Everywhere Reports of Prosperity Carry Out Diagnosis of Advisers, He Tells

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—Normal con-gitions in the business and financist world are rapidly returning. There is no depression now west of the Mississippi River, the shock caused by the European war virtually has been absorbed and the bar-heralded boom in trade and com-merce is at hand. These were the declarations made by Pissident Wilson to callers to lay. They were based, he said, on talks with busi-mess men, manufacturers, transportation

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see based, he said, on takes with business men, manufacturers, transportation sperts, editors and others in direct touch sith the situation. The President expensed his complete belief in the correctness of the diagnosis.

It was evident that the Chief Executive was not altogetere in sympathy with the ampaign started by his Secretaries of beer and commerce for the study of the got-employment problem. He declared that study of the employment figures sould be of much greater use in arriving at a general idea of the question. The President said he had received information on the highest authority that the factories of Chicago and other indistrial centres were humming with activity. He said the municipal lodging house in New York was not crowded and hal Ellis Island, although it had been thrown open as a refuge for the home-ges, never had been filled.

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It was apparent the President believed pesimists or persons seeking to make political capital out of the situation were responsible for the unemployment reports. responsible for the unemployment reports. As an example, he said a statistical report on one trade in New York claimed more employes had been forced out of work than actually ever had been engaged in it. The President did not Mentify the trade.

TOWN RUSHED WITH WORK Bristol, R. I., Has Period of Un-

precedented Prosperity. BRISTOL, R. L. Jan. 26.-This town narted the week with a genuine wave of prosperity. The National India Rubber Company has 2200 hands at work in fill-ing an unprecedented number of orders, and hundreds of hands from neighboring towns have come here to work. intend to make 35,000 pairs of rubbers a

The boat-building plants also are growded with work. At Herreshoff's boat works a large schooner yacht and a score et small boats are keeping several hun-

dred hands busy.

The Cranston worsted mill started on evertime yesterday. The Consumers' Rub-ber Company has 800 hands on rush or-ders for arctics and tennis shoes.

Big Orders for Oil Tanks

SHARON, Pa., Jan. 26 .- The Petroleum fron Works Company, of Sharon, has sarted building 10 55,000-barrel tanks, 10 fl.00-barrel tanks and a number of smaller ones at Providence, R. I. The company also has received contracts for two 55,000-barrel tanks at Panama and 20 5,000-barrel tanks in Oklahoma.

Orders for Wire Products Increase PITTSBURGH, Pa., Jan. 26. - Makers has report mill orders on wire products as showing improvement in volume. Ton-mass heretofore ordered for future fieliver are wanted at once. A marked im-provement in sheets is noticeable. Specifi-calous last week were moderately heavy. Operations in tin-plate mills are about at

Servian Locomotive Order Reported NEW YORK, Jan. 25.—It is reported that the Servian Government has placed an order for seven locomotives with the American Locomotive Company

NOT FEEBLE-MINDED, SHE SAYS Girl Holds Up Attempt to Send Her

to Institution. A young woman who has been in thare of the Court Aid Society since Nevember, has managed to hold up an attempt to have her sent to the Spring City Institution for the Feeble-Minded, in spite of the opinion of Dr. John Wanasater, 3d, police surgeon, and another Deviction, that the is of fashle mind. Physician, that she is of feeble mind. The girl is Rose Perlstein, 22 years old, 6 Third and Poplar streets. Her father petitioned Judge Staake to commit her to the institution. The girl denied that her mind was affected at the hearing of the petition, and, according to Judge Stake, showed herself to be "exceedingly bright." The case will come up again but Friday.

LILLIAN RUSSELL'S GOWNS Costumer Sues Husband of Actress

to Recover \$1104. PITTSBURGH, Jan. 26,-Suit has been

brought in the Common Pleas Court against A. P. Moore, husband of Lillian Russell, for recovery of \$1104, alleged to be due for dresses and other finery furnished Mrs. Moore by Owen Mitchens, a New York costumer.

Between April 8, 1915, and June 25, 1914. Between April 8, 1913, and June 25, 1914, the actress is said to have bought \$5654 worth of garments from Mitchens.

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### BOOKKEEPER, EX-CONVICT, SEEKS NEW CHANCE IN LIFE

Job Needed for Man Released on Probation.

