports during August exceeded the half billion dollar a month mark; statistics issued today by the department of commerce show that goods sent abroad in August were valued at \$510,000,000, a record not only for this country but for the world. The total is \$5,000,000 above the previous high record, established in May, and \$45,000,000 higher than the June figure.

Reports decreased in August, the total of \$199,247,891 being \$47,000,000 below that of June, the record month. It is noted, however, that the total for any previous August. Exports for the year ended with August aggregated \$4,750,000,000, and the imports, \$2,200,000,000, and the balance far in advance of those for any similar period. Of the August imports, \$6.5 per cent, or \$145,000,000, were compared with 67.5 per cent, or \$1,100,000,000, of the August exports.

The favorable trade balance for August was \$219,247,891 compared with \$119,000,000 in August a year ago, and a balance of \$19,000,000 in August, 1915. The total for the year ending August 31, the export balance was \$2,465,000,000, as against \$1,382,000,000 in the preceding year and \$274,900,000 two years ago.

The net inward gold movement for August was \$29,000,000, and for the year \$410,000,000, a record-breaker. Last year the net inward gold movement was \$146,000,000 and two years ago \$100,000,000. Gold imports in August were \$41,238,716 against \$61,841,000 in 1915, and \$3,948,219 in August, 1914.

MARKED DROP IN NUMBER OF PARALYSIS CASES.  
Public Schools Throughout New York City Opened Yesterday.

New York, Sept. 25.—The marked drop in the number of infantile paralysis cases reported today for the last two days brought out the announcement of the health department, which surgeons inspecting interstate travel originating in this city that they would have a marked drop in the number of cases if the same rate of decrease holds tomorrow. The government research experts, however, will remain for another month or so.

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The public schools throughout the city opened today and although the enrollment will not be totaled and announced until the end of the month, it is estimated unofficially by the school authorities that from 10 to 15 per cent of school children were kept away by the disease.

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The health department announced today that during the epidemic there were only 70 deaths of children under 15 years in the city last week, compared with 100 in the week ending August 29, the lowest, it was said, for any 29th week in the past five years.

RESOURCEFULNESS OF AMERICAN CHEMISTS  
Praised at National Exposition of Chemical Industries in New York.

New York, Sept. 25.—The resourcefulness and ability of American chemists in the development of many new products was the subject of a special session at the national exposition of chemical industries in this city today.

The convention of the American Chemical Society, which is being held in conjunction with the exposition, is the largest gathering of chemists in this country since the war.

The extent of the exhibition this year, more than double the size of last year's, was cited as proof of the recent progress of the American chemical industry.

Dr. Charles H. Herly, president of the American Chemical Society, said that the progress of the industry is being made in a spirit of broad cooperation.

"We find ourselves suddenly carried forward through ten or fifteen years of progress in many lines," he said.

Dr. Lawrence Addicks, former president of the Electro-Chemical Society, said, "What is most remarkable in this progress is the scientific research upon which it is based, the source from which the new materials of modern chemistry are made."

One speaker said American manufacturers are making almost 75 per cent of the dyestuffs that were needed in 1915 and today will be able to produce more than double the amount.

A THRIFT CONGRESS TO BE HELD IN NEW YORK  
To Celebrate the Gains Made by Savings Banks This Year.

Kansas City, Mo., Sept. 25.—A thrift congress to be held in New York the latter part of December to celebrate the gains made by savings banks this year and to map out a further huge economy campaign to be instituted throughout the United States was planned here today by the executive committee of the savings bank association of the American Bankers' association.

A committee to draw up rules and by-laws for a meeting to be held here on Dec. 11.

The purposes of the organization are to prepare sympathetic relations with other financial institutions, to bring about a general meeting of the savings banks for fraternal and to study social problems.

WOODCHOPPER FOUND WITH GASH IN HEAD.  
Brought to the Hospital in Greenwich—Police Investigating.

Greenwich, Conn., Sept. 25.—William Thorne of Riverside, a woodchopper was brought to the hospital tonight suffering from a deep gash in his head, and it is believed he will not live. He was struck by a party of five men, who are being investigated by the police to determine whether or not he was assaulted.

Stricken With Paralysis in Court.  
Thompsonville, Conn., Sept. 25.—Judge Hugh Young of the Enfield town was stricken with paralysis today as he was about to preside at a session of court. His condition tonight is reported to be serious.

Gold Arrives from Cape Town.  
Boston, Sept. 25.—Another large shipment of gold was brought to port today by the steamer Chepato Castle, which arrived from Cape Town with \$2,495,886 in sovereigns. The gold is consigned to the Bank of Ottawa. It was shipped to Ottawa tonight.

### S. N. E. T. Co. to Increase Capital

STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING CALLED TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUE OF \$5,000,000 ADDITIONAL

New Capital Stock to be Issued from Time to Time—Plan is to Offer \$1,000,000 for Subscription by Stockholders, Payable in December.

New Haven, Conn., Sept. 25.—At the quarterly meeting of the board of directors of the Southern New England Telephone Company, held here today, it was called a special meeting of the stockholders on Oct. 16 to authorize the issue of \$5,000,000 of additional capital stock, to be issued from time to time. After the stockholders' meeting, the directors will issue \$1,000,000 of new stock for subscription by the stockholders, payable in December.

The board today voted the usual quarterly dividend of 1-2-4 per cent, payable Oct. 14.

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### Pershing to be a Major-General

TO FILL VACANCY BY DEATH OF MAJOR GENERAL MILLS

Promotion Does Not Affect Pershing's Assignment as Commander of the Expeditionary Force in Mexico—Nominations to be Sent to Congress

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### Condensed Telegrams

The Dutch Government has prohibited the export of cattle.

A heavy earthquake shock was felt at San Juan del Sud, Nicaragua.

