# PORTER BACK IN CITY FOR GREAT CAMPAIGN; READY FOR BIG FIGHT

Independent Candidate Returns From Backwoods in Fine Condition for Stirring Race

#### OPENS HEADQUARTERS

Genras D. Porter, independent candidate for Mayor, returned to Philadelphia to-day to actively start his campaign. He said he is in fine condition after taking the Roosevelt rost cure of chopping wood. The candidate visited Mayor Blanken burs in the latter's office and then went to independent headquarters, 213 South Broad street, where he established his

own headquarters for the campaign. He said that it was pretty cold in the woods five miles from Medford, N. J., where he was camping with his wife and son. "I had to chop wood all day to keep warm all night," he remarked.

"You expect to keep warm during the campaign, don't you?" he was asked. "We will all keep warm when the cam-paign gets under way," he answered.

A "Inging call to relabilitate the Re-publican Party in Philadelphia by tak-ing control of it from the hands of the contractor bosses will be made at the start of the campaign and George D. contractor bosses will be made at start of the campaign, and George Porter will open the fight by "stealing the Ununder" of the Organization.

The Republican Organization chieftains

First, a plea that an Organization victory in Philadelphia this fall would be the fererunner of a national Republican victory next year; second, that Thomas B. Smith is fit to be Mayor or, at least, that nothing can be found against him; third, that George D. Porter and the other Independent candidates are not capable of giving Philadelphia a constructive administration.

Porter and his friends, together with all of the independent leaders, have de-cided to launch a "short, fast and furlous" esimpaign. Philadelphians will be called upon to work for a continuance of principles of the present city administration and to support true Republicanism by repudlating the Organization's slate at the

#### MACKS FALL SHORT ONE RUN IN RALLY

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the ball, Demrau hit Eccels in the back. Ed Collins walked, Fournier singled to right, scoring Weaver, Ed Collins taking third. On Jackson's sacrifice fly to Hanksten, Ed Collins scored, Fourier died stealing, McAvoy to Lajole, Two runs, two hits, no errors.

Schang flied to Felsch, Strunk lined to nier. Ed Collins threw out Banks No runs, no hits, no errors.

SECOND INNING. Collins walked. Binckburne sacrifixed. Eccels to McInnis. Unjoin threw out Schulk. Scott singled to left, acoring J. Collins. Felsch fanted. One run, hit, no errors.

J. Collins made a great one-hand catch of Lajole's foul Eddie Collins threw out McIrnis. Weaver fambled Konf's ground-er. Demrau fanned. No runs, no hits,

THIRD INNING

Weaver bee; out an infield hit and went fumbled E. Coilins' grounder, scoring Weaver. Fournier forced E. Coilins. Lajois to Kopf. Jackson hit over the right field wall for a home run, scoring Fournier ahead of him. J. Coilins fited to Schang. Blackburne walked. Blackburne died stealing, McAvoy to Kopf. Three runs, two hits, two errors. Oldring batted for McAvoy and doubled to left. Malone batted for Eccels. Black.

to left. Malone batted for Eccels. Black-burne threw out Malone. E. Collins threw out Schang. Strunk singled to right, scoring Oldring. Bankston ground-ed to J. Collins, unassisted. One run, two hits, no errors.

FOURTH INNING.

ette and Perkins now battery for he Athletics. Schalk fouled to De Lajoie threw out Scott. Felsch fanned. No runs, no hits, no errors. Lajoie doubled against the right-field wall. McInnis filed to Jackson. Kopf filed to Felsch. Demrau fanned. No runs one hit, no errors

FIFTH INNING. Weaver went out, McInnis to Moris-sette, Ed Collins fanned, Fournier fanned, No runs, no hits, no errors. Perkins fited to Weaver, Schalk threw out Morrissette. Schalk also threw Schang. No runs, no hits, no errors.

SIXTH INNING Jackson walked. Lajoie threw out J. Collins, Jackson taking second. Lajoie ing third. Jackson died trying to steal home, Morrissette to Perkins. No runs, no hits, no errors.

