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GERMANS' THIRD LINE CAPTURED BY FRENCH

Last of Strong Line of Defenses Between Combes and Peronne Lost by Germans—Other Lines of Defense Hurriedly Built Are Not Nearly So Strong—Rumored Kaiser Demands Hostage From King Ferdinand Fearing Bulgaria May Ask Separation Peace

By Carl V. Ackerman, (United Press Staff Correspondent)
Berlin, Sept. 13.—The combined "grand offensive" of the allies will be met by a combined "grand defensive" of the central powers, who will be going to the attack when the proper time comes.

The great war council being held at the kaiser's headquarters on the eastern front is for the purpose of unifying the direction of all military movements by armies of the central powers. Since early in the war the central powers have acted completely in accord with their military movements, making it possible to beat off vastly superior enemy forces. The scheme of unified offense and defense will be made even more effective as the result of the present conference attended by war chiefs of the four empires warring on the allies.

Most favorable reports were brought to the war council from the different fronts. The Austro-German commanders sent word that the latest Russian offensive around Halitz has been stopped. It was learned that the German and Bulgarian invasion of Rumania continues to make progress while the Bulgarians are successfully resisting British and Serbian attacks in Greece.

The capture of the Rumanian fortress of Silistra is regarded as of special importance by the German and Bulgarian commanders. The position is considered the key to Bucharest.

French Capture Stronghold.

Paris, Sept. 13.—Continuing their great drive on the front of Combes and Peronne, the French last night captured the whole of the village of Bouchavesnes, midway between Combes and Peronne and despite the Germans' most desperate resistance, it was officially announced today.

Early this morning the French pushed further eastward, capturing the Bois Labe farms near the Peronne-Bapaume-Rethune highway, by a brilliant bayonet charge.

The French gains in the great attack that began yesterday afternoon are of the greatest importance. The positions carried are the last of the strongly fortified German third line of defense between Combes and Peronne. All the positions now held by the Germans back of this line have been built under the unceasing fire of French artillery and consequently are not nearly so strong as the old lines.

The capture of both Combes and Peronne within a fortnight is expected by some military critics if Gen. Foch continues his hammer blows north of the Somme.

Hold Important Conference.

London, Sept. 13.—The greatest importance is attached to the present conference at the kaiser's headquarters on the eastern front by correspondents stationed in Holland and Switzerland.

Besides the kaiser, Chancellor Von Bethmann-Hollweg, King Ferdinand and Crown Prince Boris of Bulgaria and Kover Pasha, Turkish war minister, several leading diplomats of the central powers are reported in consultation. The Amsterdam correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph reported today that the German chancellor will reveal some of the results of the conference when he opens the next reichstag session, September 23.

Rome heard from Swiss sources today that the kaiser called the conference because he was disturbed by hints that Bulgaria was threatening to sue for a separate peace. One Swiss correspondent reported that the kaiser ordered King Ferdinand to attend the conference with the crown prince as hostages to give assurance that Bulgaria would not abandon the German forces within her boundaries to attacks by the allies.

Greece Cabinet Quits.

London, Sept. 13.—King Constantine has accepted the resignation of Premier Zaimis and the formation of a new provisional cabinet is under way, said dispatches from Athens today.

Stratos, a former member of the Venizelos cabinet has been instructed to sound M. Dimitrakopoulos relative to the formation of a new ministry. Dimitrakopoulos was to have a lengthy conference with Stratos and political leaders today.

London correspondents at Athens profess confidence that a new war ministry will be formed and that Greece will join the allies very soon.

Austrians Still Retreat.

Bucharest, Sept. 13.—The Austrians are retreating from the upper Maros and Alta valleys in Transylvania without attempting any serious resistance, it was officially announced today.

The capture of Orsova by the Rumanians has stopped the progress of Austrians and Bulgarian supply ships on the Danube.

The new Russo-Rumanian offensive in the Dobruja is progressing.

Italians Join in Offensive.

Paris, Sept. 13.—Italian troops have joined in the general allied offensive in Greece and are fighting near Batkovoizama, it was officially announced today.

Despite heavy Bulgarian resistance the Serbians are continuing their advance. They have occupied an important position north of Covil and are advancing toward Kaimatchanad. South of Ostrovo lake the French made an important advance.

Allied artillery is bombarding enemy positions on both sides of Vardar.

French Attack Repulsed.

Berlin, Sept. 13.—French troops penetrated the village of Bouchavesnes between Combes and Peronne in heavy fighting last night but were repulsed in attacks near Thiaumont and Sonville, on the northeastern Vardar front, it was officially announced today.

Cornoullas to Be Premier.

