

KAISER'S BIG GUNS POUND AT RUSSIAN CENTRE IN POLAND

Terrific Drive Against Polish Capital Developing as Foe Forces Way Five Miles Beyond Bzura.

PETROGRAD, Jan. 15.—Fighting is furious in Russian Poland, and resistance on certain points in the official bulletins may be construed as a virtual admission of the development of a terrific German drive on Warsaw.

The Kaiser's great eleven-inch guns, at least brought to the front in Russian Poland, south of the Vistula, are now pounding away at the Russian positions along a 15-mile line east of Sochaczew and Skierniewice, the nearest point of which is little more than 25 miles from Warsaw.

FRENCH RIFLES PREVENT CAPTURE OF ARTILLERY

German Effort to Take Abandoned Guns Balked by Sharpshooters.

PARIS, Jan. 15.—German soldiers tried to retrieve some guns which the French had been compelled to abandon near Conde on the Aisne because of the deep, sticky clay.

BAYONET CHARGE CAPTURES LA BASSEE HILL FOR FRENCH

Allies' Line Advanced by Sharp Infantry Attack.

PARIS, Jan. 15.—The French yesterday captured the hill overlooking the town of La Bassee, says a dispatch to the Petit Parisien from Hazebruck.

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EVENING LEDGER SERENADED

Business Men Show Appreciation of Fight for Rapid Transit.

At the conclusion of the Academy of Music meeting last night the North Philadelphia Business Men's Association, headed by Edward E. Ziegler, its president, serenaded the Evening Ledger.

FLOODED RIVERS FORCE ARMIES TO SHIFT LINES

Large Areas of French and Belgian Battlefield Under Water.

PARIS, Jan. 15.—Most of the rivers in northern France and west Flanders are at flood tide in consequence of the hard rains that have been prevailing for many days.

TURKS CUT OFF RUSSIAN SUPPLY ROADS IN PERSIA

Selmas Now Held in New Strategic Movement.

PETROGRAD, Jan. 15.—Occupation by Turkish troops of the Tabriz district, in Northern Persia, derives its strategic importance from the fact that it carries with it Turkish control of highways and railroads leading to the Russian frontier.

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British aviators brought this information to English headquarters today. They made a flight of 85 miles and got complete details of the Turks' equipment.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Jan. 15.—The capture of two towns from the Russians in Persia and rapid advance by Turkish troops toward the Suez Canal were announced in an official statement issued here today.

OFFICIAL WAR REPORTS

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French attacks on both sides of Notre Dame Lorette, northwest of Arras, were repulsed with heavy losses in their retreat to the south bank of the Aisne, which took place under the fire of our artillery.

We repulsed a very strong attack north of Verdun near Consuey, and our position near Ailly. French attacks at St. Mihiel, which reached our first line of trenches, were repulsed by counter attack with heavy French losses.

Last night we took some of the enemy's positions, which, after re-building our works, we left of our own free will without fighting. We repulsed an attack near Meuilly, southwest of Rheims.

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BRYAN, JOB SEEKER FOR PARTY PAIS, IS NOT ASHAMED OF SECRETARY, IN SHARP RETORT ADMITS APPRECIATION OF SERVICE OF "THOSE WHO WORK IN POLITICS."

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—Secretary of State Bryan today sharply retorted the publication of his letter to W. W. Vick, former American Consul in Santo Domingo, testifying that Bryan advocated the present system in politics.

Bryan dictated this statement: "I am glad to have the public know that I appreciate the service of those who work in politics and feel an indebtedness to them for their service. As W. W. Vick received his reward for his work, I thought he was a good man to address an expression of my opinion on the subject."

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—W. J. Bryan, politician, loomed up large yesterday in the President's investigation into the Dominican diplomatic scandal as the man who is keeping James Mark Sullivan, openly characterized as "totally unfit" in the \$10,000-a-year job as Minister in Santo Domingo. Hearings laying bare the Dominican scandal are being held here by Special Commissioner James A. Phelan, Senator-elect.

Not only has Mr. Bryan whitewashed Minister Sullivan, according to the testimony, but the Secretary of State has also sought jobs in Santo Domingo "with which to reward deserving Democrats."

