Reports That Bolsheviki Have Defeated the Cossacks in Initial Battle Are Denied in Dispatches



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COSSACKS DENY CROZIER BLAMES BAKER FOR DELAY REBEL VICTORY OF MACHINE GUNS IN ENCOUNTER Members of Senate Military

General Korniloff Reported to Have Been Wounded; His Capture by the Bolsheviki Is Considered Possible; Reported Failure of Don Cossacks Due to Unwillingness of Railroaders to Move Reinforcements

London, Dec. 13 .- A battle has occurred near Bielgorod, in southern Russia, between Bolsheviki forces and troops under General Korniloff but the outcome has not been established and Petrograd advices are conflicting. The Petrograd correspondent of the Daily Mail reports that General Korniloff was defeated and wounded and that his capture was to be expected. A dispatch from the representative of the Post, however, denies the reported Bolsheviki victory, saying Gneral Korniloff has routed his oppotients and soon will join General Kaledines at Novo Tcherkask.

The Post correspondent, who received his information from an unnamed source sends a detailed description of the battle. He says General Korniloff had about 3,000 men, making up what is known as the "wild division" of cavaliers of St. George "battalions of death" and some artillery.

Italian Headquarters in Northern

Italy, Wednesday, Dec. 12.-General

joined the Austrians and Bohemians under Field Marshal Conrad Von

Hoetzendorf in a series of heavy as-

saults during the past two days be-tween the Brenta and Piave rivers

ghting has been severe and has been

cured a temporary foothold which s still being contested bitterly. Artillery preparation early yester-

day was followed by infantry rushes

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the Austrians

ttended with large losses but in the

north of Monte Grappa. Th

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with one slight indentation at Spinocia, where the enemy

on the right and

ITALIANS HOLD LINE

IN FIERCE HUN DRIVE

talions of death" and some artillery. When the Bolsheviki troops were crocuntered, General Korniloff di-forward by train. This soon was fol-lowed up by the Bolsheviki, were meantime maneuvered his main fore near the Bolsheviki, and at-tacked with artillery. Some of his opponents fled, and others surren-dired of joined the red guard sec-tion of the Korniloff army. The re-maining Bolsheviki were surrounded and dealt with very drastically. In a long review of the Russian situation the Petrograd correspond-ent of the Post says there is no pres-pect of a peaceful settlement and that henceforth force must decide everything. The secret of the suce cesses thronghout the Country of the Bolsheviki, he writes, is that they were being nound compass of the sources of persons whose deaths were not caused by the ir organization are men withow were mominent in the secret poli-but among the influential members of their organization are men withow were prominent in the secret poli-but among the influential members of the iron sand. What is behind them is as yet undisclosed but among the influential members of their organization are men withow were prominent in the secret poli-but among the influential members of their organization are men withow were prominent in the secret poli-but among the influential members of the iron hand. What is behind them is as yet undisclosed but among the influential members of their organization are men withow were prominent in the secret poli-but among the influential members of the influential members of the iron hand. What is behind them is as yet undisclosed but among the influential members of their organization are men withow were prominent in the secret poli-but among the influential members of their organization are men withow were prominent in the secret poli-but among the influential members of their organization are men withow were prominent in the secret poli-but among the influential members of their organization

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Affairs Committee Ask **Pointed Questions** CHIEF GIVES DETAILS Time Needed For Manufac-

ture After Funds Are Authorized by Government

By Associated Press

Washington, Dec. 13 .- Major Gen ral Crozier, chief of army ordnance. testifying to-day before the Senate rations, declared the responsibility for delay in getting machine guns lay personally with Secretary Baker who took charge of the tests between the different types. . Because of the machine gun shortage, General Crozier testified, foreign guns were furnished to the American troops abroad and to troops in training at

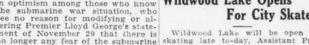
Newspapers Help to Make His Lot Easier

By Associated Press Washington, Dec. 13.—As a warn-ing to the public to beware of pub-lished stories that men at the Army ng camps are unhappy, without food and deject Var Department to-day made pub-ic a letter from Postmaster Wolfe, at Chillicothe, Ohio, dealing with a

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By Associated Press alian Headquarters in Northern, Wednesday, Dec. 12.—General Buelow's German troops have the business and Point Press Buelow's German troops have the business and Point Press Monte Spinocia and Col. Oso—"bear hill"—with the enemy gaining a foot-hold. fic case. ast week," wrote Postmaster h, "a syndicate set of newspa-published the story about—(sol-s name deleted) he was lone-s name deleted) he was lonewere used of the story about t

ty By Associated Press London, Dec. 13.—Despite the fair-ly large number of sinkings re-in optimism among those who know the submarine war situation, who tering Premier Lloyd George's state-no longer any form 20 that the state.



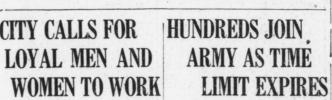
THINK! THINK HARD, FRITZ!

