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An extra of the Ottawa Gazette summoning parliament toassemble n these industries. on Jan. 18th, was issued on Thursday last Dec. 28th. The date is two weeks in advance of that first generally. Imports other than intended, the reason for the change being the invitation from the British government to Sir Robert souraged in order that the ex-Borden to attend a series

changes may be maintained, and special meetings of the the National wealth conserved for cabinet. The prosecution of the the state. war, the conditions upon which peace may be made, and the probloms to arise after the war, all will be considered at these meet from time to time to meet war ings, and the prime minister feels

expenditure. bimself bound to attend a conference which will deal with questions so vital to the interests of Canada as well as that of the several governments in the great whole Empire. To enable Sin adminstrative departments princi-Robert to sail for England in time pally concerned with the conduct for the opening of the conference of the war. in Feb. the business of parliament

is to be taken in hand at once.

Effort to Trap

The Entente The London papers generally conference, the Entente Allies, in telephone, said that he had hard-encampments were burned." ly uttered the word, "they're off" regard Germany's reply to Pre- a collective note, declare that they before he had to say "they're in." sident Wilson's note no reply at "refuse to consider a proposal, all, but a renewed effort to trap which is empty and insincere." the entente into a conference at The note was handed to American an inopportune moment for the Ambassador Sharp Sunday by Pre latter, with a view to averting mier Briand, and was made public the Central Powers. The Post, asserting that Ger- Great Britain, Italy, Japan, Monmany regards Wilson's note as an tenegro, Portugal, Roumania, instrument fashioned to serve her Russia and Serbia, united for the interests, says that Germany has defence of the liberty of their desperate eagerness of a drowning ments taken not to lay down their man catching a straw. Rejecting arms separately, have resolved to all idea of a conference, the Post reply collectively to the pretendsays: "It is perfectly evident that ed propositions of peace which if a discussion were once begun, were addressed to them on behalf the war could not possibly be of the enemy governments through resumed. The long gathering the intermediary of the United momentum of the Allies, once States, Spain, Switzerland and checked, could not be recovered." Holland. Before making any reply The Post calls the German pro- the Allied powers desire particular-

Progress of the War Service" Means With the British Armies in

National organization whi

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saries of military and civil life.

will provide the maximum

eastern Wallachia, says tonight - of picked men, carefully trained the governor-general, given out order to consider urgent questions than the end of February. While army headquarter' statement on for this special occasion, filed in- tonight, the colonial secretary affecting the prosecution of the the presence of your prime minister operations, which reads: "On to the trenches and took up a explains that the prospective war, the possible conditions on himself is ernestly desired by His the north bank of the Somme position along the tip of an ad- imperial conference is a special which in agreement with our Majesty's government, they hope there was temporarily strong vanced crater. The enemy re- war conference to deal with war allies, we consider assent to its that if he sees insuperable diffi-

France, Dec. 24, via London, Dec. artillery fire. Elsewhere on the marked the unusual movement, problems. The attendance of the terinination, and the problems culties he will carefully consider 25-(From a staff correspondent western and eastern fronts noth- because a few hours before ad- prime minister is urged. The cable which will then immediately arise, the question of nominating a f the Association Press)ing important occurred. "In vance an active rifle fire broke reads: I wish to explain that Your prime minister for the pur- substitute, as they would regard North of Arras certain Canadian Great Wallachia the Russians out an I several colored rockets what is contemplated by His pose of these meetings, would be it a serious misfortune if any roops have just accomplished were ejected from several posi- were fired from the German Majesty's government is not a a member of the war cabinet. In dominion were left unrepresented what the British officers declare tions. "Conditions in Macedonia trenches. "Nevertheless, at the session of the ordinary imperial view of the extreme urgency of With the session of parliament marks a new phase in modern

duction of munitions, supplies, were calm." trench warfare. In a raid which shipping, food, and other necesnowever, was much more than a raid, they succeeded in putting Rome, Dec. 26, via London,-Increase in such production by out of action, temporarily at "There have been desultory

greater effort and increased least, an entire battalion of Ger- actions along the whole front, efficiency on the part of all engaged man infantry. They took 59 interfered with by bad weather,' prisoners, including one com- says today's war office statement National economy in food, missioned officer, and estimated "On the Carso, south of Montedress and personal expendures they killed 150 Germans in dug- fait, we straightened our lines by outs which were blown to atoms a surprise advance to a depth of after their occupants refused to 300 metres. In one of the necessaries of life or required for surrender. The Canadian losses crater-like holes in the area war purposes should be dis- were extremely light. occupied by us we found 150

cases of artillery ammunition avalanche of shells in their deep which had been abandoned by The "raid" took place at three the enemy." o'clock in the afternoon on a

a resistance. These were quick front of 400 yards. The Ger London, Dec. 26-An official ly disposed of, and the survivors Increased National saving man prisoners admit that they statement on the Mesopotamia sent back as prisoners. "Swiftly which will provide funds to take were taken completely by surip government securities issued prise. The officer captured said situation issued tonight reads; our men then went about thei he was convinced that something "On the 22nd British detachments allotted tasks, following the comwas about to happen, but believed advanced to the right bank of munication trenches back to the