Rome, Sept. 13.—M. Cornoullas probably will become foreign minister of Greece in the new cabinet, according to information reaching diplomatic circles here today.

Bulgars Lose Town.

London, Sept. 13.—French troops have captured the town of Sorovich from the Bulgarians, said an Athens

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Claim They Have Villa Surrounded

El Paso, Texas, Sept. 13.—Carranza troops have thrown a circle around the place where Villa and his followers are believed to be hiding, with American troops forming one segment of the ring, General Gonzales, Carranzista commander at Juarez announced today. Within a short time a clash is expected to result, Gonzales said. The easiest route of escape from the circle is being guarded by two outposts of American cavalry.

Two Texas rangers were ambushed last night fifteen miles south of here by a lone Mexican who fired upon them three times without effect. The rangers returned the fire, killing the Mexican.

HUGHES PLEASED WITH RESULTS OF MAINE ELECTION

Reaches New York Having Completed Five Weeks and Four Days Trip

HITCHCOCK, CRANE AND SMOOT TO CONSULT HIM

Will Continue to Assail Wilson Considering That His Best Ammunition

By Perry Arnold (United Press staff correspondent)
New York, Sept. 13.—Returning today from his record breaking trip of nearly ten thousand miles through 25 states, republican nominee Charles E. Hughes immediately plunged into the work of completing arrangements for a second campaign tour which will carry his fight for the presidency into four states of the middle west.

It has been definitely decided that Hughes will make two set speeches in Illinois, two in Wisconsin and ten or twelve in Indiana and Ohio. Following the speeches in Springfield and Peoria on September 19, announced yesterday, the candidate will go to Wisconsin for speeches in Madison and Milwaukee. Dates for these speeches and others to follow in Indiana and Ohio have not been set. The candidate will complete this part of his trip, however, in time to reach Pittsburgh on September 27. He will speak there on that date and will deliver the keynote address of the New York state campaign before the unofficial state convention at Saratoga on September 28. As Hughes will leave New York next Monday the trip will last just ten days.

It was learned today that the candidate feels very bitter toward newspapers which have endeavored to create the impression that his trip just closed was a failure and that he was received with little enthusiasm.

"We have had a most successful trip," Hughes declared. "Everywhere a great deal of interest was shown and the cordiality of the people was marked. In this respect the situation in Maine is no different from that in other states. I feel that there is every reason for confidence."

From now on Hughes will center his efforts on doubtful states, instead of speaking in commonwealths that are normally republican. This decision was reached during a political conference during a luncheon given by Chairman Wilcox for the candidate today and attended by several members of the campaign committee. The Maine victory has convinced the republican leaders, it is understood, that the appearance of the candidate is not necessary in republican strongholds and that he can give practically all of his time to touring the doubtful states. This means that most of Hughes' campaigning will from now on be in the middle west and south.

Long Campaign Ended.

New York, Sept. 13.—Elated with the result of the Maine election and highly pleased with his record breaking campaign trip, Charles Evans Hughes, republican presidential nominee returned to New York early today.

The candidate's trip which took him from coast to coast and during which he made scores of speeches, kept him on the road just three days more than five weeks. He delivered the final speech of his trip in Plattsburg last night and with Mrs. Hughes stepped off the train here today somewhat tired but vigorous and enthusiastic.

Governor Hughes and Mrs. Hughes were driven direct to the Astor hotel where they had breakfast and the candidate then took up the task of a series of conferences with republican leaders.

Chairman Wilcox of the national committee, was the first of the leaders to see the candidate. He had also arranged for numerous other republicans to confer with him and a busy day was in prospect.

Senator Smoot of Utah, Murray Crane, Frank Hitchcock and others were waiting for a word with Hughes in going over the campaign trip just closed and laying plans for a second tour to start next Monday. If all conferences are disposed of in time the candidate hopes to visit republican headquarters during the day and see "wheels go around." At 3 o'clock this afternoon, however, he will leave for his summer home at Bridgehampton, L. I. for a complete rest before again starting out on his quest for votes in November.

The candidate plans to avoid as many conferences as possible during the remainder of the week. During today it is expected his complete itinerary for the second trip will be worked out, and announcement will then be made of his speaking dates.

Will Speak on Same Lines.

Hughes is well satisfied with the results of the trip just closed and has

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DEMOCRATS TO START BIG DRIVE NEXT WEEK

An Array of Big Ones to Open Campaign in Western States

Chicago, Sept. 13.—The democratic drive in the west begins next week, with the unloading of the heavy artillery in Missouri.

It was announced today at western democratic headquarters that the following speakers will tour the west beginning next week. Senators Underwood, Stone, Reed, Hake Smith, Shafroth, Robinson and James Hamilton Lewis, Judge Albert D. Norton, William J. Bryan, John J. Lenox of Ohio and a score of others.

