GARRISON AIMS TO CREATE ARMY OF MILLION MEN

Secretary Prepares Facts for Submission to Congress

500,000 MOBILE TROOPS

Continental Organization Plan Provides for Possible Universal Service

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Secretary Garrison, in seclusion at his home in New Jersey, is giving over the entire holiday week to preparation for the task of presenting to the Congressional Mili-tary Committee the army's part of the Administration national defense program.

Administration national defense program. When Congress reconvenes Tuesday he will be ready to submit facts, figures and argument is support of the plans.

When Mr. Garrison left Washington he took with him copies of every departmental report and official document bearing on the preparedness problem. He believes, it was asserted tonight by an official who has had much to do with framing the plan, that a correct statement of the problem can lead only to the general conclusions embodied in the continental army scheme. From this official, who will be among those authorized to present to the committees an amplification of the views of the Administration, was obtained an outline of what the Secretary expects outline of what the Secretary expects tell Congress the proposed program

FEATURES OF PROGRAM.

This outline is as follows;
First-Write a definite military policy founded on the unanimous conclusions of military experts of the nation, past and present, and which, therefore, is sound in theory and correct in application.

Second-Enroll within three years and give some preliminary training at least to 500,000 mobile troops.

versal military service could be applied quickly and without the necessity of ex-tensive reorganization. Sixth-Furnish a regular mobile army

sufficient to co-operate in the training of the continentals and also to carry on the necessary peace activities. Seventh-Furnish through cadet com-

seventh-Furnish through cadet companies attached to regular regiments an adequate and certain school for regular continental and reserve officers.

Eighth-Furnish, beginning at once, a system under which an adequate collisted reserve for the regular army would be built up and maintained.

Ninth-Begin at once, to be concluded in

four years, the expenditure of \$81,000,000 on extension and improvement of coast defenses, making them far superfor to those which any other nation has ever those which any other contemplated.

Tenth—Furnish an adequate trained force to man all coast defenses, now lacking nearly 50 per cent, of the necessary

\$104,000,000 FOR MUNITIONS. Eleventh—Build up within four years a reserve supply of material to cost \$104,000,000 and estimated upon the consumption of ammunition shown by the best available reports from the European war.

Twelfth—Inaugurate a system under which commercial munition plants can be fostered by the Government in peace times, insuring an adequate and continu-ous supply of guns and shells in time of

The vital thing, it is contended, is to obtain the names of 400,000 men who are obligated to come to the colors at call, to supply them with necessary arms, equipment, organization and mobilization instructions, and to give them rudimen fary military training at least, probably month a year for each of three years ling all that could be hoped for. If this were accomplished, experts say, and officers and noncommissioned officer for the force were found and assigned, a great stride would have been taken, a short cut to the formation of a volunteer army in time of need, that would say nths of delay if it accomplished noth

UNIVERSAL SERVICE IS GOAL While universal service is admittedly the ultimate soal of the Administration plan, it was said that a resurvey of the military situation of the nation made only a few months ago, and going into questions of munitions manufacturing facilities and all kindred subjects, disclosed such a hopeless state of unpreparedness that the Administration embarked at once upon its campaign to build up the na tional defense

In the single item of field artillery it was found that it would take more than three years to produce the guns now be-lieved to be necessary for a force which could guarantee safety from invasion. Lessons from European battlefields have served to treble, or even quadruple, esti-mates as to necessary reserve material, and to increase twofold the proportion of light and heavy guns in any field army

War orders have increased the available commercial facilities for manufacture of war munitions, particularly in the last few months, when many new plants have been put into commission plants are building guns and amever, virtually every machine would have be re-equipped to handle American

SHOOTS BECAUSE MAN WON'T GREET NEW YEAR

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the strange pair walked into the accident ward. While one physician dressed the wound, another took the revolver from the dazed woman's hand. Policeman Schumo, who had been told of the shoot-ing, placed her under arrest. She made of the man she had shot.

Only two other persons were in the 15-year-old son Frank and her mother, Mrs. Mary McGregor, 80 years old, who were asleep. Both were aroused by the

Hill, who is a plumber and carpenter, has been paying the woman attention for about six years, according to informa-tion given to Detective Pest, of the Front and Westmoreland streets station. Three years ago, it was said, they quarreled and she, threatened to shoot him. The affair was patched up, however, and friendly relations were resumed.

