PRICE ONE CENT

## TURKS TO INVADE EGYPT: TEUTONS RUSH TROOPS TO BESSARABIA TO HALT FOE

German Officers and Munitions to Be Used for Raid on England's Colonial Empire-Mackensen in Command on Styr

Germany is determined upon striking at England by an invasion of her colonial possessions. Berlin advices declare, however, that the raid on Egypt will be made by Turkish armies freed from necessity of home defense by the Anglo-French defense of the Gallipoli Peninsula. German officers and munitions will be furnished for the Moslem offensive.

Apparently this plan of campaign is dictated by the situation in the Balkan and eastern war zones. The sudden Slav drive in Bukowina and renewal of assaults in Bessarabia have tied the German armies to continental Reinforcements have been rushed from the Serbo-Greek line to Bessarabia to halt the Muscovite activities on the Styr, Strypa and Pruth Rivers and Marshal van Mackensen has taken command to stem the Russian tide from sweeping over Galicia into Hungary.

This diversion of large forces indicates a temporary stoppage of the contemplated drive through Greece to Salonica, to push the Allies from their base into the Aegean. However, unconfirmed dispatches declare that this offensive will be pressed by the middle of the month, with large Turkish and Bulgarian columns.

BERLIN ACCEDES

TO U.S. DEMANDS

**UPON LUSITANIA** 

Austria Has No Report on

Sinking of Persia, Pen-

field Informed

NO CASE AGAINST VIENNA

Important developments foreshad-

owing the settlement of all questions

in dispute with Germany and Austria

took place today. Officials said they

felt certain tifat an entire settlement

of all matters in dispute concerning

Ambassador von Bernstorff received

mands as to the wording of the Lusi-

Austria has no information that the

that this incident will not prove a bar-

Only one survivor of the Persia sug-

gested that a submarine sank the liner and his affidavit is declared by State

Department officials to have no legal

The German Foreign Office has acceded

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to the demands of the United States over

I TEDESCHI PRONTI AD

ATTACCARE SALONICCO

ranno Contro la Base degli

Alleati sul Mare Egeo

Un telegramma da Salonicco dice che 200,000 soldati bulgari, austriaci e tedeschi sono ammassati ora lungo il confine set-

tentrienale della Grecia, pronti a lanciarsi ad invasione dei territorio ellenico ed attaccare le difese degli alicati nella loro base di Salonicco. L'inizio dell' offensiva

base di Salonicco. L'inizio dell' offensiva non sara' ritardato molto. I bulgari avanzano in grandi masse tra Dolrn e Gvegheli, mentre un'altra loro divisione e' concentrata nella zona di Monastir. Un'altra divisione bulgara opera in Albania contro i serbi.

Le truppe austriache sono sulla destra dei bulgari nella zona di Monastir, mentre quattro divisioni tadesche operano dietro il centro bulgaro, sulla ferrovia di Nish. Aviatori francesi che hanno fatto ricognizioni da Salonicco dicono che almeno sette divisioni bulgare operano a poche ore dai confine della Grecia.

Intanto gli alleati hanno stabilito for

tissime opera di difesa a Salonicco, for-mando un semicerchio di circa 37 miglia di estensione attorno alla citta'. Le forze anglo-francesi che sono nelle vicinanze del confife ripiegheranno su questa linea

non appena saranno attaccate. (Leggere in 4a pagina le ultime e piu' dettagliate notizie sulla guerra in itai-

New French loan, "5 per cent. national," opens on Paris Bourse at 89, nearly a point above sub-scription price. Demand was strong, but holders showed no disposition

to sell.

Minister of Finance criticised for

methods used in floating loan and faults blamed on bureaucracy.

Plan of allowing banks' commission on subscriptions on sliding scale was not conducted in manner that pleased the bankers.

New tax plans will probably be depted after strong criticism in

dopted after strong criticism in

The details of financial affairs in France, as cabled exclusively to the EVENING LEDGER by Yven Guyot, will be found on page 17.

Above Subscription Price

New French Loan Quoted

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.

Sette Divisioni Bulgare Marce- Mother of Accused Youth Asks

tania agreement.

submarine warfare will be reached.

By CARL W. ACKERMAN

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BERLIN, Jan. 7.
Germany will send no armies to the
Suez Canal it is generally believed here.
Turkish forces, officered to some extent
by Germans and supplied with munitions
from Berlin, will constitute the force
that will invade Egypt.
Discussion of the Egyptian campaign.
the chief item of interest here for several weeks, was revived today by statements in the English press deriding the
possibility that Germany could hold her
lines elsewhere and send troops to the
Suez.

