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## FURTHER CASUALTIES IN AMERICAN SECTOR REPU KERENSKY HAS FLED TO PARTS UNKN

### ENEMY SHELL HIT AMERICAN GUN FRIDAY

Several Casualties Caused By Shrapnel-Some Another Body Was Found Today in Ruins of of Men Wounded Last Two Days Have Died - Americans Witness First Aerial Encounter-Soldiers Cited for Bravery

With the American Army in France, Nov. 16 .- (Delayed.) -have been further casualties, shrapnel wounding some men in fire to six. Little Addie Logan, mourned yesterday by her parthe trenches.

An enemy shell hit an American gun today and caused cas- friend where she had gone for the night. ualties. Some of the men wounded in the last two days have died.

AMERICAN BATTERIES REPLY.

inflicted on the Americans.

Patrolling continued actively last night. FIRST AERIAL ENCOUNTER.

American troops witnessed their first aerial encounter today. Three enemy airplanes appeared overhead. Soon all of them except one fled at the approach of five French machines. One of the French outmaneuvered this German and "got on his The German aviator then bolted. The rattle of machine guns finally died away as the two airships disappeared to the order of the day Corporal James

TEUTONS IN CHECK

Line Has Not Been Pene-

- Intense Artillery Duel

Along the Piave River

From Lake Garda to the Adriatic

the Piave valley the Italians are

crossed at Zenson is held on the river bank by the Italians.

In the other war theaters there has
been no intensive fighting. A French
attempt to cross the Allette river
southwest of Laonne, Berlin reports,
was repulsed. The French reached
the northern bank of the stream but
a German counter attack threw them
back to their original position on the
southern side.

Mentioned For Bravery. The French General commanding Gresham and Privates Merle D. Hay hte sector has mentioned in the dis-patches freen officers and soldiers, in-bravely in hand to hand fighting with on face and hands and back injured; bravely in hand to hand fighting with patches freen officers and soldiers, in-ciuding three who were killed, for ex-cellent military qualities and for bray-first line." The others cited, "who James Henry, injury to back in jump-along the base of Catholic Hill, sevcellent military qualities and for bray- first line." The others cited, "who James Henry, injury to back in jumpery displayed in the recent trench raid. showed excellent military qualities," A note accompanying the citations are Second Lieutenants M. C. Laugh- ker and Katie Shuford suffered only says that between 8,000 and 10,000 lin, R. O. Patterson and E. F. Erick- slight burns. Ernest Ingram and Vivsays that between 8,000 and 10,000 lin, R. O. Patterson and E. F. Erick-slight burns. Ernest Ingram and Viv-shells were used in the attack which had been in preparation for three porals David M. Knowles, and Homer the fire escape. These students having months, down to the finest details. Givens and Privates Chas. Massa, Wil- only minor injuries were taken to roof, he added, The results obtained by the enemy liam B. Thomas, Geo. Hurd, Boyce their homes, were very small, he having been un. Wade, Robert Winkler and John J. able to penetrate more than the first Jarvis. line trenches becaus of the resistance of the American soldiers with rifle and istol fire and hand grenades.
The enemy had to content himself, pistol fire and hand grenades.

the citation continues, with carrying off a few prisoners.

### General Order.

The general in the order mentions the ..... company commanded by Lieutenant (name deleted by consor) as follows:

"On the night of November 2-3, this company which was in the lines for the first time met an extremely violent bombardment despite which it seized arms and oyered such stubborn resistance that the enemy, though numerically superior, was obliged to re-

The general specially cited in the

### A deciding Feature.

The 27 prize ballots that are to be awarded to the 27 contestants the The TIMES' Great Circulation Campaign after today will no doubt be the deciding feature as to who end of the campaign. There are nine prize ballots to be awarded to nine contestants in each of the three divisions. The largest prize ballots for the contestant sending in the largest number of subscriptions for last week and for scriptions for last week and for this week will be 900,000 votes. This is beside the regular and special club votes. The second largest will secure 800,000; third, 700,000; fourth, 600,000; fifth, 500,000; mixth, 400,000; seventh, 300,000; eighth, 2000,000, and the ninth,

Subscriptions can be paid at the Subscriptions can be paid at the main office, to collectors or at the campaign office during the day and the campaign office will be open until a late hour this evening to receive subscriptions. Those who reside at points other than Asheville can secure subscriptions until late in the day and mail them any time before midnight tonight. any time before midnight tonight. Rural route people car give the mail man their letters Monday. The subscriptions will count on this offer when they reach the office.

