# ENTENTE EXPECTS **CRUSHING VICTORY**

London Newspapers Busy Discussing Czar's Refusal to Discuss Peace.

TERMS OUTLINED

Alsace-Lorraine, Colonies and Con-Territory and Indemnity Demanded-Her Allies to Meet Further Minimum.

LONDON, Dec. 28 .- The official order issued by Emperor Nicholas stating that the time has not arrived for peace negotiations takes the leading place today in both the news and editorial sections of the evening newspapers. Some of them suggest the other members of the entente should follow the lead of Russia and state their terms.

The Standard says:
"It is now quite time that belligerents and neutrals understood the true situation. The allies believe they can inflict shortly a crushing military defeat on Germany. She will then be offered peace on the lines of restitu-tion of Alsace-Lorraine, relinquish-ment of her spoils, the loss of her colonies and the payment of suitable indemnities, while her allies will have to meet the minimum demands of Rus-sia and Italy."

Sia and Italy."

The Westminster Gazette expresses the hope that the allies will reply fully and adequately to President Wilson's "Meanwhile the German press con-

thues to enlarge on the clive branch. The Vossische Zeitung tells Russia that the question of the Dardenelles can be solved satisfactorily without further fighting and promises that the Germans will yield as far as they can without endangering their future. If the laternal situation of the central powers and their prospects in men and munitions are what we suppose, we shall get on from point to point until we reach the stage where our necessary aims become realizable."

### AUSTRIA'S REPLY IS RECEIVED

Germany's Ally Prefers Direct Nego-

tintions as to Peace. WASHINGTON, Dec. 28 .- Austria's

reply to President Wilson's peace note was received late today. It is under-stood to be substantially the same as

Germany's.

The text of the note, sent through Ambassador Penfield, follows:

"Aide Memoire. In reply to the aide memoire communicated on the 22d instant by His Excellency, the American Ambassador, containing the proposals of the President of the United States of American for the weakaness of views. memoire communicated on the 22d instant by His Excellency, the American Ambassador, containing the proposals of the President of the United States of America for an exchange of views among the powers at present at war for the eventual establishment of peace, the imperial and royal government desires particularly to point out that, in considering the noble proposal of the President, it is guided by the same spirit of amity and complaisance as finds expression therein.

Press today.

"I told you some time ago," he said, "that our offensive would not cease during the Western front, the War Office announces. The text of the statement reads: "Western front—Isolated sections of the Finders front and the Somme salient were temporarily under strong article the effect, of the shelling on the terrain. The country over which the advance will have to be made is thickly sprinkled with shell holes filled with water.

For Has Been Underestimated.

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"The President desires to establish a basis for a lasting peace without wishing to indicate the ways and means. The imperial and royal government considers a direct exchange of views among the belligerents to be the most suitable way of attaining this end. Adverting to its declaration of the 12th instant, in which it announced its readination, it reads in the property of the Somme.

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The enemy's heavy howitzer batteries are bombarding sectors of our teries are bombarding sectors of our teries are bombarding sectors of our teries. now has the honor to propose that representatives of the belligerent powers convene at an early date at some place

able work of the prevention of future wass. At an appropriate time it will be willing to co-operate with the United States of America for the realization of this noble aim."

### Progress of the War

BERLIN records fresh advances for the Teutonic allies against the Russians and Roumanians in Walla-

Although Berlin reports that the eutonic allies in Dobrudja are keep-Teutonic allies in Dobrudja are keeping up their pressure against the Russians and Roumanians and have forced the Russians from fortifled height positions east of Matchin, on the east bank of the Danube, opposite Braila, Petrograd announces that the invaders south of the Danube have been repulsed with heavy losses, except at the village of Rakel, which has been occupied by them. British armed motor cars, says Petrograd, did great excepted, it is announced officially.

Considerable fighting has again taken place on the Verdun sector around Le Morte Homme and on the eastern slopes of hill 304, where the Germans made an attack, but were repulsed, and where later the French began a bombardment of the German positions.

