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ROME, Dec. 8. Germany and Austria have offered to "reopen land communications" to Greece if Greece will declare war on the Allies, ac-cording to a wireless dispatch received here from Switzerland today.

"Reopening of land communications" can only mean that Germany and Austria have piedged a clearing away of all Allied forces

from Bulgaria south to Greece, possibly also from the Magedonian front.

Three violent German-Bulgarian attacks were repulsed by the Serbian forces east of the Cerna River in the region of Star-

asina (Macedonian front), today's official

Repeated repulse of enemy attacks along the Macedonian front was announced in today's official statement.

BERLIN, Dec 8. Failure of Serbian night attacks near Trnava, east of the Cerna, was announced by the War Office today.

FRENCH REGAIN HILL 304

PARIS, Dec. 8. German troops were driven from the positions east of the slope of Hill 204 on, the left bank of the Meuse, which they occupied Wednesday, today's French troops ousted the enemy. This was the only in-cident reported from the west front.

Mutual intermittent shelling was reported by General Sir Douglas Haig from the British front teday.

"No important events." was the latest official statement's report of fighting on the western front today,

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Allies to Take Drastic Measure to Bring Athens to Terms

NEW DEMANDS

General Sarrail Prefers War to Present Unsettled Situation

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LONDON, Dec. 8.

LONDON, Dec. 8. The Allies have decided upon final dra-tics action to and the situation in Greece. A biotechade of Greek ports will be pro-first step. Athens dispatches any that the Allies diministers are preparing to demand at least the re-establishment of Allied con-trol of the police, mails, telegraphs, rail-ues and police, mails, telegraphs, rail-terms, ports, customs and passports. It was asserted in Athens Government of them of the solid withstand a sites of them of the solid withstand a sites of them of the police would withstand a sites of them of the solid withstand a sites of them of the solid withstand a sites of them of the solid withstand as sites of the solid with the solid with the solid solid with the solid with the solid with the solid solid with the solid with the solid with the solid solid with the solid with the solid with the solid solid with the solid with the solid with the solid solid with the solid with the solid with the solid with the solid solid with the solid with the solid with the solid solid with the solid with the solid with the solid with the solid solid with the so

DEMAND EXPLANATION

DEMAND EXPLANATION The Research tailan, French and Brit-ish ministers called at the Greek Foreign Office in a body and demanded an ex-planation of the Greek military activity. General Barrail, the French commander in Macedonia, is quoted as saying that he prefers Greece openly hostile to an un-settled situation. The Entente Ministers meeting attained of an agreement short of com-blate compliance with the Alled demands. The members of the Russian colony have bet Athens. Only the Italian colony of the Entente citizens remain, and they are sepecied to depart soon.

ted to depart soon.

RESULT OF CABINET CRISIS The Entents decision for sterner measures is halled here as the first outcome of the Cabinet crisis, which was precipi-tated to a great extent by public dissatis-faction with the handling of the Greek

In consequence of the recent clash of the Sutente forces with Greeks in Athens the British and French Governments prohibit-ed several days ago the sailing of Greek steamships from their ports to those of

Entente Allied diplomats, although The Entente Allied diplomats, although they have received no instructions as yet, see no prospect of an arrangement by the Grask Government, and it is believed they will demand at least the re-establishment of Allied control of the police, posts and tele-graphs, railways, ports, dustoms and pass-ports.

Germans Plan Big Blow at Sarrail

Continued from Page One such as the one that crushed Rumania will solve his difficulties and enable him to enter the war on the side of the Central Empires.

PART OF RUMANIAN ARMY IS TRAPPED

BERLIN, Dec. H.

BERLIN, Dec. 8. The German advance on the line beyond Bucharest and Polesci is proceeding so rap-idly that Rumanian forces on the frontier mountains in the Predeal and Altschang passes have had their retreat cut off, to-day's official War Office statement asserted. These Rumanian forces, it was said, en-countered the Austro-German troops as they wought to turn the enemy's flank, and, al-ready being pressed from the north, a ma-jority of the Rumanians have failen prisoner.

In the whole section of Rumania be-tween the mountains and the Danube the German pursuit of the enemy continues. The German Ninth Army yesterday took more than ten thousand prisoners. On the All, the statement said, the trap-against Rumanian forces cut off in the western part of the country "had been ful-Blued."

Men Who Are Likely to Join **Ministry of Lloyd George**

LONDON, Dec. 8. Following, it is believed, will be war Council: <text><text><text> Fremier-Lloyd George. Secretary for War-Lord Derby. First Lord of the Admiralty-A.