WAR HARD ON WINE BIBBERS

French Production Less Than Third of Normal and Price Soars

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Bon vivants the revei in rights galettes will find their ine bills in 1916 mounting higher be-sure of the heavy decline in French polyction. The wine output for 1915 was at their one-third of the normal of other

'BULL' ANDREWS OWES \$80; SUED BY PRESIDENT'S WIFE

Former Mrs. Galt Enters Claim Against Erstwhile Pennsylvania

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20. — William H. Andrews, former delegate from New Mexico in the territorial days, known as "Bull" in Pennsylvania politics, where he flourished in the restime of Quay, was sued on December 24 in Albuquerque, N. M., on a promissory note by Edith B. Gait, head of the firm of Galt & Bro., jewelers. At the time suit was begun Mrs. Gait had become Mrs. Woedrow Wilson, but, according to an announcement made subsequent to the marriage, the partners in the firm remain the same as before the wedding.

It is understood that Mrs. Wilson, It is understood that Mrs. Wilson, who controls this firm through the will of Norman B. Galt, her first husband, offered to sell her holdings before her marriage to President Wilson. The condition of the business world, it is declared, made it impossible for her to dispose of the stock to advantage, and she is still controlling stockholder in this, the largest jewelry establishment in Washington. Washington.

The statement was made today by the manager of the firm that Mr. Andrews had owed the firm \$50, for which he gave a promissory note in 1912. The debt was the balance on a diamond, with which "Bull" always adorned his shirt bosom. The case was placed in the hands of a collection agency in Washington, which employed Moore Clayton, an attorney in Albuquerque. Albuquerque.

\$1,200,000 CHARITIES AND HEALTH BILL WILL GO TO COUNCILS TODAY

Pet Measures Certain to Be Passed Despite Possible Vetoes by Mayor, Who Sends Last Messages

APPROPRIATION HELD UP

to 500,000 mobile troops.

Third—Provide within six years for an additional force of 500,000 reserves for the troops with the colors.

Fourth—Furnish the most attractive form of voluntary military service it is possible to devise, thereby serving as a final and conclusive test of the possibility of organizing in peace times an adequate volunteer army system.

Councils today received last annual message of Mayor Blanken-burg, which included statements in regard to appropriation only containing the many new jols and salary increases approved at recent sessions. That these pet measures will be passed, if vetoed, is taken as a foregone conclusion. The most important piece of leatislation awaiting action is the appropriation bill for the Department of Health and Charwhich is expected to total about \$1,200,000.

An appropriation bill, totaling \$1,162,-634 for Health and Charities, was held up last week, when at the last moment it was discovered to be full of "clerical errors," cutting short the city's present allowance of nurses and physicians and In one instance supplying two salaries for a division chief. These clerical errors were of such importance and magni-tude that the financiers back of the bill held it over for revision and passage to-

The bill to be passed today is below the actual needs of the city's hospitals and other municipal institutions, but members of the Finance Committee say that it is the best they can do in view of the small balance available for appropriation purposes. It is admitted that next year's tax revenues will not meet the city's running expenses by between \$2,000,000 and \$3,000,000. and in view of this fact provision by of supplemental appropriations will have to be made late in 1916.

MAYOR'S FAREWELL MESSAGE. The last message of the Mayor to Coun-ils, accompanying the various depart-mental reports, was as follows:

Following the provisions of the Act of Assembly of June 1, 1885, I here-with transmit to your honorable bodies my fifth and last annual message. The reports of the various de-

partments and bureaus will follow: In submitting to your honorable dies these reports for the year 1911 let me comment upon the splendid work accomplished during the last four years, and give due credit to one and all of those associated in the city's service in that period, from the highest to the humblest department

established and fostered between the workers in all the branches of the city government—a spirit that should never relax and should be encouraged by all citizens, whether in public private life. The co-operation that has prevailed during the last four years has been one of the main sources of the many accomplishments recorded In the various reports. Such co-operation, if continued, will redound to the credit of the incoming administration and will result in greater benefit to the city of Philadelphia than even the most sanguine can anticipate at this time.

Let me express the hope that the progress made in this "working-together" will endure and grow as time passes. It should not only embrace all city departments, but, as well, all county departments, the courts and the various commissions and agencies created by and appointed un law. The welfare of the city of Phila-delphia should always be uppermost in our thoughts, and whatever help I can render during the remaining of my life to bring about this result will be more than freely given.

