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GERMANY'S SINCERITY PUT TO THE TEST Allied Forces Press Forward Everywhere Along the Western Front CAROLINA AND TENNESSEE TROOPS CAPTURE TWO TOWNS

PRESIDENT WILSON DECLINES TO PROPOSE AN ARMISTICE WHILE GERMANS ARE ON INVADIED SOIL

ASKS MAXIMILIAN FOR EXPLANATION Does Germany Accept Principles Of Peace As Repeatedly Laid Down? CAN'T BE USED AS BASIS

Kaiser Declares Germany Will Keep the Provinces Of Alsace and Lorraine Bern, Oct. 8.—The German emperor, addressing the German soldiers at Badens, Alsace, late in September, said: "Neither the French nor the Americans will break through our front in Alsace-Lorraine. We shall defend with the last drop of blood these provinces which belong to us and which the Almighty has entrusted to us to administer as His stewards, and we shall keep them for the benefit of their inhabitants and the glory of God. Our faithful allies are with us in this. The last drop of blood of every Austrian and Hungarian soldier, the last drop of blood of every Bulgarian and Turkish soldier will be shed before our enemies wrest from us land which belongs to Germany. Our enemies cannot and will not succeed. We are under divine protection."

ONLY TEN DAYS OF CAMPAIGN REMAIN

To Raise the Six Billion Minimum \$410,000,000 a Day Is Necessary.

Table with 3 columns: City, Amount, Percentage. Total Percentage Subscribed: 33.71%.

Washington, Oct. 8.—Nine working days of the fourth liberty loan campaign are now gone, ten remain and only \$1,600,000,000 of the six billion total has been raised.

Treasury compilations tonight showed that pledges of \$1,591,900 have been received by banks throughout the country. This figure did not include today's report from the Dallas district, however, and the addition is expected to raise the amount to at least \$1,600,000,000.

Subscriptions by districts and percentages of quotas, follow: St. Louis, 152,668,700 58.4; Minneapolis, 93,753,300 44.6; Boston, 193,113,900 39.8; Chicago, 279,677,350 34.9; San Francisco, 134,495,100 33.4; Dallas, 32,628,850 25.8; Richmond, 68,399,400 24.4; Cleveland, 135,149,100 22.5; New York, 387,205,000 17.7; Philadelphia, 98,652,750 17.3; Atlanta, 29,457,250 15.3; Kansas City, 30,961,100 11.9.

GOVERNMENT ASSUMES RISKS ON COASTWISE SHIPMENTS

Washington, Oct. 8.—War risk and marine insurance will be assumed by the government on all shipments by coastwise steamship lines operated by the railroad administration.

DECLARES GERMANY'S OFFER CAMOUFLAGED WAR MANUEVER Rome, Oct. 8.—The American ambassador, Thomas Nelson Page, today declared that Germany's peace proposal was a camouflaged war maneuver.

FOR WHOM DOES THE CHANCELLOR SPEAK?

Is It For the Military Masters Or For the German People As a Whole?

WILSON MAKES INQUIRY While Peace Manuevers Continue, Allied Forces Everywhere are Inflicting Defeats Upon the Central Powers.

(By The Associated Press.) The complete withdrawal of the troops of the Teutonic allies from occupied territories is essential to the commencement of any peace discussions with Germany.

In addition, President Wilson is desirous of knowing, and has directly asked the question, for whom the imperial chancellor was speaking when he advanced his proposal—whether it was for the constituted authorities of the empire who have been conducting the war or for the whole German people.

The American troops, fighting alongside the British always were in the van, and when night fell their positions were where the points of penetration of the German lines were greatest.

On the southern part of the battle front, from the Rhine sector to the Moselle river, the French and Americans are carrying out successfully their converging movement northward and on all sectors have gained additional ground.

Northwest of Berry-Au-Bac the French have driven their line to the junction of the Aisne and Sulpice rivers, placing the German front around Laon and eastward in greater jeopardy.

