

VICTORY YET DEFERRED

Allies Making Furious At- tack on Germans at St. Quentin

THIS MAY BE CRISIS OF GREAT BATTLE

Allies Claim to Be Slowly Forcing the Enemy Back—Montenegrins and the Servians Becoming Very Active

London, Sept. 23.—Momentous events that may decide the battle of Aisne are transpiring near St. Quentin, where the allies are making furious assaults on the German right wing. Vague, but persistent reports indicate that their turning movement is slowly developing. No official claims have been made beyond terse announcement from Paris that the western wing is making progress.

Allies Slowly Gaining
London, Sept. 23.—A Bordeaux cor-
respondent says the battle of Aisne is
progressing slowly, but methodically
in favor of the allies. Both sides are
now assembling fresh men on the fir-
ing line, and adds:

"Time fights daily on the side of
the allies, whose forces growing from
ends of the earth."
The Mail correspondent reports,
from an unnamed French town, that
the German right has turned between
Peronne and St. Quentin, leaving nine
miles of dead and wounded in the
trenches.

A Belgium dispatch says a Belgium
sortie from Antwerp against German
base at Brussels was begun today.
The first shots exchanged were thir-
teen miles from the Capital.

A correspondent of the Daily Mail
says thirteen of the one hundred and
thirty German wounded in the Cathed-
ral of Rheims perished in the flames
started by the German shells.

The public finds consolation in the
Admiralty statement that traffic by
4,000 British merchantmen is being
maintained with a loss of only twelve
captured since outbreak of the war.
The terrific battle of Aisne contin-
ued today still without apparent im-
portant advantage to either side. The
Germans delivered an attack over
the sloping ground between Argonne
and Metz, in an attempt to take the
fort of Tryon, south of Verdun, en-
deavoring to break the allies lines.
Military experts are discussing
whether or not the Germans have defi-
nitely assumed the defensive or the
General Staff regards retirement
from Paris merely as a temporary
check and now endeavoring to regain
lost ground, near Peronne, where the
British are reported to have repelled
several desperate attacks.

Trawler Blown Up By Mine.
The trawler Kilmerneck was blown
in two by a mine in the North Sea
and only three of the crew saved.

A Petrograd message says reports
intercepted by the Russians says the
in good order from Eastern Prussia,
a siege, although the Austrians are
falling back behind its forts. The
Russians are said to be withdrawing,
taking trains and the wounded with
them.

Meagre reports from Galicia say the
Russians occupied Jaroslau and con-
trol the railroads about Przemysl.
Thousands of Austrian wounded are
reaching Vienna and Epedemics. Gen-
eral Botha, the South American Pres-
ident, announced he will personally
lead the forces against the Germans
of Natal. The Orange Free State
is contributing men. No official esti-
mates of the allies casualties in the
battle of Aisne, has the staff been able
as yet to compile.

A Mail correspondent says the Ger-
mans evacuated Peronne four days
ago, occupying the hills above. The

French were ordered to take the pos-
ition at any cost. After an artillery
duel an advance was ordered. "Across
the marsh, in half light of the dawn,
the French troops advanced in many
narrow columns. They suffered badly
from German gun fire, but never wavered.
The Germans waited for them in
the trenches and a fierce, deadly
struggle, breast to breast, followed.
The French had the advantage of the
dash and vigor and stabbed and jabbed
until arms ached. The losses were
heavy, but they gained the point and
Germans retired to St. Quentin. The
French were reinforced and pursued
hotly. There was savage fighting in
the streets of the town and the Ger-
mans were driven back, until they re-
ceived orders to abandon." He adds
he hears the report that the Germans
will endeavor to retake the town.

Germans Make Strong Denial.
A Berlin dispatch says the German
General Staff indignantly protests
against assertion that the Germans
acted without necessity in bombard-
ing Rheims cathedral. It denies it
was made a special mark by the ar-
tillery. It says the French alone are
to blame since they established de-
fenses there.

German Generals Among Dead.
Berlin, Sept. 23.—Generals Von
Arbou and Von Wrooken are
among the dead in casualty
list issued yesterday. Major General
Von Throtha was also killed and Lieut-
enant General Von Willisen and Von
Kuehne slightly wounded. The total
losses so far published are 10,036 dead,
39,760 wounded, and 13,621 missing,
the 147th infantry on August 20th at
Saint Die, lost seventeen officers and
195 men dead, 21 officers and 1,092
men wounded, and 59 missing.

