German Occupation of Sunday was Short Lived-British Counter Attacks on Cambral Front Recovred Most of Lost Territory

London, Dec. 31—The British in successful counter attacks on the Cambrai front have regained the more important territory on the Welsh Ridge taken by the ermans in yesterday's attack, the War Office reports.

Dames on the Aisne front, and near Bezonvaux, Verdun front. Everywhere else the night was calm.'

Mexico and Fight Resulted-

No American Casualties

in a fight between bandits and United

Brings Total to Well Over

Four Billions

Washington, Dec. 31.—Credits

Belgium, and \$1,000,000 to Serbia

CIVIL WAR RAGES

the total credits to the Allies \$4,236.

EASTERN SIBERIA:

Pekin, Aug. 31.-Civil war is in

progress at Irkutsk, in Eastern Si-

town was set on fire by the Red

French consular agent and three

The Belsheviki continue to receive

of which towns are on the Trans-

Siberian railway. Sarabin is quiet,

with the Chinese in full control. They

are guarding the banks, stores and

CAUSE OF GOAL SHORTAGE.

Washington, Dec. 31.-A. L. Snead,

In Accordance With Agreement

Reached at Brest-Litovsk-

Fourteen Ships to be

Amsterdam, Dec. 31. - Fourteen

Austrian steamers seized by the Rus-

sians in the course of the war will be

restored to their Austrian owners in

tonnage of steamers is 40,000.

other Frenchmen. Many persons, in-

casualties.

Eagle Pass, Texas, Dec. 31. - At

Cold With Snow.

London, Dec. 30.—Aside from bombardments and reciprocal artillery duels, little is going on in the major theatres of the war. On the French front the weather is still cold, and this, with the snow that covers the ground everywhere, is impeding operations on a large scale.

The Germans Saturday night es sayed an attack against the British Northeast of Ypres, where for several days past they had been laying down a heavy preparatory artillery fire. States troops and Texas Rangers en The attack, however, was futile, for Saturday at San Jose, Mexico. The the British, ever on the watch, raked; Americans had crossed into Mexico the Germans with their fire and re- on the trail of the Mexican cattle pulsed them with considerable losses. thieves. There were no American

Likewise attempts to carry out raids on small French posts at Bezonvaux and Vauqueries resulted in failure, and in addition the enemy lost men made prisoner. There is considerable intermittent artillery activity along the entire French front.

In Italian Theatre-In the Italian theatre the infantry for the present is idle, but the big Additional Votes on Saturday appointment has yet been made of a guns continue to carry out mutual bombardments against opposing positions in the hill region from the Asiago Plateau Eastward to the Piave river. This activity is particularly the Allies passed the four billion dolpronounced on the Monte Tomba sector and a few miles to the East on both sides of the Pederobba, near the \$185,000,000 to Great Britain for January purchases in the United States, \$100,000,000 to Great Britain for January purchases in the United States, \$100,000,000 to Great Britain for January purchases in the United States, \$100,000,000 to Great Britain for January purchases in the United States, \$100,000,000 to Great Britain for January purchases in the United States, \$100,000,000 to Great Britain for January purchases in the United States, \$100,000,000 to Great Britain for January purchases in the United States, \$100,000,000 to Great Britain for January purchases in the United States, \$100,000,000 to Great Britain for January purchases in the United States, \$100,000,000 to Great Britain for January purchases in the United States, \$100,000,000 to Great Britain for January purchases in the United States, \$100,000,000 to Great Britain for January purchases in the United States, \$100,000,000 to Great Britain for January purchases in the United States, \$100,000,000 to Great Britain for January purchases in the United States, \$100,000,000 to Great Britain for January purchases in the United States, \$100,000,000 to Great Britain for January purchases in the United States, \$100,000,000 to Great Britain for January purchases in the United States, \$100,000,000 to Great Britain for January purchases in the United States, \$100,000,000 to Great Britain for January purchases in the United States, \$100,000,000 to Great Britain for January purchases in the United States, \$100,000,000 to Great Britain for January purchases in the United States, \$100,000,000 to Great Britain for January purchases in the United States, \$100,000,000 to Great Britain for January purchases in the United States, \$100,000,000 to Great Britain for January purchases in the United States, \$100,000 to Great Britain for January purchases in the United States, \$100,000 to Great Britain for January purchases in the United States, \$100,000 to Great Britai