It was pointed out here that the It was pointed out here that the Turks now have an army of more than 1,00,00 men in the field. Within a short time they will be well equipped. It is understood that German officers who have lived in Egypt and understand the problems of an Egyptian campaign will be assigned to the invading armies. It is now possible for the Germans to send war supplies to Constantinople and thence to Damascus within a short time. Within a few days a new time table will

thence to Damascus within a short time. Within a few days a new time table will go into effect, showing fast trains running from Berlin to Constantinople in 39 hours. Before the war the trip took 50 hours. Improvements on the Serbian partion of the road by German engineers has made it possible to reduce the time. Retirement of the Allies from a part of their positions at the Dardanciles is characterized by German military men as only another indication of the hapharand policy of the Entente Powers in the

ard policy of the Entente Powers in the mar East. It is believed here that these forces have been sent to Salonica and

Rgypt.

The situation in Greece has for the time being lost interest in view of the possibilities of the Egyptian campaign. Milltary critics here declare that despite the Allies' extensive preparations at Salonica
the Bulgarians can sweep them into the
sea any time they want to cross the Greek
frontier. Enough Austro-German submamee are in the Mediterranean to inflict disastrous losses upon transports carry-ing the retreating Anglo-French troops

#### TEUTONS RUSH FRESH TROOPS TO HALT BESSARABIA DRIVE

LONDON, Jan. 7. Teutonic reinforcements rushed to the Bessarabian front appear to have checked, temporarily at least, the Rus-man drive in the eastern theatre of warcent reports from Berlin say that the Austro-German commanders had long expected such a move on the part of the Car's forces and had made preparation

to meet it.

Berlin, Vienna and Petrograd dispatches state that the losses have been severe in the fighting that is now in progress northeast of Czernowitz. A measure from Bucharest says reports have reached the Rumanian capital that the losses on both sides in the lighting from January 1 to January 5 totaled more than 80,000 men.

In the meantime, news of a Teutonic-Bulgar-Turkish invasion of Greece is hourly expected here. If, as has been

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#### THE WEATHER

The predicted cold wave with its "cold-est weather of the winter" failed to mafalize in the latter respect, and as a suit those in the "grippe" grip, the result those in the "grippe" grip, the youngster with his skates over his shoulder, and plumbers with their pipe-thawing equipment in easy reach are nursing their grief today. It sot cold shough, since at 4 a. m. Monsieur Mercury at the Weather Lureau was onestepping in perfect time with Miss Twenty-seven. Said Mercury's middle name is Fickle, however, and at 8 a. m. b. was teaching bowerer, and at S a. m. he was teaching Madame Thirty the waits. Just what happened to the cold wave is a mystery. By all the strange laws of weather forerasing the cold wave was due and just what happened nobody, seems to know. All day yesterday in the Middle West it was colder than the spartment after a partial with the janitor. But it is warm-

ing up out there, and it possesses any colder here.

However, since it does not get colder when it should, it may get colder when the should, it may get colder when the should of the s

#### FORECAST

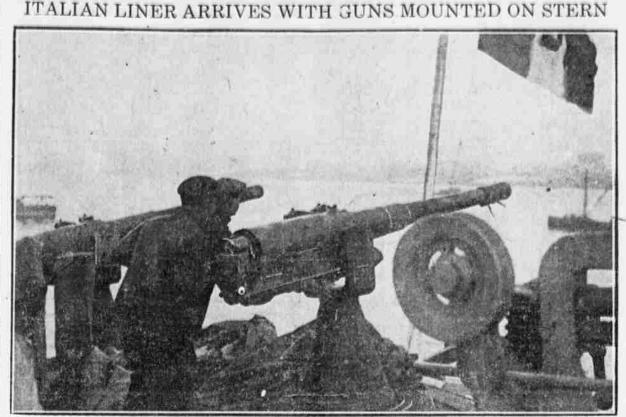
For Philadelphia and vicinity Snow tonight; Saturday partly claudy; moderate northeast to north winds. For detail see page 8.

### LOST AND FOUND

Chestaut at a lady's overse containing some five. Saiding rine and some calling cards, he will be saidly notify Mrs. H. H. Montgomers.