PEACE

Drive Made on Front of One Mile East of Bullecourt; First Purchase Made on Fig-German Losses Heavy; Enemy Bombardment Continues

Field Marshal Halg's troops have, met and repulsed the first massed attacks on the western front in sevheld, except on the right, and the Germans were driven back with heavy loss. On the right he cnemy gained a short length of trench, which had been destroyed in the bombardment preceding the attack. eral days and have inflicted heavy cases on the Germans. The attack uses on the Germans. The attack was made on a front of one mile cast of Bullecourt and between that town and Queant, and had it suc-ceeded might have had tactical ef-No further attempts with infantry were made, the Germans contenting with artillery fire against the British positions in fect upon the shortened salient be-fore Cambrai. fore Cambrai. After a heavy bombardment, Benarian troops went forward in massed formation. The British line Between Bullecourt and Ypres.

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ures Estimated by Experts; More Than Viewers' Price

Settlement of the first of the Hardrabble appeal cases listed for jury trial in court was announced to-day when a verdict of \$22,000 was awarded to Mrs. Elizabeth S. Hiester 1 and Caroline S. Baldwin, owners of the propertities, 1100 to 1106 North Front street. It was stated that offers have been made by the city to have appealed with the result that all or the majority of the cases may be settled late this afternoon in court by a verdict of agreement. de Representatives of the city in exthe properties to be

they thought the city should pay for P. Miller and Ed. Moeslein. Their

TO HELP THEM IS UNDER WAY Official Action Begun by Gates and Dare Say Yards Canadian Government to Are Empty and No Means Fix Responsibility of Supplying Customers NO PUBLIC ATTENDANCE POLICE HEAR COMPLAINT Attorneys Represent Munici- Chief Wetzel Tells Callers pality, Owners of Colliding People Are Seeking Re-Vessels and Others

lief Though Him John H. Gates, of the John H.

By Associated Press Halifax, Dec. 13.—Official inquiry was begun by the Canadian govern ment to-day to determine it possi-ble, responsibility for the ship col-lision in Halifax harbor with its re-sultant explosion and five and the to-day. Justice Drysdale, judga in admiraty, presided. Attorneys present represent the ments, owners of the two colliding vessels, the French munitions ship Mont Blanc and the Norwegian re-lef ship Imo; the City of Halifax sion. Citizens of Halifax were still so to testimony Began. Mong the first witnesses to be called were Pilot McKay and Cap-[Continued on Page 16.] John H. Gates, of the John H. Gates Coal Company, and J. E. Dare, the Dare (1 'ompany, called at dates coal company, and J. E. Dare, the Dare (1 'ompany, called at Mayor Keister to take some action adequate coal supply for Haritsburg. They found Mayor Keister had not returned from Wilkes-Barre and told would call again to-morrow. Chief would call again to-morrow. Chief the chief told them that the police are mong the first witnesses to be called were Pilot McKay and Cap-[Continued on Page 16.] By Associated Press

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Alone, Carries \$2,000,000 Faces Murder Trial but Worth of Platinum Aids Red Cross Fund

Among the contributions received at Red Cross headquarters in the lief fund was a Canadian half-dol awaiting trial in the Dauphin county jail for murder. Wright, who is ored, lived in Steelton, and is alleged to have killed a man there some months ago. Other contributions to the fund totaled \$93. A grand total of \$293.85 has been received to date at Red Cross headquarters.

TEACHERS CAN HELP

Harrisburg .- The Rotary Club, which will give a dinner to boys and girls during Christmas week, requests school and Sunday school teachers to send to J. H. Nixon, 25 S. Second street, by Saturday noon the names and up to 12 years, the list of guests will be made up by the club. It is desired to keep knowledge from the children to be included until the list is completed

GERMANS CONTINUE ATTACK

Rome, Dec. 13 .- Attacks in force were renewed yes the enemy upon the Italian lines east of the Representatives of the city in ex-plaining the litigation stated that in fairness to all the owners involved three of whom they regarded as best qualified real estate men were procured to estimate the amount which a losses the enemy at night abandoned his effort

> MADRID PARLIAMENT TO BE DISSOLVED Madrid, Dec -The cabinet has decided on the im

CAMBRAI REGION

ON NEW BASIS



German reserve forces were en-gaged for the first time since they



For Harrisburg and vicinity: Snow to-night and Friday: lowest temperature to-night about 18 degrees; colder Friday. For Eastern Pennsylvania: Snow to-night and Friday, not much change in temperature to-night; colder Friday; east, winds, be-coming fresh west.

River River The Susquehanna river and all its branches will remain lee-bound and nearly stationary, except local rises may occur due to lee. A stage of about 4.0 feet is in-dicated for Harrisburg Friday morning.

morning. General Conditions disturbance, central near Chi-cago, is enusing unsettled wenther over the enstern half of the United States, and light twenty-four hours generally over the Lake Region and in the Middle Atlantic and New England States, and light rain in the South Atlantic and East Gulf States. Rain and snow have failen in the Northwestern provinces as a result of a dis-turbance moving down from the Parameter.

