#### FRENCH FEAR GERMAN DASH OVER NEUTRAL SWITZERLAND

Distinguished French Writer Urges Britain to Take Over More. of Western Front, So France May Be Prepared For Any Lightning Stroke From von Hindenburg.

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Of one thing France is certain: that under Field Marshal von Hindenburg for service at the rear, will free burg Germany is mustering all her a corresponding number of younger resources for the decisive stroke, and, if the past is to be a guide for the fulline.

"At what point will they strike?"

M. Herve asks. "Hindenburg's pet she hall be bushed be bushed as a sun that point will they strike?"

M. Herve asks. "Hindenburg's pet she hall be bushed be bushed be bushed by the continues, "but a grand offensive on that front is out of the question until April owing to weather conditions."

BRITISH ARMY IN SUEZ REGION

TO DRIVE THROUGH PALESTINE

estimated at from 500,000 to 2,000,000

Country Produce—Wholesale.

Butter—Fresh dairy choice 41 to 42c.

This force, while it will be used chief to 47c; solids, 43 to 43c.

Eggs—No. 1. storage. 39 to 40c; storage carries and the vicinity of Raspit and avance in the

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Will Join Russian Army That Has Moved South From the Caucasus and Cut the Bagdad Railroad.

anatch from Washington says: campaign from the Persian Gulf up The Holy Land may be the next im-the Tigris-Euphrates valley ended in portant heatre of war. Official do-disaster at Kut-el-Amara. But the

spatches received here indicate that British forces at Sucz recently capturthe British force in the Suez region are preparing for a drive through Palcestine. The object of this move undoubtedly is to join the Russian army that has moved south from the Caucasus, cutting the Bagdad railroad and ending Germany's dream of an Eastern empire.

It is not permitted to reveal the nather the bagdad railroad this intermation, but the conclusions drawn from them are amply support against the Turks.

British force in the Suez region of El-Arish, 75 miles east of Suez, many that have pushed on beyond there, how far is not known, The British to-day and have pushed on beyond there, how far is not known, The British to-day are farther east of Suez than at any time since the war broke out. The Czar's army in the north has been recipianced, and the Tigris army has been recipianced, and is pushing up the twill be despatches which convey this intermation, but the conclusions drawn from them are amply support against the Turks.

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Montreal Jan. 9.—Oats. Cannadian 3. 69c; exclassing the part of No. 2.71c; do. No. 2. 69c; exclassing the part of No. 2.71c; do. No. 2. 69c; exclassing the part of No. 2.71c; do. No. 2. 69c; exclassing the part of No. 2.71c; do. No. 2. 69c; exclassing the part of No. 2.71c; do. No. 2. 69c; exclassing the part of No. 2.71c; do. No. 2. 60c; exclassing the part of No. 2.71c; do. No. 2. 69c; exclassing the part of No. 2.71c; do. No. 2. 60c; exclassing the part of No. 2.71c; do. No. 2. 60c; exclassing the part of No. 2.71c; do. N the British force in the Suez region ed El-Arish, 75 miles east of Suez,

ed by the facts of the present mili. The Turkish censorship has closed tary situation of the belligerents. down tightly on all news from Pales, the Russian offensive in Asia Minor line, particularly from the Lebanous last Spring, which took Trebizons, district, where it is evident preparations and Mush, has been bated tions are being made to resist such a few short of its goal. The British move.

No. 4, \$1.631. Oats—No. 2 G.W., 5540; extra No. 1 feed, 553; No. 4, 9240; Ro. 4, 9240;

## FRENCH COMMANDER

the Troops at the Front:

A despatch from Limoges, France, ENGLISH FIRM'S BID

ter trained or more brave or possessed of more powerful means.

"It is under these brilliant auspices that the work of 1917 begins. You will make it a year of victory. In this absolute confidence I send you all, officers and soldiers, my most affectionate wishes for the new year."