187 WATCH-Lost December 30 small strat waith made by Tiffany London 1974 A. P. W. on back, Reward of \$25 to be and to Halley Banks & Biddle, 1218

of he Market at elevated, at 15th st. and subd bead bag with rioves and ficture Mrs. Countled Case., Radmar, Pa tenara la l'etterne ante Market at Consider Ade on Paper 10 and 10



Here are the guns found on the afterdeck of the steamship Verdi, which caused a stir on her arrival in New York. They are said to have been manned by gunners of the Italian navy, who practive dishooting at barrels on the voyage over. Though it is contended the guns were merely for defense against submarines, their presence raises a question which the State Department is trying to settle, and they may be ordered dismounted before the ship is allowed to clear again.

## PENROSE'S 'ASHCART' INSULT FAILS EVEN TO 'MUSS' VARE PLUMAGE

Congressman Declares Senator's Slur Is Absolutely a Closed Incident-Followers of 'Bill' Are Riled

GRAHAM TO GET POST

"So far as I am concerned, the incident is closed," was the smiling reply of Congressman William S. Vare to a question as to how he regarded the purported statement yesterday of Senator Penrose that "I am not going to concern myself abour an asheart. I am a statesman."

Mr. Vare, in fact, repeated his answer several times to emphasize it, never once losing the broad smile which adorned his face. "It is closed, understand me"—and Ambassador von Bernstorff received he drove the clenched fist of his right word that the German Foreign Office hand into the palm of his left—"I have has agreed to meet United States de-

Senator Edwin H. Vare was equally reticent, as was Councilman William E. Finley and Recorder of Deeds Hazlett. "My visit here has no political signifi-cance," said the South Philadelphia Con-gressman. "The Appropriations Commit-tee of Congress did not meet today and I P. and O. liner Persia was sunk by an Austrian submarine. Belief is growing vanted to spend the night with my famrier to prevent complete agreement

with Teutonic Powers.

The Cabinet discussed the situation without reaching a final agreement because of the lack of substantial details regarding the loss of the Persia.

A stream of politicians, however, flowed into the Vare offices in the "inco": Building all day long. The "big boys" refused to make any comment. The "little fellows," however, were not so silent, and several of them openly declared that Penrose was trying to belittle their Congress-

Philadelphia, will be elected a member of the National Republican Congressional Committee from Pennsylvania, as the result of the bitter factional contest which came to a climax yesterday, according to dispatches from Washington. Representathe exact wording of the agreement be-tween the two countries which will clear tive E. R. Kless, supported by the Vare

"I AM GLAD MY SON

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SHOT ME," SAYS MAN

for His Release-Father

in Hospital

The mother of Ernest Bellfuss, a youth of 18 years, who last night shot his father, pleaded for her son's release before Mag-

istrate Wrigley today.

"My husband was wounded while he was trying to make an attack upon me in his drunken rage," she said. "Now, as he lies in the hospital and may die.

Belifuss kept saying.

The father Paul Belifuss, is in the Eplacopul Hospital with a builet wound in his right lung. An operation will be performed today. Physicians say that he

# ON CITY HALL TOWER NIGHTLY

Mayor Smith Approves Evening Ledger's Plan to Brighten Square

WORK STARTS AT ONCE

The lighting of City Hall on all its sides

The lighting of City Hall on all its sides every night in the year is now assured. Mayor Smith said so today.

Therefore, the gloriously lighted-up tower of granite that has shouted out its brilliant welcome heretofore only oh New Year's Eve will become a permanent thing. Every night and all night the four sides of it will blaze in a wonder of illumination—to the east und were and north send south it will slipe in its myriads of sparkling globes. And away up on top Billy Penn will be enveloped in a glow which will make him seen from nearly as far away as his dreams just to take

Then he dilated a bit on the happiness

good, It will make a bright spot of memory for everybody who stops off here. Visitors will probably think we're celebrating all the time." He smiled.
"But seriously," he went on, "it will be

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## LIGHT TO BLAZE SPLIT FOLLOWS FIGHT IN LODGE WHEN MAN IS REFUSED ADMISSION

Many Members and Several Officers of St. John's Chapter of O. of E. S. to Start New Branch

WILL ORGANIZE TONIGHT

St. John's Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star has been torn by the force of an internal dissension for several weeks. There have been stormy meetings, herce arguments, many unpleasant words and finally secession by almost 100 of the members. Tonight these 100 members will hold a meeting to force a new chapter.

