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## SCORES INJURED BY EXPLOSION IN AN INDIANA MINE

Two Reported Killed and One Hundred and Fifty Are Injured as Result of Blast.

### SOME BURNED SERIOUSLY

Doctors Work With Pulmotor on Men Reported Dead.

### IS LITTLE HOPE OF SAVING

Terre Haute, Ind., Dec. 19.—Two men were reported dead and fully 150 injured as the result of a gas explosion in the Oliphant-Johnson mine at Bruceville, Ind., according to word received here late this afternoon from the mine. Thomas Patterson and William Bailey, both of Bruceville, were reported dead. Doctors are still working on the men with pulmotors, but it was said that hope had been abandoned.

### Wealthy Oklahoma Man Assassinated In Home of Fiance

Joplin, Mo., Dec. 18.—Samuel G. Davis of Tulsa, Okl., wealthy dealer in Indian lands, was shot and killed last night in the home of Mrs. Daisy Carter, a divorcee, to whom he was to have been married Sunday. The assailant, who was crouched in a room where Mrs. Carter had placed her wedding trousseau, held Mrs. Carter, her mother and maid at bay with his pistol and escaped after the shooting.

Mr. Davis returned from the business district at a late hour in company with Mrs. Carter and her mother. They discovered that a window had been broken in one of the rooms and believed that a burglar was in the house. Davis took a pistol to search the premises. When he entered a room in which his fiance had placed her trousseau a masked man opened fire, shooting him in the back. Davis lived only a few minutes.

### Seven Foreigners Reported Killed in Mexico at Border

El Paso, Tex., Dec. 19.—Seven foreigners, all of whom at various times had been reported killed by bandits in Mexico, arrived at Eagle Pass, Tex., today, according to a telegram received by officials of a railroad company here.

The arrivals were: Dr. Thomas Flanagan, W. A. Scott, Jacob Meyer, W. C. Palmer, all Americans; Edgar Cook, acting German vice consul; Julio Sinner, a Swiss citizen, and a man named Schaefer.

### Chicago is Near To Fuel Famine

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 19.—With Chicago householders facing the possibility of a fuel famine, announcement was made today that Charles F. Clynne, United States district attorney, and William L. O'Connell, chairman of the Illinois State Public Utilities commission, heading a delegation of shippers and coal consumers, will seek to obtain from the Interstate Commerce commission means to alleviate the situation. Coal dealers, who assert the situation is becoming more acute, attributed it to a shortage of coal cars.

### Present for Every Child Who Visits At German Home

Santa Claus will care for every child who comes with his parents to the German home Christmas day at 5 o'clock, the women of the German Home society have promised. For each little boy or girl there will be a bag filled with candy, nuts, fruit, goodies and toys. No admission will be charged and the treat is free to all.

### The Weather

For Nebraska—Snow; colder. Temperatures at Omaha Yesterday.

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### Must Fight to Last Man and Shilling

London, Dec. 19.—In the House of Lords today the marquis of Crewe, the government leader, said: "We must carry on the war to the last man, to the last shilling."

### Princess Caraman Chimay Dies at Her Villa Near Padua

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### Mediators Adjourn; Up to Carranza Now

Philadelphia, Dec. 19.—The Mexican-American joint commission late today adjourned to an indefinite date awaiting a reply from General Carranza to a counter communication made by the Americans.

### Woman is Awarded \$170,000 in Breach of Promise Suit

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## FREMONT ELEVATOR DESTROYED BY FIRE

Big Grain Container Of Nye-Schneider-Fowler Company Burns to Ground.

### LOSS HALF MILLION

Fremont, Neb., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—Three hundred and fifty thousand bushels of grain, mostly wheat and corn, were lost in a fire which destroyed Elevator B of the Nye-Schneider-Fowler company here tonight. The loss was estimated at \$500,000, practically covered by insurance.

### WON'T NEED MORE MEN

Transfer of Soldiers From Front to West Not Believed Necessary.

