

# The Omineca Miner

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## LOCAL NEWS PARAGRAPHS

### Items Of General Interest From Hazelton and Surrounding District

Born—At Hazelton Hospital, on Dec. 5, a son to Mr. and Mrs. Beaton.

The Gray & Lewis survey party returned yesterday from the Bear river.

W. R. Ellison, of Ootsa Lake, was a business visitor in Hazelton this week.

J. W. Cuddy, who has been a patient at the Hospital for some time, died on Sunday, of cancer.

Alex. McMillan, formerly of Hazelton, is reported killed at the front. He enlisted at Smithers.

W. J. Guiney and Al. Chapple, wounded soldiers who have been here on sick leave, left on Tuesday to report at Esquimalt.

Work is to be started on the Delta property, a big mining group on Rocher de Boule, a short distance from Hazelton. A shipment of machinery is on the way. It is reported today that the Delta people have an option on the Highland Boy.

A highly successful sleighride for the benefit of the Red Cross took place on Thursday night, a good crowd enjoying the drive to New Hazelton and the program and refreshments which followed at the residence of Dr. Wrinch. The proceeds were \$30.50.

### Gilbert Burrington Killed

A cable this week told of the death in action of Private Gilbert Burrington, who left Hazelton with the local contingent of the 102nd. Mr. Burrington, who was game warden for this district, was an old-timer and one of the most popular men in Omineca. He leaves a widow and an infant son, who are now in England.

### MADE \$100 FOR SOLDIERS' AID

Everybody turned out for the Soldiers' Aid Social given by the young ladies on Saturday evening and Assembly Hall was filled to capacity by a well-pleased crowd. An enjoyable program was presented under the capable direction of Mrs. Reid, those who took part being Misses Pearl and Margaret Allen, Agnes and Jean Grant, Florence McDougall, Inez Smith and Miss Wentzel.

A word competition was won by W. G. Norrie and Mrs. Walton Sharpe.

The "Grubstake" raffle was won by D. P. Wardrop, who returned the prize, which Bill Guiney bid in at \$12.

Besides giving everybody a pleasant time the social brought an even \$100 for the Soldiers' Aid.

A Belgian appeal to neutrals declares 50,000 Belgian working-men have been forcibly deported to Germany and reduced to slavery.

## LLOYD GEORGE IS NOW PREMIER

### MORE AGGRESSIVE POLICY WAS DEMANDED

#### ---OCCUPATION OF BUCHAREST BY TEUTONS

London: Lloyd George is now assured of success, the new premier having already secured a working majority in parliament without the Nationalist vote. The Nationalists will be sympathetically neutral, looking toward a quick end of the present unsatisfactory methods of Irish administration.

Labor is a decisive factor in the new administration. Lloyd George's schemes for the nationalization of industry, the absorption of all war profits, and advanced state socialism for the period of the war are arousing growing enthusiasm. Great Britain, in war's darkest hour, is taking fresh courage and renewed confidence.

The King offered Asquith an earldom and the order of the Garter, but both were declined.

London: Fresh details of the occupation of Bucharest received today added strength to the belief that the Roumanian retire-

ment had been masterfully executed, with minimum losses. The Roumanian government still withholds any announcement regarding the latest events. The only news available respecting the situation comes from Roumania's enemies.

Petrograd: The continued retirement of the Roumanian and Russian forces, following the occupation of Bucharest by the enemy, is announced today. In the Outuz valley enemy attacks were beaten back.

London: The government will release for military service all semi-skilled and skilled men of military age now engaged in the manufacture of munitions.

The blockade of Greece goes into effect today. The country has about 20 days' supplies.

London: On the western front there has been mutual intermittent shelling. General Haig reports that on Thursday there was heavy firing on both sides

along Thiepval ridge. Elsewhere, beyond the usual trench mortar and artillery fire, there has been nothing to report.

Saloniki: Repeated counter-attacks on the positions recently won by the Servians have proved futile.

Washington: Germany's acceptance of responsibility for the sinking without warning of the British steamer Arabia, with the explanation that the submarine commander took the vessel for an auxiliary warship, has brought the submarine issue to a serious crisis.

