of the German army. The Germans will have to go farther north and at were investing Fort Troyon and the neighboring forts between Toul and Verdun, with the object of opening a way of retreat on their left.

the French are masters of the valley from Toul to Verdun. Therefore, the armies of the Crown Prince Frederick William and the Duke of Wurttembers authorities, is in a position to resist will be unable to cross the Meuse and attack indefinitely.

tempt to pass by the Stenay Gap. The forward movement of the allies

between the forest of Argonne and the Meuse continues. The pressure of the allies has had the effect of straighten-The failure of this plan means that ing the battle front until it is now almost a straight line to a point east of the Meuse and near Etain.

Belfort, France, is in a state of siege, and, according to the French military

#### ALLIES REPULSE COUNTER ATTACKS OF GERMANS

given out today by the War Office: "The general position on the Aisne

continues favorable for the allies. "The enemy has delivered several

our right and left.

have taken 2000 ; risoners

LONDON, Sept. 16. The statement admits, however, that The following official statement was the advance of the French and British is not rapid and that the Germans are

The statement indicates that the counter attacks, especially against the first Eritish corps, under Lieutenant first army corps, by these have been General Sir Douglas Haig, which did such valiant service during the recen-"The Germans give way slowly before retirement of the allies, has been bearour troops and the French armies on ling the brunt of the fighting. This section of the allied army, flanked as it "The enemy's loss is very heavy. We is by French troops, evidently makes up part of the allies' centre.

### GERMAN RETREAT CONTINUES. FRENCH EMBASSY LEARNS

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16. Continuance of the German retreat between the Argonne forest and the River Meuse was reported by the French War Office through the French Embassy here today. The dispatch, sent from Bordeaux, reads:

On our left wing the Germans resisted yesterday to the north of the River Aisne, on a line formed by the forest of Laigne and Cra-

At the centre their line of remistance was yesterday north of Rheims and the camp of Chalons towards Vienne, a town at the western border of the Argonne.

The forces of the enemy that were occupying the south of the Argonne have accentuated their movement, retreating between the Argonne and the Meuse. They were holding yesterday the front at Varennes and Consenvoye.

On our right wing the Germans are retreating toward Metz. The French Embassy continues to express confidence that the situation

### ALLIES' ADVANCE CHECKED SAYS GERMAN WAR OFFICE

BERLIN, Sept. 16.

The official statement issued today at the War Office emphasizes the fact that the Germans have now succeeded in checking the entire of a sive move-

the Germans have succeeded in driving the French-British lines back on

France is concerned the reports of the General Staff all agree that the new plan of campaign is working out in a

very satisfactory manner. On both the east and west frontiers. the report says, the German are carrying out their general plan of campaign with uninterrupted suc-

The reason for the withdrawal of a portion of the German left wing is declared to be the presence of a superior French force. The operations about Verdun, however, are being

pressed, it is stated The official statement says: The offensive movement of the allied British and French armies in France has been checked.

We have won a number of successes and have occupied strong positions. Fighting continues, but

no engagement has taken place. The enemy has been attacking with superfor numbers for two days our right wing. A severe conflict has marked the operations about Ver-

port from Admiral Behnke had indi-

Another official statement denies all

We know from the present condition that we shall fight to the end. We did not expect a proming against hard opposition" is our

Confidence prevails among the Germans and the world is entitled to know that there is no truth in the talk of a French victory anywhere. All other reports are false.

A definite German victory on both frontiers cannot be doubted. despite the big superiority of the hostile forces on both sides. German soil is free of her en

The official report makes no mention of how far or to what line of defense the German right wing has re-

### GERMANS HOLD STRONG FRONT, REPORT FRENCH

issued here by the War Office at 2 been accounted by the enemy, and

o'clock this afternoon guard of the enemy came into contact with our pursuing forces, and having executed by our troops after the bat-German army, gave battle on the defensive along the whole front.

"Certain sections of the front were added a large multitude of stragglers, strongly held by the enemy. This front | who were hidden in forests. extends from the region of Noyon, the plateaus to the north of Vin-sur-Alsne opers or of the war material captured to the heights on the north and west of for this reason that Minister of War Rheims; also a line that runs thence Millerand, who does not wish to give to the north of Ville-sur-Tourne, to out figures which might be considered the west of the Argonne region, and fantastic, refrains from announcing which is continued thence beyond the the details of these captures.

AUSTRIAN CONSULATE BUSY

Reservists From Coal Fields Anxious

to Reach Front, Enrol Daily.

Several hundred men are being enrolled

daily at the Austrian Consulate in this

army. These men are coming from the

among them runs high and they are con-

fident of the ultimate success of their

country's arms. Hundreds of letters are

being received from reservists in all sec-

tions, making anxious inquiry why they are not immediately sent abroad to fight.