march against the Turks in Palestine. Considerable fresh progress has been made North and Northwest of Jerusa-Bireh, about twelve miles to the North, where the Turks offered stub- ! ! born resistance but finally were over-

COMPENSATION COMMISSION IS A COSTLY LUXURY

With an average of 100 claims per month, the staff of the Workmen's Compensation Commission runs to a salary roll of \$2,626.60 per month.

Six men, including the Commissioner, draw an aggregate of \$20,900 cluding women and children, are per annum. These are Mr. Wilson, being murdered, and street fighting is the political balance in the house will William Nell, assistant commission under way. er, N. Fletcher, office manager, Inspector Hogarth, and Messrs. Irwin

The Board occupies a suite of of fering a determined oppositon to the fices, laid out by an architect, at a Red Guards. Siberian railway guards are outnumbered and are being killed rental of \$600 per month.

The furniture is solid mahogany for or driven from their posts. Communi-

A public investigation into the off. workings of the Workmen's Compen- Bolsheviki uprisings have occurred sation Commission is a practical cer- at Tchita and Verkhne-Udinsk, both

AUSSIANS WILL NOT GET ENGINES BUILT IN U. S.

Washington, D.C., Dec. 31.-Two hundred locomotives under construction in this country for Russia will be taken over as a part of the Government's plan for quick improvement in distributor for the fuel administration, American railway equipment. The told the Senate Investigating Comengines, many of them completed and mittee that coal was generally unawaiting shipment, will be changed in available because persons who could gauge to fit American tracks. The afford it overbought local dealers did be counted. Government will hold for a time some not keep faith with the fuel adminishundred locomotives ready for ship, tration and distributing facilities were ment to France for use there on roads, inadequate. built by the American forces. When gestion here these engines will be RUSSIANS TO RETURN

BRANDON MARKETS.

sent on to France.

Wednesday, Jan. 2nd, 1918. beef, dressed, ourcass, per lb. 15 Pork, dressed, carcass, ib 20 Veal, dressed, carcass, lb......13 Potatoes, bushel \$1.20

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HAVE BEEN HEARD JUDGE GOING AWAY

Judge Leaves to Join Mrs. Cum-berland in California and Return in Spring

ANOTHER COMPANY HERE

lant on Saturday. Owing to the strenuous character of the work entailed in deciding the fate of the men who appealed, Judge Cumberland is leaving Brandon for a holiday. He will depart today for California where MEXICAN BANDITS he will join Mrs. Cumberland who has RING OUT THE OLD been there for some time. Judge and Mrs. Cumberland will return to Bran-Americans Followed Outlaws Into don in the Spring.

The result of the work of the tribunals in Brandon is not yet known, Ring out the old, ring in the new; and figures as to the number of men Ring happy bells across the sno to be called out in this district will least six Mexican bardits were killed not be available for several days. Ring out the false, ring in the true. Since the first class is to be called on the third of January it will doubtless be that time before accurate in-

formation can be given out. Word has been received from Winnipeg that for the purpose of accommodating and facilitating the mobilization of drafted men, another depot-battalion company of the depot battalion for this district, will be organized in Brandon. The men will probably be quartered in the Gordon-CREDITS FOR ALLIES MacKay building which has been used for soldiers' barracks in the past. No commanding officer for the Brandon company.