### AMPLE RESERVES AT HAND

Berlin, Dec. 18.—(Via London, Dec. 19.)—Although the German military authorities are making no effort to belittle the recent French gains in the neighborhood of Verdun and look for more attacks in the near future, they maintain that the results attained are small and have no effect on the general military situation. They do not believe the anticipated future attacks will necessitate any transfer of troops from the east to the west, since ample reserves are at hand.

### BERLIN ASSERTS FRENCH GAINS WITHOUT EFFECT

German Maintains Results of French Offensive at Verdun Small, Making Little Difference in Situation.

### FOURTH NEBRASKA LEAVES BORDER SOON

Regiment Containing Omaha Companies Among First to Start North.

### SCOTT RENEWS PLEA FOR STRONG ARMY

General Says National Guard Troops Could Not Have Made March Pershing's Men Did.

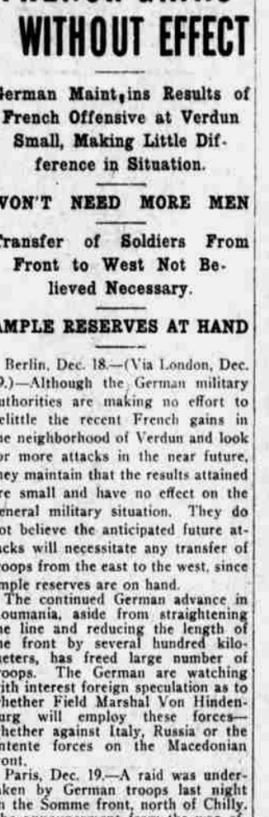
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## But the Salesgirl Has Been There All Day



### EMPEROR CHARLES VISITS HIS ARMY ON THE ITALIAN FRONT

London, Dec. 19.—Emperor Charles of Austria has reviewed the Austrian armies on the Trieste front, according to a Reuter's dispatch from Amsterdam quoting a Vienna telegram. The emperor, accompanied by General Borovich, commander of the Austrian forces on the Isonzo, first visited the troops on the line of that river and later went to Trieste, where he is reported to have received an enthusiastic reception. The notables were presented to the monarch in the government building and he addressed former Burgomaster Sandrinelli in Italian. Afterward he visited the troops on the Carso plateau.

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## ALLIES REFUSE TO PUT HEADS IN 'GERMAN NOOSE'

New British Premier Uses Strong Figure in Referring to Peace Proposal of the Kaiser.

### MUST HAVE GUARANTEES

Will Insist Prussian Militarism Cannot Again Disturb the Peace of Europe.

### POWERS ARE IN ACCORD

#### BULLETIN.

Paris, Dec. 19.—Premier Briand announced in the Senate today that the entente allies would send tomorrow a concerted reply making known "to the central powers that it is impossible to take their request for peace seriously."

### ALLIES ARE IN ACCORD

London, Dec. 19.—Premier Lloyd George said in the House of Commons today that it was felt that they should know before entering on negotiations that Germany was prepared to accede to the only terms whereon it was possible for peace to be obtained and maintained in Europe.

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The premier said that without repatriation peace would be impossible. Mr. Lloyd George said there were no proposals for peace. To enter into proposals of which they had no knowledge was to put their heads into a noose with the rope end in the hands of Germany.

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Much as they longed for it, the premier added, the central powers' note and the speech preceding it afforded small encouragement and hope for an honorable and lasting peace.

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Mr. Lloyd George said the allies would insist upon a complete guarantee against Prussian militarism disturbing the peace of Europe.

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The premier said: "We will wait until we hear that terms and guarantees are surer than those which Germany broke. Meanwhile we put our trust in our unbroken army."

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The formal reply of the allies, the premier announced, will be given in the course of a few days.

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Mr. Lloyd George said: "Our answer will be given in full accord with our allies. Each of the allies has separately and independently arrived at the same conclusion. I am glad of the first answer given by France and Russia."

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The speech of Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg before the German Reichstag was characterized by Mr. Lloyd George as constituting in substance a denial of the only terms upon which peace was possible.

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After declaring that peace without repatriation was impossible, the premier asked whether "all the out-rages on land and sea" had been liquidated by "a few pious phrases about humanity?"

