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GERMANS RUSHING TROOPS TO FRANCE; ARTILLERY ACTIVE

Germans Are Bombarding **British Positions Around** Cambrai and Ypres

FRENCH REPULSE LOCAL ATTACKS

One Paper Says Intention Is

fied capitals, but where the expected votes. blow will fall is yet to be disclosed. In Division of the moment the infantry is inactive along the western front but the artillery, and especially that of the Germans, is very active in various sectors.

on the British front the Germans are bombarding heavily the positions southwest of Cambrai and east and northeast of Ypres, the two sectors which have seen virtually all the heavy fighting in the past few months. From St. Quentin to the Swiss border Davis exports event enemy artillery Paris reports great enemy artillery activity between the Oise and the Aisne, in Champagne northeast of Verdun and in upper Alsace. The British and French cannon are replyg in kind against the German posi-

tions.

The heavy German artillery fire may mean that the Germans are attempting to find a weak point and it may be only for the purpose of drawing allied attention to one spot while the troops from the Russian front are massed for a strong effort on a hitherto quiet sector. Strong local German attacks on the right bank of the Meuse, northeast of Verdun have been repulsed by the French who took prisoners.

To Smush the Allies.
London, Dec. 11.—The correspondent at Amsterdam of the Daily Express reports that the Germans are rushing troops to the western front with the idea of smashing the entente allies before America is able to act. and adds:

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"One of the results of this is that
two German munition trains collided
on Thursday. Both were blown up
and several hundred soldiers were
killed or wounded."

YESTERDAY WAS COLDEST DEC. 10 IN 34 YEARS

Much Suffering Reported on Account of Shortage of Coal Supply

New York, Dec. 11.—Freezing tem-peratures accompanied by high winds continued here otday with increasing number of reports of suf-fering due to the shortage of the coal supply. Yesterday, the coldest De-cember 10 in thirty-four years, made it impossible to bring 40,000 tons of coal—a two-day supply for greater New York—across the bay from New Jersey and dealers today continued to measure out their dwindling supply on the equal distribution plan. Hos-pital accommodations for children were reported to be crowded, the re-sult, according to charity workers of unheated living rooms and to undernourishment due to the inability of parents to buy milk and other necessary foods. One public school in Brooklyn was closed yezterday because of lack of coal and the supply in scores of others is about exhaust-

GERMANY IS TRYING TO CONTROL RUSSIAN TRADE

Lodon, Dec. 11.—The Petrograd sacks. to a responsible source the statement that during the informal conversa-tions between the Russian and German representatives at Brest-Litovsk regarding the armistice on the eastern front the Germans indicated that the following points were likely to be in-cluded in any of their peace negotia-

"Germany to have control of the Russian wheat market for fifteen

WINNERS IN TIMES **BIG SUBSCRIPTION** CAMPAIGN NAMED

Miss Annie Kirkpatrick of Canton Won Grand Capital Members of the 24th U. S. Prize, Nash Auto-Judges Worked Until 1:45 o'Clock This Morning-Full List of Prize Winners In Every Division Given Below

With the judges working until 1:45 won second prize in this division, a o'clock this morning, counting the millions of votes cast in the Great Circulation campaign of The TIMES, the winners were announced and the contest, which proved to be one of the most successful in the history of the winners were announced and the contest, which proved to be one of the the most successful in the history of votes.

U.S. Becomes Active

the paper ended.

Miss Annie Kirkpatrick of Canton
Division No. 2. won the grand capital
prize, the Nash automobile, with 93.
905.375 votes. In Division No. 1. Miss
Pauline Biggs of Asheville won the
Maxwell automobile with 69.76 680
working at 1:45 o'clock and stopped this
morning at 1:45 o'clock. Their full
votes and Mrs. F. H. Snipes won the
second prize, a plane, with 26,226,615

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	311		DISTRICT NO. 1.
1-	Miss I	auline Biggs	Maxwell Touring Car
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Maxwell Touring Car	
2—Mrs. F. H. Snipes, city	0,575
3—Gladys Brown, city	
4—Mrs, Harry Howell, city	1.725
5—Miss Julia Brookshire, Biltmore),275
6—Mrs. É. R. Randall, ety	9,000
7—Mrs. Erab Jones, city	8,150
8-Mrs. J. Harry Walker, city	6,775
9—Miss Ada Patterson, city	9255
0-Mrs, J. L. Martin, West Asheville	1.070