The Austrians have sufficient ships in

which to send the men to the other side,

but, owing to the present supremacy of

the seas by the English fleet, it is feared

that the reservists would be made

Europe, should they now embark-

One-Third of French Wounded Able

PARIS, Sept. 16. The mortality among the German wounded brought to Paris is much higher than among the French.

Of 7500 French soldlers in the hospitals city for service in the Austro-Hungarian coal fields in Pennsylvania. War spirit 200 nave been returned to the front.

Most of the French are suffering from

#### LOCAL FIRE RECORD

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BORDEAUX, Sept. 18 | Argonne by another line, which passes The following official statement was north of Varennes, a point that has

"On September 14 and 15 the rear of the Forges, which is north of Verdun. been reinforced by a great part of the tie of the Marne, the Germans aban- around it and the railways into the hear doned numerous prisoners to our hands. To these men there has been

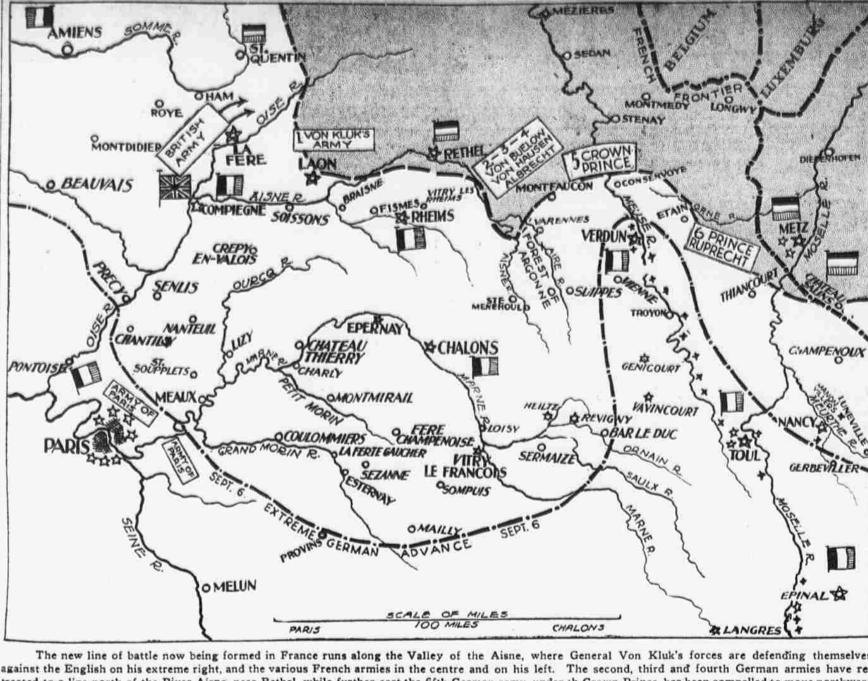
"No exact accounting of these pris-

#### GERMAN MORTALITY HIGH

to Return to Front.

lichy since the war began, more than bullet wounds, while most of the Germans have been injured by shell or bayonet.

11 27 Afore by J. W. Morris. ur. 11 27 - 30th and Powelton a.e., rail-road ties properly of Pennsylvania Railroad prisoners of war before they arrived in 12 12



The new line of battle now being formed in France runs along the Valley of the Aisne, where General Von Kluk's forces are defending themselves against the English on his extreme right, and the various French armies in the centre and on his left. The second, third and fourth German armies have retreated to a line north of the River Aisne, near Rethel, while further east the fifth German army, under th Crown Prince, has been compelled to move northward and eastward from the Argonne district outside of the range of the Verdun forts. The sixth German army, operating on the Lorraine frontier, is moving back to its base at Metz. South of Verdun the French have relieved Troyon, attacked by the Germans, and are forcing the Crown Prince's rear guards to the north, threatening the German centre with an enveloping movement.

### CZAR'S FORCES HEM PRZEMYSL ON THREE SIDES

Communication Cut Between Strong Fortification and Cracow, Breaking Line of Supplies and Reinforce-

PETROGRAD, Sept. 16. The Russians have crossed the lower course of the river San unopposed by the defeated Austrian enemy, which continues in precipitate flight.

The position at Grodek, between Przemysl and Lemberg, has been secured by the Russians, who have reached Moszisk (3) miles southeast of Lemberg and almost due south from Grodek) and are reported to have invested Przemysł on three | ment at ma

Frzemysl is the present Russian objec

Delayed dispatches from the Galician front state that the line of communication between Cracow and Przemysi has been severed by the Russian troops. Other forces, Cossacks believed to number about 100,000 men, have swept by Przemysi and have reached Lisko, 28 miles southwest of Przemsyl and only a few miles from the Hungarian border. Their aim is to cut communication between Hungary and the two fortresses of the Carpathian mountains. This would force the surrender of the forts, as the force the surrender of the forts, as the line of supplies will be cut off.