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there have been reciprocal bombardments and attacks by small patrol
parties, interspersed with fights in
the air and aerial raids by French,
British and German aviators. In the
encounters in the air each side is renorted to have lost machines. ported to have lost machines.

In the Austro-Italian theater the weather has cleared and the artillery duels have been renewed with vigor, especially on the Carso front. In especially on the Carso front. In Macedonia, except for British attacks against the Bulgarians northeast of Lake Doiran, which Berlin reports unsuccessful, comparative quiet

South of Brody, in Galicia, the Germans have brought their howitzers into play against Russian positions and at various points have damaged their

Unofficial advices received in London from Saloniki say the Greeks who surrendered to the Bulgarians at Kavala and were interned in Germany have been ordered by King Constantine to proceed to the Macedonian front to fight against the entente allies.

Mrs. Covey Makes Counter Charge.

Counter charges of infidelity, cruel and inhuman treatment and descrition are made against Howard M. Covey in the answer filed by Mrs. Marie Covey yesterday to the divorce complaint of her husband, Mr. Covey filed suit several months ago on the grounds of infidelity.

Meuse, in the Verdun region, the War Office announced today.

Mines sprung by the French near Beauvraignes on the Somme front caused great damage to the German defenses. One of the explosions produced a crater 120 yards long and 40 yards wide. The War Office announcement follows:

"South of the River Avre a detachment of the enemy in front of Le

OFFICIAL TEXT OF GERMAN REPLIES TO UNITED STATES AND SWITZERLAND ON SUBJECT OF PEACE TERMS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—The official text of Germany's reply to the United States on the subject of peace terms differs somewhat in phraseology from the unofficial. It is as follows:

"The imperial government has accepted and considered in the friendly spirit which is apparent in the communication of the President, the noble initiative of the President looking to the creation of bases for the foundation of a lasting peace.

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"A direct exchange of views appears to the imperial government as the most suitable way of arriving at the desired result. The imperial government has the honor, therefore, in the sense of its declaration of the 12th instant, which offered the hand for peace negotiations, to propose speedy assembly on neutral ground of delegates of the warring states.

"It is also the view of the imperial government that the great work for the prevention of future wars can first be taken up only after the ending of the present conflict of exhaustion. The imperial government is ready when this point has been reached to co-operate with the United States in this sublime task."

TEXT OF REPLY TO SWITZERLAND.

BERLIN, via Amsterdam and London, Dec. 28.—The text of the answer of Germany to the Swiss note reads:

"The imperial government has taken note of the fact that the Swiss Federal Council, as the result of its having placed itself in communication with the President of the United States, is also ready to take action and side with the United States toward bringing about an understanding between the belligerent nations and towards the attainment of a larging nears.

ment of a lasting peace.

"The spirit of true humanity whereby the steps of the Swise Federal Council are inspired is fully appreciated and esteemed by the imperial

"The imperial government has informed the President of the United States that a direct exchange of views seems to it to be the most suitable means of obtaining the desired result.

"Led by the same considerations which caused Germany, on December 12, to offer her hand for peace negotiations, the government has proposed an immediate meeting of all the belligerents at a neutral place.

"In agreement with the President of the United States, the government is of the opinion that the great work of preventing future wars can only be taken in hand after the present world war has terminated. So soon as that moment comes, they will joyfully be ready to co-operate in this sublime task.

"If Switzerland, which, faithful to its noble traditions in mitigating the sufferings caused by the present war, has won unending gratitude, will also contribute to safeguarding the world's peace, the German nation and government will highly welcome such action."

Germans on Western Front.

Simikovtse, were checked by our fire."

Germans on Eastern Front.

"Eastern front-Front of Prince Lea pold-At several points along the front the forces in our trenches repulsed ad-

vances of Russian raiding detach-ments."

occupied by surprise a hollow about 1909 meters in front of the Austrian

army

British Admit Weather Has **Ended Somme Operations.** 

LINE IS BEING EXTENDED

Further Section of French Front Now Being Taken Over-Offensive May Be Resumed Next " March, Says Army Director.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—The continuation Het-Sas of the British offensive along the Somme front is impossible as long as the present weather lasts, Major-Gen-eral Frederick B. Maurice, chief director of military operations at the War Office, so informed the Associated

on neutral ground.