If there is a Philadelphia Henry Ford who has enough confidence in mankind to hire an ex-convict, he has an opportunity to give a first-class bookkeeper and clerk, who has served a prison term for forgery, a chance to go straight. Under the guidance of the Rev. E. J. Le Rose, pastor of the Messiah Reformed Church, this young man of 31, with a wife and two young children dependent on him, has seen the error of his way and profiting by his past experiences has decided to become a man.

Whiskey was the cause of the man's first big mistake, nearly six years ago, when he forged a check. Two weeks ago, about five months after being discharged from prison, he was given a blank check by a saloon keeper. Under the influence of liquor, according to the confession he made to Mr. LaRose, he went to another saloon, and, filling out the check for less than \$40, had it cashed by signing a fic-

It was on this charge of obtaining money under false pretense he faced an-other prison term in Judge Sulzberger's court yesterday morning. The guilty man gave himself up to the

police. A few days after committing the second offense he came to Mr. La Rose, whose church he had been attending, and

"I am guilty, I am not going to run away. I am going to take my medicine lke a man, and when I come out again, I'm going to go straight." Impressed by the man's sincerity, Mr.

LaRose took a personal interest in the case. Without a lawyer or a friend in the court room, the confessed forger came up for sentence yesterday. Mr. La Rose, however, apeared to defend the man, and as a result of his presentation of the facts, Judge Sulzberger placed the man on probation for a year, under Mr. La Rose's guardianship. Any one willing to give the man a new

art in life can do se

TWO NEW SHIPS ORDERED

Two new steamships are to be constructed for the Philadelphia-Pacific trade of the American-Hawalian Steamship Company. The contract for the vessels has been awarded to the Maryland Steel Com-pany, of Sparrows Point, Md. They will be similar in type to the Iowan and Ohioan, which now trade here.

Trouble in the General

Passenger Agent's Office

and they also had an index book.

could find any letter they wanted!

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The file table was piled high with unfiled letters— letters that were being registered and indexed. Officers hung onto important letters, knowing that

if they did not, they would never get them back.

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That's only one example of what Library Bureau methods will do.

### FIGHTS THREE POLICEMEN Paroled Prisoner Overcome After

Being Shot.

A suspect with the courage of a Jesse James and with grit enough to have made a hero of him in honest warfare was captured in Kensington this morning after a running pistol fight with three policemen. A bullet against the head from a police pistol was the only thing that cowed him, and he was taken to the Front and Westmoreland streets police station with three men sitting on

The man is Alexander Cairns, alias "Simp," alias Thomas Kennedy, and has a long record. He turned a wrong corner at C and Ontario streets and came in sight of Policeman Casson in uniform. signt of Policeman Casson in uniform. George Hervey and James Sheeran, in plain clothes, were nearby. He was caught in a doorway, and while being searched got his pistol under Casson's chin and backed him across the street. Then he ran, firing behind, and Casson followed, pegging away at the fleeing thief. One of the policemen's bullets hit Cairns on the head. He fell, but scrambled up and continued his flight, still firing. Casson gained on him just as Harvey and Sheeran came around the corner in answer to the fusillade. Calras fired blank into Sheeran's face and blinded him, but the policeman used his foot, and Cairns fell sprawling with three po-

licemen on top of him.

At the police station Cairns said, "I meant to get the cop and then shoot myself." In court he was recognized by myseit. In court ne was recognized by a policeman as a "time man" from the Eastern Penitentiary under parole. He had been sent up for eight years. Magis-trate Campbell held him in \$2500 ball for

MUM AT SIGHT OF PICTURE

Rogues' Gallery Photograph Silences Protestations of Innocence.

George Kelley, arrested for picking Beicher asked him to identify a Rogue's Gallery likeness of himself. The prisoner was held in \$500 ball for court. Kelley was arrested by Policeman Stet-Kelley was arrested by Policeman Stet-ter, who caught him with his hand in the pocket of a stranger. The victim was out of work and had nothing to lose but a pipe, but Kelley was taken to a cell. He threatened trouble then for arresting an "innocent man," but his record of 17 arrests in other cities was read to him today along with a photo "mugged" by the police in another city,

### CAMDEN TO ASK PAY FOR USE OF RIVER FRONT

Nominal Rent of \$1 for Reading Terminal Site Unsatisfactory.

