

### GERMANS HOLDING EAST AND WEST

Berlin Announces Assaults of Allies in France and Russia Are Repulsed.

### BRITISH REPORT GAINS

Bulletin. Berlin, Feb. 13.—(Wireless to Sayville.)—Two attacks were made yesterday by the Russians on the upper Sereth river, the war office announces. Several battalions were employed. The statement says the assaults were repulsed.

Berlin, Feb. 13.—(By Wireless to Sayville.)—Details of the violent engagements on Sunday night north of the Ancre on the Somme front are given by the military critic of the Overseas News agency. Writing under date of February 12 he says: "On Sunday night violent engagements took place between Serre and the Ancre, where six attacks by the British were repulsed, the assailants suffering heavy losses. The British in the afternoon opened an extremely heavy fire on the German positions north of the Ancre. One trench near Serre was evacuated by the Germans using this preparatory fire without the British being aware of the movement.

"Between 9 and 10 p. m. the first of the British contingent initiated the attack over the snow-covered ground in the vicinity of Beaumont. They were repulsed sanguinarily. Two additional attacks at the same point also failed. "Toward evening the British launched their fourth attack east of Beaumont. This was made by a battalion supported by numerous machine guns. It was followed by violent hand-to-hand fighting, during which one officer and more than thirty men were taken prisoners by the Germans. The attack was a failure. "The British attempted two additional attacks with strong forces in this district. Soon after midnight they succeeded in penetrating German trenches buried in snow after furious hand grenade fighting, but were ejected by counter attacks after sustaining heavy casualties.

"At 4 a. m. the British made their sixth and last attack of the night, this breaking down, however, under the German curtain of fire."

### Britons Report Gains

London, Feb. 13.—Official announcement was made today that the British forces on the Tigris front have established a line across the Tigris bend west of Kut-el-Amara, completely hemming in the Turks. "On Saturday the enemy's bridge at Shumran was shelled. A direct hit was scored and some enemy shipping sunk.

"On Sunday the advance on the right bank of the Tigris was resumed and the enemy was driven back to his last line of trenches in the Dahra bend, west of Kut. By evening our line was established across the bend, from bank to bank, on a frontage of 5,500 yards, and the enemy was hemmed in. The distance covered in the advance varied from 800 to 2,000 yards."

### Teutons Active on Two Fronts

Berlin, Feb. 13.—(By Wireless to Sayville.)—The capture of a strong point of support south of the Valeputna road, on the northern end of the Roumanian front, is reported in today's statement from army headquarters, which reads: "South of the Valeputna road our troops took a strongly constructed point of support by storm, capturing 168 men, three machine guns and much field material. "Between the Unul and Putna valleys there were lively artillery duels and forefield engagements at many places."

After a long period of inactivity, Teutonic troops on the Macedonian front took the offensive yesterday in the Cerna bend. The war office announced today the capture of a hill position east of Paralovo. "In the Cerna bend yesterday," the statement says, "our troops, after effective artillery preparation, attacked the enemy's hill position east of Paralovo. They took it by storm and also several camps behind the front. Our losses were small. Two Italian officers and ninety men were made prisoners. We also captured five machine guns and two mine throwers."

### Russian Official Report

Petrograd, Feb. 13.—(Via London.) "Scouting reconnaissances and infantry firing are proceeding on the Roumanian front," says today's official announcement. "British armored motor cars twice advanced toward the enemy's position in the region of the Sereth mouth and bombarded them with artillery. "The situation on the Caucasian front is unchanged. "Our aviators dropped four bombs on the enemy's airdrome in the village of Kobylnik, north of Narocz lake. Enemy airplanes dropped bombs on the Pogoreltsy station, on the Alexandrov railroad, on a tank and in the region southeast of Galitch. Northeast of Fokshani one of the French aviators engaged an enemy machine, which descended rapidly, apparently damaged."

### Fairmont Girl Is Taking Red Cross Work in Northwestern

Evanston, Ill., Feb. 13.—(Special.)—Eighty Northwestern university young women students are taking a Red Cross course in nursing to qualify for becoming nurses at base hospitals in case war breaks out. Those who qualify will soon receive official papers from Washington. They have been given lectures in Red Cross first aid and other subjects. Another class will be enrolled as soon as the present one qualifies. Among those in the present class is Ruth Watson of Fremont, Neb.

### Nature Cures, The Doctor Takes the Fee

There is an old saying that "Nature cures, the doctor takes the fee," but as everyone knows, you can help Nature very much and thereby enable it to effect a cure in much less time than is usually required. This is particularly true of colds. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy relieves the lungs, liquefies the tough mucus and aids in the expectoration, allays the cough and aids Nature in restoring the system to a healthy condition.—Adv.

### NAVAL BILL GOES THROUGH HOUSE

Measure, With Many Important Amendments, Passes the Lower Body of Congress.