Amsterdam: Cardinal Mercier, primate of Belgium, is confined to his palace by the German authorities.

Paris: The deportations from Northern France have been resumed. Sixty thousand from Lille, Roubaix, Turcoing and Cambrai districts have passed through Liege in the last six days.

### Hazelton Red Cross

Satisfactory reports were presented to the executive of the Red Cross at the monthly meeting held on the 4th. The knitting of socks is being carried on, both Indian and white women turning in a goodly number each month. Wool has advanced from \$6 to \$9 a spindle.

The rummage sale conducted by Mesdames Cox and Moseley realized \$112.95.

The school-children, through Miss Wentzel, contributed \$6.17 to the Prisoners of War Fund, and will continue.

A letter of condolence to Mrs. Burrington, wife of a former member of the executive who was killed in action, was ordered.

The treasurer showed a credit balance for November of \$247.67. From the children's taffy pull \$6.10 was realized.

### For Patriotic Fund

District Treasurer Hoskins this week remitted another \$500 to the headquarters of the Canadian Patriotic Fund, making \$5900 sent from Hazelton since the first of the year.

### Coming Events

Dec. 14—Sale of Work by Women's Auxiliary, Assembly Hall, 8 p.m.

Jan. 23—Soldiers' Aid Whist Drive, St. Andrew's Hall, 8 p.m.

### CHANGES IN THE BRITISH CABINET

London, Dec. 4:—Lloyd George may resign. Probably Bonar Law and Lord Derby will follow. The reasons given for these possible resignations are the lax methods, dilatoriness, indecision and delay which characterize the present war council and which endanger the prospects of winning the war.

London, Dec. 5:—Premier Asquith announced in parliament that the King had given his assent to the "reconstruction" of the government. What form the reconstruction would take was not made clear, but the premier stated there would be no departure from the policy announced at the beginning of the war.

London, Dec. 6—The resignation of Premier Asquith was officially announced at nine last evening. The retiring first minister advised the King to entrust Andrew Bonar Law, colonial minister, with the formation of a new cabinet, and at 9:40 King George summoned Law to the palace and offered him the premiership. His decision has not yet been made known. Lord Derby may also resign from the cabinet.

General elections in the near future are predicted.

Sir Edward Carson proposes to settle the Irish question by establishing a home rule parliament for the whole of Ireland, Protestants to be represented on a proportional basis and Ulster to be excluded for three years. He stipulates that the Nationalist party must agree to conscription in Ireland.

London, Dec. 7:—King George has summoned Lloyd George to the palace for a conference. Such a summons is looked upon in London as indicating that Lloyd George—whose resignation as minister of war forced the present shake-up in the cabinet—will be offered the premiership. Bonar Law, to whom the offer was made, declined to form a new ministry or accept the premiership. One report says Lloyd George has agreed to form a ministry in co-operation with Bonar Law.

In addition to the denial from Sir Edward Carson of the reported plan whereby Ireland would be granted Home rule on accepting conscription, John Redmond also registers a disavowal of any such proposal.

## ANOTHER RAILWAY LINE

### McArthur Road Likely to Tap District North and East of Hazelton

Victoria, Dec. 6:—Hon. C. W. Cross, attorney-general of Alberta, and J. D. McArthur, the millionaire railroad builder who is head of the Edmonton, Dnnvegan & B.C., have been in Victoria, presumably in connection with the project of completing the Dunvegan line to the Pacific coast. The road has already reached the B.C. boundary.

An engineer of the E. D. & B. C. spent the past summer in looking up a route which would bring the new railroad through the Peace river country and down the Skeena to connect with the G.T.P. just below Hazelton. It is generally believed here that the Dunvegan road will follow this route.

### Trouble For Uncle Sam

Washington, Dec. 7:—There is fresh trouble today between the United States and Great Britain. Owing to labor difficulties in South Wales and New South Wales, British collieries have been unable to supply the demand for coal, and Great Britain announces restrictions on the supply of coal at her coaling stations which dot the globe. The state department is trying to secure a modification of this policy, but with little hope of success.