Camden will demand adequate payment for its river-front properties tonight at conference between the Camden Building Commission, the Camden City Har-bor Commission and the representatives of the Atlantic City Railroad. The con-ference is called by the railroad to get consent from the Building Commission to construct a \$12,000 temporary terminal at Kaighn's Point to replace the structure recently destroyed by fire and obtain per-mission from the Harbor Commission to use the street and use the street end.

Since 1852 the railroad has paid a nom-inal rental of \$1 a year for the Kaighn's Point site. Opposition has developed to a continuance of the lease on any such terms. Harbor Commissioner Charles Boyer in particular has fought the idea of renewing the lease of the railroad unless adequate rental for the site is

The plans of the railroad company con-template a \$1,000,000 terminal adequate to handle the great throng of pleasure seek-ers who pass through this city and Camden every summer on their way to At inntic City and other New Jersey coast resorts. Should the railroad be forced to pay a large rental for the site. efforts probably will be made to exact rental from other railroad sites along the Cam-den river front, notably that of the Pennsylvania Railroad at Vine street, for which no rental is paid, it is said.

SCORES "PEACE" MEETING

Bishop Phillip M. Rhinelander, of the Protestant Episcopal Diocese of Pennsylvania, is of the opinion that the meeting of the American Neutrality League to be held in the Academy of Music on Thurs-day evening has been planned with the view of helping Germany and Austria and expressing hostility to the Allies.

In an open letter which has just been received by Francis S. Clark, secretary of the League, the Bishop declines to

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## CHARITY BALL SCORES RADIANT SUCCESS

Academy of Music the Scene of Splendid Function That Fairly Eclipses Brilliant Record.

That's what everybody seemed to be doing. Three thousand two hundred German-Americans, or these who would like to have been, was the number pres-

CHESTER COUNTY PRESBYTERY The Chester County Presbytery opened its regular January meeting in the Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church at 10:30 o'clock this morning. The Rev. E. Morris Fer-guson acted as moderator and the Rev. William T. Kruse as clerk. The records for 1914 from Z churches

He calls attention to the fact that as an American citizen pledged to uphold American ideals he "is altogether against Germany and Austria on the ground that they are threatening the political and personal liberties which are an inherent in the district were presented for ex-amination. The active business of the Presbytery will be taken up this after-

It was "some party" at the Academy of

Music last night. From Colonel M. Richard Muckle, oldest lving member of the Maennerchor Soclety, to the platoon of policemen who, when the festivities were nearing the closing time, were invited to sit down at a table groaning with goodies such as they had never dreamed of before, every one voted that the 28th annual German-American charity ball was the most enjoyable one ever held. Even Harry G. Bauer, a member of the executive committee, who has 14 relatives in the war, managed to forget his anxiety for the time being and have "one of the best times in his whole life."

like to have been, was the number present, according to doorkeeper statistics, and when Gustav Blank's orchestra struck up the June walts the whole 3200 evinced a desire to get on the floor and show what they could do with it.

Many had to compromise by dancing in the corridors and foyer, and others by having little talk-feets in the boxes or watching the inspiring seems from the

watching the inspiring scene from the balconies. About 500 managed to dance each number, and though toes were often trod upon and quarters were much too close at times for anything but the most restricted dancing, yet the good fellow-ship of the crowd was marked enough to be commented on.

# Annual Shopworn Sale

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has been misinformed relative to the sentiments of those taking part.

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### 16 PRETTY ENGLISH GIRLS, SKILLED IN ARTS, HERE

Pupils of Lois Fuller Arrive on Way

Sixteen pretty English girls, none older than 16 years of age, arrived here today on the American liner Dominion at Washington avenus wharf. They are all pupils of Lois Fuller's art school, in Paris, and

are on the way to San Francisco. They will appear at the Exposition and show their talent in the way of painting, artistic needlework, music and denoting They appeared to be glad to be in the United States, away from the scene of strife, and don't care how long they stay. The girls were in charge of Mrs.

Agnes H, von Beil. Kathryn Woles, from Poloskitp, Beislum, was a passenger. Members of her
family were scattered through the country as a result of the attack on Belgium.
The girl is on the way to the home of
her sister, Mario Woles, of Cumberland, Md.
The Dominion counted to

The Dominion carried 35 cabin pas-sengers and 31 steerage.

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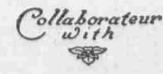
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