Set Aluminum Ware and Carving Set
9-Miss Ada Patterson, city
La Valliere 10—Mrs. J. L. Martin, West Asheville
DISTRICT NO. 2.
1-Mrs. E. V. Merrell, Weaverville
2—Miss Edith Colle, Morristown, Tenn
3-Mrs. F. J. Brown, Hot Springs, N. C
4-Miss Mae Jordan, Old Fort, N. C
5-Mrs. A. F. Ray, Bryson City, N. C
Wardrobe Trunk 6—Miss Netta Bridges, Morganton, N. C
Gold Bracelet Watch 7—Miss Nevada Ward, Marshall, N. C. 4.721,265 Artist Proof Photograph
8—Mrs. S. W. Mackey, Marshall, N. C
9—Mrs. T. W. Kincaid, Marion, N. C
10—Miss Neille Clontz, Canton, N. C
DISTRICT NO. 3.
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Ì	10—Miss Nellie Clontz, Canton, N. C	
	DISTRICT NO. 3.	ľ
ı	I.—Mrs. Grover C. Glenn, Arden, N. C., R. F. D. No. 1	
	2-Mrs, Kurus Hale, Canton, N. C., Route No. 3	
	3—Mrs. M. A. Ward, Zireonia, N. C	
	4—Mrs. Annie Abernethy, Bridgewater, N. C	
	5-Mrs. Thos. Turner, Esmeralda, N. C	1
1	6-Mrs. Richard Lunsford, Marble, N. C., R. F. D. No. 3, 10,154,775 Bracelet Watch	
-	7-Mrs. J. F. Black, Tryon, N. C., R. F. D. No. 1 9,790,410	ľ
-	8-Miss Willie Carmichael, Brevard, N. C., Route No. 2 8,872,700	
0	9—Mrs. H. K. Ramsey, Marshall, N. C. Route No. 5 8,436,445 La Valliere	
v	10—Miss Jennie Bishop, Brevard, N. C., Route No. 5	

Cossacks, Under Command

adds, are being detached from the west front to be sent against the Cossacks.

Kaledines, the Cossack leader, is disbanding infantry regiments in the Don territory and sending them home on account of their extremist opinions.

COLDEST WEATHER IN 40 OFFERS TO EXPORT LARGE YEARS IN OHIO VALLEY

QUANTITY COTTON GOODS

THIRTEEN NEGRO

Infantry Executed at 7:17 This Morning

FORTY-ONE GIVEN LIFE SENTENCES

Several Others Sentenced To Prison for Complicity In the Rioting

San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 11.-Thirteen negro soldiers of the 24th United States infantry were hanged at 7:17 this morning at Fort Sam Houston here for complicity in the rioting at Houston, Texas, on the night of August 23, last, when a hundred or more negro troopers broke camp and shot up that city. Seventeen persons were

killed and a number wounded before the outbreak at Houston was quelled. The men executed, with 50 others of the same regiment, recently were tried before a court martial here on charges of murder, mutiny and rioting. The trial ended about two weeks ago, but no announcement was made as to the finding until after the execution this morning of the 13 sentenced to death. In addition to those banged, 41 of the negro soldiers were sentenced to life imprisonment, one was sentenced to two and a half years' imprisonment, a ford labor these were prisonment at hard labor, three were sentenced to two years and five were acquitted.

The men hanged, all enlisted men of the 24th United States infantry.

Sergeant William C. Nesbitt.
Corporal Larnon J. Brown.
Corporal James Wheatley.
Corporal Jesse Moore.
Corporal Chas. W. Baltimore.
Private William Brackenridge.
Private Thomas C. Hawkins.
Private Carlos Snodgrass.
Private Ira B. Davis.
Private James Divins.

Private James Divins. Private Frank Johnson. Private Risley W. Young Private Pat M. Whorter. The announcement of action on the court martial's verdict was made all southern department headquarters at 9 o'clock by the chief of staff who also gave out a formal statement in which the names of the men sentenced to life imp isoment were given. Formal Announcement.

The formal announcement, issued at department headquarters at 9 o'clock this morning, follows:

The proceedings, findings and sentences of the general court martial which tried 62 members of the 24th infantry for their implication in the riots at Houston, Texas, August 23, 1917, were approved by the commanding general, southern department, Deing general, southern department, De-cember 10, 1917.