Strunk singled to centre, be tried to take second and was thrown out, Fournier to Weaver. Bankston doubled to right. Weaver threw out Lajois McInnis singled to fentre, scoring Bankston. Kopf forced Mglanis, Blackburne to Eddle Collins. One run, three bits, no errors. SEVENTH INNING.

Schalk flied to McInnis. Scott fanned. Felsch was tossed out by Morrisette. Pins, no hits, no errors.

Demrau doubled to right. Perkins filed to Fournier. Morrisette fanned Schang walked. Strunk filed to Weaver. No runs, one hit, no errors.

EIGHTH INNING. Wenver flied to Lajoie. Ed. Collins was safe on Morrisette's wild throw. Four-tier flied to Strunk. Lajoie threw out Jackson. No runs, no hits, one error. Scott threw out Eankston. Schalk was struck on the arm with a foul up, Mayer relieved him for Chicago. Weaver threw out Lajole. McInnis singled to left. Scott threw out Kopf. No runs, one hit, no

NINTH INNING. Cotting singled to right. Morrissette

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#### AR STOCKS" JUMP AS STEEL MEN MEET

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wah and Du Pont combination, apprent gains in this city, is plants who had controlled the or plants who had controlled the sold Midvale company since its on in 1881 stepped out in favor of wowners, following a long continuity of the office of Roland L. Taylor, late A. Read & Co., in the Morris At the same time it became that the new owners expect to enter the plant and carry on an in-

associated with them were not given out.
Of the old holders, who were directors.
Charles J. Harrah, for 25 years president
of the company, Charles B. Dunn and
Howard Sellers, sold their shares and resigned their offices, while James F. Suilivan and William F. Barba remained on
the new organization. Both remain on the
board of directors. Mr. Sullivan as vice
president and Mr. Barba, formerly general manager, was elected to succeed him,
Joseph Entwisie, stenographer of the Joseph Entwiste, stenographer of the board, was elected temperarily to the office of president, in order to attend to stock transfer business. Mr. Barba will be active head of the company for the

Mr. Corey declined to any whether he is to become actual president. He refused to say what further purchases were in contemplation by himself and his asciates

The statement given out by Mr. Taylor, the Philadelphia who managed the great financial deal through the months of preparation which culminated in the actual transfer to day, was as follows:

"Settlement was completed today for the purchase of the Midvale Steel Com-pany. Much of the stock was taken up on Friday last. Owing to the absence of one of the executors at an estate hold-ing a large block of stock, the balance could not be delivered until today.

"The present value of the plant is a great tribute to the genius of the retiring president, Charles J. Harrah, who took charge as president S years ago. It is gratifying to know that very little of the stock has changed hands during these years of growth and progress. I believe the only slock that did change hands was acquired by valued employes. Mr. Harrah not only developed a great plant, but also built up a splendid staff of experts, headed by W. P. Barba, the general manager. This staff is one of the most valued assets of the company, and I believe is capable of handling a largely expanded plant and greatly increased volume of business.

Harrah, of course, resigned as president and from the board. Dunn and Howard Seliers, also resigned as directors. James F. Sullivan also re-signed as vice president and William P. Barba, the present general manager. elected in his place. The vacancies in the board will be filled by the election of William E. Corey, Fercy A. Rockefeller and Samuel F. Pryor."

The estate referred to is that of the late

liam Sellers.
r. Barba declared no significance should be attached to the election of Mr. Proyor to the new Midvale board of directors, in connection with rumors that the du Pont and Schwab interests

that the du Pont and Schwab interests intended getting control of Baldwin's and the Cambria Steel Company, to fight the Corey Interests, which were understood to be allied with those of the Morgan group.