Confirms Capture of Jaroslau.
Petrograd, Sept. 23.—An official
statement confirms the capture of
Jaroslau and adds that the situation
otherwise is unchanged on the Aus-
trian front.

Austrians In Full Retreat.
Nish, Sept. 23.—An official state-
ment says the Austrians are in full
retreat, after nine days' fighting, in
which both wings were hurled back.
The whole line from Litubovia to Los-
nitza is retiring and the Servians are
pursuing into interior Bosnia.

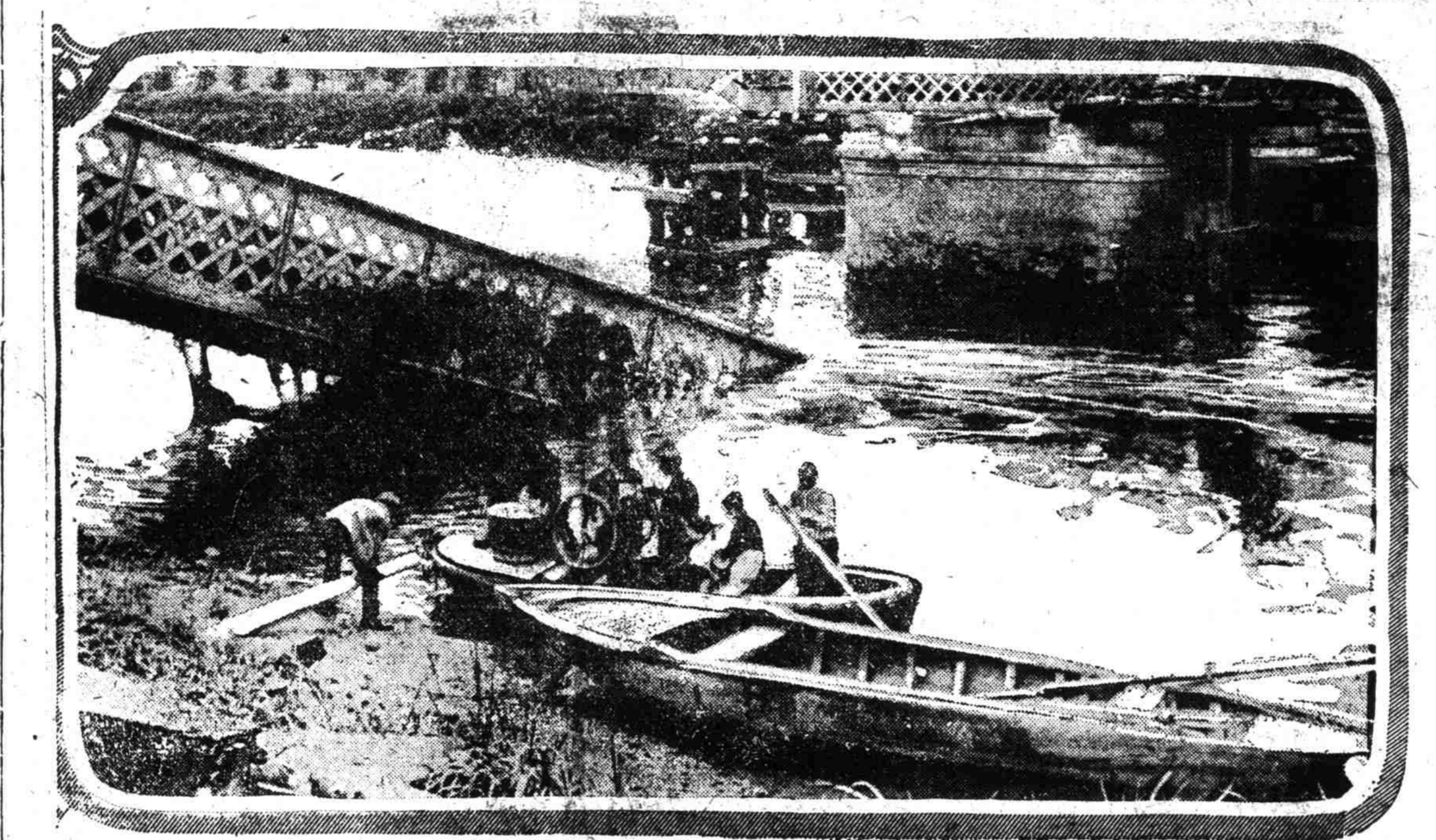
A Rome Advance Western Wing.
A Rome dispatch says travelers
from Sebenico, Dalmatia, report the
Austrian cruisers Maria Theresa and
Admiral Stann there badly damaged.