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Premier Lloyd George announced it had been decided to give recognition to the agents of former Premier Venizelos of Greece.

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Speaking of the western front, Mr. Lloyd George referred to the growth of the British armies there and continued: "I am convinced ultimate victory is sure if the nation shows the same spirit of endurance and readiness to learn as the mud-stained armies at the front."

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Turning to the more purely political of the domestic problems before the new ministry, Mr. Lloyd George said: "We are anxious to avoid all controversial questions. The functions of the premier and leader of the House of Commons have been separated because it was believed the double tasks were too much for one man. The organization of the new cabinet is best adapted for the purposes of war if you want prompt decision. The allies have suffered disaster after disaster from tardiness of decision."

## REAL TRAINING IS NEEDED

The National Guard Force Mobilized on the Mexican Border Would Have Required Nearly a Year of Intensive Training to Prepare it to Meet Trained Troops.

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Washington, Dec. 19.—Congressional committees were again engaged today, the house military and naval committees dealing with necessary appropriations to carry forward the rebuilding of the navy and development of the National Guard, while Major General Hugh L. Scott, chief-of-staff, renewed his plea before a senate subcommittee for abandonment of the National Guard and all other volunteer systems in favor of universal training and service.

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General Scott made it plain that the general staff had no quarrel with the officers and men of the guard, but only with the system, and argued that its defects were inherent in any plan that was based on the inclination of individuals toward military training.

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Before the naval committee, which resumed consideration of the 1918 estimates after a week's delay, Captain William S. Sims, commanding the new dreadnought Nevada, was the first man from the active fleet to present his views. He told of the conditions of modern battle practice at sea and the progress being made by the fleet toward battle efficiency.

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Brigadier General Weaver of the coast artillery continued before the house military committee his explanation of items for the coast defenses in the 1918 bill.

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London, Dec. 19.—The first appearance of David Lloyd George before the House of Commons as premier was made today in circumstances seldom, if ever, faced by a new holder of the office. Even if the peace proposals of the central powers had not intervened, his statement of the policy of his government which was chosen in reply to a public demand for more vigorous prosecution of the war would have marked an important step in the world conflict. The peace note, however, shifted the interest and every corner of the world awaited the announcement as to the British attitude toward the move of the central powers.

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When the house assembled every seat on the floor and in the galleries was filled. The diplomatic representatives of Great Britain's allies occupied seats in the gallery for distinguished strangers. On the benches reserved for lords were many members of the upper house who took a prominent part in bringing about recent change of government.

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Among them were Lords Northcliffe, Reading, Burnham, Islington and Birria. There was also a scattering of dominion ministers, including Premier Massey and former Premier Ward of New Zealand.

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Premier Begins Speech. It was ten minutes past 8 o'clock when the premier rose before the House of Commons.

"I appear before the house," he began, "with the greatest responsibility which has fallen on any man as chief adviser of the crown—in the midst of the most gigantic war ever waged, on which depends the destiny of nations and humanity. The responsibilities of the government are accentuated by the declaration of the German chancellor and the note communicated through the United States. Our answer will be given in full accord with our allies."

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The statement of the premier was greeted with cheers. "The German note was a mere paraphrase of the chancellor's speech. Each of the allies has separately and independently considered the matter and arrived at the same conclusion. I am glad the first answer has been given by France and Russia. They had unquestionably the first right to speak, for the enemy is still on their soil and their sacrifices have been great. I simply stand here to give clear and definite support to the statements they have made."

"Any one who wantonly prolongs this conflict has a crime on his soul which oceans of tears could not cleanse," the premier declared, "but any one who abandons the struggle without attaining the object would be even more guilty. Are we likely to attain our object by accepting the German proposals? To accept the proposals would be to put our heads into a noose. Historic example causes us to regard the proposal with disgust."

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Turning to the food problem, the premier said: "The main facts are plain. The harvests of the United States and Canada are failures and the Argentine promises badly. Russia is unavailable and our own harvest is poor, while only three-eighths of the normal winter sowing has taken place owing to bad weather. Under these

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