Not a single state in the west will be overlooked.

Speakers will be sent into Utah, Washington and Oregon to aid the progressive organizations that have gone over to the aid of Wilson.

Announcement of the dates which Senator Lewis and W. J. Bryan will speak in various states were given out at democratic western headquarters today.

Lewis will speak in Montana September 23, Idaho September 25, Washington September 26, Oregon September 27, California September 28 and 29, Nevada September 30 and Arizona October 1. Bryan will not come as far west as the Pacific coast states.

OBJECTS TO S. BENSON BEING MADE CITIZEN

Portland, Or., Sept. 13.—Seeking United States citizenship, Simon Benson, millwright, lumberman, owner of the exclusive Benson hotel, encountered an unexpected obstacle today when Eugene E. Smith of the Central Labor Council filed a formal protest against Benson becoming an American.

The protest was filed in the circuit court. It contains a number of sensational allegations, among them being charges that Benson intimidated city officials by threats of recall.

Benson is a native of Sweden. He has lived in the United States many years without taking out final naturalization papers.

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President On Way to Take Up His Work

New London, Conn., Sept. 13.—President and Mrs. Wilson left here this morning aboard the presidential yacht Mayflower for Long Branch, where the chief executive will take up his executive duties at Shadow Lawn.

Before the sailing, the president was informed of the critical condition of his sister, Mrs. Annie Howe, but was advised by physicians that her case was so serious that it would be of no avail for the president to remain at her bedside. Wireless messages will inform the president of his sister's condition during the trip.

It is planned to anchor the Mayflower off Sandy Hook. The president and Mrs. Wilson will continue their journey to Long Branch by motor.

MANY PRIMARIES HELD YESTERDAY; POINDEXTER WINS

Progressives Beat Standpaters for Places in Washington

EX-GOVERNOR McBRIDE IS REPUBLICAN NOMINEE

Hugh Dorsey, Who Prosecuted Leo Frank, Named for Governor of Georgia

Chicago, Sept. 13.—The bitter factional quarrels in both the republican and democratic parties flamed into the open in today's bitter primary battle in Chicago.

In the 188th ward, ground of many historic battles, the first bloodshed occurred between the Dunne and Sullivan partisans. William Heller, a Sullivan follower who was working for William Brinton for governor against Dunne, was stabbed in the hand. His assailant escaped. Heller was taken into custody.

In the Kenwood district a fist fight took place over the candidacy of E. L. Brundage, republican candidate for attorney general. When it was over Attorney C. L. Day was taken into custody. There were many other clashes between ward workers, but none approached the dignity of a riot.

Charges of double crossing were hurled at political enemies by friends of Medill McCormick, candidate for the nomination of congressman at large. It was found that hundreds of sample ballots marked for former Senator W. E. Mason were being distributed whereas it was understood they should have been marked for McCormick. McCormick wired to his supporters throughout the state in an effort to offset the "double cross." The "city hall crowd" was blamed by McCormick adherents.

Police were held in reserve at stations ready to respond to riot calls.

A million voters were expected to go to the polls throughout the state today. The cost of the Illinois primaries it is said, will run close to \$2,000,000.

Approximately 320,000 persons will vote in Chicago according to Chief Clerk of Elections Dennis Egan. Reports of favorable weather conditions down state indicate a record primary vote will be

ILLINOIS IS HAVING OLD FASHIONED TIME

Bitter Factional Quarrels in Both Old Parties Liven Things Up

WALTONEN CONFESSES MURDER SAY POLICE

Arrested in Michigan "John Lind" Is On His Way to Stand Trial

Alpin, Texas, Sept. 13.—Harry J. Spannell was indicted by the county grand jury today on a charge of murdering his wife and Major Calvin Butler here the night of July 20. A warrant was issued and Spannell will be brought here for arraignment tomorrow. The impression prevails that the case will be transferred to another judicial district for trial because of the high feeling here against Spannell.

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Ironwood, Mich., Sept. 13.—Detectives held here today for New York with Arthur Waltonen, alias John Lind, a barber, who has been employed here for several months and who is alleged by police to have confessed to the murder of Mrs. Elizabeth Nichols, a wealthy New York widow, who was strangled to death in her home in New York and robbed of jewelry to the value of \$28,000 about a year ago.

A servant in the Nichols' household had been sentenced to be electrocuted for the crime, but through the intercession of friends, the death penalty was commuted to life imprisonment last month.

One Arrested in New York.

New York, Sept. 13.—Following the arrest at Ironwood, Mich., of Arthur Waltonen, who the police say has confessed to the murder of Mrs. Elizabeth Nichols, more than a year ago, local authorities early today arrested a man whose name has not been revealed, and who they say also is implicated in the crime.

