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ALLIES BEGIN DRIVE NORTH FROM SALONIKA

After Fierce 36-Hour Battle Bulgarians Are Retreating—Unconfirmed Report Says They Are Also Getting Out of Eastern Macedonia—Serbian, Albanian, French and British Attacking German-Bulgarian Front in Greece—Other Fronts Comparatively Quiet

By Ed L. ... (United Press Staff Correspondent)
London, Sept. 12.—The Bulgarian right wing has been rolled back under heavy Anglo-French attack in the first big pitched battle since the allies began their offensive in the Balkan.

The French war office this afternoon announced the capture of Bulgarian trenches on a two mile front to a depth of half a mile in the region north of Majadan. An official statement from Salonika announces the capture of Yenimah by the French and British.

Press dispatches from Athens left little doubt that the great northward drive of the allies from Salonika has begun. After 36 hours of heavy fighting the Bulgars are retreating with the allies in pursuit, Athens reported.

One unconfirmed report declared that the Bulgars are also retreating from eastern Macedonia and have evacuated the forest of Kavala.

Serbian, Albanian, French and British troops are now attacking the German-Bulgarian front in Greece with Italian and Russian contingents ready to join in the offensive. The Bulgars attempted to stem the Serbian advance southwest of Ostrovo lake by a counter attack, but were checked and thrown back suffering severely, it was officially announced at Paris. While the Bulgarian wings are being pressed back, French artillery has opened a big artillery duel in the center around Lake Doiran as if presaging a French advance up the Vardar.

The Bulgarian and German war office thus far have had little to say about the new allied offensive. The German official statement reported heavy fighting along the Struma, but declared the Bulgars have been successful.

On the southeastern Rumanian frontier and on the western and eastern battle fronts no events of great importance have occurred in the past twenty four hours.

The Turkish war office made known the presence of Turkish troops with the German-Bulgar armies invading Rumania and the German office claimed further progress for the invaders.

The loss of the village of Ginchy to the British in the Somme operations, was admitted officially at Berlin this afternoon. The French claimed the capture of more German trenches south of the Somme and the repulse of German attacks.

Greece on the Verge

London, Sept. 12.—Greece moved nearer to war today with the beginning of the allied offensive in the Balkans. Reports that Premier Zaimis has tendered the resignation of his cabinet were officially confirmed from Athens. Dispatches from the Greek capital said the capture of four villages by the British and the defeat of the Bulgars on both wings have created a profound sensation. The central powers are keeping a close eye on events at Athens and are awaiting the first hostile move. The Vienna Arbeiter Zeitung warned its readers that ex-Premier Venizelos, leader of the pro-allied party, probably will become Greek minister of war and that Greece will at once make ready to join the allies. Dispatches from Berlin said that the attitude of Greece is being discussed by the Kaiser and the Bulgarian king and crown prince at the Kaiser's headquarters. Strong British forces apparently are engaged in the advance against the Bulgarian left wing. Official dispatches today reported that the Bulgars stubbornly opposed the British advance, but were compelled to yield ground after suffering heavy losses in artillery and infantry attacks. On the allies' left wing the Serbians are following up the successes won in Saturday's fighting and are now attacking the Bulgars with great vigor. A continuation of the present British and Serbian offensive is expected to put an immediate end to the German-Bulgarian invasion of Rumania.



Say Bulgars Successful

Berlin, Sept. 12.—Heavy fighting is going on in Greece along the Struma front, but thus far the Bulgarians have been successful, it was officially stated today. The German-Bulgarian advance in southeastern Rumania continues.

Turks Push Russians Back

Berlin, Sept. 12.—The Turks have pushed the Russians back, occupying the heights south of Drobnado, on the Persian frontier, said an official statement from the Turkish war office received here today. The Russians gained some successes in the Caucasus but were later driven back. "Near Dobric (Rumania) the enemy on Friday made a new sortie but was again defeated by the Turks and their allies," said the Turkish statement.