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When the suggestion to illuminate the City Hall 355 fights in the year was made yesterday by the Eveniss Ledger to the chief of the Electrical Bureau, James F. McLaughlin, he fell right in with the F. McLaughlin, he fell right in with the plan.

He went direct to the Mayor. When the Mayor was asked today what he thought of the suggestion he said:

"I've already told Chief McLaughlin to have it done."

OFFICERS AMONG SECEDERS.

OFFICERS AMONG SECEDERS. man and State Senator.

"It's just egotism," said one, "Why, the Congressman is just as much of a statesman as the Senator is."

Representative George S. Graham, of Philadelphia, will be elected a member of the National Republican Congressional in which is a great advertisement. That, maybe, is where it will serve the most. The members of the order are making no secret of the fact that a new lodge is to be formed, but they are trying to keep the cause of the split in old St. John's Chapter quiet. Nevertheless they do not deny that the

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## CRAMPS' GET \$2,000,000 | S. S. M'CLURE QUITS ORDER FROM BOSTON

Contract Understood to Be Editor's Disapproval of Anti-Most Profitable Obtained in Last Ten Years

It was reported in financial circles to-day that the William Cramp and Sons Ship and Engine Building Company had secured another order. While the amount of the new contract could not be defi-nitely learned, it was said that it amounted to more than \$2,000,000, and that it was the most profitable to the company that has been secured in the last ten years.

my husband is nearly crazy with remorse-and he wants his son to be freed. He said this to me:

"The boy did right to shoot me. He The order is for ships and it is under-"The boy did right to shoot me. He did it to save you from a beating while I was drunk."

The Magistrate said he would have to hold the boy and fixed bail at 1800.
Young Bellfuss, who lives with his parents at 2721 North Howard street, to-day prayed in his cell at the Front and Westmoreland streets police station, that his father, whom, the police say, he probably fatally wounded last night while defending his mother, would recover.

"I want father to live because I don't want to be classed as his murderer," Bellfuss kept saying. stood that they will be used in the constwise trade. The order came from Boston. The company at the present time has enough orders to keep busy at full tilt for the next three years. The earnings now are at the rate of about 30 per cent.

80,000 CANCER VICTIMS IN U. S., SCIENTISTS HEAR

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7 -- Eighty thou sand lives were sacrificed to cancer in the United States during 1915. Frederick L. Hoffman, insurance statistician, told the Pan-American scientific congress today, in demanding more serious consideration by doctors and the public of the

#### GIRL SUES MAN FOR \$50,000

may die.

The shooting occurred last night in the Bellfuss home. According to the every told the police by members of the family, the elder Bellfuss returned home under the influence of liquor. He ordered everybody to leave the house, but they refused Young Beilfuss was in his room when suddenly he heard his mother's voice. She was calling for her boy. She wanted him to come to her assistance. When young Beilfuss reached the kitchen he found his mother and sister. Minnie Beilfuss huddled in a corner. Nearby stood the father with a chair in his hands. He was threatening to bring the chair down on the heads of mother and daughter when the son picked up a revolver from a trunk. Breach of Promise Charged by Alleged Desertion Victim

A \$50,000 breach of promise suit was begun today in Court of Common Pleas No. 3 by Mary Lavitz, 314 Lombard street, against Jacob Glick, 131 Spruce street.

In the statement of claim filed by Attorney Morris Oliensis it is alleged that the defendant made the plaintiff the victim of a scheme whereby the two lived together, he telling her that it was not necessary to have a marriage ceremony performed. The defendant, the statement says, is an alien. Glick is alleged to have deserted her later. a trunk.
"Don't you bring down that chair, because if you do you'll kill my mother!" shouted the son.
Then the man cursed the boy and everybody in the house, it is said, and young Belifuss almed the weapon at the father. When the chair was raised again and the son thought his mother's life in danger, be pulled the trigger. The father full to the floor unconscious.
Young itsilitius surrendered himself to a policement. to have deserted her later.