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says: La France Militaire on Friday publishes the following general order to the troops, issued by General Nivelle:

"At a time when another year of the war is ending you can be proud of the war is ending you can be proud of the wark accomplished. At Verdun you broke the most powerful blow formany ever struck against any of her adversaries. On the Somme, emulating the courage of our British allies, during a long stries of attacks, you have given proof of a tactical supprove. Never has our army been het:

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#### TIME NEAR WHEN GERMANY MUST HAVE PEACE AT ANY COST Are Suffering From Hardships and

The Allies Urged to Make a Clear and Full Statement of Their Terms in Note to Wilson.

in the German newspapers on the En- statement, saying: tente reply, and citing reports of the is fast approaching when they must their reply to the President.

despatch from London says: The have peace at any cost. It finds con- to be partly fed by the Neutral Com-Daily News analyzing the comments firmation of this in Count Andrassy's

"Whatever the motives for the de sufferings of the peoples of the Cen- cision of the Central Powers to subtral Powers, sees indications that the mit their peace terms to President Central Powers do not regard the Wilson, it becomes more imperative prospect of negotiations as ended, and for the Allies to make a clear, full and comes to the conclusion that the time temperate statement of their terms in

#### BRITISH TRANSPORT IVERNIA SUNK IN THE MEDITERRANEAN

Four Officers, 120 Soldiers and 33 of the Crew Are Officially Reported as Missing.

A despatch from London says: The ing bad weather and while carrying British transport Ivernia has been troops. Four military officers and 116 sunk by a submarine, it was officially soldiers, as well as 33 of the crew announced on Thursday night. The are missing. The surgeon and chief text of the report reads: "The Ivernia engineer are among the missing of was sunk by an enemy submarine in ficers." the Mediterranean on January 1, dur-

#### Markets of the World RUSSIANS CHECK **TEUTON SWEEP**

Jan. 9. Manitoba wheat— Northern, \$2.101; No. 2, do., 3, do., \$2.031; No. 4 wheat, k, Bay ports. Old crop trading 4c above new crop.

Manitoba oats—No. 2 C.W., 73c, track, rican corn-No. 3 yellow, \$1.11,

Country Produce-Wholesale.

Provisions - Wholesale,

Smoked meats—Hams, med um, 25 to 25c; do., heavy, 22 to 23c; cocked, 34 to 35c; rolls, 19 to 20c; breakfast bacon, 25 to 27c; backs, plain, 26 to 27c; boneless,

Montreal Markets.

Live Stock Markets.

THE CHILDREN OF BELGIUM.

There are 2,575,000 children in RUSSIANS TAKE Belgium enduring the hardships which a heartless invader has forced upon them, and of these 1,500,000 are entirely dependent upon charity for food. Of the remainder many have mission. An American specialist who before the war.

GERMANY'S SECOND NOTE TO STATE PRECISE TERMS

A despatch from Paris says :- The Central Powers are reported by the Lausanne Gazette to be preparing a econd note to the Entente enumerat ing the precise conditions of peace says a Geneva despatch to the Temps The peace terms of the Teutonic allies which Count Julius Andrassy, former campaign in German East Africa, have said the Entente could learn from columns pursuing the enemy in the President Wilson, are believed in Rufiji Valley occupied a German camp. diplomatic quarters to consist of gen-eralizations which Germany and Aus-

Have Given Battle Successfully To Invaders in

Any Lightning Stroke From von Hindenburg.

A despatch from Paris savs:

Toire by Gustave Herve, the famous France fears a dash by the German armies agross neutral Switzerland, in a desperate attempt to turn the French and Italian lines, and relieve the pressure of the allied forces.

For moths the possibility of an invasion of Swiss territory has been talked off in Paris as a possibility. Today, in the opinion of the French press, it has become a probability.

