

War News.

Messages Received
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RUSSIANS' STUBBORN RESISTANCE.

PETROGRAD, Dec. 28. Stubborn resistance is being offered by the Russians and their Allies to the efforts of the Teutonic forces to expel them from the portion of Dobruja which still remains in their hands. Attacks yesterday were repulsed with great losses to the Teutonic allies. To-day's report from the war office says the attacks by the enemy south of the Danube were repulsed with great losses to him. West of Vizir, Slavnoe, British armored motor cars took part in beating back the attacks. A gallant commander of a British armored car detachment was wounded during the battle on Tuesday, when repulsing enemy attacks, but nevertheless on Wednesday he again directed the operations of his detachment and put the enemy to flight. The enemy made an attack along the front in Dobruja against positions occupied by our advance guards. He was repulsed everywhere by our fire, except at the village of Kakel, which has been occupied by him.

ORDERED TO LEAVE GOERLITZ.

LONDON, Dec. 28. A telegram has been received from Salonika by the Anglo Hellenic League, to the effect that the Greek division which surrendered to the Bulgarians at Kavala has been ordered by King Constantine to leave Goerlitz, Germany, where it has been interned, for the Macedonian front to fight against the Entente Allies. Recent despatches from Athens represented the difference between Greece and the Entente as being composed, but its accuracy is unconfirmed by the despatch to the Anglo-Hellenic League. At the time of the occupation of Eastern Macedonia, part of the Kavala garrison of Greek troops surrendered to the Germans and Bulgarians, and others were moved to Entente warships. Those who surrendered to the Germans and Bulgarians were transported to Goerlitz for internment. Their numbers were given as 400 officers and 6,000 men.

RUSSIAN SUCCESS ANNOUNCED.

PETROGRAD, Dec. 28. A Russian success on the Caucasian front, in the neighborhood of Van, was announced to-day by the War office. We occupied the whole of the summit south of Ataman. South of Van the Turks have withdrawn in the direction of the Village of Illi.

AIRPLANES AND SEAPLANES BURN.

LONDON, Dec. 28. The British official says: On Tuesday a squadron of naval airplanes bombarded enemy camps at Galati on the Gallipoli Peninsula with successful results. On Wednesday a squadron of seaplanes attacked and destroyed Chikalar bridge, 18 miles east of Adana, Asia Minor.

EFFECT OF BLOCKADE.

ATHENS, Dec. 28. The Government in addressing a second note to the Entente Powers, pointing out the growing popular resentment against their blockade, refers to Greece's previous communication, urging mutual considerations with a view to clearing the situation. It says that unless some such action be taken shortly, Greece may be forced to seek advice of the nation respecting the course to be followed.

PRESS COMMENT.

LONDON, Dec. 28. An official order has been issued by Emperor Nicholas, stating the time has not arrived for peace negotiations, takes a leading place to-day. Both in the news and editorial sections of the evening newspapers. Some of them suggest that other members of the Entente should follow the lead of Russia and state their terms. The Standard says: "We cordially welcome this frank exposition and war aims from one very considerable member of the alliance. It would do no harm, it might, do some good if other Allies made it clear once and for all that there can now be no question of restoration of the status quo. There has been far too much inclination in this country to treat mere evacuation of occupied territories as a test of sincerity on Germany's part. We trust the Allies in their reply to the peace overtures will emphasize the point made by the Emperor. They might go further. They might point out that Prussia has broken faith time and again, and that there is every reason to suspect treachery. Our designs in the pres-

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TABLE NAPKINS.
Linen Damask in assorted pretty patterns; size 21 x 21 inches, hemmed ready for use. Reg. 27c. ea. Friday and Saturday **22c**

CUSHION COVERS.
Crash and Linen with Silk embroidered centres, hemstitched edge in White. Lawn Crash supplies the material for these Bags. They are neatly finished with draw-string closing tops. Reg. 55c. each. Friday and Saturday **45c**

CURTAIN NETS and MUSLINS.
Beautifully finished with woven imitation frill and looped edge that would make dainty and inexpensive half blinds. They come in Cream & White, 24 and 29 inches wide. Reg. 11c. yard. Friday & Saturday **9c**

LAUNDRY BAGS.
With the word "Linen" embroidered in white cotton or colored silk across the front. Fawn Crash supplies the material for these Bags. They are neatly finished with draw-string closing tops. Reg. 50c. each. Friday and Saturday **42c**

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Of heavy worsted material in plain and fancy striped. A splendid Cap for winter wear; can be worn in either Pullman or Nansen style. Regular 80c. each. Friday and Saturday **72c**

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Made of heavy Tweeds various patterns, mostly dark. The ear band is of heavy wool material and can be worn over the ears or turned up on the inside of the cap. Reg. 85c. each. Friday & Saturday **76c**

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Of fine American Shirt Cotton in neat striped patterns that will wash well and retain their color; starched cuffs and collar bands; all sizes. Reg. \$1.25 each. Friday and Saturday **1.05**