The Reminaton Cesipany, of which Mr. Pryor is general annager, is using part of the Baldwin plant at Eddystone, under a contract their provides for turning over a new building to the locomotive works when the work now in hand is done. Mr. when the work now in hand is done. Mr. Pryor is also a director of the General Motor company, another concern that mak supplies for the Allies, Aiba B. Johnson, president of Baldwin's.

denied that a statement would be issued on the expected absorption of Baldwin's by the powder company's owners.

The du Ponts, famous powder makers, have loomed up formidably in the situa-tion since last week. Today it was generally understood that they are asso-ciated with Mr. Schwab in the making of a great combination to compete with that being put together by New York men, backed by the powerful Morgan banking interests.

The other group is saying nothing. So far the Schwab-duPont interests have been wonderfully successful in keeping their plans under cover. For instance, it was not until an entire new board of frectors had been elected to the General Motors had been elected to the General Motors Company that it became known that the Du Ponts had obtained control. Pierre S. Du Pont and S. F. Pryor are among the nine new men on the board. The big contest this week, indications are, will be for Cambria Steel. H. C. Frick is said to be in control here. He is friendly to the Moreau interest.

is friendly to the Morgan interests. At the same time, it is said, he will not let this interfere with business. Cambria will go to the highest bidder. It is probable that enormous profits will be

# WILL TRY BERRY AT QUARTERBACK

Penn Officials Believe Speedy Athlete Will Play Best in That Position

When the University of Pennsylvania cotball players assembled on Franklin Field this afternoon they listened to a dissection of the faults they displayed in Saturday's game with West Virginia. The entire heard of coaches who saw that game analyzed every man's play and then gave instructions for its correc The entire preliminary work was given up to this instruction, though there was the usual warming-up practice in kicking, tackling, passing, etc.

Although the West Virginia game was not entirely responsible for it, the coaches have decided to give Howard Berry thorough tryout at quarterback. While Berry did most of the ground-gaining against West Virginia, he is considered too light to do the heavy plunging de manded in the Quakers' style of attack Berry has afways played quarterback heretofore, and since Quigley is showing up so well and has more weight than Herry the coaches believe this change may strengthen the team. Berry was used at quarterback some of the time this afternoon

Milier, last year's star freshman end, who injured his foot at Fort Deposit during the preliminary practice, was again unable to practice with the team today. Dr. Frank Hancock, who is the team's physician, says that Miller will prob-ably not be able to play before the end of the week. The coaches are anxious for Miller to report, because they are looking a heavier pair of ends than Urquhar and Hopkins. There is some talk of try-ing Dewhurst, last year's freshman tackle, at end, where his weight will

The coaches announced that there might be some changes in the Albright line-up on Wednesday. Just because Albright lost to Rutsers, 25-0, the Quaker coaches are not looking for an easy victory. The scouts who saw the Rutsers-Albright same reported that Benfer, the Albright fullback, did not play. Coach By Dickson declares that Benfer is one of the greatest football players in America, and that on a big team he would be an All-American player. He is scheduled to make his first appearance on Franklin Field on Wednesday.

## LEFT ITALY BY REQUEST

Inez Milholland Boissevain's "Pacifist Meeting Displeased Authorities

NEW YORK, Sept. 37.—Mrs. Incs Mitholland Bolssevain, suffragette leader and war correspondent, returned today from Italy on the steamer Stampalla, accompanied by her husband, Eugens Bolssevain.

Site explained that she left trait returns

Sire expinined that she left italy rather hurriedly, having been advised by a bigh thoversment official that her "pacifiest" writings were becoming too frequent to be pleasing. The official was so polite, fire said, she could not rather his advice.

HERE FOR STEEL DEAL



William E. Corey, leader of the group of capitalists who today bought the Midvale Steel Company, is shown in the centre. At the left is William P. Barba, for the present active head of the Midvale works, and James F. Sullivan, a director, is at the right,

## ALLIES STRIKE AGAIN, WINNING MORE GROUND IN CHAMPAGNE

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Allies were greatly decreased by the efficacy of their artillery fire, which destroyed miles of first-line German trenches before infantry attacks began. When the French and British soldiers rolled forward with the bayonet to strack the German defenders of these blasted ditches they met with a feeble fire in most places, because the majority of the defenders were dead. It was a different story when the second and third line trenches were attacked, however, but retalintatory losses were inflicted upon the Germans in the subsequent counter attacks.