Sentences of the Court. The sentences of the court were as

In the cases of Sergeant William C In the cases of Sergeant William C. Nesbitt, Corporals Larnon J. Brown, James Wheatley, Jesse Moore and Chas. W. Baltimore: Privates First Class, William Brackenridge, Thomas C. Hawkins and Carlos Snodgrass; of Privates Ira B. Davis, James Divins, Frank Johnson, Risley W. Young, all of Company I, and Pat MacWhorter, Company M, to be hanged by the neck until dead.

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Cook Nathan Humphrles, jr.; Privates
First Class, John M. Hudson, jr.,
James R. Johnson, Ben McDaniels and
Stewart W. Phillips, all of Company I:
Privates Douglas T. Bolden, Fred
Brown, Robert Brownfield, Harrison
Capers, Ben Ceell, Gerald Dixon,
Henry Green, James R. Hawkins, Geo
Hobbs, Norman D. Holland, Richard
Lewis, Leroy Pinkett, Joseph Wards
low Wn S. Kane, Harry Richardson, the lower reaches of the Playe live. of Korniloff, Prepare to Fight

| Holbs, Norman D. Holland, Eighard Lowis, Leroy Pinkett, Joseph Ward, Moscow is reported to be grave, according to a Times dispatch from Petrograd. The Boisheviki, according to Petrograd newspapers, have placed machine gins in the streets as they found and the streets as they found and its reported to be at Simsy, commanded by Fight Insubordination and its reported to be disobering in Robisteriki commander, a crystessellar in the streets as they found and its reported to be disobering its Robisteriki manner in which this division held the heights back of the Asiago plateau in the conditional of the heights back of the Asiago plateau in the service, and the conditional of the heights back of the Asiago plateau in the received in the streets as they are expected to be disobering the Robisteriki commander.

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Considerable to fellower lake them t pay and allowances due and to be con-fined at hard labor at such place as the reviewing authority may direct for forming his shattered forces which hte ter mof his natural life.

Swedes to leave the city, according to came, gave a first hand description of advices received in Haparanda and forwarded by the Stockholm correspondent of the Morning Post. It is added that starvation seems to threaten Moscow. Most of the Swedes there are said to have taken the consults advice.

London, Dec. 10.-Andrew Bonar Law, chancellor of the exchequer, announced in the house of commons today that Jerusalem, after being surrounded on all sides by British troops, had surrendered.

The chancellor said British, French and Mohammedan representatives were on the way to Jerusalem to safeguard the holy places.

General Allenby reported that on Shturday he attacked the enemy's positions south and west of Jerusalem, the

Walsh and Home county troops, advancing from the direction of Bethlehem, drove back the enemy and, passing Perusalem on the east, established themselves on the Jerusalem-Jericho road.

At the same time London infantry and dismounted yeomanry attacked the strong enemy positions west and northwest of Jerusalem and placed themselves astride the Jerusalem-Shechem ...ad.

The ultimate fall of Jerusalem has been considered virtually assured since the British took Jaffa, the city's seaport, in mid-November, and shortly afterward pushed within sight of Jerusalem.

Official entry into Jerusalem, the Holy City of the Christians, is planned for today. Allied troops entered the capital of Palestine after it was surrounded and the Turks were forced to surrender.

Capture of the city was delayed through the fear that fighting operations might result in the damaging of religious

MARKS END OF RULE OF MOHAMMEDANS

The capture of Jerusalem marks the end, with two brief interludes, of more than 1,200 years' possession of the seat of the Christian religion by the Mohammedans. For 673 years the Holy City has been in undisputed ownership of the Turks, the last Christian ruler of Jerusalem being the German emperor, Frederick II, whose short-lived domination lasted from 1229 to 1244.

Apart from its connection with the campaign being waged against Turkey by the British in Mesopotamia, the fall of Jerusalem marks the definite collapse of the long protracted efforts of the Turks to capture the Suez canal and invade Egypt.

Can Not Break Through

were seen in long lines along the roads Swedes Advised To Leave.

London. Dec. 11.—Street fighting has occurred in Moscow, and the Swedish consul there has nativised all swedish consul there has nativised all charges until the order for retirement the financial swedish in leave the city according to

Washington, Dec. 11.—The coldest to Russia duty free.

"All German goods to be admitted to Russia duty free.
"No territory now occupied by the Germans to be surrendered."

