ALLIES SHELL FOE ON WHOLE WESTERN LINE

Bombardment in Retaliation, Admitted in Berlin for Verdun Assault

LULL ON MAIN FRONT

Great German Activity for New Rush Conceded in Paris Report

Fighting in the whole region around Verdun came to an almost complete halt last night, official dispatches from both the French and German War Offices agreed this afternon.

At the same time Paris gave warning that the Germans probably are preparing to renew the offensive on a gigantic scale. The lull in activities is believed to presage the beginning of new Teutonic drives against Pepper Heights and from the east against Forts de Tayanne and de Vaux, where lively engagements occurred late yesterday.

The German War Office reported artillery actions continuing on the whole front, but mentioned no engagements of importance in the Verdun district. Paris reported intermittent bombardment of the French front northwest of Verdun, but no other actions in the Verdun district. The French War Of fice paid some attention, however, to the movement of German troops near Pont-au-Mousson, 35 miles southeast of Verdun, reporting concentrations of troops having been dispersed by French artillery.

Military critics agree that Germany is now engaged in its supreme effort on the western front. The causes which have led up to it are political as well as military. The best informed circles hold that the following are the chief reasons which led Emperor William and his advisers to begin the offensive movement which may soon spread from the North Sea to Switzerland:

First. To offset the long-heralded spring drive of the Allies, for which preparations have been going on all

Second. Germany's failure to crush Russia and establish peace with that country.

and Rumania, both of which are nov Fourth. Prevent transportation of

troops into Greece for an allied offensive against the German, Bulgarian and Austrian forces in Servia. Fifth. To offset the Russian victories

in Armenia and Persia

Sixth. To win a decisive victory at Verdun and thus elevate the prestige of the Crown Prince Seventh. Moral influence at home

and abroad as showing that Germany is not nearing exhaustion as regards men and munitions.

It is understood that both Field Marshal von Hindenburg and General von Falkenhayn, chief of the Kaiser's staff. urged an attack against Russia instead of the Allies, but they were overruled by the Kalser.

BERLIN, March 1 .- French troops were forced to evacuate the city of Fresnes, 13 miles southeast of Verdun. on Tuesday, according to the correspondent of the Lokal Anzeiger, telegraphing from the Crown Prince's headquarters today.

(This is the first report of the evacuation of Fresnes. London dispatches today reported Fresnes almost invested by the Germans.)

BERLIN, March 1. A heavy bombardment has been opened pen the German positions by the Allies many points upon the west front, the German War Office announced today.

At some points these hombardments we into violent artillery duels. In the Weevre district the French tried to destroy German works with their ar-tillery, but were unsuccessful, the War

Office says. Three neroplanes, one British and two French, have been shot down.

The official statement makes no mention of fighting in the Verdun sector, in-

dicating that a comparative luli exists there, except for the reciprocal cannon-The text of the official report follows:

"Artillery activity yesterday was lively on various parts of the front, especially on the part of the enemy."

L. W. W. USE DYNAMITE

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THE WEATHER

March has come in like a lamb, so the good word is to lay in a supply of coal to propare against his inevitable ilon-like departure. In recent years we have been having a number of April snowbeen having a number of April snowstorms, the famous lion and lamb not being confined to the Windy Month. But,
speaking generally, we have passed today
a critical point of winter stress and the
devotees of spring can feel with the advent of March an assurance of a constantlif increasing number of mild-mannered
days. Today itself is mild and sunny.
Do you have to be told so? Like as not
you do. It is not easy to see the obvious,
especially when the obvious is a good
thing. We have to be pinched to be made
aware of our good fuck. But we never
hear of a man saying. This bad luck
that has come upon me is so incredible
that if some one does not pinch me I
shall think I am dreaming."
Too many of us are born pessimists. Too many of us are born pessimists.

FORECAST For Philadelphia and vicinity—
Partly cloudy tonight; Thursday unsettled and slightly warmer, with
snow or can in the afternoo or
night; moderate northerly win

For details are more



COUNT HAESELER Veteran of the Franco-German War of 1870, aged 85, who is now directing the bombardment of Verdun with heavy guns. He has devoted years to a study of the Verdun region.

ZEPPELIN RAIDS DRIVE RECRUITS INTO TRENCHES

Men of Bombarded Midlands Take King's Shilling, Ellen Adair Says

TELLS TRAGIC TALES Third. Political effect upon Greece

> "Scattered all over England there are ruined homes and newmade graves. But though the Zeppelins have filled many graves, they have also filled thousands of khaki uniforms. khaki uniforms. Lord Kitchener's repeated calls for recruits have never been more po-tent than this terrible menace from the heavens!"—Ellen Adair.

