

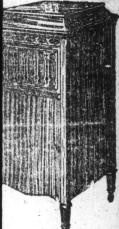
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The Toronto World QUEBEC MUST NOT RULE ALL CANADA

BIG GUNS PAVE WAY FOR GREAT GERMAN OFFENSIVE

ITALIANS REPULSE TEUTONS --- ALLIES IN HOLY CITY --- CIVIL WAR IN RUSSIA

POWERFUL ATTACKS COSSACKS WILL FIGHT OF TEUTONS BEATEN

Italians Defeat Determined ENEMY OFFERED PEACE Efforts of Austro-Germans to Recapture Positichs in Capo Sile Region on Lower Piave Line.

Rome, Dec. 11 -Powerful attempts de by the Austro-Germans to re.ak. he Agenzia and Zulani positions Capo Sile region of the lower kiver were sanguinarily reyesterday by the Italians, it unced today by the war oftext of the statement "Artillery was active along the

front, and there were intensal between the Brenta and the 'the enemy's batteries, which were answered by ours, were remarkably active in the coastal zone. "In the Capo Sile region a powerful enemy attempt made in the arternoon to take our Agenzia and Zulernoon to take our Agenzia and Zulernoon to take our Agenzia and Zulernoon was sanguinarily and communication the German Government night decide to make, and to held by the Bolsheviki, is said to be serious. Unofficial advices are to the completely repulsed. We forced the Germany returned no reply, Mr. Germany returned no reply, Mr. ome score of prisoners."

Did Brilliant Work.

Army Headquarters Northern Italy, Dec. 10.—A brilliant night adventure was executed last midnight by the third bat alion of the 226th Arezzo Brigade in completely relieving a threatened Italian position on the lower Piave River. Most of

third bat allon threw out a recon-nalssance party, which on returning reported the Austrian camp asleep round the bridgehead. The enemy camp was taken completely by surprise and could make no effective resistance. What enemy troops were not bayoneted and killed were taken prisoner, and the last vestige of the ordge and bridgehead were destroyed. The result of the operation is that the only point seriously menacing on the lower Plave has been

Thirteen Negro Soldiers Are Executed for Murder

San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 11 .- Thirteen negroes, soldiers of the 24th United States Infantry, were hanged to death simultaneously at dawn to-day in expiation of their murder of Houston citizens last August when members of that regiment engaged in mutinous rioting in the city streets. Forty-one other negroes were sentenced to life imprisonment, four others for rt terms, and five were acquitted.

RUSH TROOPS TO WEST FOR GREAT OFFENSIVE

Enemy Will Try to Smash Allies' Lines Before America is Rrepared to Act.

London, Dec. 11 .- The correspondent at Amsterdam of The Daily Express reports that the Germans are rushing troops to the western front with the before America is able to act, and of prisoners.

German munition trains collided on German munition trains collided on Thursday. Both were blown up and ing party was repulsed south of Arseveral hundred soldiers were killed or mentieres."

BIG GERMAN DRIVE

Enemy Bombardments Interpreted as Preparation for New Offensive Against Allies.

·London, Dec. 11.-Unusually active artillery fighting and aerial operations on the western front yesterda are reported in today's official communication. This activity was par ticularly noteworthy on the Ypres and Arras fronts.

Operations of the nature and extent irdicated by the official British communication almost invariably precede ombardment designed to break down way for the infant y advance, may ntinue for a week or more.

a report that Count Czernin, the Austro-Hungarian foreign minister, arrived in Berlin on Sunday.

The correspondent alludes to Czernin's vicinespondent alludes vicinespondent all nin's visit as one that may have tremendous consequences as regards the whole course of the war. The correspondent aims to show from Czernin's arrival at the German capi-

British Government Would Act Only With Allies - No German Reply.

London, Dec. 11.—Foreign Secretary Balfour told the house of commons today that a communication had been received by Great Britain from Germany last September, thru effect that Germany would be glad to

The British Government replied that it was prepared to receive any

Among the secret diplomatic documents made public by the Bolsheviki, guns in the streets to combat a feared as quoted in a Petrograd despatch uprising. Starvation is threatening last work, was a telegram from the the populace of the city Russian charge d'affaires in London, dated October 6, which indicated that Germany had made another peace move. The telegram said the charge had received information from Belsheviki troops near the town of this section is protected by inundation, but the Austro-Hungarians age in Berlin had expressed the wish to the Spanish ambassador to Germany to enter into peace negotiachief danger of this was that it led tions. This information was comto the Sile Canal running to Port municated to the allied governments, and, the despatch says. Great Britain and, the despatch says, Great Britain churchill Takes Grave View of Enreplied it would receive any communication from Germany respecting conjunction with its allies.