Russians Press On

Petrograd, Sept. 12.—Russian forces in the Carpathians have occupied a ridge north of Mount Kaupl, capturing 13 officers and 900 men, it was officially announced today. In the region of the Biely-Tehermoch

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PRESIDENT'S SISTER SHOWS NO CHANGE

New London, Conn., Sept. 12.—The condition of Mrs. Annie E. Howe, President Wilson's sister, was unchanged today. Physicians advised the president not to leave New London immediately. His plans are awaiting a possible change in his sister's condition today. The president and Mrs. Wilson remained on the yacht Mayflower all night, keeping in touch with the hotel by wireless.

WILL SECURE JURY IN BILLINGS CASE

Expect To Do This and Also Complete Opening Arguments by Night

San Francisco, Sept. 12.—When the trial of Warren K. Billings, charged with murder in connection with San Francisco's preparedness parade dynamiting was resumed today in the court of Superior Judge Hunt, it appeared certain that the jury would be completed and sworn in, the opening arguments would be made and taking of evidence started before adjournment tonight. There were 11 talesmen in the box, passed tentatively by both sides, but it was expected that peremptory challenges would be exercised on some of these.

The speed in securing a jury caused surprise as it was thought at least a week would elapse before 12 men could be selected. After one of the city physicians present at the autopsy on the body of Mrs. Myrtle VanLoo, a bomb victim, is called to establish the corpus delicti, the trial of Billings on charge of causing Mrs. VanLoo's death will proceed with the examination of witnesses appearing at the coroner's inquest and others, since headed by the district attorney's office. Much testimony withheld at the perfunctory examination at the inquest will be given in full. At least 100 witnesses will be called by the prosecution and Attorney Maxwell McNutt for the defense, said he expects to call a similar number. District Attorney Pickert declares, however, that only seven days will be necessary to complete submission of all evidence.

FIRE IN FOOTHILLS BREAKS OUT AFRESH

Sweeps On Unchecked and Only Change of Wind Can Stop Damage

San Jose, Cal., Sept. 12.—The forest fire in the Santa Cruz mountains district became so alarming and spread so rapidly this afternoon that Charles Deering of the Union Trust company of San Francisco abandoned his ranch to the flames and withdrew the men trying to save the place. All telephone advices from the fire zone indicated that the blaze is a great deal worse now than it has ever been since the fire started. Sweeping forward with a mighty roar the flames this afternoon are rushing down to the westward through the canyons to the Alpine district redwoods, about four miles away. Several hundred men have been rushed to that section and backfiring on a large scale has been begun in the hope of checking the flames before they reach these trees. Grave fears are felt that should the flames ever reach the Alpine district redwoods they cannot be checked until they have swept into the region of the Big Trees.

Party Managers Views

New York, Sept. 12.—Republicans are confident and gratified and democrats are encouraged and satisfied with the results of the Maine elections of yesterday, according to statements of the leaders of both parties today. While the republicans claimed the elections indicate a complete return of the republican and progressive parties the democrats maintained that later figures will show that a large percentage of the progressives voted the democratic ticket. Chairman Willcox of the republican national committee in commenting on the election said: "I regard the Maine result as an indication of the certainty of election of Hughes and Fairbanks in November. The election has proved we are a united party. That means success in the campaign. The administration turned loose its cabinet members and best speakers in Maine and made a fight for the support of the administration and this vote is and will be determined by the people of the country as Maine's verdict on the administration. I was with Mr. Hughes for an hour last night and he feels very much gratified over the result in Maine." Chairman McCormick of the democratic national committee smiled and told the newspapermen he had no "sad song to sing."

McCormick said: "A plurality of approximately only ten thousand in comparison with the republican pluralities in Maine in past years, indicates that this is a democratic year and that President Wilson will be re-elected. I think this is particularly significant, when it is realized that President Wilson is stronger by far than the local ticket in Maine, according to advices which come to me. "I most certainly do not concede a general return of progressives to the republican party. I have not yet had time to analyze all of the figures but reports tell me that the democratic party got a goodly percentage of the progressive votes and I am positive that we will get at least 25 per cent of the progressives in the presidential elections. "You must remember this was a local election. President Wilson's name was not on the ballot and I am sure that if it had been the democratic party would have polled ten thousand more votes."