By ELLEN ADAIR'

Written Specially for Evening Language Tragedy has swept over the Midlands and southeast counties of England, and where the bombs fell in the great air raid there is havoe and desolation

No panle nor tears—yet the result of the Zeppelin attack is twofold; the young men in the stricken counties are flocking with renewed energy to the recruiting offices, sourced on to don the khaki and avenge their ruined homes—and great in-dignation is felt with the British authori-ties at headquarters that warnings did ties at headquarters that warnings did ot come in time!

There is much criticism of governmental action. Even the prospect of dying a high explosive death "just like the brave boys in the trenches" is, in the opinion of the stolid Midlanders, insufficient compensation for the slaughter of civilians and the possible damaging of industrial centres which are of military importance. which are of military importance.

Why didn't the authorities warn us of the approach of Zeppelins?" is the cry. "What use are official instructions as to taking 'immediate cover' when Government warnings are purposely withheld?"

But, apparently, authorities who are
responsible for the safety of the country are still determined that the martyrdom of civilians shall come as a complete surme to the victims. It is true that "confidential" information is to be sent to the chief officers of police in affected areas, but local officials are solemnly warned that "great care should be exercised to avoid giving public warning or taking other action which will interfere with factories, etc., without practical certainty of approach of hostile aircraft to the

The fear then of plunging a town need-leasty into total darkness has led the

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Shoot and Blow Up Cars to Intimidate Coal Mine Workers

SCRANTON, Pa., March L.-Dynamite nd pistols were used by rioting Industrial Vorkers of the World at the Greenwood ompany today when an attack was made oon miners who refused to join the strike. Many shots were fired and a dozen case in the colliery yards were blown up. State policemen were rushed to the scene and five arrests were made. The mine is now undr armed guards.

Sets Home on Fire While at Play The warlike spirit was infused so strongly in the breast of four-year-old An-gelo Vanefort that he took some of his German dragoons this morning and

WILSON WILL GET VOTES ON ARMED SHIPS

Ready to Help Him Maintain Nation's Honor, Chairman Flood Says

LEADERS IN CONFERENCE

Will Indorse Position That Americans Should Not Be Warned From Vessels

WASHINGTON, March 1.—"President Wilson's hands will be supported by Congress. Even men who believe that a resolution should pass Congress calling upon Americans to stay off armed ships during the present stage of the Eureopean war will not put themselves in the position of repudiating the positions assumed by President Wilson which he says is made heceasary to maintain the nation's honor. The House Foreign Affairs Committee will prepare a resolution today indorsing the President's position. It will be reported under a special rule which will permit it immediate consideration. I am certain that such a resolution will be passed."

CLARK AND KITCHIN TO AID. Following the conference at the White louse, which lasted for more than an hour, Representative Henry Flood, of Vir-ginia, chairman of the House Foreign Af-fairs Committee, made the above state-The conference was participated in by Flood and Senators Stone and Kern. At the end of it, Speaker Clark and House Leader Kitchin were sent for on suggestion of the two Senators and Flood. They were asked by the President to aid the program, and are expected to do so. It is expected that as soon as the House icts on the proposition it will be pushed through the Senate. Whether action will be taken today was doubtful. Flood said, as this is calendar Wednesday under the rules, and a single objection would prevent consideration of anything but local

HOT DEBATE IN SENATE. Immediately after convening today the enate became embroiled in a hot debate

to break the deadlock over the Shields dam bill and permit consideration of the Gore resolution. The tension produced by the President's letter was evidenced when a dozen Sena-tors took the floor at once. Senator Shields tried to get unanimous consent to continue the debate on his bill to the exdusion of all other business. After much parliamentary see-sawing, the debate was brought to an abrupt ending by Senator Sheppard, of Texas, objecting to Shield's

The plan of the Administration leaders now is to move to adjourn at the close of the afternoon's session until noon tomor-row. Under the adjournment rule it will be possible to bring up the Gore resolu-tion tomorrow. This is expected to pre-cipitate another fight.

unanimous consent proposal.

Senators Kern and Stone conferred with Senator Overman, chairman of the Rules Committee, just before the opening of today's session, in an effort to decide upon the course to be followed in bringing the Gore resolution to a vote at the earliest possible time. Senator Gore also conferred with Kern and Stone, and said afterward he did not intend to try to get his resolution before the Senate to-day. All the conferences seemed only to add to the general chaos, and no definite plan has yet been reached. The international situation was not even

remotely referred to in the debate on the Continued on Page Five, Column Three | was owned at Landskrona, Sweden.