### NOW OFF TO THE SENATE

Washington, Feb. 13.—The naval appropriation bill, aggregating \$369,000,000, including administration emergency amendments for commandeering of ship yards and munitions plants if necessary, and acquisition of basic patents of aircraft, was passed today by the house. The bill now goes to the senate.

Without Discussion Representative Mann got an amendment into the naval bill today declaring that the United States favored settlement of international disputes through mediation or arbitration.

"It hereby is reaffirmed," the amendment read, "to be the policy of the United States to adjust and settle its international disputes through mediation or arbitration to the end that war may be honorably avoided."

The administration amendment authorizing the appropriation of \$1,000,000 to acquire basic patents for aircraft was adopted.

The appropriation of \$12,000,000 to equip the navy yards to build ships refused by private builders, was agreed to after some discussion. Amendments to specify the Boston and other yards were defeated.

Eighteen democrats, including Majority Leader Kitchin, four republicans and one socialist, voted against the bill. Those voting against it were:

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| Democrat.         | Sherwood, O.     |
| Bailey, Pa.       | Johnson, Ky.     |
| Burnett, Ala.     | Thomas, Ky.      |
| Huddleston, Ala.  | Boyd, Va.        |
| Callaway, Tex.    | Boyd, Va.        |
| Davis, Tex.       | Boyd, Va.        |
| Page, N. C.       | Boyd, Va.        |
| Doughton, N. C.   | Boyd, Va.        |
| Paup, N. C.       | Boyd, Va.        |
| Kitchin, N. C.    | Boyd, Va.        |
| Gordon, O.        | Boyd, Va.        |
| Republican.       |                  |
| Crampton, Mich.   | Lindbergh, Minn. |
| Hollingsworth, O. | Nelson, Wis.     |
| Socialist.        |                  |
| London, New York. |                  |

### Hastings City Light Plant Nearly Short of Coal

Hastings, Neb., Feb. 13.—(Special Telegram.)—The Hastings Municipal Water and Light plant, according to reports made today by Commissioner Watson, has been running perilously close to the danger point in fuel, because of the failure of the local bargainer to supply the kind of coal bargained for. The excess cost in the use of substitutes during the last three weeks has been \$598.

The commissioner charges that coal contracted for by the city and delivered in Hastings has been sold to private users, while the city plant has been forced to take coal which is inferior for the city's use.

The city has ordered the purchase of a 300-horsepower boiler and two automatic stokers for the city plant at an approximate cost of \$9,500.

An investigation by County Attorney Fouts today resulted in the determination that the death of William Varney at Prosser yesterday was accidental. He was occupying a shack while his family was under quarantine for scarlet fever. His clothing caught fire in some unknown way. He jumped through the window and was dead when found.

### New Pastor at Fairbury

Fairbury, Neb., Feb. 13.—(Special.)—Rev. J. W. Hudiburgh of Victor, Colo., will arrive in Fairbury, Wednesday, and assume his duties as pastor of the Presbyterian church. He has been located in Victor for several years. He succeeds Rev. S. J. Megaw, who severed his connection with the Presbyterian church last December and took charge of the church in Fullerton, Neb.

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### Villa Smuggles Arms And Ammunition Over

El Paso, Tex., Feb. 13.—The port of Columbus, N. M., opposite Palomas, Mexico, will not be closed because of the appearance of a band of Villa troops at Palomas yesterday, according to Special Deputy Customs Collector W. W. Carpenter here.

Wholesale ammunition smuggling was reported to be in progress along the border near Columbus, according to American cattlemen and others who arrived here today from Columbus. They say automobile tracks may be seen crossing the boundary line at several places and large quantities of ammunition and rifles were said to have been smuggled across the border for Salazar's troops at Palomas.

Villa was reported to have been short of ammunition recently and it was said Salazar's trip to the border at this time was to obtain ammunition, rifles and other elements for the Villa troops.

### Price of Bar Silver Continues to Advance

New York, Feb. 13.—The price of bar silver continues to climb, a new high record for many years being made today at 79 cents an ounce. This is an advance of 1 1/2 cents over last week's high quotation and 13 cents above the selling price about a year ago.

### Plead Guilty to Stealing From Merchandise Cars

Hastings, Neb., Feb. 13.—(Special Telegram.)—Chester Coleman, aged 32, and Mark Jefferson, 42 colored, pleaded guilty and waived preliminary examination today to the charge of robbing a Union Pacific freight car, stealing a ham and part of another. The men confessed to railroad detectives and local officers to robbing eight cars on the St. Joe and Grand Island road, seventeen on the Burlington and eight on the Missouri Pacific, and of stealing upwards of 1,000 pounds of brass, most of which they disposed of by shipment to Omaha. About 350 pounds of brass was recovered.

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 INSURANCE RESERVE.....\$459,860,621  
 OTHER LIABILITIES.....10,886,279

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