I do not deem it necessary to enter into any details of the reports of the various departments and bureaus. They speak for themselves. The foundation for great work in the future has been laid. That an enduring structure may be erected on this foundation is my earnest hope and

With best wishes to all the members of your honorable bodies collectively and individually, I bid you farewell as Mayor of our beloved city.

Respectfully yours, RUDOLPH BLANKENBURG.

Mayor.

URGES OFFICE EQUIPMENT. "Hefore relinquishing the office of Mayor, I desire to call to your attention the physical condition of the Mayor's

"For obvious reasons I have not asked for any appropriation during my term to make the offices habitable and in keeple with the dignity of the city and the posi-tion of its Chief Executive. Everything n the rooms is antiquated and in a con dition verging on dilapidation. The furn-iture has been repaired time and time again so as to save expense, but it is now beyond resurrection; the tiling

now beyonds resurrection: the tiling of the walls might do for a kitchen or bath room; electric lighting is inadequate and some of the carpets worn threadhare. "If we consider the fact that dis-tinguished visitors from home and abcoad are constantly calling upon the Mayor, it will appeal to you, I am sure, that the Mayor's official quarters should be of a character consistent with the dignity and importance of the position of Chief Magistrate of the city.

Magistrate of the city. "Let me urge upon your honorable bodies a sufficient appropriation, as soon as the finances of the city will permit, place them in proper condition for com-ortable occupancy. to renovate all the executive offices and

"As it will probably be impossible to take action on this recommendation by the present Councils, let me suggest that this recommendation be referred to the newly elected Councils, who will suc-ceed your bonorable bodies on January 2 1216."

TEUTON ENVOYS SEE NO BREACH IN ANCONA CASE

Optimistic Attitude Taken at Austrian and German Embassies

VIENNA'S NOTE DELAYED

U. S. Will Not Fight Over Ancona Case

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—"The United States will not go to war because Austria refuses to punish a submarine commander or because Austria refuses to disavow, in so many words, the sinking of the

"The fundamental point the United States is insisting on is to obtain assurances that its citizens are not going to be placed in jeopardy by illegal submarine war-

fare.
"If Austria subscribes to the principle of submarine warfare already agreed on by Germany, thereby assuring the United States further attacks will be no further attacks will made on passenger liners without warning and without due care for the safety of passengers and crew and if offers of reparation are made for American lives lost on the An-cona, the other questions will be settled by diplomatic interchange."

—A high State Department official.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.
"Nothing in our conversations with the State Department or in what information we have had from Vienna could possibly have given rise to the pessimistic reports regarding the settlement of the Ancona negotiations between Austria and the United States."

This was declared by an official at the

This was declared by an official at the Austrian embassy today. Baron Zwiedlnek, the Austrian charge, and a long conference with German Ambassador Bernstorff today regarding the Ancona case in particular and the entire question of submarine warfare in its redustion of submarine warfare in its re-lations to the sinking of passenger-car-rying vessels. Neither would discuss in detail what transpired, but it is under-stood they exchanged, for their own in-formation, the latest intelligences from their respective Foreign Offices. The favorable attitude taken by both the German and Austrian embassies tends to profits.

to confirm the impression emanating from the State Department that a breach of diplomatic relations is far from the

minds of all paraties concerned.

"Hopeful waiting" is the State Department's attitude today regarding the submarine controversies. Important developments in both the Ancona and Lustiania negotiations are momentarily expected. Information from Derlin is that the German Government is planning to present views on the Lusitania case shortly

Delay in receiving word of the dis-Delay in receiving word of the dis-patch of Austria's note on the Anconn puzzled officials. That it might be re-ceived today was considered less prob-able. Both the State Department and Austrian Embassy have been advised that the note was completed and sched-uled for presentation Tuesday to Am-bassador Penfield. Difficulties of communication between Vienna and Wash-ington usually require 48 hours for trans-mission of official documents. If the note was delivered Tuesday it should inder ordinary circumstances arrive at the State Department today.

Failure of the State Department to hear from Penfield for two days was a mystifying factor.

One explanation of the delay, based upon unofficial reports from abroad, was that the Hungarian faction in the Austro-Hungarian Cabinet is insistent that the United States demands be met and no note sent which by any means might pro-voke a breach between Austria and the Inited States. Differences between Count Burian and the Hungarian faction led by Count Tisza, it was thought possible, may be holding up the note for redrafting.