MEN'S SHIRTS.
Made from good wearing English Cotton in neat pin stripe effects, with soft French cuffs and stiff collar bands; splendid fitting styles. Reg. \$1.00 each. Friday and Saturday **80c**

MEN'S SOCKS.
Heavy mixtures; 41 ribbed legs and plain seamless feet. Reg. 40c. pair. Friday and Saturday **34c**

FOUNTAIN PENS.
A special job line, including some of Waterman's famous make; gold, silver, pearl mounted and plain barrels, fitted with gold nibs. Values to \$4.50 each. Friday and Saturday **1.50**

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Perfect fitting models in White Coutil; a splendid line of new Corsets, some self-reducing styles; most of them silk and lace trimmed and finished with strong suspenders. Three different styles to choose from; all sizes. Reg. \$1.50 each. Friday and Saturday **1.35**

LADIES' SWEATERS.

Made from all wool yarns in a popular heavy stitch. They come in Grey only, trimmed at pockets, collars and front in contrasting colors of Green, Maroon or Navy; comfortable close-fitting styles, with high double collars. Reg. \$2.20 each. Friday and Saturday **1.90**

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LADIES' HANDKERCHIEFS.
Hand embroidered and openwork trimmed; made from fine lawn and finished with narrow hemstitched hem. Reg. 30c. each. Friday and Saturday **24c**

LEVEDA SILK.
38 inch Fancy Leveda Silk, in Cherry, Tan and Brown; a very fine and closely woven all pure Silk that will wear splendidly. Reg. \$1.75 yard. Friday and Saturday **95c**

LADIES' BLOUSES.
Of fine Poplin, trimmed with fancy silk collars and buttons to match; some are trimmed with collars and cuffs of self materials, with raglan or set-in sleeves. The colors are Navy, Lt. Grey, Tan, Sky, Sage and Black; sizes 36 to 44 bust. Reg. \$2.65 ea. Friday & Saturday **2.10**

LADIES' SKIRTS.
Made from soft covert cloth in shades of Green, Fawn and Grey, also Black and Navy Melton. The very newest four and five gore styles. They are trimmed with buttons and belted backs; splendid values at this price. Reg. \$3.50 & \$3.75 each. Friday and Saturday **3.20**

MEN'S TIES.
Assorted silks in flowered, striped and spotted designs; a good variety of dressy colors; wide flowered ends. Reg. 75c. each. Friday and Saturday **68c**

BOYS' CELLULOID COLLARS.
Eton style, 2 1/2 inches high, dull finish; sizes 12 to 13 1/2. Reg. 12c. each. Friday and Saturday **10c**

MEN'S NIGHTSHIRTS.
Good roomy sizes with close-fitting tunic neck bands, made from fine soft flannelette that is pure and free from dressing. These Nightshirts will give excellent wear. Regular \$1.50 each. Friday and Saturday **1.37**

LADIES' HOSE.
Black and Tan Cashmere in plain and assorted rib; shaped legs; wide garter tops and seamless feet. Reg. 80c. each. Friday and Saturday **70c**

OVERCOATS.—We have a splendid stock of Men's and Boys' Overcoats in plain and belted back styles. These garments are well made from hard wearing materials and will give splendid satisfaction. There are Naps, Tweeds and Khaki Cloths to fit boys from 3 to 9 years, ranging in prices from \$3.50 up to \$8.50. Youths' in Tweeds and Nap Cloths, to fit from 10 to 16 years, from \$6.50 to \$12.50. Men's Overcoats in Tweed only; all sizes from 4 to 7, in a great variety of popular styles, from \$10.50 to \$22.50.

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In dress and fly sizes. Requires no sewing, you simply push both parts together, and the button fastens itself; on cards containing a half dozen. Regular 4c. Friday and Saturday **3c**

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Set in brilliants in various pretty designs and sizes. Reg. 15c. each. Friday and Saturday **12c**

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Of super quality, linen finished paper, in packages containing 50. Reg. 18c. pkg. Friday and Saturday **8c**

"TERRIER" STYLO PENS.—Black & Tan vulcanite, fitted with good spring, neatly boxed with filler. Regular 65c. each. Friday and Saturday **55c**

HANDY BOXES.—Containing gum labels, suspension rings, rubber bands, paper clips, twine, parcel tags, postal labels and a roll of adhesive tape for repairing bank notes, music sheets, etc., nicely put up in a leatherette covered box with compartments for holding each item separately. Regular \$1.50 each. Friday and Saturday **1.30**

WHITE AGATE BUTTONS.—On cards containing 12 dozen; small size; 4 hole style. Reg. 8c. card. Friday and Saturday **6c**

JEWELLERY CLEANING OUTFITS.—Nicely put up in a raised top case, which fastens with a brass clip. The compartments contain jewellery dryer, cleaner and polisher, 2 jewellery brushes, small and large size, and a cake of jewellery soap. Reg. \$1.65 each. Friday & Saturday **1.40**

ALPHABET CARDS.—Collins' improved Colored Alphabet Cards, lettered on both sides. Reg. 4c. each. Friday & Saturday **3c**

MEDICATED SOAP.—"Sapone" Carrara Soap in large size tablets with medium size Turkish Face Cloths. This Soap is absolutely pure and free from any injurious substances. Reg. 10c. cake. Friday and Saturday **9c**

RUBBER BALLS.—In plain grey and colored, 2 1/4 and 2 1/2 inches in diameter; assorted colors. Regular 14c. each. Friday and Saturday **11c**

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USEFUL GIFT Goods Moderately Priced.

