

ENTENTE EXPECTS CRUSHING VICTORY

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

FINAL TERMS OUTLINED

Alsace-Lorraine, Colonies and Conquered 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.

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.

The Westminster Gazette expresses the hope that the allies will reply fully and adequately to President Wilson's note, saying: "Meanwhile the German press continues to enlarge on the olive branch. The Vossische Zeitung tells Russia that the question of the Dardanelles can be solved satisfactorily without further fighting."

AUSTRIA'S REPLY IS RECEIVED Germany's Ally Prefers Direct Negotiations as to Peace.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—Austria's reply to President Wilson's peace note was received late today. It is understood to be substantially the same as Germany's.

The text of the note, sent through Ambassador Penfield, follows: "Aide Memoire communicated on the 23d instant by His Excellency, the American Ambassador, in reply to the note of the President of the United States of America for an exchange of views among the powers at present at war for the eventual settlement of peace."

"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 prevention of future wars. 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 Wallachia. 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 Rinnik-Sarat maneuver up to 10,220.

Considerable fighting has again taken place on the Verdun sector around Le Mort 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.

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

South of Brody, in Galicia, the Germans have been ordered by King Constantine to proceed to the Macedonian front to fight against the entente allies.

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 desertion are made against Howard M. Covey in the answer filed by Mrs. Marie Covey yesterday to the divorce complaint of her husband. Mrs. Covey filed suit several months ago on the grounds of infidelity.

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 phrasing 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."

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 account 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 in accordance with the United States toward bringing about an understanding between the belligerent nations and towards the attainment of a lasting peace."

"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."

CHENOY has been dispersed by our fire. On the left bank of the Meuse we repulsed a surprise attack of the enemy directed against the eastern slopes of Hill 304.

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 of the British offensive along the Somme front is impossible as long as the present weather lasts, Major-General Sir Douglas Haig, chief director of military operations at the War Office, so informed the Associated Press today.

"I told you some time ago," he said, "that our offensive would not cease during the winter, but it must be apparent from the daily reports, that no further advance could be made in the sector since October. In the first place, we underestimated the effect of the shelling on the terrain. This knowledge, which the advance will have to be made is thickly sprinkled with shell holes filled with water."

Official War Reports. BERLIN, Dec. 28.—(By wireless to Sayville, N. Y.)—The defeat of the Russo-Roumanian forces by the invading Teutonic army has been completed. It is announced officially, in yesterday's fighting the Austro-German forces took 3000 prisoners. The statement reads: "On the Ludova, in the wooded Carpathians, German riflemen drove off strong Russian patrols. In the mountains in the Oltuz and Putna valleys, the fighting activity increased."

GERMANS ON WESTERN FRONT. BERLIN, Dec. 28.—(By wireless to Sayville, N. Y.)—Eight airplanes were lost by the entente allies in yesterday's fighting on the western front, the War Office announced today. The text of the statement reads: "Western front—Isolated sections of the Flanders front and the Somme salient were temporarily under strong artillery fire."

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DOBROUJA DEFENSE WAGED STUBBORNLY

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).—Stubborn resistance is being offered by the Russians and their allies to the efforts of the Teutonic forces to expel them from the portion of Dobruja, which still remains in their hands. Attacks yesterday were repulsed with great losses to the Teutonic allies, today's report from the War Office says. The announcement follows: "Attacks by the enemy south of the Danube were repulsed with great losses to him. West if Vistz Slavone British armored motorcars took part in beating back the attacks."

BRITISH RETURN TO DEFENSE. The gallant commander of the British armored motorcar detachment was wounded in the battle on Tuesday when repulsing the enemy attacks. Nevertheless, on Wednesday he again directed the operations of his detachment and put the enemy to flight.

RUSSIAN TROOPS THREAT BACK. Russian troops which attempted to regain lost ground were thrust back and ejected from their new positions with heavy losses.

GREEKS TOLD TO FIGHT AGAINST ENTENTE. NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—For the first time in nearly three months a ship flying the Russian flag tied up today at a New York pier. She was the steamship Yologoda, out of Archangel December 24 and is here in ballast to take cargo for an as yet unnamed port.

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EIGHT ARE GUILTY. Jury Finds Verdict in "Wild Horse Swindle" Case. TWO OTHERS ACQUITTED. Prosecution Charges Million Dollars Was Obtained Through Fraudulent Sales—Victims Satisfied Through West. 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 County, Arizona, late today returned a verdict of guilty against eight defendants and found two not guilty. One defendant was dismissed by the judge.

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