that the attack was coming on the Tigris. Their position sub- German supports, establishing Organization of the special Christmas eve. He reported to sequently had been consolidated protective blocks, attacking and echnical, financial and business the higher command, but received and extended south and east of overcoming the guards and sen bility of the Empire to assist the no support. The Canadians, Kut-El-Amara. "The enemy's tries. Special attention was mostly stalwart men from the on the rigt bank of the Tigris, paid to the dugouts, from which plains of Manitoba, Saskatche- southwest of Kut-El-Amara have many Germans came out to surwan and Alberta, had skilfully been systematically bombarded. render. Bombs and igniting exestablished themselves well for- Our calvary by a night march, plosives were then thrown in ward, so that when the artillery reached and destroyed Gassabs inside, destroying and setting had ceased the preparatory fire Fort, twenty miles southeast of on fire the wooden supports.

Allies Answer Germany they were in the German front Kut, which had long been a base line trenches in less than two of operations of the hostile

"This was done so thoroly and minutes. The officer in com- Arabs. Sixty tons of grain were nethodically that the progress In reply to the proffer of Ger- mand, who was reporting the destroyed, cattle were captured of the attack could be followed many and her allies for a peace raid to brigade headquarters by and a number of hostiles Arab by the fires as they broke out, one after the other. Machine gun emplacements were also des

Petrograd, Dec. 27, via Lon- troyed, and the total damage don-(British admiralty per done to the German trenches s very considerable Many o the Germans, who scrambled for statement on military operations the enemy were killed, and 58 the saps and dugouts leading to was issued today by the prisoners including two officers the rear trenches, while the Can- war office: "Roumanian front: were captured and taken back to what is consistently maintained simultaneously in London and adians pelted them with hand Throughout the day the enemy our lines. Our own casualties here as inevitable-the defeat of Paris, as follows: The Allied grenades. Caught absolutely un- made a number of fierce attacks were remarkably light, and all governments of Belgium, France, prepared many Germans in the along almost the whole of our were promptly evacuated. "Confront line offered no resistance, front. In the region of the up-sidering the number of men embut threw up their hands with per stream of the River Rimlik, ployed, in the attack, the extent cries of "Kamarad." Others north of Megura, he succeeded of the frontage captured, the were taken as they fled for the in pressing back slightly our depth to which the parties peneinterests, says that Germany has defence of the liberty of their second and third lines, for the cavalry detachments and infan-brited, and the fact that we re-seized the occasion with the peoples and faithful to the engage- Canadians pushed on quickly to try detachments of the Rou- mined in possession of the Gerthe second trenches. About manians, "On the Rimnik high man trenches for over two hours twenty dugouts were destroyed road our detachments, after before withdrawing, this soby the Canadians, several with having repulsed a series of at- called raid really assumed the combs captured from the Ger- tacks, were obliged to abandon character of a very successful nans. One of the officers en- first line trenches, which were local offensive. Some time after gaged said: "As we entered the demolished by artillery fire, all our men had roturned, under trenches many Germans broke "Enemy attacks in the remain- cover of darkness, to their own for the dugouts. All who did ing sectors were beaten back with lines the enemy could be heard were subsequently well cared great losses to him, and in the counter-attacking and boinbing for. Each of our men was village of Valea Seltzei, by our energetically his own deserted given definite instructions for counter-attack, were captured and badly damaged trenches." his precise task, and a map of the several machine guns. enemy's trenches which proved London, Dec. 29-The battle "The battle along the front of the Somme is pictured as a continues. "In Dobrudia there sweeping triumph for allied arms lighted at this and entered the were operations by small dein a detailed report by General tachments. "In the vicinity of Haig, which was issued tonight,

appointed moment our artillery conference, but a special war con- the subject of discussion, as well coming on pretty soon the barrage opened with a sudden ference of the Empire. His Maj- as of their supreme impostance, it the attendance of Sir Robert crash of dense sound. Clouds of esty's government therefore wishes is hoped that your prime minister Borden will not be without difficrash of dense sound. Clouds of esty's government therefore wishes is hoped that your prime minister cult, but the importance of the your prime minister to attend a may find it possible, in spite of war conference is so great as to lating the area to be attacked. A series of special and continuous serious inconveniences involved to suggest the certanity of the precovering firs from our machine meetings of the war cabinet, in attend at an early date, not later mier going across. guns added a deafening medley of noise. "At the given signal



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posal for a conference "an ly to protest against the two impudent affront," and adds: "that essential assertions of the note of absolutely correct. Each man the absence of occasion for this the enemy powers that to throw knew every detail of the proposaffront should help President upon the Allies responsibility for ed operation. They were de-Wilson to understand why in all the war and proclaim the victory ight with great cheer. the allied capitals his action is of the Central Powers. The Allied

regarded askance. The German governments cannot admit an answer may well refer to the affirmation doubly inexact and friendly spirit of the American which suffices to render sterile all note, for its effect, however under tentative negotiations. The Allied holiday. The neatness and des- the Turks, about a battalion from complete collapse and a designed, is to succor Germany and nations have sustained for thirty patch with which the raid was strong, retired eastward."