The lazier a man is the harder he tries to work other people.

WHAT PAPERS AND PARTY MANAGERS SAY OF ELECTION

New York World Says Neither Party Has Much to Brag About

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SUN SAYS PROGRESSIVES HAVE RETURNED TO FOLD

Willcox Thinks He Is Pleased and McCormick Has No Sad Song to Sing

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CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION WILL BE CALLED SOON

Mexican Commissioners Say This Will Be Done Before Year Ends

By Carl D. Groat (United Press staff correspondent)
New London, Sept. 12.—Supporting their claim that the Carranza regime is now in a strong position and that its strength will become even greater, the Mexican commissioners announced here today that a call for a constitutional convention may be momentarily expected. The convention will be followed by state and presidential elections. The convention is expected to sit before the first of next year. The morning conference between the American and Mexican commissioners today was given over to consideration of political developments in Mexico since the Aguas Calientes convention. All of the commissioners called on President Wilson today to pay their respects at 2 o'clock this afternoon. American farmers to ill Mexican soil and American teachers to train Mexican minds—that was a plan before the American-Mexican peace commission today. Such a program was intended to be part of Mexico's contemplated regeneration. The commission agreed that it would be feasible. As formulated thus far, the scheme is only to have such numbers of Americans as will set an example for the Mexicans and there is every intention to avoid anything that smacks of American interference or control. Country Blooms Again The Mexicans presented data today, supplementing yesterday's on railroads, to show that there is an honest effort to make the rich country below the Rio Grande blossom anew after six years of civil strife. They told 100 American commissioners that wild crops in some parts of Mexico have suffered from lack of labor, other portions show a remarkable productive-ness. These essential underlying economic problems will be thoroughly probed before the question of withdrawing American troops is determined definitely. Both sides agree that work must be provided, and that the uneducated must be taught before Mexico can have any assurance of continued progress.

WANTS PRESIDENT TO CALL SPECIAL SESSION

Chicago, Sept. 12.—A special session of congress to pass a national woman suffrage amendment was suggested to President Wilson today by Miss Alice Paul, Washington, D. C., chairman of the congressional committee of the woman's party. Miss Paul's statement follows: "The overwhelming defeat of the democratic forces in Maine indicates how necessary to Mr. Wilson will be 91 electoral votes in the 12 states where women vote, so as to enable him to win in November. We suggest to Mr. Wilson that he take heed before it is too late and call a special session of congress to pass the national woman suffrage amendment. Only in this way can he hope to avert the vote against him and his party in these 12 doubtful western states of the members of the woman's party."

TO MAKE ANOTHER CAMPAIGN IN WEST

New York, Sept. 12.—The second campaign trip of Charles E. Hughes, republican presidential candidate, will begin Monday after a five day rest following his five weeks trip closing today. On September 19 Hughes will deliver an address at the state fair in Springfield, Ill., where he will make a night address. The remainder of his itinerary is yet to be announced.

FOR FLAX GROWERS

State Treasurer Kay has made arrangements with Ladd & Bush Bank to handle the flax deficit, so that flax growers will soon get their money.

CROPS BETTER THAN LAST YEAR BUT FOOD SUPPLY STILL LIGHT

By Carl W. Ackerman (United Press staff correspondent.)
Berlin, Sept. 12.—The German people are becoming more and more disaffected with the new government food department. The optimistic statements of Herr Von Batocki, the new "food dictator" about the food outlook led the people to believe that by fall conditions would be greatly improved. But instead of becoming more plentiful, food supplies are becoming more and more organized until within a short time, if the distribution of cards is continued, food will be on an absolute ration basis. "Though the crops were good this year, there will be probably so much 'organization' that food will spoil," said one critical German. At present each family is entitled to eight different kinds of food cards. They are for bread, potatoes, sugar, fats, milk, meat, eggs and one for certain dried vegetables, maceraine and oatmeal. Because of the growing shortage of marmalade and cheese two more cards may be added to the list. The lack of sugar, tin and rubber have prevented many families from doing their own canning and have had a big effect on the canning factories. The factories are using maceraine and a syrup made from carrots for sweetening. Because of the shortage of tin many factories are drying food heretofore canned. Families that forgot to save rubber bands from last year's fruit jars discovered that their fruit was doomed to spoil this year. This year's harvest was about 25 per cent better than last year's, making it a normal peace time harvest. But because of the necessity of creating a surplus in case next year's harvest is not so good, no more wheat and oats will be available for present consumption than in the past few months, according to present plans. The socialists and some of the newspapers are beginning to criticize the food department. Because of a growing shortage of milk, new regulations have been posted whereby milk is to be delivered to families with children under 10 and to sick people. Special milk cards are given to families showing birth certificates of their children, each child receiving one liter (a little over a quart) a day. An optimist is a person thoroughly imbued with the idea that the best things have never happened.