\$87,000,000 LOAN

WILL BE ASKED IN

BILL TO COUNCILS

\$35,000,000 of Amount Rec-

ommended for Rapid

Transit Work

Mayor Smith this afternoon announced

The remaining \$16,000,000 is for cur-

rent expenses and other improvements, and includes an item of \$3,000,000 for the

and includes an item of \$3,000,000 for the Philadelph a General Hospital, for which there is already available another militan. The hospital item will be divided between Blockley and the Home for the Indigent Insane and Feeble-minded at

Seven million dollars will be used to

Seven minion dollars will be used to meet the needs of departments, current expenses and past bills. This leaves \$6,000,000, the purposes of which, the Mayor said he would not outline today. They will be for permanent improvements other than those specified.

other than those specified.

It had been suggested early in the conference that an item of \$3,300,000 for the elimination of the belt line in South Philadelphia might be switched from the unfunded debts to become a charge on the Wharves. Docks and Ferries Department for port improvements, but this could not be done, according to Assistant City Solicitor Ernest Lowengrund, so the idea was abandoned.

The Mayor said he would issue an invitation to the managing editors of all the Philadelphia newspapers to meet him

in his office on Friday at noon to discuss the various phases of the loan bill.

\$100,000 Loss in Chicago Mill Fire

CHICAGO, March 1.—The planting mill and lathe shops of the Louiswood & Strick land such said door factory were destroyed by fire early today. The loss was \$100, as

the city of \$87,000,000.

Mayor's cabinet.

the Parkway.

BRITISH STEAMSHIP, IN DISTRESS, SENDS "S. O. S." Wireless From San Onofre Calls Ash-

tabula to the Rescue HALIFAX, N. S., March 1.—The Brit-

ish steamship San Onofre, helpless in the Atlantic, today sent out wireless calls for assistance. "The "S. O. S." messages were picked up by the British steamship Ash-tabula, which reported to the Marine and Fisherles agency here that it was proceeding to the assistance of the San Onofre, but would be unable to reach that vessel before Thursday morning. Shortly afterward the Ashtabula re-

ported that the radiograms from the Sar Onofre had ceased, probably owing to exaustion of its power.

The San Onefre is a tank steamship of 9717 tons and is owned by the Eagle Oil Transport Company, Ltd. It halls from London, but recently has been sailing to

GERMAN U-BOAT SANK PROVENCE. FRENCH DECLARE

Crew Stood at Guns When Auxiliary Cruiser Went Down

1300 MAY HAVE PERISHED

PARIS, March 1. Gun crews of the French auxiliary cruiser La Provence, the former trans-atlantic liner sunk in the Mediterranean last Saturday, remained at their posts while the vessel was slowly settling, hoping to get a shot at the submarine that had torpedoed their vessel, but without avail

The Ministry of Marine, while announcng today that a submarine had sunk the ship, issued a report received from M. Bokanowski, a member of the Chamber of Deputies now attached to the general staff of the army of the Orient, who was

on board La Provence.
"No periscope was seen either before or after the explosion," said M. Bokanoski in his report. "Neither was there sighted any wake of the torpedo or jets of water at the moment the explosion occurred.
"A very close watch was kept, The gun crews remained at their posts up

The Ministry stated that La Provence was being used to transport troops to Salonica when it was sunk. As the ship was able to carry more than 2200 persons it was feared today that more than 1300 of those on board perished when the cases was destroyed. To to noon the vessel was destroyed. Up to noon the number of known rescued stood at \$70. La Provence carried 11 guns, the Min-istry of Marine stated today.

It was also announced by the ministry that the voyage of the French steamship. Due d'Aumale, which reached Marseilles esterday, was marked by an exciting pursuit in the Mediterranean by a submarine. The steamer was able, after a long flight, to elude her enemy. A dispatch from Tokio today stated that the Japanese naval authorities have

eccived official advices that three British steamships, one French and one Swedish steamship were sunk by German sub-marines in the Mediterranean on February 23 and, 24. The officials think that ranean

A dispatch from Stockholm stated that the Swedish steamship Toborg has been sunk in the Mediterraneau by an Aus trian submarine. Her owners were fied today that the crew took to i were picked up and landed at Leghorn,

The Toborg displaced 1222 tons and

NEW DELIVERY LOOP FOR CITY, TWINING PLAN

Line on Ridge Avenue From Broad Street and Fairmount Avenue

ROAD TO ROXBOROUGH

Single Change Would Save Million and Half Dollars, Say Experts

Proposed Changes in Transit Plan

Eliminate Arch street wing of subway delivery loop from Broad to 8th streets.