For three days and three nights 500 British and French cannon posted along the Allies' front, from Arras to a point west of the Givenchy-La Basse salient of the Germans, roured continuously. Rain fell in torrents. The nights were black, with the moon and stars hidden behind the storm clouds, and the day were gray and dreary.

Then came the grand assault. Clambering from their soggy trenches, their uniforms wet and caked with mud, the ailied troops rushed forward to storm the German positions. The ground in that region is mostly clay, and in this slippery mire the soldiers sank at times nearly to their knees. But neither mud nor the storm of shells and bullets from rifles and rapid-fire guns stayed them, and soon they were engaged in a hand-to-hand struggle within the Works of Dismissed Teacher German lines.

REINFORCED IN VAIN.

Despite reinforcements which had been rushed to the front, the Germans had to give way, leaving behind them great stores of ammunition and supplies.

While the British were taking Loos and the German positions at Hill 70 ad Hulluch, the French, further south, were smashing the German defenses in Souchez and on the eastern edge of the Labyrinth. A fitanic struggle is in progress in the Champagne, where the French at-

tacking over an extended front between Auberive and Ville-Sur-Tourbe have gained at every point. In the Argonne the Germans are being driven out of the positions which the German Crown Prince's army recently took at a heavy cost in human life.

A tornado of shellfire is sweeping the German position at St. Mihiel, where French are struggling to drive the Germans

At the extreme northern end of the 350-mile battle line the Belgians are playing their part by attacking the German positions on the Yser Canal. Warships are co-operating with the land forces on the Belgian coast, shelling the German positions as far inland as 15 miles.

In the sector of Ypres, where the fighting has centred around Hooge and the Ypres-Menin road, both sides claim successes,

TWELVE MILES FROM LILLE.

A more important part is being played by the British in this fighting than at any other time since the retreat from Mons, more than a year ago. British forces are taking a leading part in the struggle to oust the Germans from Lille, and the capture of Hulluch places the advanced posts of the English within 12 miles (easy artillery range) of Lille.

Great rejoicing was caused in London and Paris by the news of the Allies' ctory, for the Germans have boasted all along that their fortified positions in France were impregnable. Before the "fall drive," as the present offensive has come to be known, is finished the Germans are expected to be out of the great fortified railroad centres they have been holding in northern France since the autumn of 1914

#### GERMANS MINIMIZE GAINS OF ALLIES ON WEST FRONT

Say No Real Impression Has Been Made on Lines of Defense

BERLIN, Sept. 27. The heaviest blows the Allies have struck since the battle of the Marne have made no deep impression on the Ger-

man line, officials of the War Office de-After weeks of artillery preparation, the After weeks of articles infantry di-Allies have hurled countiess infantry di-visions against the German works in what is believed to be the beginning of the to the great Anglo-French offensive. The Anglo-French gains in 45 hours of consecutive assaults all along the front do not equal in importance the Crown Prince's recent

successes in the Argonne, it was stated here today, though the Crown Prince used less than 50,000 troops. Crowds gathered Sunday to await the posting of the official builetin, the War office having made it known late Saturday that the Allies had begun a concen-trated attack. There was no feeling of evacuated positions.

apprehension. Berlin knows the strength of the German positions on the western front and has no fear that the mighties efforts of her enemies can shatter the German lines.

No official estimates of the Allies' losses have been given out here, but it is known that they were enormous. To offset these losses the allied onelaught bent the Ger-

man lines on only two acctors.