Witnesses yesterday said that a \$100,000 loan to the Dominican Government by the National City Bank of New York (which got the loan in competition with the Banco Nacional, organized by the interests which, it is alleged, put Sullivan in as Minister) was the "meat" of the entire situation.

BRYAN'S LETTER TO VICK. Walker Whiting Vick, formerly American receiver of customs of Santo Domingo, introduced in evidence the following letter from Secretary Bryan: "Department of State, Washington, August 2, 1914. Hon. Walker W. Vick, Santo Domingo, D. R. 'My Dear Mr. Vick—Now that you have arrived and are acquainting yourself with the situation, can you let me know what positions you have at your disposal which I might reward deserving Democrats? Whenever you desire a suggestion from me in regard to a man for any position there call on me. 'You have had enough experience in politics to know how valuable words are when the campaign is on and how difficult it is to find suitable rewards for all the deserving. I do not know what extent a knowledge of Spanish is necessary for employees. Let me know what is required, together with the salary, and when appointments are likely to be made. 'Sullivan will be down before long and you and he together ought to be able to bring about such reforms as may be necessary to reward deserving Democrats, a strong, courageous, reliable fellow. The more I have seen of him the better satisfied I am that he will fit into the place there and do what is necessary to be done. W. J. BRYAN."

TELLS OF BANCO NACIONAL. William E. Pulliam, 21 Beaver street, receiver of customs prior to Mr. Vick's appointment, one of the principal witnesses yesterday, classed the secret Bryan policies in the United States as "a scheme to reward deserving Democrats, a strong, courageous, reliable fellow. The more I have seen of him the better satisfied I am that he will fit into the place there and do what is necessary to be done. W. J. BRYAN."

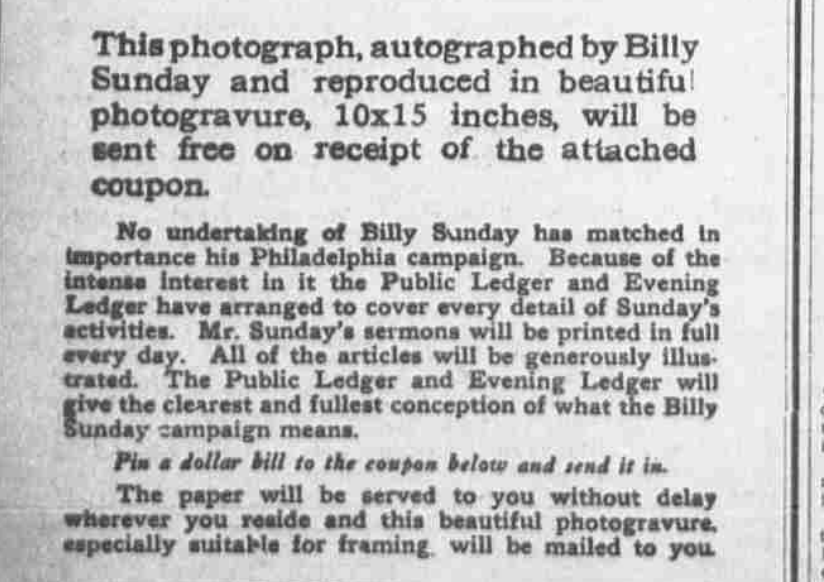
Justice Kallech Criticized ATLANTIC CITY, Jan. 15.—Justice Kallech, presiding Justice in the trial of Louis Kuehnle, is taken to task in a statement issued today by W. F. Sullivan, who says his action in passing upon the appeal of ex-Councilman Murtland Dougherty from his own rulings is without precedent.

THE WEATHER

Official Forecast WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—For eastern Pennsylvania and New Jersey: Fair tonight and Saturday; slightly colder tonight in north and west; light shifts in wind; clearing Sunday; a strong cold front that was over Lake Erie yesterday has drifted southward toward the vicinity of Lake Ontario; a similar disturbance that is approaching from the north Atlantic coast. This disturbance caused very light rains over a portion of the north Atlantic slope last night, with a moderate rise in temperature in all of the northeastern portion of the country. Snow flurries are reported along the northern border from Lake Superior westward, while light rains are being general in the Pacific and Atlantic States.

U. S. Weather Bulletin Observations made at 8 a. m., Eastern Standard Time.

Table with columns for Station, Temp., Wind, Clouds, etc. for various locations including Albany, Allentown, Altoona, etc.



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