Florida Democrats Indorse Wilson Jacksonville, Fig. Jan. 7.—The State Democratic Committee has In-dersed President Wilson for re-election. Delegates to the Kailonal Convention will

## FORD PEACE PARTY

Preparedness Propaganda Believed to Be Cause

COPENHAGEN, Jan. 7 .- S. S. McClure, the New York editor, has deserted the Ford peace party. A few hours before the expedition left for The Hague, via Germany, today, McClure disappeared. It was reported that he would go direct to

Mr. McClure has been out of sympathy with a large part of the expedition sine the preparedness issue was raised. He took a large part in the opposition to the

anti-preparedness resolutions which Henry Ford and other pacifists supported on board the liner Oscar II. The lieutenants whom Mr. Ford left in

charge where he returned to the United States expressed satisfaction over the re-sults of their visit to Denmark. The stay here was more successful than at Chris-tiania and Stockholm. Several peace leaders in Denmark saw

he Ford travelers off today. The start for The Hague was made in a heavy rain. The expedition is due at the Dutch capital

The expedition is due at the Eurich capital Saturday morning.
Life for the Ford peace party is just one threatened lawsuit after another.

The Bennet tourist agency today threatened to sue for 50,000 kroner (\$13.500), alleging the Ford lieutenants canceled reservations for a ship voyage to The Hague after getting permission to travel by land ervations for a ship voyage to The Hague after getting permission to travel by land through Germany. They presented a "pay or be sued" ultimatum white the Ford leaders were packing their lugsage for the trip through Germany.

Rexford Holmes, discharged head of the Ford crew of stenographers, was attil threatening suit for sinnder today, though Copenhagen attorneys advised him an action was impracticable.

To add to the gulety of the party the

Danish newspapers are printing lurid re-ports about the Austro-American situ-ation. Some of the pacificists are grow-ing more nervous as the hour for the trip through Germany approaches. They fear ing more nervous as the hour for the trip through Germany approaches. They fear trouble between America and the central empires may break out while they are on German soil. The Danes are full of horrible stories about war bread interned persons in Germany must cat.

Before seaving for The Hague the Pord Steering Committee contributed \$2700 to Copenhagen peace societies.

Efforts are being made to eliminate Judge Lindsey from a position of prominence as one of the peace londers. Pord lieutenants on the Steering Committee think the Dancer judge a lit too skeptical about the success of the sniarprise.

## FAST EXPRESS WRECKED ON THE "KATY"

MUSKOGEE, Okla., Jan. 7 .- The Missouri, Kansas and Texas "Texas Special" is reported derailed 20 miles south of here. There are no wires to the scene of the wreck. A special train with physicians has been rushed to the scene. The train is the fastest on the M., K. and T. between St. Louis and Texas points.

QUICK NEWS

#### LAFAYETTE SAFE DESPITE U-BOAT WARNINGS

NEW YORK, Jan. 7 .- Fear that the new French Haer Lafayette would be sunk by a submarine on her maiden voyage to New York was dissipated today when her captain wirelessed the local offices of the Campagnic Generale Transatlantique that his ship would arrive on Tuesday morning. When the Lafayette left Bordeaux several of her passengers had received warning messages similar to those sent to Charles Frohman and other passengers sailing on the ill-fated

#### THESSALONIKI'S PASSENGERS LANDED AT NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Jan. 7. Following a voyage as thrilling as any in the memory of veteran mariners, 177 passengers of the crippled and abandoned Greek liner Thessaloniki and two of her crew arrived here today on the steamship Patris and were welcomed by friends and relatives, whose hopes were at low ebb for more than a week.

The Thessaloniki's crew, excepting the two taken aboard the Patris in the transshipment of passengers, are aboard the Anchor Line freighter Perugia, heading for New York. First reports that the Thessaloniki carried 300 passengers were found to be untrue. Captain Vagoras, of the Patris, said there

#### VON PAPEN LEAVES THE HAGUE FOR BERLIN

THE HAGUE, Jan. 7.-Captain Franz von Papen, recalled German military attache to Washington, left for Berlin today after a brief visit to the German Legation. Several reporters interviewed von Papen, but drew from him only the statement that the British liner Persia might have been sunk by a boiler explosion instead of a torpedo. . .

#### \$386,000,000 RUMORED ITALY'S FEE FOR ENTERING WAR

BERLIN, Jan. 7.-The Oversens News Agency quotes the Swiss newspaper Neue Zeuericher Zeitung as follows:

"Reports from a reliable source stated that a treaty has been signed in London by Italy by the conditions of which Italy is to receive \$386,000,000 for participating in the war. According to special information, another clause is directed against the Vatican,"

#### BRITISH SUBMARINE SINKS OFF DUTCH COAST LONDON, Jan. 7.-The loss of a British submarine in the North Sea, off

the coast of Holland, was officially announced today by the Admiralty. The submarine sank off Texel, the largest of the Frizian group of islands. The 33 members of the submarine's crew were picked up by the Dutch cruiser Noord Brabant and taken into the Helder.