Gent's Snow Shoes. Reg. \$4.10 for	3.75
Knife and Fork Holders. Reg. 60c. for	54c
Hearth Brushes. Regular 60c. for	54c
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Nut Crackers and Picks. Reg. 30c. for	26c
Electro Plated Egg Stands. Reg. \$8.40 for	8.50
Electro Plated Honey Spoon Dishes. Regular \$4.35 for	3.90
Electro Plated Pickles Dishes. Reg. \$4.50 for	4.00
Fancy Mantel Clocks. Reg. \$2.55 for	2.50
Electro Plated Shaving Mug and Brush. Reg. \$5.00 for	4.60
Table Knives. Reg. \$4.30 doz. for	4.00
Table Forks. Reg. \$3.20 doz. for	3.06
Dessert Spoons. Regular \$2.60 doz. for	2.30
Tea Spoons. Regular \$1.35 doz. for	1.25
Oak Waiters. Regular \$2.45 for	2.20
Oak Waiters. Regular \$2.75 for	2.50
Washing Machines. Reg. \$13.80 for	12.40

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ent approaches, are that no peace could be safe for Europe which leaves Prussian militarism with a prestige of victory which would be hers should the war be terminated to-morrow.

DESTRUCTION TERRIBLE.

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 28. The Volks Zeitung of Cologne, reproduces the narrative of an officer of the German General Staff in regard to the Roumanian campaign, in which he said the destruction wrought in the Roumanian oil fields was terrible and surpassing everything of its kind during the war.

THE WILL OF THE WHOLE PEOPLE.

PETROGRAD, Dec. 28. Endorsing the order issued by Emperor Nicholas on December 24, to the Russian Army, the new daily newspaper Volia, says the Emperor stated that Russia's war aims and matters whose realization are vital for Russia, are unanimously approved by her Allies. We hope France and England will follow Russia's example and will formulate publicly and without delay the special ends which they seek from the world war. The Novaya Vremya says the words of the Emperor reflect the faithful sentiment and will of the whole people.

REPLY TO SWISS NOTE.

BERLIN, Dec. 28. A Vienna despatch says that the Austro-Hungarian Government to-day answered the Swiss note by transmittting a copy of the note sent President Wilson. The covering message assured the Helvetic Government that the suggestion of President Wilson met with a thoroughly sympathetic reception from Austria-Hungary. The message added that the Austria-Hungarian Government regarded the Swiss action of supporting President Wilson as evidence of the noble, humane disposition which Switzerland, since the beginning of the war, has manifested toward all belligerents.

ACTIVE BOMBARDMENT BY THE GERMANS.

PETROGRAD, Dec. 28. The Germans have begun an active bombardment of Russian positions in Galicia, the war office announced to-day. Attempts to cross the Dniester River were checked.

ORDER OF MERIT CONFERRED.

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 28. The announcement is made in Berlin newspapers that the Order of Merit has been conferred upon Capt. Valentine, Commander of a German submarine, for sinking 128 ships with a total tonnage of \$82,000. Included among the boats are a French gunboat, a troop transport, four steamers, loaded with war material and a French submarine conveying 14 coal steamers.

SEES REJECTION BY GERMANY.

LONDON, Dec. 28. The Daily Chronicle says: The point on which most stress is laid in President Wilson's note is entirely ignored in the German reply. For all its studied politeness there is implied therein a rejection in advance of any offer of mediation by America.

GREECE.

LONDON, Dec. 28. News from Athens reaching London shows that conditions have improved greatly from the allied point of view. The Royalists are beginning to feel the effects of the Allied blockade, and even the strongest Royalist newspapers are completely changed in their tone. In the meantime the Foreign Office announces that the demobilization of the Greek army is taking place rapidly and satisfactorily in accordance with Greece's promises. This will remove a threat from the Allies' rear. Persecution of the Venizelists is also lessening.

GERMANY'S REPLY NO REPLY AT ALL.

LONDON, Dec. 28. The morning papers generally regard Germany's reply to President Wilson's note as no reply at all, but a renewed effort to trap the Entente into a conference at an opportune moment for the latter with a view to averting what is consistently maintained here as inevitable—the defeat of the Central Powers. The Daily Telegraph thinks the reply marks a new and significant step in the game of desperation forced upon the Central Powers by their well justified dread of what its immediate future holds for them.

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