German Commander Says Australians Are Brave But Lack Discipline.

# SCOFFS AT PEACE MOVES

SAYS HE IS STILL THE ANVIL IN THE WEST.

Teuton Armies Paying More Attention to Preparing for Next Offensive Which Is Expected in Near Fu-

By Cyril Brown, New York Times Cor-

of Bavaria, Dec. 26 .- "Wait and see what, if anything, comes of it. I personally do not take any too much stock in it." This was the canny

tinue to fight until ordered to top

words, and the same conservativeness artillery and he the air." of prince and private regarding all peace, with no unreasonable skepticism regarding the immediate or practical results of Germany's peace patiently works out the cause of reoffer. After the Allied Somme ex- verses with even greater thoroughperience they look sooner for a re- ness than of successes, has reached newal of the murderous struggle.

Field Marshal Rupprecht said, "We and English on the Somme was probhave met before," recalled that I had ably the principal factor in their suclast been with him in June, 1915, cesses, the theory apparently being just as he was meeting one of those borne out by the fact that the troops numerous Joffre offensives, which of the Somme offensive slowed down age when it starts out to lick somethen seemed the non-plus ultra to to a complete stop as the equilbrium body. commanders and correspondents. in the air was restored. With a whimsical smile, he recalled that he was the anvil while Macken- were the French and English at the sen, then, at the height of his great beginning?" I asked. drive through Galicia, was the hamrespondent with the German mer. History is again repeating it- telligence officer, who cautiously self to-day, the Crown Prince playing said: "Very much so." Headquarters of the Crown Prince | the hard anvil role on the west front, while the sledge hammer is busy on

> "I am still the anvil, but the anvil is holding out pretty well," he said.

"How much longer?" I asked.

Somme battle begins again, the Eng- Unfortunately, we lost our best one, The commander-in-chief of all the June "+" and has lasted till now, equilibrium, but had virtually regain terman armies between Verdan and We can afely say that there were ed the ascendancy on the Somme. Flanders thinks the same as the men some orginal moments at the beginin the trenches, on the subject of hing, when the enemy was immensed had already been with his army

Allies' Air Ascendancy.

The German military mind, which the conclusion that the overwhelm-With a flash of friendly recognition ing aerial ascendancy of the French

> "How much stronger in flying Rupprecht turned to his chief in-

The Crown Prince himself said "Ten times stronger than we-at least eight times. I have to say be tween eight and ten, but all that has now changed. In artillery, too, in ber, A.D. 1886. A. W. GLEASON, every respect in fact, we have been night, making it clear that he spoke having an intermission. If the more enemy fliers than we have lost.

thought is to do his duty and con- lish will find that we are ready for Boelke, through a stupid accident." them, and that we are prepared to Despite this heavy loss, the Crown give them a stronger recention than Prince intimated that the Germans ever bettle. Let's see, it began on had not only restored the aerial

The field marshal asked where I peace. Both use almost identical by stronger than we, particularly in When I answered that I had just come in from the Butte de Warlencourt, beyond Bapaume, famous as the scene of a desperate struggle between the Grenadier Guards and the

> Australians, he said: "That's pretty near the front (the English lying less than a hundred yards away). That's a decidedly draughty corner of the front. (Draughty is German military slang) for heavy shell fire.)

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ITSELF OVER THE FACE OF OLD

ENGLAND Camps—A New Command Brighton - The Administrative

London, Dec. 28.—The Canadian Army is gradually spreading itself into camps. over the face of England. The comparatively small force which make history at Salisbury has grown into handle troops in camps, which, coma tremendous army. On every street of every city in the United Kingdom and along highways throughout all | 000 people are seen gathered at some parts of the country soldiers of the function, but there are very few Dominion are to be seen.

camps in England, the training divi- one stops to think it will be readily sion at Shorncliffe, which is well realized that to handle expeditiously known to the people in Canada; the and without confusion an army of Training Area at Bramshott, which this size, perfect system is required. we have occupied for over a year, is senior partner of the firm of F. J. and a new command at Brighton, task to keep a body of men of this which has just recently been estab- size in a perfect state of discipline lished. Commencing the latter, although it is probably our finest camp, the people in Canada know!

four main camps, located at Crow- ty-Assistant-Adjutant-General; Maborough, Hastings, Shoreham and jor G. A. E. Bury, Deputy-Assistant Seaford. These camps are organized Quartermaster General; Captain H. Intosh, aged sixteen was killed when Germany's peace offer, expressed by ed. "As long as is necessary. The to month, and we shall continue to Mucous Surfaces of the System. Send and administrated by Major-General F. Walker, Deputy-Assistant-Adju- a piano fell on him. He was trying

CANADA'S ARMY SPREADING Adjutant and Quartermaster-Gener- the fact that they average al, is Chief Administrative Officer, hours a day for seven days a Chief Administrative Officer, hours a day for seven days a week, and the Administrative Staff is responsible for everything concerning when circumstances demand. the maintenance and care of the

It will be easily understood that the Administrative Staff, were exceedingly busy when this command was formed. Large bodies of troops had to be transported to the various areas, supplied with food directly on their arrival, and at once organized

The average person in Canada does not realize what it means pared with Camp Borden, are twice its size. Occasionally 5,000 or 10. places in the Dominion that can mus-There are now three great training ter a crowd of these proportions. As a matter of fact it is no small and health in ordinary camp routine.

The Administrative Staff consists of Lieut.-Col. D. W. B. Spry, Assistant-Adjustant and Quartermaster-The Brighton command consists of General; Major M. K. Greene, Depu-

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#### and are frequently called up at night ALBERTA WILL TAKE

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federal authorities for military duty. Commissioner Perry says, . however, that owing to the difficulty there would be apt to arise if the various stations in the province were immediately withdrawn from the control of the R.N.W.M.P., the orderin-council cannot actually take effect until such time as the provincial government can provide suitable men

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