Allies Advance Western Wing.
Paris, Sept. 23.—Official announce-
ment this afternoon says the allies
have advanced their western wing, at-
ter severe fighting, and repulsed at-
tacks on the eastern wing.

An official statement says the allies'
left wing has advanced to Lassingny
on the right bank of the Oise. The

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BRIDGE AT TERMONDE BLOWN UP BY BELGIANS TO THWART GERMAN ADVANCE



QUICKLY SENT THEM TO THE BOTTOM

**Further Details of the Daring,
Destructive Work of Ger-
man Submarine.**

MAY MINE GERMAN SHIPS IN HARBOR

**People of Great Britain Insis-
tent That Navy Assume
More Aggressive Attitude.
Over Thousand Lives Lost
in North Sea Disaster.**

London, Sept. 23.—The swift, silent
destruction of three armored cruis-
ers in the North Sea has brought home
the risks of modern Naval warfare
to the English people, but neither
navy nor nation is dismayed, judging
from expressions of the papers. There
is an insistent demand for more ag-
gressive action by England's fleet, al-
though the Admiralty has the alterna-
tive of bottling the German high
sea fleet into the harbors with mines,
if their strategy of keeping big ships
under cover and sending submarines
on raids proves consistently effective.
The action that cost England three
ships, the Aboukir, Hogue and Cressy,
valued at twelve millions and the lives
of probably more than a thousand
men, lasted but twenty minutes.
Rumors are current that two of the
three German submarines were sent
to the bottom by shell of the Cressy,
which went down with her guns blazing,
but Admiralty will not confirm
and its possible the Germans escaped
unscathed. The survivors have been
taken to Dutch and British ports. About
700 so far are accounted for of the
crews, totaling over 2,000.

One Hundred and Ten Survivors
Harwich, Sept. 23.—Destroyers
brought in 110 survivors of the North
Sea disaster to this port today. Thirty
were officers and all were almost
naked, having abandoned their cloth-
ing in flight to keep afloat.

Survivors say the loss of life was
the heaviest aboard the Aboukir, which
was not expecting an attack and the
crew was below. Others took warn-
ing by her fate and had every avail-
able man on deck. A young midship-
man from the Cressy said the three
vessels had been scouting. A slight
mist obscured the water and suddenly
he saw the Aboukir lift, keel over.

WAR IS CAUSING GREAT DISTRESS

**WORK OF LONE SUBMA-
RINE.**

Berlin (by Wireless), Sept. 23.—
Admiralty reports show the
destruction of the three British
cruisers was the work of sub-
marine N-9, single handed.

The Cressy hastened to her aid, fol-
lowed by the Hogue. The latter had
swung out boats for the rescue when
she seemed to those on the Cressy
to lift out the water. Just as she
had settled back and after the Abou-
kir had gone down the Cressy's crew
caught glimpse of a submarine and
opened fire. The submarine disap-
peared, evidently hit.

"Then our decks ripped beneath our
feet," said the midshipman, "but the
good old tub recovered her balance
and would have stayed up if it hadn't
been torpedoed a second time. She
rolled over so slowly that we had plen-
ty of time to jump well clear of the
ship before she disappeared. Then it
was a swim for your life." The
Admiralty has issued strict orders to
the survivors not to talk for publica-
tion until a formal report is made.

**WIFE MURDERER
GIVEN RESPITE**

Special to The Dispatch.
Raleigh, N. C., Sept. 23.—Governor
Craig today respite until Friday, Oc-
tober 15th, the death sentence of Har-
vey Galloway, the Winston-salem
negro, convicted in July of wife mur-
der, and sentenced to be electrocuted
next Friday.

**HEAD OF FURNITURE
COMPANY KILLED**

Special to The Dispatch.
Raleigh, N. C., Sept. 23.—L. M. Pres-
ton, president of the Phoenix Furni-
ture Company, of Christiansburg, Va.,
was killed two miles west of Mebane
today, when a Southern Railway train
struck his automobile at the crossing.
Mrs. Preston was fatally injured.