The mysterious person held by the police was questioned at some length and the police are certain he was one of a party of four men who either frightened to death or strangled Mrs. Nichols, when they robbed her of jewels valued at more than \$28,000.

Omie Talas, who is serving a life sentence in Sing Sing for complicity in the murder, implicated Waltonen in a confession.

NO BOARD MEETING

Chicago, Sept. 13.—There was no session of the Chicago board of trade today on account of the state primaries.

THE WEATHER

Oregon: Tonight fair, frost northeast portion; Thursday fair, northeasterly winds.

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SEATTLE, WASH., SEPT. 13.—Complete returns from 111 precincts in Seattle give Poindexter for the senate a lead of 400 first choice votes over Humphrey while the same returns give McBride for governor 1,245 plurality over his nearest opponent.

A summary of all the returns available at 1 p. m. indicate that Poindexter will be nominated by at least 5,000 votes, although his local managers claim his lead will be 10,000. Humphrey headquarters refuse to concede Poindexter's victory but admit that indications favor Poindexter.

Henry McBride is leading the field for governor in Seattle with 7,649 votes as compared with Hartley's 4,537. Lee, the organization candidate is a poor fourth. McBride has polled a consistent vote throughout the state and his nomination appears certain, although it will require several days to complete the count.

For congress of this district, John P. Miller and Dan Landon are running neck and neck.

The First Returns

Seattle, Wash., Sept. 13.—Incomplete returns from yesterday's state-wide primaries early today indicate the nomination of Miles Poindexter (progressive) for the United States senate over Representative William E. Humphrey, regular republican.

Ex-Governor Henry McBride appears to have been nominated for governor by the republicans R. H. Hartley, open shop champion, was second.

All the real contests were among the republicans.

Ex-Mayor John F. Miller of Seattle, who bucked the G. O. P. slate, appears to have won the congressional republican nomination in this district.

Deputy Sheriff John Stringer of King county is giving Lefe Hamilton, for years the controlling factor in the board of county commissioners, a beating in the race for sheriff.

The count will not be completed today because of the large field of candidates and the failure to use voting machines.

Victory for a majority of progressive republican candidates seems sure.

Pierce for Poindexter.

Tacoma, Wash., Sept. 13.—Returns from 36 precincts in Pierce county, which includes the city of Tacoma, out of 217, early today give Miles Poindexter, for the republican senate, a long lead over his opponents. Poindexter received 1,227 votes against Humphrey received 987.

For governor, McNeely was high man, with 1,457. Hartley, open shop

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MAINE BROKE RECORD

Augusta, Me., Sept. 13.—Practical completion of vote counting today indicated that the election Monday proved a record breaker in the history of Maine. One hundred and fifty-two thousand citizens cast their ballots for governor, congressmen and state legislators.

In the revised figures today the republican victory for governor was increased to 13,507 plurality while Hale's lead over the democratic choice for United States senator (long term) stood at 9,805. Bert M. Fernald, republican, won the short term United States senatorship by 12,675.

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GREEN HANDS CAUSE ACCIDENT.

New York, Sept. 13.—William Schumaker, a trackwalker employed by the Interborough Railway, against which a strike was declared on the subway and elevated lines, reported to the police that he found a package of blasting dynamite on the subway rails in Brooklyn early today.

An inspector of the bureau of combustible explosives pronounced the contents of the package dynamite. The police are questioning Schumaker very closely.

Three persons were injured when a Third Avenue car, which police said was in charge of strikebreakers, ran into a closed switch today and jumped the track.

The dispute between the car employees and the traction companies had reached a complete deadlock today. President Shonts of the Interborough and President Whitridge of the Third Avenue lines served notice that they would not consent to arbitration as proposed by the public service commission.

FORD DODGES REPORTERS.

San Francisco, Sept. 13.—Henry Ford, multi-millionaire automobile manufacturer, gave welcoming committees the slip today and came into San Francisco sans ceremony and fuss.

When his private car reached Sixteenth street in Oakland, he left it, boarded an electric train and alone came across the bay on the ferry, mingling with the usual crowd of commuters. This afternoon the party is to resume its travels, proceeding to Pasadena and thence to the Grand Canyon.

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ABE MARLIN

When Ez Pash heard that there was more money in circulation than ever before, he said, "I knowed that wuz a security of it, but I didn't know where it wuz." It's a waste o' money 't build a sleepin' porch if you've got a guilty conscience.

GRAND OPENING OF NEW RIALTO FILM PALACE SIX BIG REELS EXTRA ADDED FEATURE ALFA LUCE GLEE CLUB

ALL YOU HEAR IS POLITICS

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