Bonar Law. Secretary for Foreign Affairs-Lord Curzon. Minister for Pensions - Arthur

Henderson. The remaining members of the Cabinet are likely to be: Colonial Secretary—Arthur Bal-four, at present First Lord of the Admiralty. President of the Board of Trade-

Walter Runeiman, who now holds that post. Minister for Munitions — Edwin Samuel Montagu. Secretary for Home Affairs-Her-

bert L. Samuels. Lord High Chancellor - Baron

Reading. Attorney General-Sir Frederick

Liberals Will Back Premier Lloyd George

BOTH SIDES BEATEN Continued from Page One IN CERNA ATTACKS

tionalist group is the only one of any strength now remaining in Commons whose sition toward the new Ministry is not yet clear. It is conceded their seventy-five votes in the House of Commons gives them strength on which to bargain for Irish home rule as the price of the support of

the new Ministry. London does not expect formal appound

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ize his gifts as a conciliator, infuser of otilize his sifts as a condiliator, infusez of exchangement and organizer. The Liberal conference todky adopted resolutions of confidence in its leader, former Premier Asquith, but declared its determination to support the new Govern-ment in the presscution of the war. About 200 Liberals from both houses of Partiament, including a number of former Ministers, sitended the meeting of the party, held at poon in the Reform Club. Mr. Asquith, smiller and apportently happy, was accorded an enthusiastic ova-tion by the crowd which gathered at the entrance to the club.

entrance to the club: Former Fremer Asquith presided at the menting of the Liberais. He explained in full detail all the circumstances leading up to the change in government, particularly defining his own position in the crisis which led to dissolution of the coalition Cabinet. Asquith's speech was described as a spiendidly patriotic uiterance—a viscorous appeal for unity in war. He pointed out that each of his inte colleagues in the Coalition Cabinet had acted in accordance with his own dictates of conscience and

Condition Cabinet has acted in accordance with his own dictates of conscience and concluded with a rousing appeal emphasis-ing the importance of strenuous adherence of whatever government was in power for the purpose of winning the war. The late Premier was repeatedly interrupted with cheers.

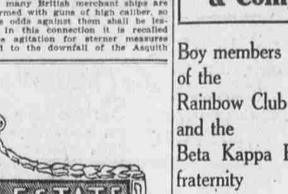
The general admiration for Lloyd George's energy, organizing ability and gift of concillation was expressed by the Pall of concillation was Mall Gasette today.

Mail Gasette today. "The success and rapidity with which Lioyd George is fulfilling his commission." the Gazette asserted. "Indicates we will shortly have an administration not only with a strong personality and practical talent, but armed with the nation's could-dence. Yesterday's achievement gives a more vivid impression than anything else of the striking sifts of leadership which the new Prenter Domession." new Promier possesses."

BRITISH SHIPS ARMED

WITH HEAVIER GUNS

LONDON, Dec. 7. In the effort to suppress the submarine menace, many British merchant ships are being armed with guns of high caliber, so that the odds against them shall be les-sened. In this connection it is recalled that the agitation for sterner measures that led to the downfall of the Asquith





FRENCH GENERAL STAFF

WILL BE REORGANIZED

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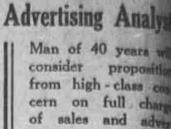
and get the monthly

ministry called for adequate measures to curb the U-boais. If the American Government holds that the increased armassant puts marchant will become the chief American port for transatiantic stipping during the war. Britain is able to use her fleet to keep this port clear. Such a change is bound to have a big affect on the port of New York.

York. The arming of merchant ships is a dim-ould problem, since the mounting of big mass means alterations in structure. Fig-ures show that only one out of five vio-tims of submarinos is an armed ship. The Liverpool Express reports that the Government may assume control of all ship-ping conserns. It is said that Lioyd George, in his conference with the labor leaders to-day, promised such Government control.

Oustave Herve, famous Frence aviatur, states: "We must have civil leaders who are warrior chiefs, men of will and imagination who know how to take extraordinary mean-ures and aprily them. That is the only superiority Germany has over us." "Let us choose few leaders," says the Midl, "but leaders who are resolved to con-quer or die with us. Let the Ministers themesives he chosen few in number, but invested with full power, and ist them know that they answer with their lives for the that they answer with their lives for the public welfare." "A fight to a finish has never appeared

more inevitable than in the present chr-cumstances," says the Figaro today, in com-menting on Germany's successes on the Rumanian front.



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ment of the personnal of the new ministry until next Tuesday, to which date the House of Commons adjourned yesterday. In the interim Lloyd George has plenty of time in which to make his selections and to

filled." "Colonel Vonszivo, with his Austro-Hun-garlan-German troops on December & forced these to surrender." the statement explained. "Ten battallons, one squadron and six batteries numbering 8000 men, with twenty-six cannon, laid down their arms. Realizing the failure of their offensive, designed to relieve pressure on the Ruma-mian front, the Russian forces in the Car-pathians undertook only partial attacks yesterday, according to the official state-ment.

Several attacks against German lines around Ludova and in the Trotosul valley were repulsed with heavy loss. Russian attacks on the Dvina front also

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