FIVE ENEMY PLANES

Totday's total was \$348,500,000 and British Aircraft Inflict Loss on REIGHNS SUFFER FROM

Germans Without Losing Any of Own Machines London, Dec. 31 .- Five enemy airplanes were destroyed or put out of Civi

action by the British on Sunday, who lost none of theirs. "Two hostile machines were brought down in our lines on Sunday," says

he official statement.

enemy's lines. Two other hostile beria on the Trans-Siberian railroad, control. None of our airplanes are population of the occupied territory, for the largest proportionate increase Monday, January 7th. and in the surrounding districts. The missing."

Guards after they had murdered the PARTIES ALMOST EQUAL STRENGTH U. S. CONGRESS

Washington, Dec. 31. - How close be when Congress convenes on Jan. 3rd, is shown by this summary made reinforcements and ammunition from by the Clerk of the House: Total Krasnoyarsky. The Cossacks are of membership, 435. Democrats 211; Republicans, 209; independent group, 6; vacancies, 9.

cation with Petrograd has been cut AUSTRALIA LICE TO HAVE GENERAL **ELECTION VERY SOO**

Nationalist Party Likely to Do Anything Calculated to Force Election

London, Dec. 31.-It is understood at Melbourne that the Nationalist party is likely to do anything calculated to bring about an election. The Federal session will be short. Approximately 130,000 referendum votes are still to eral

Wellington reports that the Governdivert the labor to harvesting.

Brandon from Montreal to become General Secretary of the Brandon | commissioned Lenine and gave him money to go to Russia to sow disaffection in the Russian army."

menace to the Allied cause.

LIFE UNDERWRITERS BID

and praise for the work he has or system.

some day be able to return to the city.

in which she is held by the members

of the association who have known

The following resolution was read

by the secretary, Mr. J. E. Matthews:

"Resolved, That the Brandon Life

Underwriters' Association place on

record our appreciation of the splen-

did work accomplished by Mr. J.

Totem Pole last July in competition

with every city on the North Ameri-

"Further resolved. That we express

our sincere regard for Mr. Wilson as

Mrs. Wilson and family our very best

wishes for the future and our assur-

ance that they will be kindly remem-

bered by the members of this associa-

President Smiley, Secretary Mat-

Wright and Mr. Fletcher made short

addresses. All emphasized the neces-

sity of showing appreciation of Mr.

can continent.

STAFF COMING SOON

SHAKE-UP IN WAR

Year's.

RING IN THE NEW

Y. M. C. A.

Ring happy bells across the snow: The year is going, let him go;

Ring out the grief that saps the mind For those that here we see no more; Ring out the feud of rich and poor, Ring in redress to all mankind.

Ring out a sle ily dying cause, And ancient forms of party strife; Ring in the noble modes of life, With sweeter manners, purer laws.

Ring out false pride in place and blood: The civic slander and the spite; Ring in the love of truth and right; Ring in the common love of good.

Ring out old shapes of foul disease; Ring out the narrowing lust of gold; Ring out the thousand wars of old; Ring in the thousand years of peace.

Ring in the valiant man and free; DESTROYED OR PUT OUT | The larger heart, the kindlier hand; Ring out the darkness of the land;

GERMAN PRIGHTEULNESS

of Invaders Depleting Occupied Territory

Washington, Dec. 31.-A statement of the Underwriters' Association, and issued through the Belgian official in- fellow members of the organization "A third was brought down in the formation service indicates that the stripping the country of food necessaries, clothing and metals.

AUSTRALIAN SOLDIERS AND CIVILIANS VOTED AGAINST CONSCRIPTION

London, Dec. 31. - Melbourne's latest referendum figures are 945,000 votes for, and 1,121,000 against con- A cut glass saiad dish and a vase scription. The figures include the votes of the Australian forces, 51,000 for and 56,000 against.

AUSTRALIAN BUSH FIRES London, Dec. 31.-A dispatch from Sydney says the biggest bush fire recorded in the hay district has been burning for days on a front of fifty miles, destroying crops, fencing and grass. Other fires are reported in the Wagga forest districts.

NORTH ESSEX ELECTION.