Germany is reported to be sending nenstructions to Ambassador Bernstorff re carding his confidential negotiations wit ecretary Lansing on the Lusitania case ternstorif, awaiting advices from his For eign Office, has not visited Secretary Lar sing for a formight. Administration ficials are more hopeful of concessions from Germany which may finally and lefinitely settle the Lusitania dispute of incident with the Ancona negotiations. For the effect it may have upon Austria the form of the disayowal of the Lusitania's sinking is the principal point not nteresting officials.

Dr. Cecile L. Greil, the American woman survivor of the Ancona, was expected here today or tomorrow to amplify he affidavit regarding the Austrian subm rine's attack. Her testimony has no of ficial importance, since the present de mands of this Government are bases solely upon the Austrian Admiralty's own version of the disaster.

CHILDREN IN XMAS PLAY

Performance Today to Aid Downtown Neighborhood Work

Talented children of the southern sec tion of the city will appear in the Broad Street Theatre this afternoon in "The Snow Queen," a Christmas fairy tale, Snow Queen," a Christmas adapted from Hans Andersen. The performance is for the benefit of the Southwark Neighborhood House

SUES BROTHER-RIVAL FOR \$20,000 CLAIM

Newalls, Competitors in Plumbing Business, Fight Out Old Quarrel

William Newall, of the large plumbing rm of William Newall & Son, 1707 San-om street, was baled into court today on the charge made by his brother, John D Newall, proprietor of a rival shop next door, at 1709 Sansom street, that \$20,009, due on a bill of equity, had not yet been paid to the latter.

The case was tried before Magistrate Harris, in his office, at 2526 Market street, and was considerably enlivened by the legal fireworks of former Mayor John Weaver, who represented John D. New-all, and Bernard O Connell, who repre-sented William Newall. The case was held over another week.

The suit was begun when the plumbing firm of the brothers was dissolved. John D. Newall claimed that his brother took \$39,000 more from the profits than was his just share. His claim was sustained and William Newall ordered to pay it back. This he failed to do, according to the

The reason was, according to counsel fo the defendant, that John D. Newall had rented a spite shop next door to the old one, after he had left the partnership, and had spared no effort to take away the brother's business. As had even going so far, it was stated repeatedly during the testimony, as to make it a habit to "pop into William Newall's shop, like a juck-in-title-bay" every day and call his brother a "iniet sud a payroil paider."



control his official acts as Judge of Common Pleas Court No. 2.

ALLIES GATHER MEN AND SHELLS

French and English Prepare for Big Offensive to Clear Out Enemy

ENLARGE VOSGES GAINS

quantities of ammunition. A heavy mass of artillery is being concentrated at Tournai. All inhabitants are being ordered out of the fire zone.

LONDON, Dec. 30. The three months since the sharp and uccessful allies offensive of late September have seen remarkably rapid accu-mulation of reserve men and munitions on the western front in preparation for the next general advance. The expenditure in shell has been even less than it was during the summer, if conditions may be Judged accurately from the official communiques, and aside from the activity at Hartmannswellerkopf, where compara-tively small forces are engaged, the men have been called on for little al fight-

g. While the expenditure—human and maerial-has been at a minimum, the production of both necessities has been at the maximum. France and Britain have been working their fully mobilized steel plants night and day, and it is estimated that out of every three shells two have gone into the reserve supply that will be used when the time comes to maintain an uppercedented rain of death on the German positions from Nicuport to Switzerland. Into the reservoir of men has gone a large proportion of the new units, which will reveive their real baptism of fire in the next "big push."

The extent of the Allied preparations for an offensive is confirmed by Reuter's correspondent at the western headquarnight and day, and it is estimated that out

ters, who remarks that the British staff is confident the Allies now are so strong n men and munitions that they can break through the German lines whenever the right time comes. The declares the right time comes. Te declares the weather is the chief reason for postponing the big movement.