SIX ARE DEAD AND THREE MISSING IN SCHOOL DISASTER

Catholic Hill School for Colored Children-Addie Logan, Reported Missing, Found at Home of Friends

Another charred body was found this morning in the (By the Associated Press.)—The artillery fighting in the sector smouldering ruins of the Catholic Hill school for colored stuheld by American troops has become even more lively and there dents, bringing the number of bodies recovered from yesterday's ents as lost in the flames, was last night found at the home of a

The body found today has not yet been identified, and the number of unidentified dead still stands at two; one of the two unidentified dead found yesterday was today recognized as THE BISHOP CAME The American batteries have been firing rapidly in return Hannah Simolton. There are still three children missing and and it is considered certain that more damage and casualties workmen under the direction of Chief James H. Wood are rehave been caused in the German lines than the Germans have moving debris from the recitation room in the northeast corner of the building where it is believed to be certain that other The Six Clerical Delegates bodies will be found.

> Identified dead: Hannah Simolton. Henry Pearson, jr., (Thompson). Elsie Pearson (Thompson). Mary Jamaison.

Unidentified dead: Two children. Missing: Hazel Harris, Inez Davis, Daisy Dobbins.

The Injured. Three children injured, now in the Mission hospital, ar edoing well today. ing from the third story. Annie Wal- eral hundred feet from the

only minor injuries were taken to their homes.

The origin of the fire, which spread through the lower stories of the building before it was discovered, and apparently burned 12 minutes before the alarm was turned in, it still a mystery. Three experts today examined the boiler and reported to Commissioner of Public Safety Ramsey that it was still in good condition except from damage caused by falling brick. The safety valve of the boiler is intact and Mr. Ramsey stated that the rumors that a boiler explosion caused this disaster are nothing more tha nufounded responsible of the seven rooms, howaster are nothing more tha nufounded

trated for Important Gain

From Lake Garda to the Adriatic "But we've had one drill today, sea over the Asiago plateau and down teacher," said one pupil.

"Yes; but we must have another now." the teacher replied.
"Teacher, it's a fire! I smell the smoke," the child answered, and im-

ly through the Italian action in opening the flood gates of the Piave and Sile rivers resulting in the inundation of 70 square miles of terrain. Attempts to cross the river further north have been defeated by the Italians. The Teutonic force which could not be overcome; it is probable able. In a very short time, however, also that smoke and flames overcome.

crossed at Zenson is held on the river bank by the Italians.

In the other war theaters there has been no intensive fighting. A French attempt to cross the Allette river southwest of Laonne, Berlin reports,

There are many reports that the fire was seen by a number of people

for ten minutes or more, from a distance, before the alarm came in. Near-ly 20 minutes after the fire started, somebody telephoned the alarm.

must have been cases of panic which also that smoke and flames overcome; it is probable able. In a very short time, however, some who hesitated or broke ranks and were lost in the smoke.

When Chief Wood and his men reached the building it was impossible for them to enter it and they stood at doors and windows sending in the streams of water while melting glass fell around them.

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DEFEATED IN BATTLE, DESERTED BY HIS MEN. PREMIER IS IN FLIGHT

# AGAINST GERMANY

Endorses Action of the Rev W. R. Shelton In Entering National Army

To General Conference Have Been Elected

orning's session of the Western North Carolina conference were the final selection of the clerical delegates to the next session of the General conthe conference in relation to the world war, a statement ringing with patriot-ism and loyalty.

The Clerical Delegates Four ballots were required to select the delegates. The final result is as

follows: Rev. Dr. H. M. Blair, editor of the Christian Advocate, Greensboro. Rev. Dr. C. W. Byrd, pastor of the

effort had been made to render the Central Methodist church, Asheville, building safe. But the only absolute-

Rev. H. C. Sprinkle, presiding elder

aster are nothing more tha nufounded reports.

When Mamie Martin, teacher of the 4B grade, located on the fourth floor, smelled smoke about 11:30 o'clock and went to investigate, she saw flames coming from the furnace room. Carrying out instruction given to all the city school teachers, she at once notified every teacher in the building to call for fire drill, warning them that this time it was a stern reality. Returning to her room this teacher called for fire drill.

"But we've had one drill today, teacher," said one pupil.

"Yes; but we must have another now," the teacher replied.