Windsor, Ont., Dec. 31.-The offic al recount in the North Essex Fedelection completed Saturday gives Wm. C. Kennedy, the Liberal candidate, a majority of 1,692 over an honorable competitor, and our ment has virtually suspended the New Lieut-Col. Wigle, Unionist. A total of keen regret at his departure from Zealand hemp industry in order to 12,450 votes was polled as against 7. Brandon; that we extend to Mr. and 056 in the 1911 election.

AUSTRIAN STEAMERS 1000 DEAD: EARTH-QUAKE GUATEMALA

New York, Dec. 31—An estimate of 1,000 persons dead in an earthquake at Guatemala City is contained in a telegram received from the Central and South Ameriat Brest-Litovsk, according to a dispatch from Vienna. The total gross mala, who returned to San Jose from Guatemala City vesterday afternoon.

MAY STOP WAKING LIQUOR IN CANADA TO SECURE POWER?

Transportation of Liquor Into Any Part of Canada in Which Sale of Intoxicating Liquor is Illegal Prohibited After April 1st.

Ottawa, Dec. 31—Immediately after the holidays, the War Cabinet will, it is understood, take up the consideration of prohibiting the manufacture of intoxicating liquors. The conditions of the liquor industry will be investigated with this end in view. Following the investigation, the date will be determined on and after which the manufacture of intoxicating liquors within

which the manufacture of intoxicating liquors within Canada may be prohibited.

The transportation of liquor into any part of Canada in which the sale of intoxicating liquors is illegal, is prohibited after April 1st.

Prohibition provisions enacted by virtue of the War Measures Act remain in force during the war and for twelve months after the conclusion of peace.

NAVAL SERVICE FOR WOMEN

New York, Dec. 31.-The Tribune London, Dec. 31.—The British navy prints a special Draper cable from has announced the organization of a ondon to the effect that a drastic formal branch of naval service for shake;up in the British general war women, under the title of the "Wostaff is expected shortly after New men's Royal Naval Service." The membership includes women employ-Field Marshal Haig will stay, but ed on duties connected with the navy, the Chief of Staff has prepared a list chiefly in dockyards and at haval of younger men who will replace sevbases. Members will wear a distinceral well known army leaders. tive uniform of navy blue with brass Further Admiralty changes are also

buttons. near. The U-boat is still the war's The members of the new service greatest factor and the most severe have already been nicknamed "Wrens," this being a convenient shortening of the initials W.R.N.S., which they wear on their clothes.

SASKATOON BOARD

FAREWELL TO J.A. WILSON URGES PUBLIC OWNERSHIP Saskatoon, Dec. 31.—The Board of Trade at a meeting Friday, passed a Regret Departure Past President Under Whose Leadership High Honors Had Been Won resolution protesting against the projected railway rate increase and call- BRANDUN BOY WRITES ing upon the Dominion Government to bring all railways under public Best wishes for success in his new ownership and operate them under

in Brandon were offered J. A. on by the members of the same Note on given he conor of he c

contrary to Swiss law. HAROLD G. HUTCHINGS of the Canada Life Assurance Com-MUST DON THE KHAKI says: pany in this city, is a past president Winnipeg, Dec. 31.—It is stated that

say that he has been responsible for German authorities in Belgium are bringing two honors to Brandon in ings, instructing him to report for machines were driven down out of dealing harshly with the civilian the last year. The John R. Reid Cup service at Minto street barracks on in membership in the associations of Canada, and the Totem Pole for 1917, way from the office of the registrar badly cut up. which is awarded for the largest inunder the Military Service Act, Hutchings' position on the list of massing for a counter-attack. We crease on the North American continent, were the trophies that the energy and personality of Mr. Wilson group of drafted men. was instrumental in bringing to this The order does not take into accity. Great regret was expressed at losing the man who has done so much to elevate the profession of life under-

count the fact that application for stantly killed as he led the victorious leave to appeal to Ottawa is still under consideration by Judge Hagwas expressed that Mr. Wilson would gart. Apparently regardless of whether or not such leave is given, Hutchings will be signed up January were presented to Mr. Wilson, which 7th and continue in khaki unless the central appeal judge should reverse he in turn was asked to give Mrs. Wilson as a token of the high regard the decision of the local tribunals.