Despite the weather, the duel in the Vosges Mountains continues and eventu-ally may prove to be one of the big oper-ations of the war. The gains in either direction thus far have been small, but the footbills which here dominate the

DENY ADVANCE IN COAL

No Shortage and No Necessity for Rise in Price, Says Statement

Word was received here today that the following statement was authorized in New York this morning by the anthracite

"Numerous reports have been circulated that there is a shortage of anthracite coal and that the price is increasing at various points. As a matter of fact the is plenty of anthracite above ground to meet all demands and the only difficulty is that of distribution. Owing to slack buying during the summer months les anthracite than usual was delivered, and because of the unpre-edented congestion of freight fewer cars are available for moving it. Due to the demand in the foreign trade, the available floating equipment is also shorter than usual, while unloading is slower because of gen-

eral pressure upon facilities. "There have been no recent changes in the wholesale price of anthracite. The last was in 1912, when stove coal was ad-vanced 25 cents a ton, chestnut and pea 20 cents as an offset to the rise in wages granted that year and to other increased

"This has been the only change in the prices charged by the operators since 1902, except in 1911 when cheetnut was advanced 25 cents and in 1913 when an adjustment was made to meet the Penn-sylvania State tax on Valuation.

vance in wages can operate to force an increase in the wholesals prices. The present output and supply are amply sufficient to meet all demands."

One Year Ago Today

DRAFT MAY MEAN REVOLT, BRITISH PAPER PREDICTS

Daily News Declares Drastic Compulsion Will Open Deadly Breach in Nation

CABINET TO MEET FRIDAY

Ireland and Labor Are Opposed

LONDON, Dec. 30 Revolution in Great Britain is predicted by the Daily News If the Government adopts conscription. While the newspaper does not use the word "revolution" it says that drastic compulsory service would probably make a deadly breach in the unity of the nation. Lreak the splendid traditions of the country and unsettle the spirit of the people. The reported decision of the Asquith

ministry to adopt modified conscription was both defended and at cked by the

A Cabinet council will be held tomorrow, when the opposition of the Irish National and Labor parties will be dis-cussed. A tentative agreement to exclude Ireland from the workings of a conscrip-tion bill has been reached, but it would be impossible to eliminate the working class, as virtually all the conscripts would be drawn from this element of the LABOR IN OPPOSITION.

It begins to look as though organized labor in the United Kingdom will line up in a solid phalanx against the Government if conscription is put into effect. Sir Edward C ey, the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, has turned pacificator in an effort to heal the breach which grew

As a result of his efforts, it is now be-lieved that A. J. Balfour, first Lord of the Admiralty, will support the Premier on any action which may be than in Parlia-ment next week. Hitheric Mr. Balfour has opposed compulsory service as a dan-

up in the Cabinet over the question of

erous precedent. There is much There is much speculation is to the erms of the so-called modified conscription bill. According to the Chronicle it will provide for the compulsory enlist-ment of all unmarried men between the ages of 19 and 40, who did not enroll themelves under Lord Derby's enlistment Royal influence is being exerted in an effort to bring the ministerial factions

together. King George evidently fears the effect of Government strift upon England's allies and so regards it as mmunition for the German propaganda Many persons are waiting for a public utterance by Lord Kitchener upon conscription. He has been regarded by some as opposing it and by others as favoring it. Proconscription newspapers today expressed the belief that "Lord Kitchener had been won over."

Kitchener had been won over, The Cabinet at its late meeting definite-decided on the principle of compulsory service for single and married men who have not been attested under Lord Derby's group system, according to ex-cellent information obtained today.

There will, however, be no announce-ment respecting this decision until Par-liament meets next Tuesday. The Government is certain to carry the compul-sion bill in Parliament by a coalition of Unionists and a majority of the Liberals. The Irish representatives will vote solidly igainst it and they will be supported by few Liberals who are uncompromising

Henderson, who however, will be guided

by the views of the Labor party.

Lord Kitchener, the War Minister, also has at last defended his opinion that the time is ripe for compulsion. Much depends now on the atti-ude of Reginald McKenna, Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Walter Runciman, president of the Board of Trade, both important members of the Cabinet. But there is tonight a hopeful feeling that they may yet be

induced to support the Fremier in the interests of ministerial unity.

Much will depend upon the attitude of the Labor party, which, although strongly opposed to compulsion, may possibly be wayed by Mr. Henderson's view that the exceptional circumstances justify exceptional means.

According to the Daily Chronicle the new bill will be a short measure calling upon unmarried men between the ages of 15 and 40 years to attest in their ups, within a specified period of the under the same privileges as t Derby recruits, with serious penalties for on-compliance.

Times says Mr. McKenna bases his opposition to the scheme partly on personal doubt regarding the rize of the military forces required of Great Brit-ain to win the war and partly on Great Britain's financial commitments, both at home and by way of loans to her allies. Mr. Runciman, the newspape, adds, is concerned to maintain the volume of trade which he regards as an indispensable factor in the British war equipment.

