

# SAY GERMANS ARE TAKING OFFENSIVE AGAINST RUSSIANS

BERLIN REPORT ASSERTS TEUTONS HAVE CAPTURED 30,000 OF CZAR'S TROOPS IN PRUSSIA

## FIRST DETAILED ACCOUNTS OF OPERATIONS OF ARMY

St. Petersburg Gives Out Announcement That Is at Variance With Claims of Germans—Koenigsberg Declared to Have Been Occupied.

London, Sept. 1.—An official telegram received in London declares that fresh forces of Germans have made their appearance on the Prussian frontier and that at some points they are taking the offensive against the Russians.

### Many Russians Captured.

Berlin.—(By Wireless.)—It was officially announced here that about 30,000 Russians had been taken prisoners by the Germans during the fighting in East Prussia, particularly at Ortelsburg, Hohenstein, and Tannenburg. They include many officers of high rank. The German attack at these three points was across swamps and lakes.

### Germans Claim Victories.

Berlin, via Copenhagen and London.—The following account of Austrian operations has been obtained in Berlin from an official Austrian source:

"In the Austro-Russian theater of war decisive battles have been in progress for several days. Our forces, which were victorious near Krasnik, pursued the Russians in the direction of Lubin. The Austrians advanced also in the enemy's territory between the rivers Bug and Wieprz, and we have taken positions in front of Zamoso."

### Austrians Routed, Russians Claim.

St. Petersburg.—Russian troops have smashed through the Austrian left army near Samosce, in northern Galicia, and have routed it with enormous losses. Thousands of prisoners have been taken, together with many cannon, machine guns and munitions, according to an official statement issued by the war office.

London, Sept. 1.—The Chronicle's St. Petersburg correspondent sends the ~~official~~ announcement that the

Russian forces, pursuing the German army, succeeded during the general confusion in entering the city of Königsberg, east Prussia, on the heels of the enemy, and securing command of the town and fortress.