Germany has called to the colors another class of recruits which will reinforce her active armies by more than half a million men. With her many has mobilized the classes of line presaring for her supreme of the third maximum she is prenaring for her supreme of the third maximum she is prenaring for her supreme of the third maximum she is prenaring for her supreme of the third maximum she is prenaring for her supreme of the third maximum she is prenaring for her supreme of the third maximum she is prenaring for her supreme of the third maximum she is prenaring for her supreme of the third maximum she is prenaring for her supreme of the third maximum she is prenaring for her supreme of the third maximum she is prenaring for her supreme of the war.

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lished their former position near Ka

A despatch from London Maximilian Harden, editor of Zukunft, delivered a speech at Berlin Saturday, pleading for peace agreement, according to Reuter's sterdam correspondent, who quites the Berliner Tageblatt. After referring to the enemy miscalculation of BEAT THE ENEMY. Germany's strength, Heri Harlen warned his hearers not to allow themindeed, the war proceeds only on the edges of this World Empire, England's hunger, moreover, is only a men can be balanced by British

U-BOAT SENDING OUT S.O.S. WIRELESS SIGNALS.

portant Dutch line that on his journey northwest of Kibambawe." from the Dutch East Indies he receive ed, while in the Bay of Biscay a S.O.S. message. He immediately rushed to the place indicated and found a German submarine which was not in distress. The captain of the submarine expressed regret that it was Durch and not a British vessel, and said, we to save our soul

TO CARE FOR SOLDIERS BLINDED IN THE WAR

\$200,000 Raised in America by British-French-Belgian Fund.

A despatch from New York say Two hundred thousand dollars will b sent abroad by the British-French-Belgian Permanent Blind War Rellef Fund, it was announced on Wednesday night, for the establishment of a exchange to care for soldiers of, three countries blinded in battle. ficers of the fund explained that their plan was to obtain an amount large enough so that the capital might kept intact and the relief work car ried on with the interest on

500 PRISONERS German Attack in Galicia Sanguinarily Repulsed.

A despatch from Petrograd say .- The War Office reports: "Enem spent three months investigating in attacks against our positions between Belgium states that tuberculosis is in- the Tirul marsh, the River Aa, and creasing rapidly among the older chil-dren of the working classes, and repelled by our fire. During the batrickets with the younger children; the south of Lake Babit and south of that every tuberculosis sanitarium in Riga, 500 Germans were captured. In Belgium is crowded, and that babies the region of the town of Retchni, born now weigh less than those born north-east of Veleiki, an enemy aeroplane landed. The aviators, an difficer and a private, were made pris-

> OCCUPY GERMAN CAMP IN EAST AFRIC

British Troop Reach the North Ban of the Rufiji. A despatch from London says

The British official statement on Hungarian Premier, is reported to sued on Sunday night, says; "Ou on the Tshogowali River and reache Kilbamawe, on the north bank of the Pope and presumably to the American The enemy still holds the south

### DOCTORS FROM UNITED STATES FOR THE BRITISH HOSPITALS

Will Fill the Places of Young English Surgeons Who Desire to Vorwa is Wants Wilson and Go to the Frant.

A despatch from London says: Ac- young American doctors cording to the Daily Telegraph ar- Hundreds of young doctors in though the Teutonic allies have made rangements are being made to replace United States, according to the Tele-further advances in Roumania, both

a number of young surgeons in the graph, have volunteered to serve in British hospitals by Americans, in or- the British army, but could not der to enable the Britishers to enter ceive a commission because they were the army. There are hundreds of doc- not British practitioners. There is tors of military age in home hospitals no barrier, however, to their practiswho wish to join the army, says the ing in Great Britain, says the news

Telegraph, but hitherto they have paper, and they are exactly the mabeen denied that honor owing to lack terial required to fill the places of English doctors who desire to go. to of substitutes. With a view to meeting the diffi- the front. The newspaper does not culty, the Daily Telegraph continues, say how many Americans are likely the army authorities some time ago to come, but asserts that they "may enquired of the medical authorities not run into many hundfeds." It adds in the United States whether they however, that these who do come will could send to England detachments of be welcomed.