"The imperial and royal government likewise concurs in the opinion of the President that only after the termination of the present war will it be possible to undertake the great and desirable work of the present of future.

French Front Taken Over.

"Unable to continue the offensive for the present, we have done the next best thing. The taking over of a sec-tion of the French line has kept us busy during the last 10 days. The operation has been successful and I will be glad to tell you the exact ex-tent of the line taken over when I am sure the Germans know the point of

chia. The invaders now are advancing toward Fokshani. Three thousand more prisoners and 22 machine guns have been captured by the invaders, bringing the number of men taken in the Rimnik-Sarat maneuver up to 10,220.

Although Berlin reports that the Teutonic allies in Dobrudja are keep-

says Petrograd, did great ex- completed, it is announced officially. In yesterday's fighting the Austro-German forces took 3000 prisoners

nik Sarat.

"At the same time farther southwest German and Austro-Hungarian troops pierced strongly entrenched Russian lines and advanced fightig in a northeasterly direction. The enemy again in this defeat suffered heavy sanguinary

"Yesterday 2000 prisoners and 22 ma-"Yesterday 2000 prisoners and 22 machine guns were captured. The number of prisoners made by the Ninth Army in engagements near Rimnik Sarat totals 19,229 Russlans.
"With the Danphe Army yesterday there were only local engagements. In Dobrudja, Bulgarian and Turkish troops succeeded in throwing the Russians from fortified height positions east of Malchin." east of Malchin."

### French.

PARIS, Dec. 28.—French troops last night repulsed small attacks near Lechenoy on the Somme and on the eastern slope of Hill 304, west of the Meuse, in the Verdun region, the War

announcement follows:
"Attacks by the enemy south of the Danube were repulsed with great losses to him. West if Vizir Slavnoe British

armored motorcars took part in beating back the attacks. British Return to Defense, "The gallant commander of the British armored motorcar detachment was DRIVE IS STOPPED Chenoy has been dispersed by our fire. On the left bank of the Meuse wounded in the battle on Fuesday when repulsed a surprise attack of the euemy directed against the eastern slopes of Hill 304.

"It has been confirmed that Lieutenant Herteaux brought down on December 26 his 15th enemy airplane. On the same day Sub-Lieutenant Guynemer brought down his 24th airplane, and he was repulsed everywhere by our development by our several beautions occupied by our advance guards. brought down his 24th airplane, and on December 27 he vanquished his 25th alr enemy. Another German machine, after engaging in combat with one of our pilots yesterday, crashed in the combat with one of our pilots yesterday.

"On the left bank of the Meuse during the day the enemy artillery, energetically counter-shelled by us, violently bombarded our positions on the front of Le Mort Homme and Hill 204.
"In Lorraine we carried out a surple attack on a transh on the price attack on a transh on the party of the work of the with heavy losses."

The cannonade was intermittent on the rest of the front."

Belgian communication—"Reciprocal bombardments took place this afternoon in the regions of Dixmude and Het-Sas

LONDON, Dec. 28.—Speaking today at a meeting of the Roumanian Consolidated oil fields, William W. Rutherford, member of Parliament from Liverpool, said that probably the value of the oil fields destroyed by the allies in the Roumanian retreat amounted to f30,000,000. £20,000,000.

It was a wholesale destruction, BERLIN, Dec. 28.—(By wireless to Sayville, N. Y.)—Eight airpianes were lost by the entente allies in yesterday's fighting on the western front, the War Office announces. The text of the statement reads:

11 Was a wholesate destruction, it remarked, carried on by a British milliprical tary commission, acting under the instruction of headquarters. This work, he added, rendered the property and the stock utterly useless to the focstatement reads:

> CAPTIVE DIVISION TO BE SENT AGAINST ENTENTE.

Order Sent From Athens by King, Say Saloniki Report-Warning Against Blockade Sent to Allies.