AMERICA MUST HUSTLE

U.S. Senator Points Out Grave Situation Created by Defection of

the United States must prepare to as- able period.

to enact.

Declaring that congress should concentrate on great war problems and defer considering of such legislation as the export trade measure, the Missouri senator said that with Russia out of the war and Rumania also "gone," the enemy, numerically, is now superior in man power.

SHERWOOD FORESTERS

IN SUCCESSFUL RAID Capture Number of Prisoners West of Hulluch-Enemy Raiders
Are Repulsed.

"The Sherwood Foresters carried of smashing the entente allies out a successful raid this afternoon Strong Feeling in Russia

> Chancellor of Exchequer To Move Big Vote of Credit

FORCES OF BOLSHEVIK

General Korniloff Heads Move Against Maximalists-Bolshevki Defeated by Women's Batt.

London, Dec 11.-The Cossacks are preparing to fight, the Petrograd correspondent of The Daily Mail reports. Three trainloads of Cossacks are said to be at Bielgored and three at sumy, commanded by General Korniloff. Excremist Red Guards to the number of about 1000 are expected at kharkov from Moscow. The correspondent says General Kardines, the Cossack leader, is disbanding infantry regiments in the Don territory and sending them home on account of their extremist offin-

Kaledines' Revolt Grows. London, Dec. 11.-In Russia the a neutral diplomatic channel, to the counter - revolutionary movement headed by General Kaledines is growget into communication with Great ousness of the situation considerable forces of troops from the Russian front are being rushed from the trenches to give battle to the Kale

is showing signs of mutiny against the

Women Defeat Bolsheviki. Petrograd, Sunday, Dec. 9.—A "battalion of death" which left Staff-

OF ALLIES IS SERIOUS

Struggle.

London, Monday, Dec. 10.—Speaking today at Bedford on the subject of Washington, Dec. 11.—Warning that continue to hang there for a consider

sume further burdens to win the war | "When I say the country is passing was given today in the senate by Sen-ator Reed in vigorously opposing as thru a time of danger," Col. Churchill continued, "I mean there are people who wish to bring about a premature a trust scheme the Webb export com- peace. They are listening to the sobination bill, which President Wilson phistries and dangerous counsel of cerin his recent address urged congress tain folk. People who say 'Re-state to enact.

peace with the Huns." MODERATE ACTIVITY

Infantry Action Reported by French War Office.

Paris, Dec. 11 .- The war office ancement tonight reads: "Both artilleries were moderately afternoon said. active along the greater part of the front. There was no infantry action.
"Belgian communication. For the

Against Bolsheviki Regime

Petrograd, Dec. 11 .- The anti-Bolsheviki feeling among the people has found expression in a letter addressed dynamite the Smolny Institute, head-quarters of the Boisheviki in Petro-London, Dec. 11.—In the house of commons tomorrow the chancellor of soldiers' and workmen's deputies do the exchequer, Andrew Bonar Law, not deprive the commissioners of will move a credit of £550,000,000, their authority. The letter is signed succeeded in throwing a cordon about Jerusalem and its garrison.

The city might have been taken some time ago, but the British were bringing the total for the fiscal year by the "Members of the Fighting Or-1917-18 to £2.450,000,000." ganization."

ENEMY ARTILLERY SEEKS AN OPENING FOR OFFENSIVE

German Big Guns Active Along Whole Front From North Sea to Adriatic, With Allies Vigorously Replying.

opposing defences and clear the tude are being fought, which doubt-

ward from St. Quentin to Alsace, in the hill country bordering the Italian ers on the northern front in Italy the

sreat attack. The prei mi ary front from the North Sea to the Adri- is in the nature of raiding operations. The Teutons daily continue to reinforce by large numbers their alless are the forerunners of the ex- ready superior forces on all the fronts. pected great offensive the Teutonic In the rush of troops and munitions Austria to Help.

London, Dec. 11.—The Rotterdam correspondent of The Telegraph sends in great numbers.

Austria to Help.

allies have in view before the American troops can reach the battlefronts are operating one German train is reported to have collided with another. On the Ypres and Arras fronts held resulting in a great explosion in which by the British on various sectors east- several hundred soldiers were killed.

plains, and at points along the Piave artillery fighting is described by the River the big guns everywhere are in Rome war office as intense, and there operation.