In the fighting of the last five days, culminating in the capture of Grodek, it is stated, the Russians have captured 40 Austrian guns and 20 howitzers.

COMMUNICATION SEVERED

The rapid advance of the Russian forces ms cut the lines of communication from Gallola to Budapest. Russian cavalry has reached the station of Lyske (a town of 500 population near 100 miles south-west of Procmysi and a little less than that distance from the Hungarian border. Its occupation cuts off Austrian retreat in that direction. Small cavalry forces have already passed through the Carnathians in several places. arpathians in several places. The Austro-German army

and Przemysł must inevitably surrender, as the lines are drawn more closely of the country are severed.

The Austrian centre still holds a broad front against the victorious Russians, but with the right wing smashed

sians, but with the right wing smanned and the left wing crumpled up in Russian Poland. Russian Minister of War Suk-homlinoff believes that the annihilation or surrender of Archduke Frederick's Fighting has been continuous for 30 days along the centre. In that time, according to reports received by the War Office, the Austrians have been driven

back 125 miles. The General S General Staff announced today that

The General State of Stroops were marching to attack Sambor, an important point in the Austrian line of communications. With the capture of Sambor and Chyrow, the Russians will cut Przemysi completely off from any assistance that might pleter) of from the south

(Sambor is 25 miles southeast of Przemyal, which lies 55 miles west of Lemberg.
Chyrow is 20 miles south of Przemyal.)

COMPLETE INVESTMENT OF PRIEM-In an official statement issued today the Russian War Office declares that the investment of Przemyel will prevent the Austrian army of General Dankl taking

refuge there. It says: The forces of General Dankl have been entirely cut off from the Austrian centre, and will be unable to reach val which is now completely invested by the Russians. The army of Danki is now cut off in the bogs into hich they had hoped to entice the lasians. The fragmentary details yet available show that our forces have already achieved the greatest auccess ever recorded in warfare. Archduke Karl Franz Josef is reported to be with the routed Austrian forces and his capture is looked for. and dwelling of Goldsbyrg Bruthers . trifling army of \$00,000 men that Austria sent Unofficial reports say that of the great

Galicia to attack the Russians on the frontier of Poland, fully 420,000 have been killed, captured or so surrounded that their escape is impossible.

LONDON, Sept. 16. The Express publishes a dispatch from Rome to the effect that the two Austrian armies under Generals Dank and Von Auffenberg have joined at Rhesov, thir teen miles northeast of Jaroslav and thirty-two miles due north of Przemys The dispatch says that the two armies have lost forty per cent of their num-

#### KAISER PRAISES GALLANTRY OF PRINCE OSCAR'S TROOPS

Addresses Grenadiers After Hot Fight Near Longwy.

Sept. 16. Emperor William is taking an active part in directing the operations of the German army in France, according to reports received here today. After th sharp battle near Longwy, he visited his son, Prince Oscar, commander of the Grenadler Guards, who had acquitted hemselves with honor in the conflict.

After greeting his son, the Emperor addressed the Guards in the public square.
"I greet you as chief," he said, "and thank you. "I have often seen your regithank you ment at maneuvers and on parade, but it is a particular pleasure to greet you

on a conquered land. The regiment fought as I expected and as our fathers fought before he battle of Virton will be eternally inscribed with letters of gold in the his-

tory of the war. "Our comrades of the eastern army have also fought gallantly. The army of the Crown Prince and the army under the Grand Duke of Wurttemberg advanced victoriously. Our enemies are

withdrawing.
"The eastern army has driven three Russian corps over the frontler. Two Russian corps capitulated in the open field. Sixty thousand men and two generals were made prisoners. Pracings and Cracow and also to keep "For all these victories we have to the Austrian army out of the passes of thank only One. That is our God who are officially denied. It is stated that the German army.

#### RUSSIANS ESTABLISH RULE IN PROVINCE OF BUKOVINA

Governor Placed at Czernowitz, Says Petrograd Dispatch.

ROME, Sept. 16 A dispatch to the Tribuna from Petrograd says that Bukovina has been transformed into a Russian province, with a tussian Governor at Czernowitz. General Barone publishes an article in

the Giornale d'Italia, in which he reaches the conclusion that the Germans are in danger of being entrapped in France.
The Italian Government has authorized the exportation to England of 25,000 tons

#### JAPAN SUPPRESSES PAPERS

Charges Publications With Stirring Animosity Among Nations. TOKIO, Sept. 16.

an official statement the Japanese ernment explains why it has ordered "the Herald," a German-controlled news-paper, and "the Deutsch Japan Post," a German news agency, to cease publica-

It is charged that both publications for years have sought to create animosity between Japan and certain foreign counries, particularly England and the United States. "The Herald" has been lished at Yokohama. The editor of news agency has been ordered to leave Japan within a week.