LONDON Dec. 28 -A telegram ha enemy's heavy howitzer bat- been received from Saloniki by the teries are bombarding sectors of our front in the region east of Zarkuv. Attempts of the enemy to cross the River Dniester, southeast of Galitich, near ordered by King Constantine to leave Goerlitz, Germany, where it has been interned, for the Macedonian front to fight against the entente allies. BERLIN, Dec. 28.—(By wireless to sayville, N. Y.)—Patrol activities on the

ATHENS, Dec. 27, via London, Dec. 28.—The government is addressing a second note to the entente powers pointing out the growing popular resentment against their blockade.

The note refers to Greece's previous communication urging mutual considerations with a view to clearing the situation, and says that, unless some such action is taken shortly, Greece may be forced to seek the advice of the rettor respecting the course to be Russian front are reported in today's army headquarters statement, which nation respecting the course to be

Vessel in New York Harbor First Time in Three Months.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28 .- For the first

time in nearly three months a ship fly-ing the Russian flag tied up today at a New York pier. She was the steam-ship Vologda, out of Archangel December 3; and is here in ballast to take cargo for an as yet unnamed port. Officials here of the Russian lines decline to discuss the movement of their ships, but others whose interests are associated with Russian shipping think Only about one-tenth of the vast that the vessels are being used to amounts of iron ore mined in Spain transport supplies from England to annually are utilized at home because of the scarcity of native coal.

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Petrograd Says Heavy Losses Have Been Inflicted on Teutonic Invaders.

BRITISH CARS TO RESCUE

Berlin Declares Defeat of Russo Roumanian Army Has Been Made Complete - Destruction of Oil Wells Claimed.

PETROGRAD, Dec. 28 .- (British Admiralty, per Wireless Press.)-Stub-born resistance is being offered by the Russians and their allies to the efforts of the Teutonic forces to expel them from the portion of Dobrudja which still remains in their hands. Attacks vesterday were repulsed with great losses to the Teutonic allies, today's report from the War Office says. The

our pilots yesterday, crashed to the earth near Omiscourt."

Tonight's supplementary statement says:

"On the left bank of the Mensa dur-

prise attack on a trench north of Ba-donviller, taking two machine guns.

Office announces. The text of the stock utterly use statement reads?

"Western front—Isolated sections of similar fate, he said.

ATHENS, Dec. 27, via London, Dec

ROME, via London, Dec. 28.—The War Office communication issued tofollowed. RUSSIAN STEAMER ARRIVES

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TWO OTHERS ACQUITTED

County, Arizona, late today returned a verdict of guilty against eight defendants and found two not guilty.

One defendant was dismissed by the The following were found guilty:

The following were found guilty:
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C. W. West, Lincoln, Neb.; William
Hinkley, Brayton, Neb.; Jack Shercliff, Minneapolls; J. S. Smith, C. A.
Smith, C. M. Thompson and John
Bolecy, Omaha, Clemency was recommended for Thompson and Bolecy, F.
V. Guidinger, Minneapolls, and B. F.
Berwinkle, of Des Moines, were found
not guilty. L. R. West, of Des Moines,
was dismissed vesterday by the judge. was dismissed yesterday by the judge, who said the prosecution had falled to make a charge against him.

what a charge against him.

Forty-two persons originally were indicted by a Federal grand jury for selling mustangs alleged to be on the Government reservation in Coconino County, Arizona. Bills of sale for six times the number of horses on the range were filed at Flagstaff, witnesses for the Government testified. The prosecution alleged \$1,000,000 was secured by the defendants through the fraudulent sales.

OMAHA. Dec. 8. —The jury in the case of 11 defendants charged with use of the mail to defraud in sales of phantom wild horses in Coconino Company, of which J. S. Smith was president, and the Omaha Land & In-

censes at Vancouver. VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 28,-(Special, )—A steady parade of 14 couples, many from Portland, came here today

states. One hundred and twenty-five witnesses were subpensed by the Government. A majority of them said they lost sums ranging from \$1000 to \$30,000 on wild horses.

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