On the British front huge numbers region near the mouth of the Piave, of airplanes are continuously winging where the Austrians monday capturfal. his recent speech to the Hungarian de'egation, and from other
news, that Austrian divisions freed
from the Russian front, are to be
used in the western front.

of airplanes are continuously winging where the Austrians monday capturtheir way over the battle lines, engaging in battles in the air or searching out points where troops are being concentrated. The only infantry acsoner. of airplanes are continuously winging where the Austrians Monday captur-their way over the battle lines, en- ed a position in the Capo Sile region.

"NO, SAM, I'M NO QUITTER"



MERICA MUST HUSTLE HER WAR PREPARATIONS S. Senator Points Out Grave Situation Created by Defection of Rumania and Russia. Today at Bedford on the subject of the allies' war aims, Winston Spencer Churchill, minister of multitions, said that the situation was more serious than it had been reasonable three months ago to expect. The country, and allied countries also, were endangered. The future of the British Empire and of democratic consequents. ENTER JERUSALEM

British, French and Italian MUNITION EXPLOSION Troops in Streets of Holy City---Loss of Jerusalem Severe Blow to Turkish Power and Prestige.

forces of British, French and Italian troops marched down the historic ficial despatches received here this

Jericho road into Jerusalem today, of-Complete Surprise.
London, Dec. 10.—The surrender of "Belgian communication. For the Jerusalem came as a complete sur-last two days the artillery activity has prise to the British public. A week

London, Dec. 11.—The official report from British headquarters in brance lery activity along the front between the Vardar."

last two days the atthic, bor ten days ago it was repeatedly reported that the city had been taken, but these rumors were set at rest by an authoritative statement that anauthoritative other pitched battle would be necessary before the British could hope to enter Jerusalem. In fact, the public had almost given up its much-cherished hope that the task which Genera Allenby had set his troops would be accomplished by Christmas day. The British general, however, prove himself a superior master of strategy to the council of national commis-sioners, which contains a threat to officers were expecting a stroke from othicers were expecting a stroke from the northwest Allenby made a sudden advance from the south and west and The city might have been taken some time ago, but the British were

determined that there should be no bombardment of the holy places and that even if time were lost the Turks must be forced out of their position without any big gun actions which might cause damage.

When the news of the capture of the Holy City was received the beli of the Roman Catholic Westminster Catheirai was rung for the first time since he war began. Boston, Dec. 11.—The fall of Jerusalem may not have great strategic

(Concluded on Page 6, Column 4).

Maclean Meetings, South York.

near Weston Road), at noon today.
Address to the girl employes by
Mrs. Morrison, in the interest of
W. F. Maciean.

Oakwood (York Tp.). Farbank (York Tp.).

iday, Dec. 14— Earlscourt (Ward Six), Belmont As-

SECOND RELIEF SHIP

Carries Supplies Valued at \$150,-000-Massachusetts Fund Expected to Reach Million Mark. HANDICAPS GERMANY

Destruction of Frankfort Works Equivalent to Serious German Military Defeat. Boston, Dec. 11.-The second relief steamer to leave here for Halifax sailed today, carrying goods valued at

many suffered a disaster comparable Packed in the holds were ten thouwith a very serious military defeat sand pairs of boots and shoes, ten Washington, Dec. 11.—With bared in the explosion last month which deleads and measured tread, the main stroyed the Griesheim Chemical Works near Frankfordt-on-the-Main.

Works near Frankfordt-on-the-Main. Works near Frankfort-on-the-Main, large quantities of other supplies. one of the greatest munitions facone of the greatest munitions fac-tories in the world, according to s American Red Cross today forwarded statement issued today by the Press
Bureau. It is said to be impossible to reconstruct the works during the received from John F. Moores, Reconstruct the works during the received from John F. Moores, Reconstruct the works during the received from John F. Moores, Reconstruct the works during the received from John F. Moores, Reconstruction in the Reconstruction of the received from John F. Moores, Reconstruction of the received from John F. Moores, Reconstruction of the reconstru

ASSEMBLY IN SESSION Four Hundred Delegates in Attend-ance, Says Russian Wireless Message.

London, Dec. 11.—A Russian Government wireless message today says:
"The second sitting of the constituent assembly was opened by a person au-

constituent assembly has as yet been so; men 5052. received, probably because of delayed Wounded or

RUSSIAN CONSTITUENT

staggering blow.

London, Monday, Dec. 10. - Ger- \$150,000.

Cross relief commissioner in the Cawar. The statement adds that soon-er or later Germany must show on her fighting fronts the effects of this nadian city.
The fund for Halifax relief work

BRITISH CASUALTIES FOR WEEK TOTAL 23,356

Total Shows Decrease of 5000 From Previous Report—Total Killed is 5411.

