

OUR NAVY SCORES BIG TRIUMPH

So British Papers Term Safe Arrival of Australians in Egypt—Conditions in Belgium and Poland

London, Dec. 5.—The fighting in Lodz region has developed into such a jumble that it is almost impossible to follow it. The most important factor from the allies point of view is that the German advance on Warsaw seemingly has not succeeded in its object, nor has it had the effect of diverting the Russians from their forward movement through the Carpathians, and on to the plains of Hungary, or against the fortress of Cracow, around which they are drawing a closer ring of men and artillery.

Likely Hold Out Longer
With the case of Przemysl, which has held so long against the Russian attacks, before them, military men do not look for an early fall of Cracow, and are rather inclined to believe the armies of Emperor Nicholas will endeavor to keep the large Austrian force inside the fortress and enter Silesia from the southeast.

However, much depends on the battle which is being fought with such intensity further north, between the rivers Vistula and Warta, and in which all agree the losses on both sides have been very heavy. There is an inclination to believe in success for the Germans in this field, or Emperor William, who has returned to Berlin, would have remained to witness the victory of his troops.

Condition of Stalemate
The battle in the west continues in a condition of stalemate. The allies and the Germans have attempted to take the offensive at different points along the front but as neither claims to have made any advance, and as both official reports mention repulses of the enemy, it is evident that the attacks which have been made have not met with much success.
Under the title, "Four Months of

War," the French bulletin of the armistice, is publishing a report of the entire operations of the war. In it the explanation is made that the French were unable to take the offensive until the British army was ready, and that the advance into Alsace, which has been criticized as bad strategy, was designed to draw the Germans from the Belgian front. This plan did not succeed, it says, and the allies were driven back to the Seine.

British Naval Triumph
The arrival of Australian and New Zealand troops in Egypt on forty transports is quoted as another triumph for the British navy. The German cruiser Emden was not far from this fleet of transportation when she was overtaken by the Australia cruiser Sydney, and destroyed. It is taken for granted, however, that the convoy of the transports was so strong that even the Emden would not have dared attack them.

The statement made in the Italian parliament by Premier Salandra that Italy should maintain her attitude of watchful and armed neutrality, has created a lot of interest here, and much sympathy is expressed for the aspirations of the Italian people.

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GERMAN CRUISERS TRICKED REAR-ADMIRAL TROUBRIDGE AND MADE THEIR ESCAPE

Explanation of Escape of Goeben and Breslau From Straits of Messina Comes With Declaration That British Got Order in Secret Code

London, Nov. 25 (By mail to New York).—Rear-Admiral E. C. Troubridge, commanding the British Mediterranean squadron at the opening of the war, was ordered to permit the German cruisers Goeben and Breslau to escape from the Straits of Messina. This is the information that comes from an unquestionably authoritative source, which explains how Rear-Admiral Troubridge happened to be acquitted when court-martialled for permitting the German warships to elude him.

There was much astonishment when Rear-Admiral Troubridge was absolved of all blame in connection with the escape of the Goeben and Breslau. His squadron was supposed to have the cruisers securely bottled in Messina harbor. Troubridge had been called home, presumably in disgrace. His complete vindication is thus explained. By means of his log-book and the testimony of his flag lieutenant, his secretary and his wireless operator, the Admiral was able to prove absolutely that he had received a radiogram in the British Admiralty's secret code, worded and signed in regulation Admiralty form, ordering him to permit the Goeben and Breslau to escape.

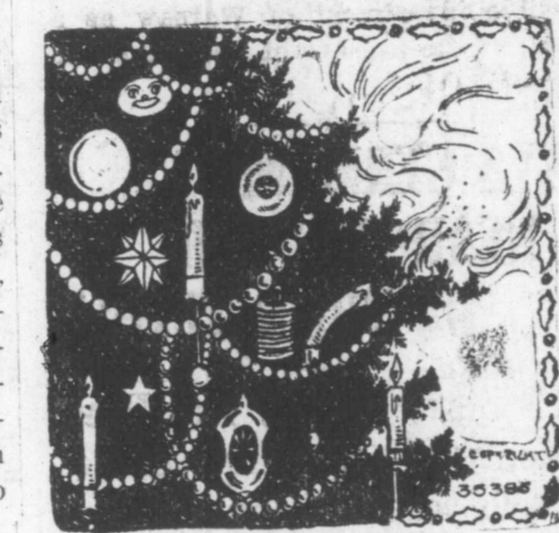
Let the Ships Go By.
Assuming that the Admiralty knew its business, and that it probably had other plans for the disposal of the German vessels, he did not question the order. If he had, there would have

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been time to obtain confirmation from the Admiralty.

The wireless was received on the morning of August 6. Under the laws of neutrality, the Goeben and Breslau were to leave the Italian port that evening. There was nothing to do but obey. The German ships left on scheduled time without molestation, later entered the Dardanelles and were "purchased" by the Turkish Government.

It was not until he reached England, that Rear-Admiral Troubridge learned no such order had been sent him by the Admiralty. It had come from the Goeben itself.



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The Bear's Onward March

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New Budget For U.S. Army \$104,124,512

Increase of More Than Three Million Dollars Over the Previous Year—Extra Expenditure.

Washington, Dec. 7.—Appropriations aggregating \$104,124,512 to carry the army through the coming year are proposed in estimates which the War Department has just completed for submission to Congress. This is an increase of \$3,105,300 over the total carried by the Army Bill for the current year, although reductions are made in the allowances for many branches of the service.

A new item of \$350,000 for purchase of automatic machine rifles is asked. For the signal service \$700,000 is asked, of which \$400,000 would be for the purchase, maintenance, operations and repair of airships. Provision would be made for giving one year's additional pay to the beneficiaries of men killed in the army aviation service.

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Jap Revenue Has Decreased By \$40,500,000

War Caused a Decrease of Eight Million Dollars in the Customs Revenue.

Tokio, Dec. 8.—Japan's Budget for the coming year shows estimated expenditures of \$268,000,000, and a decrease in revenue of \$40,500,000.

The war has caused a decrease of \$8,500,000 in Customs revenue. Curtailments of expenses to be made in some departments of the Government will permit of credits for two additional army divisions, the completion of three dreadnoughts and the construction of eight.

NOTICE.—Trinity Bay

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Later we hope to tell you all about that Store, but to-day we are concerned in asking you to help remove our surplus stock—we will repay, by giving splendid bargains in dry-goods.

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