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GERMAN SQUADRON IS OUT OF NORTH SEA

Copenhagen Despatch Reports it Proceeding in Direction of the English Coast German Cruiser and Mine Layer Reported Sunk

ALLIES ARE MAKING STEADY PROGRESS

Official Reports show that the enemies trenches have been captured at several points—Germans Hurlled Back by the Russians on the left of the Vistula—Progress made by the Allies in Front of Nieuport—The Carpathians being cleared of the Enemy.

Paris, Dec. 25—The following official statement was issued this afternoon: "In Belgium there have been intermittent artillery battles. "From the Lys to the Oise, on the evening of December 23, we gained the top of the roads from Loos to Rutoire, and from Loos to Vermelles. "To the northeast of Albert we took possession of a portion of the village of La Boisselle, situated to the southwest of the church, and of an advanced trench to the south of that village. "To the north, from Roye to Lahu, near Lihons, we also have made some progress. These various attacks, undertaken with great spirit, have everywhere conserved the ground already gained. "To the south of the Oise our artillery has demolished the defence works of the enemy in the region of Bailly, and on the plateau of Gouvron. "On the Aisne and in Champagne there have been artillery battles, and several German attacks have been repulsed. To the north of Supihneul, (near Berry Au Bac), a slight advance of our troops has been followed by a strong counter-attack which has completely failed. "In the region of Perthes and Mesnil-Le-Hurlus, our progress of previous days has been followed up and strengthened. To the north of Mesnil we took possession of a forest strongly prepared by the enemy, and to the east of trenches captured by us December 23. To the northwest of Mesnil and to the east of Perthes we have driven the enemy from all fragments of trenches, which he re-occupied, and we are now masters of all his first line of defence. "In the Argonne, in the forest of La Grue, at Bagatelle, Fontaine Madame and Saint Hubert we have repulsed five attacks, and strengthened our front. Between the Argonne and the Meuse, in spite of the snow and the fog, we have made progress on the Bourguilles-Vauquois front. "In the region of Cuisy and the forest of Forges our heavy artillery, by subduing the batteries and machine guns of the enemy, has enabled our infantry to make a leap in advance. "On the right bank of the Meuse the Germans have bombarded the south corner of the forest of Consenvoye, where we are established. In the forest of Ailly and Apremont our artillery has forced the enemy to evacuate several trenches. "In the lower Vosges we have advanced to within 1,500 metres of Cirey on the Vesouze river. "In Russia, on the left of the Vistula, the Germans have been hurled back from one of the positions which they occupied on the ring bank of the Lower Buzai and they have been reinforced at another point. They are continuing their attacks on Sochaczew, and are trying to debouch from Pol-

now. To the east of Szerniewice, their night attack was repulsed with heavy losses to them. They have launched several fruitless attacks to the west of the Rawka river, and are vigorously resisting the Russian offensive on the north bank of the Pilica. "In East Prussia and near Przemysl and on the front in the Carpathians, no essential changes have been noted. **ANOTHER TRENCH FALLS TO ALLIES.** Paris, Dec. 23—The following official communication was issued by the war office tonight: "Slight progress has been made in front of Nieuport. Towards Notre Dame De Lorette, north of Lens, an attack has been repulsed. "This morning we captured another trench near Pusalette, and we have been able to hold it, notwithstanding several counter-attacks. "Last night the enemy made a vigorous attack on La Tete De Faux, in the Vosges, but without success." **RUSSIANS HOLD LINE OF VISTULA.** Petrograd, Dec. 25, via London, Dec. 26.—The following official bulletin was issued from general headquarters tonight: "There has been no change on the left bank of the Vistula or in Galicia. The Germans delivered attacks on the day and night of December 24, principally in the district of Sochaczew and Boinow, but all were repulsed with great loss to the enemy. "Fighting continues on the banks of the Pilica." **REAR GUARD ATTACKS.** Berlin, Dec. 25, by wireless to Sayville, N.B.—Among the items given out today by the official press bureau are the following: "Despite the evident stubborn nature of the fighting along the whole eastern front, Major Morant, military correspondent of The Tagblatt, says he is inclined to believe that the Russians' resistance is no new offensive but is made up merely of rear post combats designed to cover the retirement of the main armies for re-organization back of the middle Vistula. "This, he thinks, is particularly the case in Southern Poland and Galicia, where the nature of the ground behind the Russians is such that time must be gained to permit them to reach the position set for re-organization, even as the risk that the rear post troops may not be able to come back. "Despite all this, says Major Morant, partial successes by the Russians here and there are possible. He doubts whether the Russians have any available fresh troops back of their line. "An Austrian report indicates that the Carpathians are being cleared gradually of the enemy, but that the latter are stubbornly holding their own in Galicia, where Vienna has no successes to report.

London, Dec. 26—It is thought that the German aerial raider that flew over Sheerness on Christmas day was drowned. The lighthouse keeper at the mouth of the Thames reports that he saw an aeroplane fall into the sea a mile off the Kentish Knock Lighthouse.

ANOTHER TRAWLER SUNK

London, Dec. 26—The Trawler Coana struck a mine this morning off Grimsby and sank, only the second engineer of the crew of nine were saved.

TURKISH FORCE REPULSED

Petrograd, Dec. 26—The Turks attempted an advance into the Douthak region on the border line and were repulsed by sharp fighting in the snow according to an official communique given out by the Russian army in the Caucasus.

GERMANS HAVE NO LEADERS

Amsterdam, Dec. 26—If the German army had a General Joffre the allies would have been beaten before the present time, is the statement attributed to a German officer in an interview printed in the Telegraph. He expressed it as his opinion that Germany has no leaders or strategists of the calibre of Gen. Von Moltke in the war of 1870, and speaks disdainfully of all the German Generals expect Von Hindenburg.

THE CZAR AT THE FRONT

Petrograd, Dec. 26—Czar Nicholas is again enroute to the front. The Czar left last night to visit his troops in the field.

CONSULS HAD CLOSE CALL

(SPECIAL CABLE TO THE MAIL.)

The consuls of Great Britain and France and the subjects of these nations in the Syrian Port of Tripoli were saved by being taken aboard an American steamer which was lying in that port and which was requisitioned by United States war vessels. As the party of French men were boarding the ship they were attacked by the populace in an attempt to prevent their embark-

ation. The Captain and Chief officers of the ship were wounded in the fight which followed and the Mussulmans only retired when the commander of the warship threatened to bombard the town.

London, Dec. 26—A despatch from Copenhagen says that the Germans squadron sailed into the North Sea today and was proceeding in the direction of England.

Petrograd, Dec. 26—The admiralty has received information that the German cruiser Hertha and a mine layer had been sunk in the North Sea.

REPORT NOT CONFIRMED

London, Dec. 26—It is announced by the press bureau that there is no

information regarding the report from Canada that the German cruiser Karlsruhe had been sunk.

OFF TO THE FRONT

London, Dec. 24—The Princess Patricia's, a part of the Canadian contingent has left for the front. The Scottish regiments of Canada's army will shortly follow the Princess Patricia's to the fighting line in France and Belgium. After a course of training in Canada and on Salisbury

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