"Teacher, it's a fire! I smell the smoke," the child answered, and imstance, and in the seven rooms, however, the discipline was good, and it to describe the fire drill the army and is at Camp Jackson, a commissioned officer in the National the army and is at Camp Jackson, a commissioned officer in the National the army and is at Camp Jackson, a commissioned officer in the National the army and is at Camp Jackson, a commissioned officer in the National the army and is at Camp Jackson, a commissioned officer in the National the army and is at Camp Jackson, a temporal the army and is at Camp Jackson, a temporal the army and is at Camp Jackson, a commissioned officer in the National the army and is at Camp Jackson, a temporal the army and is at Camp Jackson, a commissioned officer in the Mathonity to empore the suddent structure of the sunders in the conference has resigned, enteroid, and it commissioned officer in the National the camp and is at Camp Jackson, a commissioned officer in the Sudment of the sunders in the conference has reciprocal the commissioned officer in the Sudment of the sunders in the army and is at Camp Jackson, a commissioned officer in the summissioned officer in the Sudment of the sunders In most of the seven rooms, how- the conference has resigned, entered

holding the Austro-Germans in check. Nowhere has the Italian line been penetrated for important gains, although the enemy pressure is very strong. Treutonic attacks have been irepulsed with heavy losses everywhere in the mountaintous region of the meaning of the first armonic order of the f

"I am on the waiting list." Endorses Action.

Finally, the conference, by a rising Finally, the conference, by a rising vote, went on record as heartily endorsing the step taken by Rev. W. R. Shelton. The presiding bishop was requested to make such appointment as would recognize the loyalty of Mr. Shelton and hold his name on the conference will.

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Tide of Events Has Turned and Moscow Is in Control of Bolsheviki-Kerensku's Forces Defeated at Tsarskoe-Selo-No Sympathy for Premier, His Officers Having Turned Against Him—People Want Real Leader

Defeated in battle by the Bolsheviki and deserted by most of his own officers and men, Premier Kerensky is in flight and his whereabouts is unknown in Petrograd. The head of Russia's provisional government was about to surrender to the maximalists under coercion when he disappeared.

In Moscow the tide apparently has turned and the Bolsheviki are in control of the ancient Russian capital with the forces of the provisional government besieged in the Kremlin. One VERY NEAR GOING report says heavy artillery is being used against the historic walls. Another declares a truce between government and Bolsheviki troops has been arranged. Between 2,000 and 5,000 persons have been killed in Moscow since the outbreak of the revolt.

Many Rumors Atloat. Cossacks is reported approaching the army officers. city with relief for the Kerensky; A traveler, returned from the Cauposed to be composed of released con- most provinces are not

sheviki and government troops. Prior to his sudden flight, Premier

troops were commanded by members General Kaledines, leader of the of the old anistocracy and former

forces. A third armed force sup- casus, reports that while conditions in victs, is said to be fighting both Bol- there is no sympathy with Premier Kerensky. He believes that the Rus-Kerensky had seen his force, mostly maintain authority an dorder. The Cossacks, defeated by the Bolsheviki Cossacks in Kuban, Astrakhan and the near Tsarskoe-Selo, now in the hands Don region have united and formed of the revolutionists. The Bolsheviki their own government

### UNDER DISGUISE

Agreed To Come To Petro- Heavy Losses Suffered By grad With Guard But Left While Preparations Were Being Made

Petrograd, Nov. 16, noon (Delayed). Deserted by most to his officers and virtually ordered to surrender to the Bolsheviki, Premier Kerensky evaded the guards sent for him and has dis-appeared. General Dukhonin has re-ing to the commander in chief of the number in chief of the Kerensky forces, recently defeated at Tsarskoe-

premier's staff, has been released, ions of sailors and num General Krasnoff's report concerning ments of the red guard, the disappearance of Kerensky confirms the rumor that he fled under

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BAULY DEFEATED

Cossacks-Few Bolsheviki Were Killed-Aristocrats Command Radical Forces

Petrograd, Nov. 14.—(Delayed)-Th chattle in which Premier Kerensky was defeated began last Saturday and nimed temporarily the post of com- Bolshqviki staff. The premier had 5,000 Cassacks and several hundred military cadets with considerable ar-General Krasnoff, former comman- tillery. The maximalist force included der under Kerensky and was was ar- four guard regiments, several battalresied with other members of the ions of sailors and numerous detach-

Many of the Bolsheviki soldiers were firms the rumor that he fied under disguise. The Cossacks in Kerensky's forces once attempted a charge near Tsarshis officers were against him and that his men were on the point of deserting, agreed to come to Petrograd, but

the Kerensky forces to attack and afterward they retreated. We now hold the committee, where you will accommittee, where you will accommittee, where you will accommittee.

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