#### FRENCH SENTENCE ARGENTINIAN AS SPY

PARIS, Jan. 7 .-- A court-martial has sentenced to death Maria Jose dei Pasi, years old, a naturalized Argentinian, who was convicted of sending military information from Marseilles and Paris to German agents.

#### ITALY'S WAR BILL TOTALS MORE THAN \$561,000,000

ROME. Jan. 7.—The sum of \$441,500,000 is, according to statistics just made sublic, the expense sustained by Italy for her army and navy from June 1 to November 30. Adding \$120,000,000 spent in May and December, the total cost of the war to Italy is more than \$561,000,000, without including the expenses of the military preparations before the opening of hostilities.

#### RILEY REFUSES TO RESIGN; TO BE REMOVED

NEW YORK, Jan. 7.—Superintendent of Prisons John B. Riley, who was ordered the transfer from Sing Sing Prison to Dannemora of 66 prisoners without consulting the Governor or Warden George W. Kirchwey, has refused to resign. The Governor is expected to insist that Superintendent Riley must go.

#### PRESIDENT PERMITS NAME TO GO ON BALLOT

INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 7 .- All doubt about President Wilson's willingness to accept renomination, notwithstanding the one-term plank in the Democratic platform, was removed late yesterday, when authority came direct from the White House to place the President's name on the ballot to be voted at Indianapolis' first primary election in March.

#### PACKERS' EXPERTS TO PRESS WAR CLAIMS

LONDON, Jan. 7.—Chandler Anderson, late counsel of the American State Department, and Alfred Urion, general counsel of Armour & Co., Chicago, have arrived at Falmouth on board the Holland-America liner Rotterdam. They will try to effect settlement of the long-pending American packers' claim now before the British prize court.

#### GERMANS DEMAND ENLISTMENT OF ALL TURKS

PARIS, Jan. 7.-A Salonica dispatch to the Temps says: "The German everlords in Turkey are pressing their demand that all Turks hitherto exempt from military service by paying an exemption tax be immediately conscripted into the army. The Turkish rulers are mortally afraid to take so stringent a measure, foreseeing a popular uprising.

### CHINA GAGS ANTI-JAPANESE NEWSPAPER

PEKIN, Jan. 7.-The Government has suppressed the Tsin-Choupao, a Pakin dally, at the request of Eli Hicki, Japanese Minister to China, because the paper published charges that Japan is promoting the revolution. President Yuan Shih-kai is moving all military stores from centres subject to attack by revolutionaries.

#### BRITISH AVIATORS RAID GERMAN DEPOTS

LONDON, Jan. 7.—An official communication issued last hight says: "In addition to the raid on the aerodrome at Doual, another raid was carried out yesterday by 11 of our machines against a stores depot at Le Sars. This morning one of our patrols dispersed a party of Germans just north of the Somme with hand grenades. The artillery activity on both sides today was principally confined to the areas east of Armentieres and southeast and northeast of Ypres."

#### THIEVES STEAL \$1,000,000 IN STAMPS

ST. PAUL, Minn., Jan. 7.—Robbers last night broke into the internal revenue offices in the old Federal Building, blew open the safe and escaped with \$1,000,000 in internal revenue stamps and between \$4000 and \$5000 in currency. The stamps weighed between 300 and 400 pounds and were taken away in an automobile. The robbery was not discovered until today.

#### FRENCH SHIP OUTDISTANCES PURSUING U-BOAT

MARSEILLES, Jan. 7.—The French steamship Meinam raced into Mar-eilles today after cluding a submarine which pursued her through the Mediterranean. The submersible fired at least 100 shells after the fleeing steamer. but none of them struck.

### TWO FRENCH GENERALS DEAD

PARIS, Jan. 7 .- The deuths of General Serret and General Rainbet were announced today. Both had achieved fame in the war. General Serret was wounded in the recent fighting at Hartmannswellerkopf and one of his limits was amputated. He commanded a division.

General Rambet, commander of a subdivision, was killed in an autorio

## bile accident Thursday near Thiviers.

FRANCE WOULD CALL YOUNGER OFFICERS TO COMMAND PARIS. Jan. 7.-Reductions in the age limits of colonels and generals is proposed in a bill presented in the Chamber of Deputies. The bill would rethe retirement age of colonels from 60 to 55 years, of generals of brigadia from 63 and 60 years, and of generals of visions from 65 to 63 years.