A resolution has been introduced in congress asking for a conference of the senate committee on foreign relations with President Wilson, to formulate plans to bring about negotiations between the belligerent nations.

### A BIG TIME NEXT THURSDAY

The annual sale of work of the Women's Auxiliary, always an important feature of the holiday season in Hazelton, will be held on Thursday evening next in Assembly Hall, beginning at 7:30. A good musical program has been arranged and tasty refreshments will be served. The attractions will be numerous, and a pleasant evening is promised to all who attend. The proceeds will be devoted to Church purposes and to the Soldiers' Aid, and everyone should attend and assist the ladies in their good work.

Contributions of work, candies, refreshments, etc., will be gratefully received.

London: The house of commons met and adjourned without any announcement concerning a new ministry to be chosen by Lloyd George. Adjournment was taken until next Tuesday. The labor party has agreed to participate in the new administration. Balfour will be a minister, but otherwise the Unionists refuse to support the new cabinet.

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Vancouver people are agog over the possibility that the Edmonton, Dunvegan & B. C. railway, generally known as the McArthur line, will connect with the P. G. E. at or near Prince George, thus bringing all the business of the great Peace river district to Vancouver. The visit of Mr. McArthur to Victoria leads to the belief that the early completion of the new road from its present railhead near the boundary of British Columbia is on the cards, but we prefer to believe that the Dunvegan line will follow another route, which will bring it down the Skeena, to connect with the Grand Trunk Pacific a short distance below Hazelton. Surveys of this route, so far as they have been carried out, show that it is practicable, and there is no doubt a railroad through the northern part of Omineca district would open up a valuable section of the province, the district being rich in minerals and coal, with not a little agricultural land.

Those in a position to know state that the new railroad through British Columbia will be under construction within two years at the outside. It may be that definite steps will be taken during the coming session of the legislature.

We wonder if the people of Prince Rupert, who would benefit so much by the construction of the Dunvegan road on the northern line, have given the matter any thought.

Another railway which is likely to become an actuality in the near future—although the war has tied up the English capital involved—is the Thomas road, still further to the north, which is to tap the immense coalfields of Groundhog and the oil district in the northern Peace river country. This road, which will probably follow the Naas river to Nasoga Gulf, will not directly benefit Hazelton, perhaps, but it will open up an extremely important section of Omineca district, of which Hazelton is the center.

There are some people who estimate the extent and importance of Omineca district by the stretch through which the G. T. P. runs—witness recent efforts to have the government offices removed from this town to a point nearer the center of that stretch—and it might profit them to consider that there is room for two more railways through Omineca district north of the G. T. P.

## NATIONAL SERVICE WEEK IN CANADA

Ottawa, Dec. 5:—There is to be a national service week in Canada. The date will be announced shortly by R. B. Bennett, M. P., director of national service. It will probably be the first week in January. One of the features of the week will be the issuance of a card to every man in Canada. This card will have printed on it a number of questions regarding national service, and must be filled in and returned by all men between the ages of 16 and 65.

The questions are as follows:

1. What is your name?
2. How old are you?
3. Where do you live? ——— Province.
4. Name of city, town, village or postoffice, street number.
5. In what country were you born?
6. In what country was your father born?
7. In what country was your mother born?
8. Were you born a British subject?
9. If not, are you naturalized?
10. How much time have you lost in the last 12 months from sickness?
11. Have you full use of your arms?
12. Of your legs?
13. Of your sight?
14. Of your hearing?

15. Which are you, married, single or a widower?

16. How many persons besides yourself do you support?

17. What are you working at for a living?

18. Whom do you work for?

19. Have you a trade or profession?

20. If so, what?

21. Are you working now?

22. If not, why?

23. Would you be willing to change your present work for other necessary work at the same pay during the war?

24. Are you willing, if your railway fare is paid, to leave where you now live and go to some other place in Canada to do such work?

Two million of these cards will be issued, and it is understood that the services of the Canadian postmasters will be requisitioned to issue them.

The object is to secure an accurate inventory of the number of available men for vital industries, such as agriculture and munitions manufacture.