Miss Jane M. Morgan, sailed for Bordeaux on the French liner Lafayette.

The Brooklyn Daily Eagle will celebrate its seventy-fifth anniversary on October 26.

An earthquake of moderate intensity occurred about 2,300 miles from Washington.

Bakery products to the value of almost a half billion dollars were produced in 1914.

Three cases of infantile paralysis were reported yesterday, making 13 now in New Britain.

Twenty-six cases of infantile paralysis in over a month were reported to the health authorities in Torrington.

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Seventeen persons were put to death as result of a trial at Hasselt, Belgium, on the charge of espionage.

Recruits to the number of 1,000 took the oath of allegiance to the United States at the Plattsburgh training camp.

Eliason Scott, a negro sentenced to be hanged for the murder of his sister-in-law, was reprieved for the eighth time.

Two hundred and fifty drivers employed by Borden's Condensed Milk Co., at its three depots in The Bronx went on strike.

A freshman class estimated to number more than 700 was on hand for the opening of the 231st year at Harvard University.

Three attempts to assassinate Dr. Julian Irujo, the liberal candidate for President of Nicaragua, have been made at Managua.

The steamship Bay State of the Eastern Steamship Corporation, bound for Portland, Me., was wrecked on the rocks off Cape Elizabeth.

Richard Phillip Stanhope, lieutenant of the Grenadier Guards and heir to his brother, the seventh Earl Stanhope, was killed in action.

Nipissing Mines Company yesterday declared an extra dividend of five per cent in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of one per cent.

John Wynkoop, of New York, was appointed acting professor of architecture in the University of Pennsylvania.

Two persons were killed when an automobile in which they were riding overturned in New Rochelle road, near the Pelham Bay bridge, N. Y.

Ministers of New York city appointed Oct. 15 as "Go-to-Church Sunday." It is hoped that many of the 1,000,000 non-charge goods may be reclaimed.

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### LEGISLATURE MAY DEAL WITH STRIKE

Governor Whitman to be Urged to Convene General Assembly in Extraordinary Session

40% OF 800,000 WORKERS READY TO QUIT

A "48-Hour Demonstration" is Meeting the Approval of Men Not in Favor of a General Strike, Organized Workers to Suspend Operations for That Period Just to "Show Their Strength"—First Accident on a New York Subway Line Since the Transit Strike Began Occurred Yesterday, When in a Rear-End Collision Thirteen Persons Were Injured, Two of Them Seriously—A Few Attempts at Violence Were Made Yesterday.

New York, Sept. 25.—With labor leaders continuing their efforts to bring about a general suspension of work as an aid to the striking workmen in this city, members of the state legislature from the metropolises, at a meeting late today, decided to urge Governor Whitman to convene the legislature in extraordinary session to deal with the strike situation.

The governor arrived in the city tonight and it was expected a committee appointed by the legislators would wait upon him tomorrow. The labor leaders have several times in the past week for a general tieup of the city's industries.

Nearly 40 per cent of the 800,000 unemployed workers in New York and vicinity have avowed their intention of quitting their places, according to a High Price alliance survey of the American Federation of Labor.

48 Hours' Demonstration Favored.  
Discussion in labor circles not in sympathy with the plans of confederate of the International Union of Marine and Shipbuilding Workers of America favoring a 48-hour "demonstration" rather than a general strike, it was said. It organized workers to suspend operations for a short period, just "to show their strength" it was asserted, the way would be paved for a settlement of the strike.

Rear End Collision in Subway.  
The first accident on a subway line since the transit strike began September 6, occurred today. Thirteen persons were injured, two seriously, in a rear-end collision at the 20th Street station, on that part of the subway system running on an elevated structure above the street. It was said the motorman of the rear train leaped from his post and allowed the train to run into the front of a train standing at the station. He was arrested later. There were no passengers in the forward train, but the rear train was well filled. Most of the injured were in the front car and they include two patrolmen on strike as an aid to the striking workmen in this city. One of the patrolmen caught fire, but the blaze was quickly extinguished.

Heavy Traffic.  
Heavy traffic on the subway and elevated lines since the strike began it was announced, has made up the financial deficit caused by the strike. The surface lines of the New York Railway company, Traffic on the surface lines today was 8 per cent normal, it was said. Subway and elevated traffic was normal.

Attempts at Violence.  
Sporadic attempts at violence and several arrests in connection with the strike were reported by the police. The grand jury which is investigating charges of disorder and other unlawful acts in connection with the strike, has not yet given any consideration to a pamphlet dealing with alleged disorders sent to the jurors by Theodore F. Shontz, president of the International Brotherhood of Rapid Transit company and the New York Railway company. The grand jury does not constitute legal evidence, the court said.

Oscar S. Straus, chairman of the public service commission, announced that he would suspend operations of work in the construction of the new dual subway system. An agreement between the International Union of Marine and Shipbuilding Workers of America and the contractors, Mr. Straus said, specifically provides that called out on a sympathetic strike. For them to disregard the agreement, Mr. Straus said, would be a violation of the law. He urged employers to make agreements with workers, thus discrediting organized labor.

President Wilson Addressed National Grain Dealers Discussed Ways in Which American Commerce Can be Expanded.

Baltimore, Md., Sept. 25.—President Wilson delivered a speech almost devoid of politics before the National Grains Dealers Association today. Discussing ways in which American commerce can be expanded, he told the grain growers of the country that the new tariff commission, the trade commission, the federal reserve act, the shipping bill and similar legislation would be used to open up the country to open up a new era for the nation.

The purpose of legislation in the immediate future in this country, Mr. Wilson declared, "is going to remove all artificial barriers between the nations and make the liberties as well as what the restrictions of trade are in this country."

Mr. Wilson made by the president to keep the visit to