TROOPS WARNED THAT HUNS ARE STILL ON OCCUPIED SOIL Washington, Oct. 8.—General Diaz, commander-in-chief of the Italian army, has issued a general order reminding his soldiers that the enemy still is on Italian, French and Belgian soil.

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GEN. FOCH'S MEN INFLICT SERIOUS DEFEAT ON ENEMY

British, French and Americans Smash Last Lines of Hindenburg System.

THE FOE IS DISORGANIZED

Americans Advance Three Miles and Were Still Going In Early Afternoon.

With the British Forces in France, Oct. 8, 1:30 p. m.—(By The Associated Press.)—The battle begun at dark today has resulted in a serious defeat for the enemy.

In some places and especially at Premont, which appears to have fallen to the Americans, the fighting allied troops have penetrated the German lines for a distance of more than three miles and still are advancing.

Again the Americans showed great gallantry and fought their way forward side by side with their British comrades with a push that promises well for future operations.

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INFLUENZA STILL SPREADING RAPIDLY AMONG CIVILIANS

Health Service Making Special Efforts to Send Medical Aid and Nurses.

THE SOUTH IS HIT HARD

Epidemic Shows Continued Decrease of New Cases in the Army Camps.

Washington, Oct. 8.—While a continued decrease in the number of new cases of Spanish influenza at army camps was shown in reports today to the office of the surgeon general of the army, the spread of the malady among the civilian population over the country apparently still is far from being checked.

Reports to the public health service showed that the disease was spreading rapidly in the south. The total number of cases of influenza reported from all army camps since the disease became epidemic last month is placed at more than 182,000, while pneumonia cases total 19,283 and deaths 5,671.

The city council passed emergency laws last night. The pastors at the suggestion of the health department are being taken to check the disease, close the churches at short notice. The school and health authorities are in constant communication, prepared to close the schools but hoping that it will not be necessary.

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THIRTIETH AMERICAN DIVISION ADVANCES OVER THREE MILES

Turkish Cabinet Resigns And Constantinople is the Scene of Great Excitement

LONDON, Oct. 8.—The Turkish cabinet has resigned, according to a dispatch from Bern, Switzerland, to the Evening Star. The message says that great excitement prevails at Constantinople.

WILL OFFER PEACE. Athens, Monday, Oct. 7.—Delegates from the government of Smyrna, Turkey, are expected to reach Athens tonight with an offer of peace to the Entente allies.

ENEMY SURPRISED IN NIGHT ATTACK

Anglo-Americans Launch Successful Thrust in the Early Morning.

GENUINE OPEN WARFARE Twenty Miles of German Lines Open Up to Enemy, Whose Reply is Weak—Extraordinary Task Accomplished Ahead of Schedule.

British Headquarters in France, Oct. 8.—(Reuters.)—The attack begun this morning by British and American forces on the Cambrai-St. Quentin front has become open warfare in the real old sense of the term—the developing of various carefully worked out maneuvers into one great general scheme which is to combine in securing pre-arranged objectives and the rounding up of as many Germans as possible.

Another phase of the battle commenced at 4:30 o'clock and yet another phase when the first grey dawn was filtering into the dull sky which presently fulfilled its threat to rain.

It had been necessary to assemble the assaulting waves to the east of the Hindenburg line and to get the masses of men in through the intricate and battered trench system in the morning and pressing on, carried Enns, but it was accomplished well before the zero hour.

SEVENTY-THREE ADDITIONAL AMERICANS HELD PRISONER Washington, Oct. 8.—Names or 12 officers and 61 enlisted men held prisoners in Germany were announced today by the war department. They include: At Camp Rastatt: Private Millard F. Roberts, Knoxville, Tenn.

At Camp Langensalza: Private Grover C. Kelly, Fort Lauderdale, Miss. At Camp Unknown: Privates Carey L. Kirby, Anding, Miss.; Sam Dickinson, Box 35, Oak Hill, Fla.

At Hospital in Stargart: Private Enos E. Frazer, S. Port, Ark.

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