Yesterday's Weather Highest temperature, 21. Jowest temperature, 12. Ican temperature, 16. Normal temperature, 33.

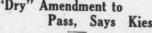
the Germans on the left. The fourth Austrian division, on the right had a number of Bohemian regiments in the front line. These were fresh from the Russo-'alacian front. A desperate struggle went on around Col. Beretia, where the Aus-trians were aided by enliated fire from batteries on the west bank of the Brenta river in positions estab-lished when the lines were reformed last week. For some time the Ber-etta positions verte in the hands of the ancient counterat-tack has restored nearly all the Ital-tack nas restored nearly all the Ital-counter the answere based of the meansule distance" of the unscription of the submarine state of the submarine company the source of eight men were busy clear-the premier spoke. The month of the anti-U-boat war for three rea-ing the month was the lowest since flag will not be raised until to-mor-began. Second, the sinkings of en-the submarines were the greatest the nemuy, but a brilliant counterat-tack has restored nearly all the Ital-chantmen from British yard's came "within measurable distance" of the submarines sof tonnage by sub-worn down and then will be scraped off to-morrow.
For the youngsters, the Twelfth street pond has been cleaned and is now open. At the Paxtang Lake men were busy during the afternoon shoveling off the snow, but it's not likely that a large enough space will be cleared to accommodate a big crowd. If the weather remains cold this lake will be ready to-morrow, however.

"within measurable distance" of equaling the loss of tonnage by submarine attack.

Jerusalem Will Remain **Outside Fighting Area**

By Associated Press Amsterdam, Dec. 13.—An indica-ton that the Turks will not attempt o recapture Jerusalem was given by General Stoeger-Steiner, Austro-Jungarian was minister to receive A large crowd is expected at Wild-wood to-night and the restroom has been opened to accommodate the skaters. Park policemen will be ed-tailed there to keep order and pre-vent any rowdyism.

by General Stoeger-Steiner, Austro-Hungarian war minister, in replying i to a question raised in the Army committee of the Austrian delegation as quoted in a dispatch received here to-day from Vienna. The General said Jerusalem was occupied without fighting, the Turks retreating eastward through the town when their positions to the west were subjected to a surprise attack by the British. Jerusalem suffered no damage he said, and the Coman supreme command has given assurances that wanton dam-ase is out of the cuestion. Jerusalem .will now remain out-side the fighting zone, the general American Birdman in



Red Cross Campaign Gives City Sends Many Soldiers to Everyone Chance to Show

Their Patriotism

Men Wanted!

In the trenches on the western front American soldiers are fight ing—even if it is the glad Yule

Ing—even if it is the glad Jule-tide season. In a hundred training camps in America men of the United States Army are getting ready for the serious business of war—even if Christmas is only ten days ahead. And they are so busy getting ready to fight that they won't be home Christmäs.

home Christmäs. In Harrisburg men are wanted for the serious business of secur-ing memberships for the Red Cross. Christmas is only ten days ahead, the period is the busiest of the year, but men are wanted who at home will in a way emulate the example of the boys who have of-fered the best they have. Men are wanted at Red Cross Hendquarters, Market and Court streets.

Raid, Berlin Report **Kaid, Derini Kepor** By Associated Press With the American Army in France, Wednesday, Dec. 12.—It is learned in connection with a report sent out by the official Wolff Tele-gram Bureau, of Berlin, stating that one of four machines participating in a British raid over Esch, Luxemburg, was manned by an American, that no aviator attached to the American expeditionary force participated. The airman possibly may have been an American In the British or French sorvice. Word was received at ked Cross campaign headquarters this morning that Johnstown and Allentown Red Cross compaign committees have in-form d their workers that every ef-fort must be made during the Christ-mas drive for members next week to surgass the showing made by Harris-Marrisburg's record in one previous Red Cross and two Liberty Loan cam-[Continued on Page 4.] OUARANTINE LIFTED Word was received at Red Cross

City Sends Many Soldiers to Regular Army For the Aviation Corps A 12 o'clock to-day the opportunity held open to draft registrance in the restormate for the viewers. All the cate were a said that the faure are on a similar scale with the flexes are of of the viewers. All the cate of the transition of the service of the selective service of th

THE LEAN GARBAGE PAIL MAKES ITS APPEARANCE HERE

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HELD FOR SLASHING WOMAN

Harrisburg--William Wagner, 521 State Road, West Channal supreme command has supreme command has as out of the question. The de he dighting zone, the general weak to a marking that is enored in with a strong as divergences and two Liberty Loan can appendix to the dight of a stable of the main terms of the capitol to day, declared that the far and mean dear to the strong and the str