Substitute subway line from Broad street, Fairmount and Ridge avenues down Ridge avenue to 8th street. Eliminate Locust street side of

Taylor loop and move northward to Walnut street.

Continue westward on Walnut street to 16th street, instead of ending at Broad street.

Proposed Roxborough-Manayunk line connected at 16th and Arch streets instead of at northwestern corner of City Hall, thereby saving \$1,500,000.

Underground station platforms connecting 16th and Arch station with 15th and Market station of present Market street line and the City Hall station of Broad street

The Department of City Transit has prepared and will lay before Mayor Smith plans which, if approved, will give the city the subway delivery loop along the general lines planned by former Transit Director Taylor. The subway loop as originally sug-gested by Director Taylor was taken as

gested by Director Taylor was taken as the basis for the plans, but far-reaching modifications have been made. These have already been discussed by the Mayor and Director Twining, of the Transit De-partment, and complete drawings and plans will be submitted to the Mayor, probably on Friday.

The decision of Mayor Smith and Director Twining, of the Department of City Transit, to change the line of the Broad street subway so that it will run along the westerly side of City Hall, instead of under the massive building is, therefore, the first step of a series of modifications and changes from the original plans now under consideration by the city officials. This was learned today from a source which may be regarded as authoritative The changes, it is said, in effect will

save approximately \$3,000,000 in the con-struction of the comprehensive system of high-speed elevated and subway lines planned for the city, will expedite the through routing of cars from one high-speed line to another, will prevent traffic ongestion in the business district by a this indicates an increased number of central delivery system and, finally, will submarines operating in the Mediteragreement between the city and the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company.

The major part of the changes will be

made on the so-called subway delivery originally planned by former Dire tor Taylor. These plans met with bitter hostility on the part of Cuncils, and although Director Taylor felt that in letting the contract for the part of the Broad

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900 STETSON WORKERS STRIKE; ALLEGE UNION MAN WAS DISMISSED

First Walkout Since 1892 Stirs Big Plant When Soft Hat Finishers Quit Jobs-Say Wages Decline

The first strike at the John B. Statson plant since 1832 was called this morning by men in the soft hat finishing depart-ment, according to the men. About 500 hat a loan bill would be introduced in cils tomerrow for the borrowing by Seven hundred are vent out on strike. still working, but the strikers expect them to follow.

The announcement followed a three hours' conference between the Mayor. Chairman Gaffney, of Councils' Finance Committee, and the members of the Ninety per cent, of the men striking are stockholders of the Stetson company, havng gotten stock bonuses in years past. Of the \$87,000,000, the Mayor said that The reason for the strike, the men say was the discharge of one of the workers in that department. He is Edward Me-\$35,000,000 was for transit, and \$5,000,000 for port development. The sum of \$31,000,000 will be to cover a list of unfunded debt as compiled by City Solicitor Coneak, of 2110 North 2d street. McPeak nelly, and of this sum \$10,000,000 will go told not to return. for land taken to make room for Strikers say the reason he was dis-

charged was because he was trying to on-union shop and McPeak had held two organizing meetings. Strikers say this is the compelling res

on for the strike, though they have other For one thing, they say, ever since Stet-

for one thing, they say, ever since Stet-son's put in their own gas plant, there has been considerable sicknes. Then, they say, the men are gradually being reduced from the \$3 a dozen system of payment to the 81.75. Union men, they say, earn about \$28 a week or at least a minimum of \$22 doing the same work they do, while their aver-age wage is about \$13. Some years ago,

age wage is about \$18. Some years ago, they say, it was from \$22 to \$25. The strike was called at 10 a. m. men had been working some time, and sud-denly the news spread through the depart-ment that McPeak was no longer one of them. By some strang coincidence they quit in the big group of 900, and once out-side marched from 4th street and Mont-gomery avenue, where Building No. 21 of the plant is, up Front street and over Kensington avenue to Cumberland street, where a meeting was held and McPeak was sent for.