The Brittsh objective apparently is Lille: but in the first two days of fighting English troops have been checked and thrown back with the heaviest losses. Near Loos, German troops who an exposed position were forced to retire to their second-line trenches when shelled to their second-line trenches when shelled by British artillery. Elsewhere the Brit-ish have fallen back when exposed to German machine-gun fire. French artillery, it is officially adwhen exposed to

mitted, made the remaining positions held by the Germans at Souchez untenable, and Landwehr regiments retired to their trenches. German gunners, however, are playing such a centinuous fire across the auchez ruins that the enemy has been unable to move forward and occupy the

## DIRECT ROUTE September 27, 28, 29 30 and October 1 TRENTON FAIR GROUNDS

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WILLOUGHBY WINNER MERION GOLF MATCH OVER W. SARGENT, JR.

Philadelphia Champion Defeats Merion C. C. Teammate, Seven Up and Six to Play

## FRANCINE A VICTOR TROOPS NOW MOVING MACHINE CHIEF CLUE

HAVERFORD, Pa., Sept. 27.—Despite the fact that the great American golf trio, composed of Western Champion lick Evans, Open Champion Jerome Travers and former National Champion Francis Quimet, were not on hand when the first round in the golf tourna-ment at the Merion Cricket Club was started, there were others playing who promised to make the competition no less interesting than originally planned. Some of the first round victors were B. W. Estabrook, Brookline: H. H. Wilder, Brookline: S. E. Sharwood, Merion: J. H. Sullivan, Jr., Brookline, and H. L. Willoughby, Jr., Philadelphia and dis-

trict, titleholder. Willoughby gained a comparatively easy victory over Winthrop Sargent, Jr. Merion, 8 up and 7 to play, and showed such excellent form that be promises to give a number of the out-of-town cracks od hard battle for ultimate honora

The summary:

B. W. Extabrook, Brooklitie, defeated H. S. Rhoades, Spring Haven, 5 up and 4 to play.

E. H. Fitter, Merken, won from Jerome Travers, Upper Mt. Clair, by default, H. A. Wilder, Brookline, defeated H. C. McCall, Merion, 2 up and 1 to play.

S. E. Sharwood, Merion, defeated J. S. Cady, Bock Island, 4 up and 8 to play.

R. S. Francis Merion, defeated J. W. Robb, Merion, 1 up, 10 holes.

J. H. Shilivan, Erreikine, defeated S. V. W. Patterson, Merion, 1 up, 10 holes.

J. H. Gav. Jr., Philadelphia Cricket Club, lefeated W. K. Yarrow, Merion, 7 up and 5 o play.

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H. L. Willoughby, Jr. Merion, defeated Vinibrop Sargent, Merion, 7 up and 3 to play.

E. Salterthwaite, Aronimink, defeated C. W. B. Townseth, Merion, 6 up and 5 to play.

Gardeld Scatt, Merion, defeated H. W. Smed
By Merion, 6 up and 5 to play.

G. C. Thomas, Jr., Philacelphia Cricket Club, defeated R. P. McNeely, Merion, 4 up and 2 to play. o play.
Dr. P. Dewillard, Merion, defeated Gorham
difton, Merion, 7 up and 6 to play.
H. H. Francine, Huntingdon Valley, defeated
S. Munson, Merion, 3 up and 2 to play.
Ralph H. Hornhower, Merion, defeated S. W.
sargent, Merion, 2 up and 1 to play.

#### POISON IN DRINK SERVED BY ACCIDENT

day at this kind of work, and that they had instructed her how to dispense it. She was told to give small samples. The glasses were to be washed three times after they had been used, to insure cleanliness; first in water, then in a solution of bichloride of mercury, and then in water again. The girl had mistaken the bowl of bichloride solution for water. She had said, after becoming ill, that a "few" persons had taken the samples after the mistake was made. What she meant by a "few" the officiale could not say. They said the girl was still in the benefits had a still in the benefits. in the hospital, but at the hospital it was said the patient had been discharged.