### Captured on the Somme

An official French statement shows that in the first four months' fighting on the Somme the French and British captured the following prisoners and war material from the Germans: 1449 officers, 71,532 men, 173 field guns, 130 heavy guns, 215 trench mortars and 891 machine guns.

## COPPER SELLS AT THIRTY-FOUR CENTS

During the week copper reached an unprecedented high level on the New York market, 34 cents being paid for electrolytic for immediate delivery, while futures are maintained well over the 30-cent mark.

A French inquiry for 225,000,000 pounds of copper for delivery in the second half of next year, the selling of spot electrolytic at a new high record price, a tremendous demand for domestic consumers, a serious shortage of copper for this delivery, a pressure on producers to open their books for last half business, have been the developments in the copper market since our last market report. Last week it was stated that there were "rumors that another tremendous foreign purchase is impending." The foreign inquiry was announced on Thursday. It was stated that "domestic consumers are willing to place their second half requirements under contract." Definite acknowledgement of such inquiries have since been made by leading producers, says Mining World.

Business in copper has recently been excited. Consumers who were in need of first quarter copper shopped around all the leading producers without filling their wants. Dealers who are holding large blocks of metal available for nearby delivery are selling sparingly, waiting for higher prices. Copper was sold at 32½ cents for spot, 31 to 31½ for first quarter delivery and 30 to 30½ for second quarter delivery. Predictions that the red metal will sell at 40 cents a pound before the end of the year are heard. The extent of copper requirements of domestic consumers for delivery in the first quarter that must still be purchased appears to have been greatly underestimated. One important wiremaker is now seeking 600,000 pounds per month for the first quarter. Several brass-makers are negotiating for 2,000,000 to 3,000,000 pounds a month for that delivery. There are even some million pound lots being sought for December delivery. The amount of copper inquired for in carload lots is also tremendous.

With dealers controlling the entire situation over the first quarter, the fact that a premium market for copper has arrived cannot be disputed. The inability to increase production of copper is primarily the cause of the tight situation now prevailing. Consumers who felt secure in the belief that the output would run above 200,000,000 pounds a month by the first of the new year have since come to a realization of the fact that consumption will be greatly in excess of the output. Producers warned these consumers of their peril, but they failed to heed the injunction. Price considerations are no longer the determining factor as to whether a consumer will buy copper.

Melters, who are protected over the first half, are clamoring for coverage over the second half. There has been a remarkable change in sentiment among copper consumers. The opinion is now more general that the future of copper does not depend wholly on the continuance of the war. With Europe buying copper a year ahead on orders that cannot be cancelled, and willing to pay the prevailing high prices, domestic consumers have found that the fears of a reaction, if the war should end, are baseless.

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## The World's Doings in Brief

News Notes from Many Sources

Twenty-nine submarines are to be built by the U.S.

The Quebec bank has merged with the Royal Bank.

J. D. Archbold, head of the Standard Oil, is dead.

The big pulp plant at Swanson Bay is being re-opened.

The new provincial cabinet held its first meeting on Monday.

Premier Borden is making recruiting speeches in Quebec.

In eighteen months 123,000 autos were stolen in the U.S.

German money is now discounted 28 per cent in New York.

Amundsen is buying seaplanes. He plans to fly over the North Pole.

Martinus Steyn, former president of Orange Free State, is dead.

New York capitalists have purchased the Tyee smelter at Lady-smith.

The Pope held a secret consistory on Monday, 28 cardinals attending.

Premier Asquith has asked parliament for a new war credit of £400,000,000.

Canada's revenue for November was the greatest on record, totalling \$23,000,000.

The Dominion parliament is expected to assemble on January 18 and sit until March.

General Turner, V.C., has been appointed to command the Canadian troops in England.

Salmon and halibut in B. C. waters need protection, the commission of conservation says.

There has been a remarkable falling off in the prison population in Canada, especially in "dry" provinces.

Germany has a short potato crop, and residents of cities are restricted to three-quarters of a pound a day.

The Dollar steamship company has begun the construction of a large sawmill and extensive docks at Vancouver.