#### patuno, north-west of Fokshani, made ENEMY RAIDING PARTY ENTERS. BRITISH LINES SOUTH OF LOOS

Was Speedily Driven Out, Leaving Numerous Dead in the British Trenches.

A despatch from London says: The The artillery activity has been con British official communication issued siderable at a number of places along Friday night says:

our front. Successful bombardments riday night says: our front. Successful bombardments "Early this morning a hostile raid- of enemy trenches have been carried Friday night says:

ing party succeeded in entering our out by us opposite Les Bocufs, Guellines south of Loos. Heavy fighting decourt, west of Commecourt and ensued. The enemy was speedily the neighborhood of Hill 60. "There was considerable acrial ac driven out, leaving a number of dead in our trenches. Some of our men are tivity yesterday. Successful work was

"We successfully exploded a mine junction with our artillery. Two of early last night north of Givenchy. our machines are missing."

#### GERMANS WILL IN EAST AFRICA

British Take Strong Positions Peace Conditions To Be Made and Inflict Heavy Casualties on the Foe.

A despatch from London says :-

essful Daylight Raid British on Wide

entered the German trenches over a TWO ZEPPELINS BURNED emy's third line. Many dugout's were destroyed and extensive damage occasioned to the defences. A similar raid was attempted by the Germans south of Wytschaete, but the attackers were driven off in disorder. The

## Known to President A despatch from Amsterdam says

The following official communication The Frankfurter Zeitung publishes was issued by the War Office on the report of a speech delivered by Thursday night:

"In East Africa our forces, in the vicinity of Kissakis, south of the Ulu-A despatch from London says: An Year's Day. They stormed the enthey assert, our offer is not honorably Amsterdam special to the Times emys strongly-entrenched lines in meant and is only a manoeuvre of says: German submarines are now the Mgeta Valley, inflicting heavy war, and it they say they cannot ennals to lure British vessels to destruction. The Telegraaf learns from an emy we approached, on January 3, will be communicated. Peace document Dutch line that are the Tiogowali River, eleven miles not appear immediately near, therefore we must battle further for peace with all our strength and make it in possible for our enemies to prevent

THRD DEFENCE

Andrassy's speech it appears as from Levelin, leaves a larger part of some sort of communication of the allies terms will now be made to William to constantinople to Russia leged terms will now be made to William to constantinople to Russia leged terms will now be made to William to constantinople to Russia leged terms will now be made to William to constantinople to Russia leged terms will now be made to William to Constantinople to Russia leged terms will now be made to William to Constantinople to Russia leged terms will now be made to William to Constantinople to Russia leged terms will now be made to William to Constantinople to Russia leged terms will now be made to William to Constantinople to Russia leged terms will now be made to William to Constantinople to Russia leged terms will now be made to William to Constantinople to Russia leged terms will now be made to William to Constantinople to Russia leged terms will now be made to William to Constantinople to Russia leged terms will now be made to William to Constantinople to Russia leged terms will now be made to William to Constantinople to Russia leged terms will now be made to William to Constantinople to Russia leged terms will now be made to William to Constantinople to Russia leged terms will now be made to William to Constantinople to Russia leged terms will not be made to William to Constantinople to Russia leged terms will not be made to William to Constantinople to Russia leged terms will not be made to William to Constantinople to Russia leged terms will not be made to William to Constantinople to Russia leged terms will not be made to William to Constantinople to Russia leged terms will not be made to William to Constantinople to Russia leged terms will not be made to Constantinople to Russia leged terms will not be made to Constantinople to Russia leged to Co from the fatal error of supposing the Arras Front.