HUNS DISCUSS PEACE TERMS AS THOUGH THEY MIGHT BE ACCEPTED

terms of the Central Powers. The Tageslische Rundesau of Ber-

lin says "Never before have we given up everything so completely we have so dearly bought with the blood of hundreds of thousands, with the REIGIPMARAYXARM sweat of millions, with the deprivations of our children, with our own POSITIONS ITALIAN FRONT hunger."

. The Deutsche Zeitung says that the Entente has won the greatest victory of the war and that diplomats have destroyed all that had been fought

The Koelnische Zeitung, on the thews, Mr. Hobson, Mr. Daw, Mr. other hand, regards the conditions as Staff announced today. opening the road to a peace advantageous to all sides.

The Lokal Anzeiger thinks that Wilsons' services by a continuance of the German answer to Russia will not the work he has so ably carried on be much to the taste of people with while here. Mr. Wilson in replying military leanings, but adds: "The stated that it was only through the outlines, however, are drawn wide enough to give scope for demands of wegian steamers by German submaraccident of his being president at the time of the big increase in member- justice. Definite judgment on the ines. The steamers sunk were the ship that he was awarded the honors peace work at Brest-Litovsk depends Regin, 1,845 tons; Start, 728 tons; bestowed upon him by the association how far this possibility is utilized Ragna, 1,747 tons; Noirdpol, 1,800 in later negotiations." A Take

HOPE FOR VICTORY AND PEACE DURING THE YEAR 1918

London, Dec. 31.-Lord Derby in a nessage to Le Matin, hopes that the coming year will see our troops returning home after the victory of right over might.

Lord Robert Cecil, in a message, admits that the French and British troops have a hard year before them, but hopes that, strengthened by the Americans, they will hold out till victory. Let us hope that the war will end before the next New Year", he says.

OF CAVALRY ACTION

ged Boches Massing for At-

of men serving in Western Cavalry units. A Brandon boy in the Str cona Horse, writing to his parents, "Since last writing things have

indeed happened; in other words, we notice has been sent Harold G. Hutch- have had a taste of what cavalry in action is really like. Excuse the term, but to put it plainly, it was h--. We have had some hard work during the past month. We had quite a time in The notice went out in the usual the Cambrai affair and were rather

"At another time the Boches were eligibles bringing him into the third charged and frustrated their plans. Our commander (Lt.-Col. Docherty) was shot through the head and introopers. The Germans outnumbered us five to one. There were three hundred of them, with about fifty machine guns, facing our squadron. For a time it was warm work. But they broke and ran. The Boche is all right at a distance, but when it comes to close quarters one of our men is as good as ten Huns. To give you an instance, two of our fellows ran into twenty of them and cleaned up the whole bunch. We were warmly congratulated for our work and told that we had saved the situation. It was again my fortune to come out of it without a scratch. In spite of everything, I am feeling fine. Don't worry about me. We are now resting for a few days just behind the Wilson in behalf of our association, Amsterdam, Dec. 31.—Pan-German line, Tonight I received a splendid particularly in the winning of the newspapers angrily condemn the parcel from Grandma, and had a good line. Tonight I received a splendid feed, instead of taking a drink of water, tightening my belt, and calling that a meal."

Berlin, Dec. 31.-French forces on the Northern Italian front festerday took the offensive. In the afternoon French infantry penetrated portions of the Austro-German positions on Monte Tomba, the German General

NORWEGIAN STEAMERS

SUNK; SAILORS KILLED London, Dec. 28.-Three Norwegian sailors are believed to have been killed in the sinking of the five Nortons, and the Spro.