## NEARING'S BOOKS USED IN WHARTON SCHOOL

Reading List of Curriculum

Scott Nearing is no longer on the faculty of Wharton School, but his books on sconomics, in which his sentiments on child labor and other evils are plainly set forth, are prescribed for reading on the curriculum of the freshman class in conomics. O' he ill books listed for this erm, five are . om the pen of the deposed ssistant professor.

Charles E. Reitzel, successor of Nearing as assistant professor in economics at the Wharton School, called the attention of his class of several hundred freshmen to the importance of reading the books listed in his first lecture.

Mr. Reitzel carefully avo erence to the circumstances surrounding Nearing's dismissal, and confined his lecture to the cut-and-dried expounding of the principles of economics, disappointing everal upper classmen, who attended the ecture in the hope that the ejected radical would be mentioned in one way or the other. The freshmen, who constituted the large majority of those present, were silent before, during and after the lec-ture. The name of Scott Nearing was the unknown "x" to them.

When Roswell McCrea, dean of the

Wherton School, got up to speak the upper classmen leaned forward with hands cupped behind their ears so as not to miss any possible denunciation of the trustees for their rejusal to reappoint Nearing. Dean McCrea emphasized the mportance of the honor system of exminations and left the room Mr. Relizel then started his lecture. He

Mr. Retizel then started his lecture. He explained carefully that economics is the study of wealth and welfare, and that welfare depends on wealth. The equal distribution of wealth, he said, is necessary for welfare.

# **BULGARIA DISCLAIMS** MENACE TO SLAVS IN MOBILIZATION ORDER

Russia Interests in Balkans Not Threatened, Says Envoy. Bulgaria Cut Railroad to Servia

M. Madjariow, the Bulgarian Minister to Russia, has assured Foreign Minister Saranoff that the mobilization of the Bulgarian army is not intended for an offensive movement that will menace Rus-

Railway service between Bulgaria and servia has been suspended by orders of the Bulgarian War Ministry, Strict censorship is in effect. The code is forbidden in dispatches and all letters must be posted unsealed. Prince Nicholas, brother of King Con-

sian interests in the Balkans.

stantine, has been selected as commanderin-chief of the Greek army, it was reported in official circles at Athens today. The health of the King will prevent his going to the front at this time, if there is war with Bulgaria. Prince Nicholas is an ardent pro-Rus-

sian, having married Duchess Helen Vladimirovna, daughter of Grand Duke Vladimir of Russia. He is 42 years old and has had considerable military experience. General Dousmanis, chief of staff, will retain that post. Crown Prince George, now Z years old, will be attached to the headquarters of his uncle, Prince Nicholas. Mobilization in Greece is proceeding rapidly and will soon be completed. Re-ports received by the war ministry today state that 400,000 men have responded

to the call for 20 classes. Two Bulgarian armies are Already movng, one to invade Macedonia, the other remain on the frontier of Servia and strike that country if it opposes the Bulgarians' occupation of territory wrested from it after it defeated Turkey, accoming to a dispatch from Milan today.

The censor still refuses to pass dispatches describing the preparations made meet the Bulgars, but publications of following statement by Stephen Pichon, ex-Poreign Minister of France, was permitted today:

"At this moment the French and English have troops on shore at the terminus of the Servian line of supplies."

A dispatch from Lausanne quotes a "member of the Bulgarian Cabinet" as stating that war can be avoided only by Servia immediately ceding to Bulgaria the disputed sone in Macedonia.

Further Milan advices report a lack of enthusiasm in Bulgaria over mobilization, though the soldiers have been told they will not fight the Russians. Numerous desertions are said to have occurred.

# CLERK SAYS PETERSON WANTED TO BUY CAR ON DAY OF CORD MURDER

Jailed Man Quickly Denies Hotel Man's Story When Latter Confronts Him in Prison

On the day that Samuel S. Cord. wealthy real estate operator, was found murdered in a deserted sand pit in Cam-den County, his business partner, Olar den County, his business partner, Olai Peterson, who is under arrest as a "material witness," was making arrangements to purchase an automobile. Peterson spoke about purchasing an automobile to a clerk employed in a few leaves. son spoke about purchasing an automobile to a clerk employed in a fashionable. Philadelphia hotel, located in the central part of the city. He also displayed a check for \$450 or \$400, which he tried to get the clerk to cash for him. According to the clerk and Captain of Detectives Cameron, Peterson said he wanted to buy an automobile. Prosecutor Kraft has reserved. an automobile. Prosecutor Kraft has con-tended that Cord's body was taken to the sandpit in a machine.

sandpit in a machine.