IS SURE OF INDIANA

New York, Sept. 12.—A sweeping democratic victory in Indiana is predicted by United States Senator Thomas Taggart. "President Wilson and the democratic ticket will carry Indiana by fifty thousand," the senator told Chairman McCormick of the democratic national committee.

THOMPSON ON STAND TO PROVE AN ALIBI

Says He Was at Sister-in-Law's Night of Murder—She Corroborates It

Hillsboro, Or., Sept. 12.—Bennett Thompson, ranch hand, on the witness stand in his own defense today denied that he killed Mrs. Helen Jennings and Fred Ristman, a jitneur, at the Gore ranch last May. At the time the state alleges he was murdering Mrs. Jennings with a sledge and beating Ristman to death with a hammer, Thompson declared he was at the home of his sister-in-law, Mrs. James Thompson, preparing milk for the baby. This alibi was supported by the evidence of Mrs. Thompson herself. She asserted the accused man was at her home all during the night of the double murder. It is alleged Thompson killed Mrs. Jennings when she scorned his advances and then disposed of Ristman, whom he had hired to drive him to the ranch to cover his tracks.

MAINE ELECTION AT A GLANCE

On the face of returns from 93 per cent of voting precincts, the republicans made a clean sweep. Frederick Hale (rep.) has a plurality which will probably reach 10,000 over Senator Charles F. Johnson (dem.) for the long term in the senate. Bert M. Fernald (rep.) will probably have a plurality over Kenneth C. M. Sills of 15,000 for the short senatorial term. Carl E. Milliken (rep.) is elected governor by 15,000. All four republican congressional nominees elected according to present returns, although the vote in the Second district is exceedingly close and may possibly be changed. Biggest vote recorded in Maine's political history for 36 years, running considerably above 118,000. Republican majority less than republicans had hoped.

DEMOCRATS PLEASED WITH SHOWING MADE

39.44 Per Cent Vote Democratic in 1912—This Year It Is 45.44

(United Press staff correspondent.)
August, Maine, Sept. 12.—Return of graves to the republican fold will make the G. O. P. majority in Maine's elections yesterday over 12,000, practically complete returns today showed. The reunited party made a clean sweep of it in the Pine Tree state—gubernatorial, senatorial and congressional. It increased republican strength in the state legislature. Two years ago the progressive gubernatorial candidate polled a trifling over 18,000 votes and the democrats won by about 3,000. The difference is about 15,000 votes. There were only a few scattered precincts to be heard from at noon today and the republicans claimed 15,000 would be practically the total of their majority. In other words, they claimed that practically 100 per cent of the ball mouso had returned to the old party. The republican victory was made impressive in the fact that their fight and the democratic defense was waged exclusively on national issues—had a majority of 9,500 votes, according to virtually complete figures. McGillicuddy Loses. For the short term as United States senator, Bert M. Fernald, republican, won from Kenneth W. Sills with 12,000 to spare. The four republican congressional nominees were elected with votes to spare, except in the Second district where Daniel J. McGillicuddy, democrat, whose re-election had been practically conceded by the republicans was turned out by a bare 502 votes. "The result leaves no doubt in my mind as to the election of Hughes in November," Frank J. Ham, republican state campaign manager declared to the United Press today. "Our majority will reach more than 15,000 by the time the border vote now represented in the

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Oregon: Tonight and Wednesday fair, northerly winds.

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