The correspondent says the Bolphevikle were disappointed by the reference disappoint disappointed by the reference disappoint disappointed by the reference disappoint d

slopes. Others remained on the summit with the enemy surrounding them.
At 9 o'clock on Wednesday morning the colonel of these battalions sent his last report to the general. It said laconically:

The enemy is on all sides, and I am

The workmen have taken over the control of factories in the Petrograd of district under a decree issued by the Bolsheviki. The Petrograd bank. have decided to issue notes aggregating 100,000,000 rubles to relieve the financial situation.

Former Premier Kerensky in a communication addressed to the provisional government, announces that a though he has resigned as premier he still considers himself a member of

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All Cases Dismissed,

INTRODUCTION OF EVIDENCE IN NEARING ITS END

Both Sides Have Only Few More Witnesses To Put On Stand

MEANS ON WITNESS STAND FOUR DAYS

Def ndant's Sist as Tell of His Grief Over Death of Mrs. King

Concord. Dec. 11 .- Introduction of vidence into the trial of Gaston B. Means appeared to be nearing its end today, although the defense remained silent as to how many more witnesses it would offer. The state also was ex-pected to offer several witnesses in re-

pected to offer several witnesses in rebutial.

Means' story of his financial transactions for Mrs. Maude A. King, for whose murder he is on trial, was fibished late yesterday afternoon, after he had reiterated his story of het denth near here last August which he attributed to accidental discharge of a pistol in her hands. He had been on the stand the better part of four days.

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The defense then put on a number of witnesses to testify to minor points in its case. Among them were Means two sisters, who declared that on the night of Mrs. King's death they found him with his head bowed in his hands and tears streaming down his face.

The defense recalled Chief of Pouce. Robinson as the first witness to

The defense recalled Chief of Po-lice Robinson as the first witness to-day. He told of a statement made to him on the night of the death of Mrs. King. by Afton Means, brother of the defendant. Afton Means told him, he said, that the defendant said imme-diately aft r the shooting: Mrs. King shot herself with that lit-tic nistel."

Henry Deitch, of New York, an employee of Means, described the system used by eMans in keeping the accounts between himself and Mes. King, Monthly itemized statement accounting for all transactions were submitted to Mrs. King, he said, approved by her and then filed away. Complete files of the accounts were kept by Means in his New York apartment and taken therefrom by John T. Dooling in September for the New York district attorney's office. He said Dooling spent the night there examining the papers before taking them. them.

On cross examination the witness aid he was employed by the Burns letective agency at and prior to the ime he joined Means, doing investi-

gation work to ascertain if the neu-trality laws were being violated. Means was allowed over objection of The enemy is on all sides, and I am about to charge."

That was the last which was ever leard of him or of any of his men. The enveloping masses grew denser and the gallant Alpini band which had gone to rescue the Bersaglieri was wined out.

Against was anowed over objection of the state to rend a lengthy and what purports to be a complete itemized statement of receipts and disburse-ments made by Means for Mrs. King during August and part of September, 1915, the first month he was associated with her as business: manager,

Can Not Break Through
Italian Line Between the
Piave and Brenta—Huns
Lose Heavily

Infantry fighting has stopped mementarily, at least, on the Italian front from Asiago to the Piave and the Brenta failed with losses. The enemy recounted the remainant of the division and fought out the remainder of the Brenta failed with losses. The enemy reformed his shattered forces and attempted to break through between the Piave and the Brenta failed with losses. The enemy reformed his shattered forces and attempted to break through between the Piave and the Brenta failed with losses. The enemy reformed his shattered forces and attempted to break through between the Piave and the Brenta failed with losses. The enemy reformed his shattered forces and attempted to break through between the Piave and the Brenta failed with losses. The enemy resonance of the fines are now resting, with good prospects of holding.

The Austro-Germans captured some

The witness declared that such de-tained statements of account were The correspondent visited a number of new three declared that such dec talked with officers and men. All were confident of being able to hold when by month. She examined them and the new attack which they expect in her "o. k." was attached each month

Record for Coal Shipment.

Philadelphia Dec. 11.—Shipments of anthracite coal for November as reported to the anthracite bureau of information established a record for the month, amounting to 6,545,313 tons and exceeding the shipments on November, 1816, 582,316 tons.

"r. Chamberlin Indicted. cochland, 7a., Nec. 11.—Dr. Asa.
V. Chamberlais was ladicted in the freuit court of Goochland county reserving for the murder of bis brother.
Albert P. Chamberlais. 113 will be ried at a special term of court to begly Yanger.

