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PROBS—Cold, with some light snowfalls.

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OFFICIAL ESTIMATE GIVES HALIFAX DEAD AS 1226 STRONG GERMAN OFFENSIVE IS DEFEATED BY BRITISH FIERCE MASS ASSAULT BY GERMANS DEFEATED

"HAS CANADA FORGOTTEN US?"

TO MAKE END OF BOLSHIEVIKI IN BRIEF TIME

Four Hundred Thousand Cossacks Support General Kaledines in Revolt.

TO SEIZE RICH SOUTH

New Regime Promises to Protect Granaries and Minerals.

ENEMY LOSSES ARE HEAVY BUT GAIN IS INSIGNIFICANT

Enemy Starts Drive Ten Miles West of Cambrai, But Fails in Effort to Overwhelm British By Sheer Weight of Numbers.

Germans Sacrificed Many Men in Bullecourt Attack and Enter Only Short Section of British Front Trenches.

London, Dec. 12.—A fierce mass attack was made by the Germans today against the elbow in the front of the British line between Bullecourt and Quent...

London, Dec. 12.—The German attack this morning east of Bullecourt was repulsed by the British except at one point, according to Field Marshal Haig's report tonight.

length of front trench, which formed a salient in our line and had been demolished by the bombardment preceding the attack.

Thus the attack was reduced to the limits of a very small local success at the most.

In his description of the battle the correspondent says: "What apparently was intended as a mass German attack on our line in the sector east of Bullecourt was delivered shortly after dawn, and overpowered the stoutness of our troops in the front line to the extent of a very small local success at the most."

"The Germans opened an intense bombardment as the first streaks of a frosty dawn were pale in the sky. Our artillery promptly replied with a barrage put down on the opening trenches, in order to catch any infantry advance."

"The weather remains fine and dry, so that open warfare is still possible at a time of the year when normally both sides would be settled into winter quarters."

BRITISH SHIP LOSSES FOR WEEK TWENTY-ONE

Admiralty Reports Fourteen Ships Over 1,600 Tons and Seven Smaller Craft Sunk.

London, Dec. 12.—A slight increase in the losses of British merchantmen by mine or submarine in the past week is noted in the admiralty statement tonight.

The losses to British shipping by mine or submarine the previous week comprised sixteen merchantmen of 1600 tons or over, and one under that tonnage.

AUSTRIAN BATTLESHIP IS TORPEDOED AND SUNK

Warship Wien Was 5,512 Tons and Had Crew of 441, Almost All Saved.

London, Dec. 12.—The Austrian battleship Wien was torpedoed and sunk Sunday night, according to an official statement received from Amsterdam and forwarded by the Central News. Most of the crew was saved.

NEW ADVANCE BY BRITISH NORTHWEST OF JERUSALEM

British Push Line Ahead Between Jerusalem and Jaffa—Fifty Turks Killed and Ten Captured in Action.

London, Dec. 12.—The British line northwest of Jerusalem midway between that city and Jaffa, has been advanced, General Allenby's despatches show, contingents of Gurkhas carrying positions as far as the mouth of the Mideh. Fifty Turks were killed and ten taken prisoner.

proclamation insured maintenance and protection of sacred buildings and holy places. The British commander entered the city with a few of his staff, the commanders of the French and Italian detachments, the heads of the political missions and the military attaches of Australia, New Zealand, India, France and Italy.

The fighting between the French and Austro-Germans has been limited thus far to aerial and artillery engagements, which have been of a representative nature.

The lines of goods which are being overcharged for are lumber, general merchandise, nails, glass, putty, foodstuffs, furniture and funeral supplies.

ENEMY RESUMES ATTACKS AGAINST LINES OF ITALIANS

Few Positions, Abandoned in Early Stages of Battle, Were Later Recovered by Italian Counter Attacks.

Rome, Dec. 12.—The enemy has resumed the attacks against the Italian lines in the mountain district where the Austro-German armies are striving to break through.

DESERT WAS CONQUERED, THEN JERUSALEM FELL

British General Says American Genius Made Possible Triumph of Allies in Palestine.