The Dupont powder concern, which has large war contracts, has declared 100 per cent dividends for 1916.

The world's greatest telescope, an instrument 72 inches in diameter, will be installed in Victoria observatory next May.

It is believed that the germ of infantile paralysis has been discovered by surgeons of the Mayo clinic at Rochester, Minn.

As the result of the plugging controversy it is probable that the Liberal ministers will be opposed in the by-elections.

Owing to a further decline of German and Austrian exchange, the price of German securities in New York has been reduced.

Chicago inspectors found that one man had 72,000,000 eggs in cold storage. An effort will be made to break the egg corner.

John McInnes, Socialist candidate in Fort George district, has asked for a recount. Hon. W. R. Ross won by a small majority.

A steamship carrying a million-dollar cargo of munitions and

war supplies was blown up in the Russian harbor of Archangel by means of bombs placed in the cargo while it was being loaded at New York.

Securities stolen by Germans in the occupied portions of France and Belgium are being systematically marketed in neutral countries.

President Rodzianko of the Russian duma has resigned in protest against insulting remarks by Markoff, leader of the extreme right.

Senator Kerr, former speaker of the senate, is dead at Toronto. There are now 42 Liberals and 31 Conservatives in the senate, with 13 vacancies.

General Smuts, who has practically completed the subjugation of German East Africa, is likely to take command of the South African contingent at the front.

The striking coal miners in New South Wales have resumed work, but it will be impossible to release any coal, except for war purposes, until after Christmas.

Brewster will probably be unopposed in Victoria by-election. Nomination day will be on Dec. 16. In Prince Rupert nomination day will be on Dec. 23 and election on Dec. 30.

In the last six months Canadian casualties at the front totalled 45,527, exceeding the enlistments by 1300. Casualties in November were only 3595, while the enlistments were 5072.

A statement by the Russian premier in the duma, that Constantinople and the control of the Dardanelles are to go to Russia after the war, has ended German dreams of a separate peace with Russia.

A London despatch says the reorganization of the cabinet is due mainly to the constant iteration in the Northcliffe papers of the demand for greater unity, aggressiveness, efficiency, and force in Britain's conduct of the war.

A vigorous protest against the appointment of M. A. Macdonald as attorney-general has been made by the purity wing of the Liberal party in Vancouver. Many Liberals hold that he should not hold office until the plugging conspiracy has been fully investigated.

### Our Boys in 103rd

Private Frank Chapman, of Francois Lake, who enlisted here in the 103rd Battalion, writes an interesting letter to The Miner from Seaford Camp, England, where his corps is stationed. Frank and his brother are in the machine gun section, and Charles McIntosh, of Hazelton, and Sheldford, of Ootsa Lake, are with the battalion. The 103rd has sent two drafts to the front, but has been reinforced and made the senior corps of a new brigade. The boys are well satisfied with their treatment in England.

Private Chapman sent The Miner a souvenir of the first zepelin brought down in England, at Cuffley. This will be raffled for the benefit of the Hazelton Red Cross Branch.

### MINERAL ACT

#### Certificate of Improvements NOTICE

AJAX MINERAL CLAIM, situated in Omineca mining division of Omineca district, located on Rocher de Boule mountain, on Juniper creek, adjoining the Iowa mineral claim on the south.

TAKE NOTICE that I, Jas. E. Dean of Hazelton, Free Miner's Certificate No. 43174B, acting as agent for Charles F. Booth, Free Miner's Certificate No. 43178B, intend sixty days from the date hereof to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant for the above claims.

And further take notice that action, under section 85, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.

Dated this second day of December, A.D. 1916. Jas. E. Dean.

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Dated October 31st, 1916. 11-19

GEORGE RAILSON,  
Per T. Railson, Atty.;  
JOHN C. K. SEALY.



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Each application must be accompanied by a fee of \$5, which will be refunded if the rights applied for are not available, but not otherwise. A royalty shall be paid on the merchantable output of the mine at the rate of five cents per ton.

The person operating the mine shall furnish the Agent with sworn returns accounting for the full quantity of merchantable coal mined and pay the royalty thereon. If the coal mining rights are not being operated, such returns should be furnished at least once a year.