months a war they did every- carried out were unique. The embarrass the Allies. The Daily Telegraph thinks the thing to avoid. They have shown artillery's co-operation of the

British guns was perfection. reply marks a new and significant by their acts their attachment to step in the game of desperation peace. That attachment is prepared our advance, and, creep- by the war office tonight reads: ing forward, protected us as they "Marked artifiery activity displayed in several sectors south forced upon the Central Powers strong today as it was 1914. But by their well justified dread of it is not upon the word of Gerwhat the immediate future holds many, after the violation of its the enemy trenches and dugouts. engagements, that the peace The programme had given the for them, many and

The Daily News says: "The broken by her may be based. failure to meet President Wilson on a common ground cannot be "The message which I should astribed to obtuseness. Germany's like to give to the people of ed they were ready to return to the conclusion of this operation affectation of misunderstanding Canada tonight is that we must their own trenches." No attempt our men raided the trenches will mislead nobody. The original back those heroic men of ours was made at a counter-attack bringing back prisoners. The Dominions Called to German note and the present reply who are fighting for us in the until the followidg night, when day was calm on the rest of the

the Germans bombarded and to President Wilson have the trenches. We must back them raided their own first line, or common object of throwing upon with reinforcements to fill the what was left of it, thinking that the entente the onus of rejecting gaps and strengthen the line. We the raiders were still there. As ostensibly geunine advances. The must back them with munitions a matter of fact the Canadians Allies must see that they do not which will save their lives and who carried out the operations promote the success of that shorten the war. We must back were miles away. They were not part of the fighting line, but transparent manoeuvre by the them by tenderly caring for those adoption of a purely negative or they have left behind. And we on rest, and went to went the work, on rest, and went forward for intransigeant attitude. Our right must back them when they return which was planned weeks ago. course is not to reply advances victorious to Canada, the Canada but to state our terms when the which their sacrifices have enchallenger to the negotiations has nobled and their valor will have

stated her's." saved for ourselves and for our children and the generations which New Years Day was fine and

everything in connection with its observance passed off quietly. WHITE, at Massey Hall.

Lake Van our detachments, after and which covers operations having dislodged a Turkish from July 10 to November 18. "When they came out two patrol guard, developed an at- General Haig terms the battle a hours later, they were singing tack and occupied the village of triumph. in which the German and as happy as school boys on a Atsman. Under our pressure, western armies were only saved cisive defeat by a protracted period of unfavorable weather

which prevented the Anglo-Paris, Dec. 27-The official French forces from taking full Beautifully placed curtains of fire statement on the campaign issued advantage of their successful advances. He declares that neverthe less it was a triumph which of the Somme. One of our bom- of the Allies to overthrow Gerproved beyond doubt the ability bardments caused two fires and many "when the suu comes." men an hour and a half for their an explosion in an enemy battery. The British commander shows work, but the clean-up was ac- "In the region of Beauvraines, himself a firm believer in the complished in an hour and ten south of the Ancre, we exploded doctrine that the Allies can win minutes, and the raiders signall- successfully several mines. At the war on the western front.

War Conference

London, Dec. 26.-The secre

London, December 28-The tary of state for the colonies has following communication is issued sent a telegram to the dominion from the Canadian war records explaining the purpses of the office: "One of the most success- forthcoming imperial conference ful raids ever carried out on the announced by Premier Lloyd western front was executed this George. The telegram explains week by the Canadians. The that what the government con raid was made in the early after- templates is not an ordinary noon, while the low winter sun imperial conference, but a special was still shining. From several war conference of the Empire

Paris, Dec. 26-The war office points of observation it was pos- The prime minister of each of the ble to witness the whole progress dominions is invited to attend a bulletin issued tonight reads: "There was great activity by of the operation, and successful series of special meetings of the both artilleries in the sectors of cinematograph films, for histori- War Cabinet, in order to consider are to come,"-SIR THOMAS Belloy-En-Santerre and Fouques- cal purposes, were obtained with- urgent questions affecting the

court. Everywhere else the gannonade was intermittent." "Preliminary bombardments had conditions on which, in agreement



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The Belgian communication: successfully destroyed the heavy with our Allies, we could assent place on Great George Street; His Honor the Lieutenant "The usual artillery activity pre- enemy entanglements and gener- to its termination, and problem but this year wagons were used Governor and Mrs McDonald ally weakened the Garman de- which would then immediately vailed." instead of sleighs, for the most were at home at Government fences. arise. The premiers are urged to part, as snow was, rather scarce. House New Years Day from 3 attend at an early date-not later There was calling to an extent, to 5 p. m. and a large number of 119-121 Queen Street, Charlottetown Berlin, Dec. 26, via Sayvillethan the end of February. "Shortly before the hour of the and plenty skating at the rink gentlemen called to paid their The Russians have been driven respects. from several positions in north assault the attackers, consisting Ottawa, Dec. 27-In a cable to ct. 25th, 1916 and elsewhere.