London, Dec. 12.—Major-General F. B. Maurice today in a talk with the Associated Press outlined the campaign that resulted in the fall of Jerusalem to Gen. Allenby's forces.

The weather up to now had been almost unprecedently fine everywhere in northern Italy, a condition which has aided the invaders almost exclusively since the elements have precluded none of their customary obstacles.

The fighting at Tamanovka, according to a Reuter despatch from Petrograd, appears to have been between detachments of anti-Bolshevik shock battalions and local troops assisted by sailors, red guards, infantry and armored cars sent from Petrograd and troops from Kharkov.



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TO STOP OVERCHARGING BY HALIFAX MERCHANTS

Deputy Mayor Issues Order—Scare at Dartmouth Results in Considerable Illness.

Halifax, Dec. 12.—The deputy mayor of Halifax, H. S. Colwell, tonight took action to stop the growing practice among certain classes of dealers who are charging exorbitant prices for a number of lines of goods just now in urgent demand.

BOLSHEVIKI ARE BEATEN IN FIGHT WITH COSSACKS

Maximalist Forces Defeated Near Their Mohilev Headquarters—Fierce Battle at Tamanovka.

London, Dec. 12.—Reports of fighting at Mohilev, Russian general headquarters, between troops newly arrived there and the Bolsheviki garrison, were received in Petrograd Monday.

BULK OF INJURED STRUCK BY GLASS

Many Persons Lose Eyesight—American Surgeons Help Canadian.

Montreal, Dec. 12.—The Montreal Daily Star published the following today from its staff correspondent at Halifax:

"A tour of the many hospitals today revealed the fact that Canadian and American surgeons and nurses are working together in perfect accord and co-operation."

"The bulk of the injured are struck by glass, which is the most part of the American units from the United States are being conducted independently, but for the most part the American units have been broken up."

ELECTION POSTPONED. Ottawa, Dec. 12.—It is understood that instructions have gone forward to the returning officer in Halifax postponing the federal election here and at Truro.

BRITAIN'S DAILY WAR BILL IS THIRTY-FOUR MILLIONS

Chancellor Law Asks New Credit of \$2,750,000,000, Making Total To Date \$12,250,000,000 Spent on War.

London, Dec. 12.—(Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency)—Right Hon. Bonar Law, in moving a vote of credit for £250,000,000 sterling said it was estimated that the vote of credit for £400,000,000 moved on Oct. 30 would cover the expenditure until Jan. 9 next.

London, Dec. 12.—Russian officials in London who are establishing direct communications with General Kaledines and other leaders of democratic organizations in Russia declared to the Associated Press today that the movement to overthrow the Bolsheviki was supported not only by the Cossacks but by almost all the leaders of the other parties.

They add that a form of guerrilla warfare may possibly precede the re-establishment of a solid fighting front within the present disorganized state of the army on account of the Bolsheviki peace negotiations.

Hard as it may be for Russia to carry on in the face of the tremendous sacrifices made at the beginning of the war and the paralysis of the army under the Bolsheviki and German propaganda, the officials assure that Russia will carry on till a general peace is agreed upon in common with the allies.

The fact that the Germans themselves cannot make up their minds regarding the approval of the Russian peace meeting is shown, it is said, by the report of a meeting held at German eastern headquarters early this month. News from sources here thru what is said to be a trustworthy neutral source, and was to the effect that the civil and military authorities differed on the question. The civil authorities were willing to accept the Bolsheviki offer, but the military leaders pointed out that to make such a peace would only compromise Germany. This opinion also is said to be held in Austria.

in Mesopotamia and the largest losses due to the advance of our armies in France and Palestine. The estimates of advances to the dominions has not been exceeded.

Referring to Russia, Mr. Bonar Law said no state had ever entirely repudiated its debts. It was almost certain that sooner or later there would be a stable government there. He believed responsible government would ultimately be established in Russia. If there were a stable government Russia knew that the development of its resources and prosperity would be impossible without financial assistance from other countries, and financial assistance would be impossible unless previous debts were accepted by that government. Therefore, he believed that the money would be recoverable sooner or later.

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