There was some grim humor among the strikers when it was recalled that their baseball team—that of the soft hat finishers—had been the champion team of the interdepartment league and therefore, the guests of honor last Saturday night at a hangust in the Hotel Walton, where the

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EMBARGO MAY FORCE TIE-UP OF MILLS IN CITY

Shutdown of Many Plants Threatened in 10 Days if Ban Continues

\$31,000,000 ON CITY DEBT 700 MORE MAY FOLLOW SERIOUS CRISIS FEARED

Scores of the city's largest industrial plants will be shut down within ten days, throwing thousands out of work and can-celing hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth of contracts, unless the freight embargo is lifted.

This prediction was made today by a number of representatives of Philadelphia concerns, who met at the plant of S. L. Allen & Co., manufacturers of agricultural implements, 5th street and Glenwood aveimplements, 5th street and Glenwood avenue, to devise a plan to end what was characterized as the greatest industrial tie-up in the city's history. Letters were sent to every industrial plant in the city arging the immediate emptying of freight care on sidings. cars on sidings.

War munittions manufacturers and coal War munitions manufacturers and coal dealers were held responsible for the stagnation in freight movements, which prevents the importation of raw materials necessary to the operation of manufacturing establishments. The supply of raw materials will be exhausted within 10 days, it was declared.

Among the concerns represented by traf-managers at the meeting were Henry Disston & Sons, Inc., saw makers, Tacony S. L. Allen & Co.; Thomas Potter & Sons Company, Inc., oilcloth and linoleum man-ufacturers, 2d street and Erie avenue. Hess-Bright Manufacturing Company, ball bearings. Front street and Erie avenue; Schaum & Uhlinger. Inc., textile machin-ery, 2d street and Glenwood avenue; Pe-cora Paint Company, 4th street and Sedg-ley avenue, and the Scott Paper Company, 7th street and Glenwood avenue

"Plants will be forced to close down within 10 days because of tack of raw within 10 days because of tack of raw materials," said W. B. Grieves, traffic mamager for S. L. Allen & Co. "We curselves are unable to get raw steet. The shutting down of these concerns will mean thousands of men thrown out of work and forfeiture of contracts representing great sums. Nearly every concern in Philadelphia is affected by the embargo, but the manufacturing plants on the New York division of the Penn-sylvania Railroad are particularly hard

"The city is facing the greatest in-dustrial tie-up in its history. We find the congestion caused by the great quanti-

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QUICK NEWS

GIRL THIEF STRIKES GUARD AND ESCAPES

Margaret Gavaghan, 18 years old, of 423 South 17th street, broke away from a prohibition officer, Mrs. Turner, and Mrs. Gallarber, matron of the House of Good Shepherd, as alse was being taken with her sister into a station of the Market street subway at 15th street today. The girl struck Mrs. Turner in the face and escaped in the crowd.

SUGGESTS SPEEDY PLAN TO RELIEVE FREIGHT TIE-HP

At a meeting of the Philadelphia Commercial Traffic Managers' Association today it was decided to ask all concerns in the city affected to call out large forces of men and teams and try to reudce the number of stalled cars by half within the next 48 hours.

WASHINGTON PARTY WILL NAME COMPLETE TICKET

Announcement that the Washington party would put a complete ticket in t field for the primary election may 16, was made today by County Commission George F. Holmes, secretary of the Washington Party City Committee. Nomine ingpapers for all offices from the six congressional districts down, will be sembled tonight at the meeting of the City Committee at 217 South Broad street The only Washington party candidate to announce his inentions thus far Samuel B. Scott, who will run for the nomination as representative from the 15 legislative district.

MISS KENWORTHY TO PRACTICE IN FEDERAL COURTS

Miss Caroline E. Kenworthy, of 4835 Cedar avenue, this afternoon admitted to practice law in the Federal courts in the Eastern District of Penns vania. She is associated with her father, Joseph W. Kenworthy, who has office in the Finance Building. Miss Kenworthy was graduated from the Law School the University of Pennsylvania last June.

"LEAP YEAR WEDDINGS" NUMEROUS

Chief Ferguson, of the Marriage License Bureau, holds the "Cupid-19 combination" responsible for the 554 gain in marriages over the February, 19 record. During the 29 days last month 1529 licenses were issued, while year only 975 were granted in February. In 62 Philadelphia homes there be no wedding anniversary for four years, as 62 young persons were mar on the 29th. Mr. Ferguson says last month was almost as popular as Julast year. There was a "slump" in February, 1915, compared with 1914. This Mr. Ferguson blamed on the war. Now, he says, leap year causes the presen

OIL SHIP FROM HERE AFIRE IN BRITISH PORT

The British tramp steamship Spiraea, from this port, is reported to ablaze at its pier in Manchester, Eng., where it arrived on February 21. cargo of more than 1,000,000 gallons of oil is said to be a complete loss. Spiraea is an all-steel ship of the Anglo-American Oil Company, Ltd. Jos C. Gabriel is the Philadelphia agent. It left Philadelphia January 21 laden with 1,108,950 gallons of oil, valued at \$113,238.60.