London, Dec. 11.—The British casualties reported for the week ending today numbered 23,356, as compared with 28,822 in the previous week. The constituent assembly has as a root. London, Dec. 11.-The British casu-Wounded or missing, officers 978

REVOLUTION IN PORTUGAL DISQUIETING TO ENTENTE

Bears Such Resemblance to Bolsheviki Revolt That Much Apprehension is Felt in Allied Capitals.

Paris, Dec. 11.—The situation in respondent adds, had been in prison was entering on the wrong side of the Portugal inspires more apprehension since December, 1916.

Wednesd y, Dec. 12—

Markham Town Hall and Unicnville.

Speakers: Rev. William Patterson, D. heaval. It is felt to bear a disquieting resemblance to the first act of the Mackean, Miss Boulton, Ald. Ball and others.

At hoūak Buildings (Eghnton Ave., near Weston Road), at noon today, Address to the girl employes by

Premier Costa, the two men to who need to see the side of the allies is due. The correspondent says Senhor Costa had a strong majority in parliament, while the opposition which has overthrown Speakers.—W. F. Maclean, Ald. Ball (York Tp.).

Speakers.—W. F. Maclean, Ald. Ball and others.

Saturday, Dec. 15—
Wilcox Hall (York Tp.).

Dr. Sidonio Paes, who fomented the revolution, says The Matin's correspondent, has put under lock and key dangerous encouragement to the control of the cont the revered President Machado and Chauvinists in the Spanish military

Residents Put Out Fire, Preventing Another Halifax Disaster.

TO SUPPRESS LOOTING

Police Establish Patrol in Devastated Area—Rescue Work Proceeds.

Halifax, Dec. 11 .- More quiet but ffective heroism was displayed by a number of Dartmouth citizens last night when a vessel, carrying a deckload of pil and a cargo, it is said, of munitions, with a fire on board, was brought close to the town-or what is left of it-by its crew and deserted. Relief workers from Dartmouth to-night reported that the ship, which apparently had come in from the sea, came in close to shore and the crew

were seen to be coming ashore. Smoke was pouring from her.

A number of Dartmouth citizens at once formed a fire-fighting force, went aboard and put out the flames.
The crew did not go back to vessel today, but were housed in the already terribly congested relief shel-ter of Dart.nouth. The crews of to have objected to entering Halifax

Narrow Escape. The case of a man who survived thru the explosion disaster here, and who was found among the ruins today, is reported. The man was discovered while the searchers were removing the debris from the North street railway station. He had been caught between

two beams, and beyond a few bruises was unhurt. It is presumed that he had been unconscious until the beams were removed. When placed on his feet he seemed a little dazed and asked what had happened, being quite unaware that he had been unconscious since Thursday. The information in regard to the finding of the man was supplied by Terminal Freight Agent H. B.

Dunstan, who said that his name was not ascertained. At the request of the city board of control, the military authorities will place a mounted parrol on the city's ruins to put down looting. Today a number of freight car's were opened

and liquor was stolen, and a colored (Concluded on Page 4, Column 2). POLICE CHIEF DENIES

EXECUTION OF LOOTERS Truth in Story of Shooting at Halifax—Special Constables / on the Job.

Halifax, Dec. 11.-Chief of Police Hanrahan denied tonight that any looters have been shot, as wired from

In order to augment the police force being raised in every city and town in the state by the public safety committee reached the \$252,841 mark late today. It is hoped to raise \$1,000,000. the work of special constables to

No "Danger" Flag on Munitions Ship, Which Steered Erratic Course, Say Imo's Crew.

Halifax, Dec. 11.—There was no red flag atop the French steamer Mont Blanc to indicate that she was laden with munitions, according to state-ments obtained today from survivors of the Norwegian steamer Imo. The survivors also declared that they did not know the Frenchman was carrying high explosives, and thought that the Mont Blanc's crew was running for shelter, fearing the ship would go down while fire was raging on her

Blame for the crash also was charged by the survivors to the navigator of the Mont Blanc, which, they

side, and while taking that course they heard one blast, which indicated a vessel was on the right side. The Imo ittempted to stop, but could not, and he Mont Blanc was struck under the

bridge, starboard. DINEEN'S FURS FOR MEN.

The best assorted stock of Men's Coon Skin Coats in Canada. These are all full-furred matched skins. large skirted coats with large lapels and heavy storm collar. The prices are also uniformly right. Dineen's are also uniform 140 Yonge street.