It became known today that for several days, at the request of Prosecutor Krant, of Camden County, City Hall detective have been conducting a search for the hotel clerk. Yesterday the clerk wisted the Camden County Jall, where Peterson is locked up, and confronted him. The clerk identified Peterson as the man who visited him on August 31 and pleaded with him to cash the check, so that he could purchase an automobile.

"The man iles—I never saw him to man

"The man iles—I never saw him in my life," reared Peterson, who has been in a cell since September 1.

Whether there is anything significant behind the hotel clerk's statement Pres-cutor Kraft refused to say today. "If the story comes from the authori-

the in Philadelphia, then it is true, said Prosecutor Kraft. "I have promised the clerk to keep his name out of the newspapers and also not to subject the hotel where he is employed to motoriety." The story told by the clerk to the local

police is that on the day of the murder Peterson presented himself in a certain hotel and approached one of the clerks whom he had known for some time. He displayed a check drawn on a local bank and asked the clerk to cash it. When the clerk refused to cash the check Peterson is alleged to have said:

"This check is all right. I need the money because I have agreed to purchase an automobile in New Jersey." The clerk, who was found by Detective Farrell, met Peterson yesterday for the first time since the check incident.

Prosecutor Kraft today again dented that Peterson would soon be released.
The aid of the American Bankers' Association was today enlisted by the Camden authorities in trying to trace the check which Peterson is alleged to have tried to cash. Banks in Philadelphia and vicinity have been notified to watch for the check. Prosecutor Kraft is anxious to ascertain who cashed the check and

how the \$400 was spent.

## RUSSIAN OFFENSIVE GAINS ALONG 260-MILE FRONT

Continued from Page One were placed on the defensive and driven back along the front from four to fifteen miles.

The Teutonic troops attempted to regain them with counter-attacks, but reports received by the War Office today state that these assaults are less vigorous than those previously made by the Kaiser's troops, indicating that the strength of the German army has been supped.

The villages recaptured are Drisviaty, Resterka, Ghiry, Ostow, Pogurie, Koltchitzy and Podlugie. LONDON, Sept 27.

Some of the " cest fighting of the campaign is in progress on the Russian front. The Germany continue their furious attacks in an effort to drive the cussians, who are in strength, out of Dvinsk.

At Minsk the "lav offensive, begun by pushing Mackensen across the In Volhynia and Galicia the Russians continue to harass the Austro-

lermans, who had designs on Kieff, from which town they are now further pway than they were a few weeks ago. General Ivanoff apparently is determined to hold back the Austro-Germans, and his efforts are meeting with a considerable measure of success. The fortress triangle, which includes Dubno, Rovno and Lutsk, is almost

m of the Russians. Perhaps the chief activity of the last 24 hours on the eastern front has been in the north, where, according to the German official statement, Russian attacks were repulsed east of Wileika, northwest of Minsk, and stubborn fighting is still continuing west of that town.

The Germans claim advances on the front of Smorgon-Wishney, between Finsk and Wilna, saying that they have penetrated the Russian line at several points, but that the fighting continues.

The Russians, according to the German statement, have been thrown across the Beresina River, northwest of Sabrasina. It was the Beresina over which Napoleon forced his way with enormous losses in November, 1812, on the retrent from Moscow. Further to the south the Germans announce that they have reached the Niemen.

The army of Prince Leopoid of Bavaria announces that the enemy has been driven further back and 550 prisoners taken. No change is admitted on the front on which General von Mackensen is operating.