Germany Recognizes Carranza BERLIN, Dec. 38.—The de facto govern-nent in Mexico, headed by General Carranza, has been officially recognized by

OSBORNE REFUSES

Sing Sing Warden Professes Eagerness to Expose Conspiracy Against Him

NEW YORK, Dec. 30 .- Warden Thomas Mott Ogborne, of Sing Sing Prison, will be removed today by John B. Riley, State Superintendent of Prisons, unless he agrees to resign, as a result of his indictment on charges of negligence morality. This was Riley's attitude today. Osborne stood pat on his refusal to re-

sign. His utmost concession was an offer to accept a temporary suspension pending the outcome of his trial. He is anxious, he says, to expose the allege conspiracy that caused his indictment Osborne's work in Sing Sing will be lauded and his indictment condemned at a mass-meeting in Carnegle Hall here Monday night, according to an announce-ment today. Organizations and in-dividuals interested in the defense of the

warden and the preservation of the pro-gram he has instituted in Sing Sing will arrange the meeting.

Among those whose names appear in connection with the movement are George Gordon Battle, Osborne's counsel; George W. Wickersham, Carrie Chapman Cart, John Henry Hammond and Adolph Lewische. Lewisohn.
George W. Kirchwey, former dean of Columbia Law School, who was offered the wardenship when he went to Albany to intercede for Caborne's retention, announced he could not accept anless temporarily, and then only in the event of Caborne's resignation.

ONLY 3 NEW SALOON CHANGES ASKED FOR IN WEST PHILADELPHIA

Sharp Contrast With Number of License Applications in That Section Last Year. Grants Will be Opposed

REVOCATIONS SOUGHT

Only three of the 60 applications for ransfer of saloon licenses to new owners transfer of saloon licenses to new owners or new locations seek to establish saloons in West Philadelphia, it was revealed today at the session of the License Court before Judges Stasie and Patterson. This condition is in striking contrast with the number of applications for new saloons in West Philadelphia heart at the last session of the court.

The proposed locations of the new saloons for West Philadelphia are at the southeast corner of 57th street and Cedar avenue for Michael J. Cunningham, now in business at 3426 Market street; at the

in business at 3425 Market street; at the northeast corner of 524 and Ranstead streets for John F. Graham, of 1405 Fil-bert street, and 570 North 525 street for Patrick J. Coon, of 769 East Passyunk

It is reported that opposition will develop to all three proposed changes.
Among the cases to be heard today is
that of Thomas F. Watson, owner of a
saloon at the northwest corner of 53d salon at the northwest corner of sid and Market streets, who was granted a license after a hitter fight at the last session of the court. Watson seeks to trunsfer his license for the new saloon to John J. Trainer. The application will not be heard until late today. Most of the applications before this ses-

tion of the court are for transfers to new

Two petitions to revoke licenses were presented by D. Clarent, Glibboney, pres-ident of the Law and Order Society, when the session opened. They will be heard on January 7. Both petitions allege disorderly conduct of the saloons and the selling of liquor to habitual drunkards and persons already under the influence of drink. The two raloons under fire are those of Jacob Herkowitz, 1147 North 2d street, and James J. Keefe, 413 South 12th street.

The application for the transfer of the license held by Henjamin F. Owen, southeast corner of 8th and South streets, to Paolo Agaruso was granted by the court, but only after assurances that debts to the extent of \$20,000 would be assumed by Agaruso. Counsel representing one of the largest creditors, a brewing company, asserted that when Owen took possession of the place, a couple of years ago, he assumed \$15,000 worth of debts, and during his tenure has increased the indebtedness considerably.

Mrs. Emma Bergdell sharply contested the transfer of the license of Edward J. Winkins, southeast corner 5th and Filbert streets, to Robert H. Wannemacher, and, by agreeing to pay the trustee in bank-ruptcy \$1000 more for the license, obtained he place for her nominee, who will make formal application for the transfer later, udge Staake, however, pinned Mrs. Bergdoll down to her bargain, giving her until 3 o'clock this afternoon to produce the cash or a certified check for \$2500, the

price agreed upon for the place.