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## BOSNIAN CAPITAL NOW ENDANGERED BY SERVIAN FORCE

Capture Vishegrad, 40 Miles South of Sarajevo and Effect Junction With Invading Montenegrins.

Official announcement has been made here of the capture of Vishegrad, in Bosnia, by Servian troops.

and the Montenegrins, who captured Potcha, also in Bosnia, have effected a juncture and are marching toward Sarajevo despite a determined resistance by the Austrians. Sarajevo is only forty miles north of Vishegrad.

General Bloefer, chief deputy of the Austrian General Staff, announced today that the Servian army which crossed defeated along its entire line

#### VIENNA WAR OFFICE DENIES INVESTMENT OF PRZEMYSL

Also Confirms Report of Junction of Austrian Main Armies.

VIENNA, Sept. 16. The Russian reports that they have infighting is still in progress, with the Austrians maintaining their former po-

Denial also was made at the War Office today that the Austrian army of Gen-eral Danki has been compelled to surren-der by the Russians. It is stated that the Russian troops had managed almost com-pletely to surround the Austrians, who vere taken at a disadvantage by having to effect a retreat through unfavorable territory, but that the Austrians have ow cut their way through the Russian mes and have affected a junction with he main Austrian army It is admitted that the Austrian loases connection with this movement were

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### FLEET IS COMMENDED Admiral Patey Reports Details of

WORK OF AUSTRALIAN

Capture of Herberstshohe. MELBOURNE, Sept. 16. Prime Minister Millen has received the

following wireless report from Admiral Patey, in command of the Australian "I estimate that there were 20 or 3 Germans killed at Herberstshohe and six

British. The defending force was numerically the strongest. "The conduct of the Australians in

action was extremely valorous. "Further fighting is probable, although

the British hold Rabau!. "In its operations the Australian fleet the British China sea squadron, in destroying German wireless stations in the

### TO REINFORCE ALLIES' ARMY

Cavalry Welcomed to Relieve Strain On French Horse,

The allied lines in France have been Prussian and Bavarian soldiers, 30 of reinforced by the arrival of the first detachment of the Indian troops who made the trip by way of the Suez Canal and were rushed to the front from South

These troops, it is understood, are cavalry, and they will be welcomed, as the French cavalry horses are reported as badly worn out by their constant use since the war began. It is believed here that they will be sent to reinforce Sir John French, who is reported as initiating an enveloping movement, which has for its object ested the Galician fortress of Przemysl the cutting off the main right wing of

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### Abandonment Would Cut Off German Line of Retreat-Fortify Brussels to Hold With Small Garri-

LIEGE EVACUATED,

BY KAISER'S FORCE.

SAYS BERLIN REPORT

BERLIN (by way of Rome), Sept. 16, An official statement issued here says that the Germans have abandoned

No reason is assigned for the reported statement from Berlin by way of Rome that the Germans have abandoned Liege and there is no confirmation from any other source. It has been reported that the Germans' lines of communications had been threatened, but in neither the London nor the Paris statements has there been any intimation of any operations of tny kind in Belgium, excepting those which were being conducted by the

It is possible that the troops at Liege have been sent south for sterner work in France, where, it is stated, the battle has been renewed with the Germans on the defensive.

(It has been stated that the Germans only line of retreat lay through the region of Liege. The report, together with the statement that the Germans had been ordered to fall back to their own fortifications, is generally dis-

LONDON, Sept. 16. A news agency despatch from Amster-dam states a Berlin despatch received there says it was officially announced to-day that the Germans had evacuated ANTWERP, Sept. 16.

The Germans are rushing fresh troops into Belgium from Aix-la-Chappelle, but whether these are intended to strengthen the forces now here or are to be sent to the south to fill the gaps in the German right wing is not yet known, The Beigian forces again have retired to the protection of the outer ring of the Antwerp fortifications, where they are waiting developments. King Albert and the General Staff ield a long confer-

ence today, after which troops were massed along the fortifications that command the River Scheldt. It is believed a new attempt by the Germans to isolate Antwerp from the sea may be planned, but as the dykes have been reopened and the country in that vicinity is covered with water, it

is not believed they can hope to carry such a movement to a successful conclusion It was stated by the general staff today that during the last 24 hours the Germans have sent upward of 80,000 addi-tional troops into Belgium, indicating a determination on the part of the Ger-mans to hold their lines of communica-tion through Belgium at any cost. Only

skirmishing was in progress in Belgi German troops are fortifying Brussels to permit the departure of more rein-forcements to France. Rapid-fire guns have been mounted on the Boulevard du Jardin Botanique and at the north and Reports received here today say that

the Germans anticipate an attack on Brussels by a combined Belgian and British force. At Etterbeek, near Brussels, it is re-ported that fighting took place between

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