A despatch from London says:

Sir Douglas Haig's troops have carried out another successful daylight raid south-east of Arras. The British entered the German trenches over present position is only temporary

IN SCHLESWIG SHEDS Zeppelins have been destroyed at Ton man averiess despart dera, Schleswig, by a fire due to defective wiring in a recently constructers were driven off in disorder. The British captured two hostile posts with their occupants.

ed double shed, says a Reuter despatch from Copenhagen, quoting the Ribe, Jutland, Stifts Tidende.

## 2,000,000 BRITISH SOLDIERS ON THE FRENCH FRONT ALONE

This is Entirely Exclusive of the Forces Employed in Seven Other Theatres of the War.

A special despatch from the British day or night, to receive cont in France says: front in France says: "Gen. Sir Douglas Haig to day com-

France on Jan. 1 was nearly 2,000,000 Egypt, Mesopotamia and Africa."

mands the largest army Great Britain ish forces in France, and is exclusive of effectives in the British army in Great Britain, Ireland, India, Salonica "This figure only refers to the Brit-

## GERMANS STRIPPING BELGIUM OF BRASS, COPPER AND TIN

Kitchen Utensils, Door Plates and Door Knockers Included in The Governor's Decree.

A Reuter despatch from Amster- all household goods made of brass, dam to London says that the Maas- copper, tin, rickel or bronze, includtricht newspaper Les Nouvelles, is auing kitchen mensils door plates and is estimated that one thousand househority for the statement that thority for the statement that the door knockers. The communes have have been destroyed. The city Governor-General of Belgium was in board and an arrived extensive Governor-General of Belgium has is- been ordered to assist in the sued a decree ordering the seizure of lection.

# WITH NEUTRALS

Others to Tell Germany men to Capitulate

destatch from Berlin says: of the suation created by the refe eithen side is able to gal ictory the only way out hrough leace by compromise and erstanding, and it remains the of the neutrals to find a suitable

The Warts further says: hat President Wilson is own and his courtry's behalf of peace he cape abandor fris effort; as hopeless, a He best prospects for rela urpose within a reasonal exert pressure, this he am sinst the allies, not the le ral rowers, and it would be a mer at if he could convince Entente that even the most peace! the German people cannot lept there as judges,

"Hatre, revenge and greet of gr not fitted to establish pine nternati hal legal status upon wh of peace may rest secul entire German people r the Enterte powers in the office udge arligated by them."

#### BRAILA, RUMANIA CAPTURED BY HUN

irtually all the River Danub Invaders.

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desparch from I .... Thee hundred person have been ed and many injure! he a disastro earthquake in Centra Formosa, at cording to special despatches Mante hes

When this : begins he was sunning himself hning himself His mother low, no bigger than a fifty-cent is and she had Heptia close eye on from the time he arst came out of sand a few menths before. Chub lo Brst came out of the see the world for hother always "Don't be in a nurry, Chub, to seek adventure. If you will only wait long enough, perhaps the adventure will come to you

his nother were the form of boy who was walking in the wood They had a lunch. ers that they had been picking. "Chmel come, Chub Turtle the best place for us!? pond as fast as she could go, but Chub lingered on the sand. All would have been well if he had obeyed his mother; but he disobeyed her. he had only himself to blame for

And sire chough, while Chub a

sunning themselves

When Mother Furtle splashed the water, the boy-whose man Sonny-left His mother and can shore His eyes on him and ricked him up. ook, nother! Look!" ed. "See the bally turtle! I ing to take it hone! Please.

tin box from the lunch bask

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That was a most exciting ad-Chub was not hart, but he wa hunted for Chulf a long time. looked everywhele except in the place, and they might, never found him at all if Binx, the not come to help them. keen eyes and a sharp my him straight to the spot & he was, and in a moment me see S

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ittle turtles, out he suns himself on a log or a lile pad, rather the sandy stole, where some might come atout and pick him yours. Come atout and pick him

"Have I mussed much?" sh "What are they playing now?

"The Ninth Symphony."

obsn't agree with you," the physician told him. "If I'd always ed to his wife "where would you he?" Every year about 1,300,000 m usia attain the age when the