AGED WOMAN'S PLEA DENIED. The Court declined to establish a precedent in renewing, after a lapse of three years, the license at 1447 North American street, the real estate of which is in the name of Catharine Behan, an aged woman, who pleaded that the rent obtained & m the property was her only support. The North American street property recently was sold at Sheriff's sale, but after the woman had made a rather pathetic plea at the last session of the License Court, Judge Staake directed her attorney to take steps to retain title to the real estate if possible and then formally ask the License Court to transfer the license previously located in the place to her.

After discussing Mrs. Behan's case at length, the Court felt impelled to refuse the application, as it had no jurisdiction in the matter.

The practice of prospective buyers of the Austrian fire, we had only two killed and two wounded." the report says, "which shows how poorly the guns were handled." It is also now reported by the Monte-shows how poorly the guns were handled." It is also now reported by the Monte-shows how poorly the guns were handled."

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It is also now reported by the Monte-shows how poorly the guns work hand The Court declined to establish a prec-

saloon licenses taking full charge of the business and operating it as though the actual owners was again the subject of criticism by Judges Staake and Patterson and may result in the refusal to grant the petition of Mrs. Sal-Dunmore, proprietor of the Stock Yard Hotel, 30th and Race streets have the license transferred to John J.

An anonymous communication, received by the Judges, stated that Carlin was oy the Judges, stated that Carlin was operating the business in his own name before the court had sanctioned the transfer. The writer of the letter said that he would be in court to prove what was stated if it were denied. No response, however, was made when he was called upon to come to the bar of the court. The case was continued until Jan-uary 7, because of Carlin's illness.

LICENSES TRANSFERRED.

Licenses for transfers were granted to he following: RETAIL Second Ward-Margaret Mechan, 900 South Front street, to Ludwig Knast. Fourth Ward-Benjamin F. Owen, S. E.

cor. 8th and South streets, to Paolo Agaruso: Mary Sharkless, 801 South Front street, to Meczislav Tavrinsky.

Sixth Ward—Carrie dlomer, 156 North 3d street, to August Moessner; Christian Lutz. 125 Arch atreet, to John J. Lenny. Tenth Ward-William Kauffman. 766 Race street, to 706-s Race street; Hannah L. Rogers, northeast corner 16th and herry streets, to Michael F. Regan 561

Fourteenth Ward-James Burns, North 12th street, to Vincent Miszelkis, Fifteenth Ward-John Campbell. Fairmount avenue, to Konstantf Schultz; Patrick Mullen, 325 North 16th street, to Peter Mikonis; Anna V. Sigmund, 2301 Fairmount avenue, to John McMenamia. Sixteenth Ward-Andrew Erny, 1158-69 Hancock street, to Paul C. Nass. Nineteenth Ward-William Bradley, 175

TO QUIT UNDER FIRE

Nineteenth Ward-William Bradley, to West Berks street, to Charles H. Kisseli: Augustus E. Godshall, 2001 Germantown avenue, to James M. Kirk; William Ross. West York street, to James Quinn: 108 West York street, to James Quinn; Alpheus G. White, 2442 North Front street and 2443 North Hope street, to Clarence E. Smith.

Twentieth Ward - Samuel Silverman, Twentieth Ward — Samuel Silverman, northwest corner Marshall street and Columbia avenue, to Adam Powidzki.

Twenty-first Ward—Anthony G. and Clarence J. Kern. 42t Eaker street, to Clarence J. Kern.

Twenty-second Ward—Edwin J. King.

255 Queen lane, to James J. Higgins

SLAVS REPEAT ATTACKS ON FOR NEAR RUMANIA

Defeat Austrian Outposts, but Fail in Assaults on Main Line

TO INFLUENCE BALKANS

Offensive in Bessarabia and Bukowina Large in Moral Effect

LONDON, Dec. 38.
Reports, both official and unofficial, from German and Austrian sources, telling of German and Austrian sources, telling of considerable Russian activity and many attacks on the Austrian lines in Buko-wina and Bessarabia, at the extreme southern flank of the eastern battle line. southern Bank of the eastern battle line, and close to the Rumanian frontier, are taken in military circles here as an indication that Russia, father than attempt an invasion of Bulgaria by sea, intends

by exerting pressure at this point to in-fluence the Balkan situation. "On the Bessarabian front," says the "On the Ressarabian front," says the Austrian official report of last night, "there have been renewed local hostile attacks, which failed with great losses too the Russians." The report, however, admits that "east of Purkanov our reconnotiering detachments retired on our main body before superior Russian forces."