HOUSE COMMITTEE FAVORS FILIPINO TREEDOM WASHINGTON, March 1.-Independence for the Filipino moved one at

DIAZ REVOLT BACKED BY \$10,000,000 IN U. S. EL PASO, Tex., March 1 .- Adherents of General Felix Diaz, instigator the newest revolution in Mexico, asserted that the Diaz movement has a fur

nearer today. The House Committee on Insular Affairs reported favorably the

Senate bill with the Clarke amendment providing for independence in two of

four years. Republicans voted solidly against the bill, the vote being 11 to 2

of \$10,000,000 in gold in the United States, also the backing of the Clerical part in Mexico, and that he has at least 20,000 armed followers in southern Mexico.

BODIES OF SEVEN MORE MALOJA VICTIMS FOUND LONDON, March 1,-Bodies of seven more victims of the mine explosi

that sank the liner Maloja were picked up in the sea off Dover last night

ITALIANS DEMAND WAR AGAINST GERMANY

The list of bodies found now totals 59.

ROME, Mrch 1 .- A strong party in Parliament was prepared to advocate a declaration of war against Germany when the sessions opened today. Premie Salandra was expected to inform Parliament of the results of the recent visi of the French Prime Minister to Rome. No action by the party favoring war declaration is expected for several days, pending the outcome of confe ences at the Foreign Office.

FORD TRIBUNAL TO CALL PEACE CONFERENCE

COPENHAGEN, March 1,-The Ford permanent peace tribunal has voted to issue a call for a neutral conference designed to end the war, according Stockholm dispatches today. Formal requests will be made upon each neutr nation for its co-operation. Belligerent Powers will also be asked to allow delegates to attend. Ford leaders assert that they will have the active all of the Swedish Government.

SALOONS CLOSED IN DAUPHIN COUNTY

HARRISBURG, March 1.—Drinking places were closed in Dauphin Count today, due to the failure of the court to renew the licenses which expired at mi night. Remonstrances were filed against all of them, and the Judges have n completed a review of the testimony.

CRIME IF U. S. JOINS WAR, SAYS TISZA BUDAPEST, March 1 .- "For the United States to take part in the Europea

war would be a crime against humanity," said the Hungarian Premier, Coun Tisza, in an interview published here. The Premier declined to discuss furthe than this the relations of the Central Powers with the United States. FEBRUARY BUILDING OPERATIONS WORTH \$2,437,750

The amount of money expended for building work during the month Jus

nded has been exceeded only twice in February during the last 10 years. The

total for February, 1916, was \$2,437,750. Of this sum \$275,000 was expended to an office building to be constructed at 16th and Walnut streets and \$1,666,300 for dwellings. This year's February total was exceeded only in 1906 and 1915.

\$1,730,000 IN DUTIES COLLECTED HERE IN FEBRUARY Duties collected in the port of Philadelphia during the last month amount to \$1,730,000, a gain of \$1.020,000 over February, 1915. The increase was di

to the large shipments of sugar from Cuba. INCOME TAX RETURNS MUST BE MADE TODAY

Fifty per cent, penalties will be added to all individual and corporation incomax payments due the Federal Government unless returns are made to the incur tax division of the United States Internal Revenue office today. Collect Lederer will keep the office open until midnight to accommodate those perso who have neglected to make statements.

ZEPPELIN BELIEVED DESTROYED

LONDON, March 1.-A Copenhagen dispatch to the Dally Mail today report that, following several explosions in the air south of Jutiand Sunday, a gre burning mass, believed to have been a Zeppelin, was seen to fall,

WHITE STAR LINE BARS PASSENGERS TILL APRIL 12

NEW YORK, March 1.-There will be no sailings from New York a passengers of any liners of the White Star fleet to Liverpool or any other \$ lish port until April 12, when the Lapland is scheduled to leave here. This admitted at the White Star offices. While no official appoundament was a representative of the line said the decision had no bearing on Clans announced intention of beginning her new submarine campulga at miden night. He said it was due to the fact that many years of the line had taken over by the British Government to carry musistons.