

ECLARES ARMISTICE WOULD BE PAR

Average Monthly Ton-nage Destroyed, Febru-ary to December, 1917. ed. This situation ought to be taken

Panic Caused Shortage. "Again, owing to the panicky feel-ing of buyers in the large cities, more consumers have had their full orders supplied than has ever before been

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sibility of which no safe or sure path tifying of which no safe or sure path can be found or followed. Co-operation Required. "May every man here and across the Atlantic who desires that we may the Atlantic our present peril do his utmost and successing severe casualties. "Another hero was Corporal Colin Barron, who, single-banded rushed en-emy guns, killed four of the crews and captured the others and then turned the captured guns on the retiring en-emy, causing severe casualties. "State of the brigade staff." emy, causing severe casualties, Sergt. Geo. H. Mullin captured a "pill-box" sinje-handed, rushed a sniper's post in front of him, destroy-ed the garrison with bombs and, crawl-ing on a "pill-box," shot two guiners with his revolver. Mullin's clothes meet our present peril do his utmost to strengthen and sustain the auth-ority of the men at the helm. May they, encourage them in their responsibility and free them from embarrassment so they may con-centrate their whole energy on the deadly enemy in front and have no enxieties or jealousies at home. May they be free from overy cause of distraction and devote themselves to the selection and the

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Premier Announces That No

Decision is Arrived at by

the Cabinet.

A MISTAKEN IDEA

Arose From Suggestion Made

by Col. Mewburn During the Election.

of militia and defence, made during the elective campaign, that alien enemy labor in Canada be conscript-

ed, has apparently failed to commend

itself to the minister's colleagues. A statement issued from the prime minister's office, this evening, em-

phatically declares that the govern-

ment has no intention of taking any

General Mewburn's suggestion that aliens should be conscripted for essential industries was made in the

course of an address to the Unionist

ecnivention which nominated him at

Hamilton. Later General Mewburn amplified his suggestion and fixed

the wages which should be paid con-

scripted aliens at the rate given pri-

vates in the Canadian forces. How-ever, the statement issued from the

prime minister's office, this evening,

in the press respecting the question of the conscription of any class of labor

"Any reports which have appeared

any purpose whatsoever are en-

portunity to give the matter any deli-berate consideration, and for this rea-son the statements which have been

appearing in the newspapers are mis-leading and erroneous. In the very

they without foundation. The gov-ernment as yet has not had an op-ing Austro-German trenches and

such action.

Special to The Toronto World. Ottawa, Jan. 11.-The suggestion of General S. C. Mewburn, minister

NO CONSCRIPTION

with his revolver. Mullin's clothes were riddled with bullets from the rapid-fire guns directed against him, together with their crews. but he did not falter. Charge Pill Boxes. Other heroes, equally daring. charged "pill boxes," killed, captured themselves to the selection and the seizing of the essential points of the

or silenced the enerny and cleared the

OF LABOR AS YET BRITISH PURSUE ENEMY

way for the advance of troops and saved the lives of many of their com-rados. They are Captain George R. Pearkes and Ptes, Thomas Holmes, horse was shot under him.

Retreating Near Lake Nyassa---Enemy

Force Splits Up Into Small Bands.

FOE TRENCHES DESTROYED MAY ARRANGE SAW-OFF

BY ITALIAN ARTILLERY

Austro-German Troops Mowed Down By Machine Gun Fire As They Beat Retreat.

London, Jan. 11 .- On the fighting

forcing the enemy to evacuate them. The Italian machine guns worked havoc among the enemy as they en-

deavored to retire.

McBeath put five machine guns out of action, capturing an officer and 30 men who had taken refuge in a dugout. A trooper of the Indian Cavalry

eutons, However, Wont Extend Same Terms to Other Allies.

CONFERENCE STILL ON

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Conference structure
 IN PORTUGUESE AFRICA Mounted Troops Follow Up German Column

London, Jan. 11.—Dealing with the course of the operations in East Africa during the past month, an official communication issued today says: "Having entered Portuguese terri-tory at Ngomano as a small exhausted force short of food and ammunition tory at Ngomano as a small exhausted force, short of food and ammunition, a German column under Gen. von Lot-tonvorbeck moved up the Lujenda Valley, capturing several small iso-lated Portuguese posts, subsequently dispersing in scattered groups and rading parties over the whole country delegates recanting. But Count Czernin, the Austro-

Hungarian foreign minister, told the Eolsheviki delegates that the door has not been closed to the Russians, and AND PREVENT ELECTION that the situation now had resolved itself into a question of a separate peace between Russia and the central powers. The seeming ultimatum of the representatives of the enemy One Union and One Opposition Candi-date May Retire in Halifax and Obviate Campaign. powers was taken under advisement.