The lease will include the coal mining rights only, but the lessee may be permitted to purchase whatever available surface rights may be considered necessary for the working of the mine at the rate of \$10.00 an acre.

For full information application should be made to the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa, or to any Agent or Sub-Agent of Dominion Lands.

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- (b) Rank.
- (c) Name.
- (d) Squadron, Battery or Company.
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**THE MINER WAR BULLETINS**

**MONDAY, DEC. 4**

Athens: The crown council sat until 2:30. The French, British, Russian and Italian ambassadors made the following announcement:

"On the proposal of the ministers of the four powers at the instance of Admiral du Fournet, the Greek government was informed that the Entente will accept six batteries of mounted artillery instead of ten, waiving on their delivery all questions of the surrender of other armament. The Greek government accepted, and agreed to proceed with the immediate delivery of the six batteries."

London: The Roumanians are apparently offering desperate resistance west and south of Bucharest. Enemy forces are now rapidly closing on the capital and even the most sanguine of military critics here now admit that the situation is extremely critical. Advices from Berlin report that the Danube army is already menacing the fortresses around Bucharest, having reached the Argechu river, which is only five miles from the forts. The Germans and Bulgarians also gained ground northwest of the capital by working through the passes southeast of Kimpolung. Still another enemy force is reported to have broken through and defeated the first Roumanian army southeast of Pitishi, enabling it to capture staff officers. Russian and Roumanian communications are silent regarding the last claim.

London: During the day there was intermittent shelling against our front, on both sides of the Ancre. A small party entered our trenches north of Lesars, but was ejected.

Near Ypres, Armentieres and Hohenzollern redoubt there was considerable trench mortar activity on both sides.

Paris: Artillery was feebly active along the whole front, except on the right bank of the Meuse, where the enemy violently bombarded Vaux. A German long range gun fired several shots in the direction of Nancy.

A Belgian communication says artillery fighting occurred in the region of Dixmude. North of that there was violent bomb fighting.

Saloniki: Yesterday local actions occurred at several points, especially at Kravitz and Grunishita, where Allied troops advanced in spite of strong resistance.

Havre: Belgian workers in occupied territory held a secret meeting and drew up a manifesto destined to be brought to the attention of the laboring classes of Entente and neutral countries. It will be made public soon.

**TUESDAY, DEC. 5**

Petrograd: The situation in Roumania has improved, owing to the timely arrival before Bucharest of Russian troops. They made their appearance at a critical moment, when the loss of the capital seemed certain. There is now a fighting chance to save the city. The German plan for encircling Bucharest was perilously near accomplishment.

Under uninterrupted pressure by the enemy the Roumanians are retiring around Pitesci and Torgovistaja. In the Oetuz region, the enemy has been repulsed.

In the wooded Carpathians a number of battles for individual heights occurred. The Russians captured a height southwest of Jablonitza. North of Torotonsh there has been stubborn fighting along the Danube.

Enemy attacks in Dobrudja have been arrested by artillery and rifle fire.

Copenhagen: According to a despatch from Berlin, German artillery has already begun the bombardment of Bucharest from a range of eleven miles.

Athens: Eight batteries of field artillery will be delivered to the Allies as soon as the protocol between the government and Admiral du Fournet has been drafted. Normal relations have been re-established between the Allied commander and the Greek government.

London: An embargo on the departure of all Greek ships was announced yesterday. The Greek minister in London has resigned, announcing his inability to agree with his government's recent actions.

London: There has been heavy hostile shelling around Gueudecourt and Fonquevillers and a British bombardment of German positions around Monchy. Trench mortars are busy along the British front.

Paris: Two enemy raids in the Barleux region were easily repulsed. A similar attempt in Alsace, near Mesteral, also failed.

Saloniki: The Servians took by assault a hill north of Grunitza, east of the Cerna. There was nothing of importance on the rest of the Macedonian front.

Christiania: Norway is preparing for eventualities.