The German official report says nothing of this fighting, but announces that an advance by a strong Russian division on the coast of the Gulf of Riga, near Raggasem, failed.
"On the left bank of the river," says

RUSSIANS FAIL, SAYS BERLIN.

On the left bank of the river, may the Russian report. "a Lettlish deflachment attacked an enemy detachment with bayonet. The Germans fled, leaving many killed and wounded. On the rest of the front as far as Pripet region there have been artillery duels and fusillades in places south of Pripet, and in Galicia there have been encounters." A dispatch printed in the Berliner Tage-blatt, according to a Berlin report, says that since Christmas the Russians have made eight attacks on the Bessarabian freut, and that on one occasion they kept up a continuous artillery fire for 25 hours. No fighting is officially reported from

the Balkan theatre by either Berlin or Vienna. Unofficial dispatches say the Italian troops pushing forward from Aviona through Southern Albania have reached the Greek frontier in Epirus at several places. Another dispatch says there are about 75,000 Serbian soldiers at Scutari and Elbassan, in Central Albania. and that they hold strong positions against a Bulgar advance. Another report repeated by the Athens correspondent of the Paris Petit Journal

says that a Bulgarian regiment stationed at Gumuldzina, about 30 miles northwest of Dedeaghatch on the Aegean, has mu-A Montenegrin official report given out

A Montenegrin official report given out in Parls says the Austrians have been driven back with great loss toward Berane, in the Sanak of Novibazar, and that a bombardment on the sea coast front north of Cattaro, in which 2000 shells were fired, was without result.

"Notwithstanding the intensity of the Austrian fire we had only two killed and

the arsenal. It is reported that there will be a discussion as to the advisabil-ity of introducing several bills in the present session of Congress for additions the present equipment for the manu facture of small arms, ammunition and

The bill for dredging Frankford Creek, which was introduced by Congressn J. Hampton Moore at the last sessi will also be taken up. The party Philadelphia Congressmen left for Frankford Arsenal from Broad Street Station at 12:02 this afternoon. They were met at the station by Lieutenant Colonel Montgomery and taken to the arsenal in automobiles. Those in the party were Cnogressmen J. Hampton Moore, William S. Vare, George W. Edmunds, George P. Darrow, Peter E. Cos-

tello and George S. Graham.

Salvation Barracks Dismantled BUTTE, Mont., Dec. 30.-A mysterious explosion of dynamite early today explosion of dynamite early today wrecked the Salvation Army barracks near the centre of the city and badly damaged several adjoining buildings. There was no loss of life so far as is

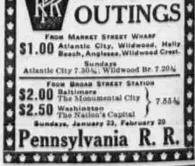
40,000 Allied Soldiers Blinded NEW YORK, Dec. 30.-Dr. Helen Nolet.

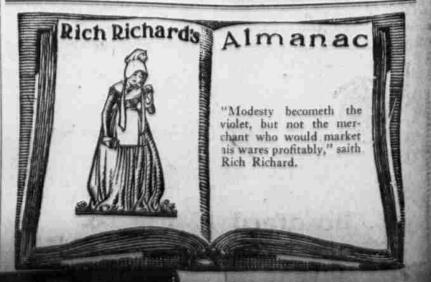
who has been working in the American

n the Rochambeau. She said that more than 40,000 allied

Hospital at Nice, returned to America

soldiers had been made totally blind since the war began. *********** SUNDAY







ANSWERS "JIM" McNICHOL Judge-elect Joseph P. Rogers re-plied last night to the State Sen-ator's Clover Club "loyalty" address. He warned the Republican Organization not to attempt to

FOR WEST DRIVE

THE HAGUE, Dec. 30 .- Germany is said to be making preparations for a big drive on the West front. According to information from Belgium, 30,000 reinforcements are arriving daily at certain points. Eighty thousand fresh troops have arrived on the Arras front together with enormous

NEW YORK DEALERS

coal operators:

"Operators are fully prepared to fight the consumers' battle by seeping anthra-cite prices at their present level. Since 1991 they have given discounts during the gummer months in order to distribute purchases through the year. Only an ad-

Dunkirk, killing 15. French submarine torpedoes Austrian dreadnought Viribus Unitis, but fails to sink her. Germans retreat over the Bzura. Russians steadily advancing South Poland.

German airmen drop bombs in

French aviators increasingly ac-tive in Flanders.

Archbishop of Canterbury issues appeal for recruits.