

to be on Eve of Another Assault on Allies' Line.

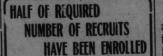
London, Nov. 24 .- Decisive news from the Polish battlefield is expected hourly. A complete victory by either Russia or Germany would vitally affect the course of the winter campaign, both in the east and in the west, but there is no assurance that there has been any definite result, although Petrograd messages declare that the Russians have inflicted at least a temporary reverse upon the Germans in the angle between the Vistula and Warta rivers.

Both combatants have achieved these strokes before without settling the fortunes of war permanently. The correspondent of the Paris Matin describes the Germans as fleeing, while the latest Petrograd official bulletin says that the Germans are retreating, and Berlin announces definitely that the issue has not yet been decided. On the snow covered fields of Belgium and France quiet continues, the only unusual incident being the bombardment of the towns of Zeebrugge and Hoyst by British ships with a few shells which struck hotels where the German staff was quartered, and other buildings while the German shore batteries were un-

other buildings while the German shore batteries were un-able to reach the warships in reply. The Hague reports that railway communications with Antwerp has been suspended, and that no travelers will be admitted to Belgium dur-ing the next few days. The Germans are believed to be on the eve of another assult upon the Allies' defences, but for the time being there is a nearer approach to rest for the annies spread out from Ostend to Verdun than at any time in the past two months. Portugal has taken the final plunge into the European war. The Portuguese congress today decided that the country should co-operate with the Allies when it considers the step necessary, and the Minis-per of War will issue a decree for partial mobilization.

ENGLAND'S BIGGEST LOAN SUCCESSFULLY FLOATED

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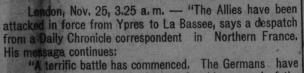
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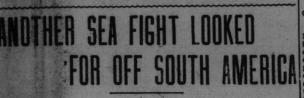
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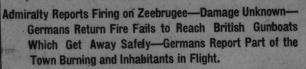
heavy reinforcements and fresh guns for this renewal of the effort to cut through the Allies lines. The English artillery, however, thus far has thwarted all the German attempts."



Buenos Ayres, Nov. 24.-British steamers are being held at Montevideo for orders. The German fleet is reported off the River Platte, a British fleet is off the coast and a naval attle is expected hourly.

DEAF

EARS



London, Nov. 25—The Admiralty announces that yesterday all points of military significance in Zeebrugge were subjected to a severe bombardment by two British battleships. The German oppositoin was feeble. "The extent of the damage done is unknown. The British ships returned safely.

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Germans Report Zeebrugge in Flames
Amsterdam, Nov. 24, via London,
Nov. 25.— 'Testerday, after British aviators had reconnolicred cleverly hidden German gun positions along the German free boat.
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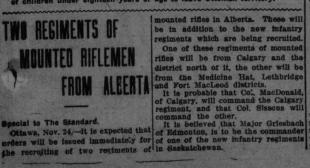


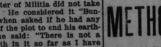
Stayed Several Days in Juan Fernandez Islands Raiding Neu-tral Shipping—Maritime Authorities at Santiago Report.

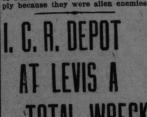
Santiago, Chile, Nov. 25.—An official statement issued by the Mari-time authorities today says that it has been proved that German war-ships have violated the neutrality of Chile by staying for several days in the Juan Fernandez Jelands, capturing two neutral ships, seizing coal and provisions and sinking the French bark Valentine a half mile dis-tant from the Chilean coast.

ONLY WOMEN AND CHILDREN WILL BE PERMITTED TO LEAVE.

Paris, Nov. 24.—Telegraphing from Athens, the correspondent of the Havas Agency says the Turkish government has forbidden all sub-jects of the Triple Entente powers, with the exception of women and of children under eighteen years of age to leave Ottoman territory.







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