Providence, R.I.: The Journal declares it has authority for the statement that two large German submarines are in West Indian waters and that two others, which left Kiel on Nov. 5, have escaped the British patrol and are now on their way to the U.S.

**WEDNES., DEC. 6**

London: The great battle for Bucharest has been almost decided in favor of the Teutonic invaders. Roumanian attempts to check the advance have proved unsuccessful and Petrograd admits that the enemy is pushing ahead on the roads to Ploeshti and Bucharest. The Roumanians have been thrown back across the Argesu river immediately north of capital.

In the Carpathians and in eastern Transylvania the Russians have won local successes in desperate engagements and in Dobrudja Sakharoff continues to batter fiercely at the enemy's lines, but there is no longer any doubt of the failure of these movements to divert the enemy from the campaign against Bucharest.

Germans and Bulgarians are now in possession of 45,000 square kilometers in Roumania.

London: Admiral Burney, second in command to Jellicoe, has been appointed second sea lord.

London: Yesterday our air-

craft did much successful work, driving down ten enemy planes and forcing seven others to land.

General Haig reports the failure of an enemy raid south of Loos.

Saloniki: The Servians have developed further successes, capturing a number of strongly fortified posts.

London: The deportation of Belgians to Germany continues. Many ships are reported sunk by enemy submarines.

**THURSDAY, DEC. 7**

London: It is officially reported in Berlin that Bucharest and Ploeshti have been conquered. Ploeshti is a railroad junction 31 miles north of Bucharest, on the main railroad to the north.

In the Russian statement it is admitted that the enemy has made progress around Tergovisea and Ploeshti. From the wording of the German statement it is not clear which of the encircling armies of the German advance took the Roumanian capital. An earlier statement said the Ploeshti railroad was the only safe line of retreat for the Roumanians.

Petrograd: Continued German attacks on Bucharest from the north, in the direction of Tergovistea, in the Ploeshti region, and around the Dokaneshti region are reported. Because the Roumanian front was pierced by an enemy attack, the Roumanians were compelled to retire from occupancy of a height west of Jablonitza, in the wooded Carpathians, though in other sections the enemy was driven back.

London: There is no news today from the western front.

New York: American members of the crew of the steamship John Lambert, reaching here today aboard the French liner Espagne, brought word that the John Lambert was shelled and sunk without warning by a German submarine, off the Isle of Wight, on Nov. 22.

**FRIDAY, DEC. 8**

Paris: The Roumanians evacuated Bucharest in good order, saving the army, according to an authoritative statement.

The rear guard of the Roumanian army was forced to fight strenuously to cover the retreat.

Amsterdam: Bucharest was almost deserted by civilians, as well as by the soldiers, when the Germans occupied the capital. It is reported that the city was not seriously damaged by the bombardment.

Petrograd: The evacuation of Bucharest took place on Wednesday at midday, Russian troops covering the left flank of the retiring Roumanian forces. Roumanian troops south of the capital have also retired to a new line, as have the forces fighting in Troustush, Wallachia.

In Transylvania, in the fighting around Shelvava, the enemy captured a small portion of Russian positions, but this was immediately regained by a counter-attack.

London: Bucharest and Ploeshti were evacuated by the Allies in order to shorten their line in Wallachia, General Maurice, director of the Allies' operations, declared today. Machinery and oil was fairly well destroyed be-

fore the Germans arrived. Grain was also removed from the evacuated territory.

Paris: In a successful surprise attack east of Metzeral, French forces captured many prisoners.

On the Somme front artillery firing is intense on both sides, particularly in the region of Bouchavesnes.

In Champagne our artillery took under its fire and dispersed an enemy attack northeast of Fontain-en-Dormerd.

On the left bank of the Meuse the Germans, after intense artillery preparation, attacked a salient of our line on slopes east of Hill 304. The attack was repulsed.

There was bomb fighting both evening and night on the Belgian front in the region of Dixmude. Artillery is active on both sides along the Yser front.

Paris: The blockade of Greece is a measure of reprisal for the riots in Athens, in which French marines were fired upon.

London: In an explosion at a munitions factory 26 women were killed and 30 injured. The disaster will not affect the output of munitions.

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