

...the North Sea to Verdun, the allies are pounding the German front steadily. The fall of one or two positions might force the enemy to renew its retrograde movement toward the Belgian border. Preparations on a large scale, following a break in the front, are being made by the very serious danger of a disaster.

The incessant and vigorous hammering of Marshal Foch's armies on the borders of Lille, Cambrai and Laon are forcing their way at various points of defense.

St. Quentin. The British were tightening the iron ring daily to cause the fall of that point. Between St. Quentin and Cambrai the British were fighting their way toward the canal having taken Vendhuile, on the canal, Catelet, and midway between Cambrai and St. Quentin the British have captured Lez.

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TO SPEND \$484,000,000. Hurley Asks Votes for Authority to Make Expenditures. WASHINGTON, October 1.—Chairman Hurley of the shipping board, appearing before the house appropriations committee today, asked for authority to spend \$484,000,000 additional to carry out the shipbuilding program.

TEN NEW INFLUENZA CASES ARE REPORTED. DR. MORGAN GIVES ADVICE FOR FIGHT TO KEEP OPEN ROAD FROM FRANCE. ARGONNE DELAYS PROGRESS. (By the United Press) NEW YORK, October 1.—Von Hindenburg is throwing his reserves against the Americans in the battle west of Verdun with unexampled prodigality in a desperate effort to prevent Gen. Pershing from closing the Luxembourg exit from France.

SHAMEFUL ENEMY PLANS. LONDON, October 1.—Kingdom Wilham is agreed in an Amsterdam dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company as saying in a dispatch to the Swiss press that: "I have the confident hope that the whole German people in these most perilous times will resolutely gather around me and give their blood and wealth until the last breath for the defense of the fatherland against the shameful enemy plans."

FOE'S LINE BREAKING UP. (Copyright 1918, New York Tribune, Inc.) NEW YORK, October 1.—There can be no mistaking the fact that Foch's battle has reached its climax. Within a brief period, perhaps of hours, certainly days, a German retirement from northern France is assured. German resistance, tremendous and sustained in certain sectors, is breaking down completely at others.

Series of Offensives. It is no longer one offensive, but half a dozen, all co-ordinated. In Belgium, King Albert and General Plumer are winning the battle of Ypres. In French Flanders and Artois, Horns, Brag and Rawlinson are refighting victoriously the battle of Cambrai. Above the Aisne, Mangin is winning the battle of Nivelle. Just in 1917. In Champagne, Gouraud is winning the contest only part won by Pershing in 1918.

...the enemy's retreat has been... The front of counter-attack has again been broken... American troops continued their work, notwithstanding the inclement weather.

...The divisions are not entirely fresh, nor half fresh troops, but counter in part of reinforcements obtained by dissolving divisions already in line.

...The following order, which was captured on a German notice, shows that the enemy is overlooking no chance: "All lines of retreat must be accurately ascertained by all companies and wherever possible all platoon commanders should go back over them as soon as possible to the first line. Soldiers also should acquaint themselves with the names of the lines of retreat."

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