**Reports From Missionaries
Show Great Suffering is
Existing.**

**SMALL COUNTRIES
ARE HIT HARD**

**Situation Critical in West Afri-
ca and Chaos Prevails in
Syria and Persia—Other
Countries in Bad Way.**

New York, Sept. 23.—Belated reports
from Presbyterian missions though-
out the world tell of world-wide dis-
tress because of the European war. In
West Africa the situation is critical,
Syria and Persia are in a chaotic con-
dition financially. Chile is in a pitia-
ble plight by prostration of indus-
tries, and the poor of Guatemala have
been driven to confiscate foodstuff
from the wealthy.

Such is the view of Rev. A. W. Hal-
sey, Missionary Secretary. The Sy-
rian missionaries report that animals
were taken by the army draft or are
in hiding. Practically every able
bodied man has been called to the
colors.

The missionaries in India have been
cut off from financial aid and have
been authorized to sell church prop-
erty.

In Switzerland the missionaries are
at work in fields, as the able bodied
men are all with the army.

**WILMINGTON MAN
ELECTED VICE PRESIDENT**

Special to The Dispatch.
Raleigh, N. C., Sept. 23.—The North
Carolina Master Printers this after-
noon elected Joseph J. Stone, of
Greensboro, president; Joseph W. Lit-
tle, of Wilmington, vice president;
George B. Justice, of Raleigh, sec-
retary, and R. E. Elam, of Charlotte,
treasurer.

See the Tide Water Powe-Com-
pany's statement on page Seven.
Advertisement.

RUSSIANS GAIN A BIG VICTORY OVER ENEMY IN GALICIA

**Fall of Jaroslau Regarded as
Most Decisive
Stroke.**

AUSTRIANS FLEE

**Hotly Pursued by Russians, Who Are
Getting Ready to Move On Other
Strong Places.**

London, Sept. 23.—The fall of Jaros-
lau, Galicia, is regarded as the most
decisive stroke of the continental bat-
tlefields. The fortified place was tak-
en by storm and the Russians are in
hot pursuit of the Austrians toward
Cracow, leaving Przemysl isolated. It
is believed the Russian general will
mask Przemysl while the main army
continues toward Cracow, to join other
forces, preparatory to march on Bres-
lau.

Information reached here today that
the Russians have resumed the of-
fensive in East Prussia and are again
preparing to attack Koenigsberg.

FRENCH WEAKENING, SAY GERMANS

Washington, Sept. 23.—A German
Embassy message says:
The French offensive spirit is weak-
ening. The French losses are enor-
mous. Their center is retreating and
Verdun is being successfully bombarded
by the German mortars. The Pa-
ris press show a spirit to be down-
cast."

COMMISSIONER GRAHAM TO BE MARRIED

Special to The Dispatch.
Raleigh, N. C., Sept. 23.—Announce-
ment is made today that Major Wil-
liam A. Graham, Commissioner of Ag-
riculture, and Miss Sallie Clark, sis-
ter of Chief Justice Walter Clark, will
be married early in November.

SENATE COMMITTEE APPROVES TREATIES

Washington, Sept. 23.—The Senate
Foreign Relations Committee today
voted approval of the peace treaties
with Great Britain, France, China and
Spain. Russia has authorized her Am-
bassador to negotiate a similar treaty.

LANDSLIDE FOR THE "DRYS" IN VIRGINIA

Richmond, Va., Sept. 13.—Returns
today indicate that the "dry" land-
slide, in yesterday's State wide elec-
tion, may reach 35,000 majority. The
"wet" papers are calling on the leg-
islature to provide promptly for the
prospective loss of revenue.

Complicated Ballot in Australia.

St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 23.—Missouri
voters, after a lapse of 25 years, will
vote again in November under a "blan-
ket" ballot system. The name of ev-
ery candidate for office on all the party
tickets will be printed on one sheet
of paper. In some sections of the
State, especially in the cities, these
blanket ballots will be about half the
size of a newspaper page. The 15
legislative amendments to be voted on
at the same time will be printed on a
separate ballot.

Don't fail to attend Rabber's Fall
Millinery Opening—Thursday. Souve-
nirs.—Advertisement.