and the meeting was adjourned. Nikolai Lenine, the Bolshevik premier, apparently is maintaining his previous attitude of unwilling-Halifax, Jan. 11 .- A meeting of the fronts there is only slight activity, executive of the Liberal association except by the artilleries. Several for Halifax City and County was held ness to concede any points the trench-raiding operations have been tonight to consider the position of the enemy, and has re-asserted that un-less the central powers accept the Bolshevik proposals, the Bolsheviki will declare war on them. He also carried out on the western front by party in view of the fact that the electhe French in the Argonne Forest and tion in this constituency is to take Vosges Mountain sectors, in which place on Jan. 28. Letters were read has declared himself in favor of stop-German prisoners were taken. Not- from the Liberal candidates, Mr. Elsping demobilization and preparing withstanding the deep snow on the ner and Dr. Blackadder, each announcfor war. northern Italian front, the Italian ing his willingness to resign if one of

BISHOP OF FREDERICTON

Canadian Associated Press Cable, London, Jan. 12.—The Bishop of Fredericton, after visiting the troops on behalf of the Canadian church, tells the Canadian Associated Press that he is most vividly impressed

Von Tirpitz Wants U-Boats to

London. Jan. 11.—Germany is de-pending upon her U-boats to defeat the American menace and bring about large wholesalers. Operate Unhindered-Says Gerthe American menace and bring about large peace, declares The Berlin Tageblatt, a copy of which has been received many Doesn't Need Belgium.



Ottawa, Jan. 11 .- Baron Ito and Pr. AGAINST BOLSHEVIKI Hishida, members of a special Japan-ese finance mission to the United Fighting Lasting Several Hours Results in Defeat for Anarchists. States, met members of the Dominion

Government at a dinner given in their Petrograd, Jan. 11 .- Fighting lasting honor by Yasutara Numano, Japanese Service is Announced as 165,000. Melbourne, Australia, Jan. 11.-(Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency.)—The gover-the transformed as a taken place between Maximalist and Ukrainian troops near nigv, according to advices received here. The fighting is said to have resulted in severe casualties. vell, minister of public works; Hon.

J. A. Calder, minister of immigration London, Jan. 11 .- A Reuter's, Limited. and colonization; Hon. Arthur Meignen, minister of the interior; despatch from Petrograd says it is reported there that Ukrainian troops have Hon. Martin Burrell, secretary of occupied Rachmatch, in the Government state; Hon. A. K. Maclean, minister of Tchernigov, after severe fighting. Bol- without portfolio, and Hon. Justica Duff.

> the British Empire has played in the war. "I firmly believe." he said, "that when the history of the war is written generations yet unborn will turn to the British Empire and hall her as

> the savior of the human race." Speaking of the part Canada had played in the war, the baron sold that "One of the most notable things

guns have been active near Cavazuc- the Union candidates indicated a simichurina, in the hill region. demolish- lar intention. Mr. Eisner wrote that he would withdraw if McLean and Blackadder were allowed to be return-ed unopposed. Dr. Blackadder wrote that he would retire if Eisner and Martin were permitted to be elected without opposition. The meeting pass-ed a resolution endorsing this posi-tion, which they directed to be sent

CONSCRIPTION VOTE Majority Against Compulsory Service is Announced

Reuter's Ottawa Agency.)-The gover- severe casualties. nor-general has issued a statement

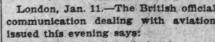
giving reasons why he re-commission-ed Hon. Wm. Hughes. He states that in advance of the Nationalist defeat in parliament he endeavored to as-certain the situation by seeking infor-

BISHOF OF FREDERICION PRAISES CARE FOR TROOPS Canadian Associated Press Cable. London, Jan. 12.—The Bishop of Fredericton, after visiting the troops in behalf of the Canadian Associated Press hat he is most vividly impressed with the care taken for the men's welfare. He has reen thru the main COON SKIN COATS. Control all industries in Conada, and Difficularly, agriculture, will be com-the means whereby the govern-ment with a view to devising ways of the country may be utilized to the fullest possible extent for all such in-fullest ass are essential to Canada's War efforta," War efforta," COON SKIN COATS. COON SKIN COATS. COON SKIN COATS. Condon, Jan. 11—The British official to the Union committee. that he is most vividly impressed vith the care taken for the mas' that he is most vividly impressed vith the care taken for the mas' weifare. The largest and best assorted dis-regular \$150 value for \$120. And so of the country may be sublication for the prices advance in the vith the max to spend all with the max to spend all more expensive coats. Dineen's, 140 War efforta," War efforta,"

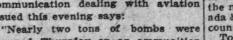
of Tchernigov, after severe fighting. Bol-nigov, according to advices received here. tion, and decided that the majority of Nationalists was likely to retain co-hesion and would be able to establish

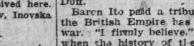
BRITISH BOMB COURTRAI Drop Two Tons of Explosives on Ger man Positions in West.

UKRAINIANS OPEN WAR



Rachmatch Taken.





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