POWDER-LADEN SHIPS LEAVE PORT

Russian Vessels Defy U-Boats and Sail for Siberia Via Canal

2,000,000 IN CARGOES

Big Corporations Here Offer Services to Nation

MONG the corporations in Phila-A delphia which already have of-fered the services of their plants or equipment to the Government if needed are:

The Baldwin Locomotive Works.

The Pennsylvania Railroad. The Philadelphia and Reading Railway.

William Cramp & Sons' Ship and Engine Building Company.

The Electric Storage Battery Company. The Bernstein Manufacturing Company.

The offers were made in telegrams sent to the War and Navy Departments in Washington.

Defying the German submarine threat, two Russian steamsh ps. laden with \$2,000,-000 worth of smokeless powder for the Allies, left the port of Philadelphia today

Allies, left the port of Fallactics.

The ships were the Albatross and the Vologda. They are in the service of the Russian Government and are the first mutations. nition-laden ships to leave the port since the German "wholesale-sinking" policy was

clared. Each ship has 1,000,000 pounds of powder on board, valued at \$1,000,000 pounds of powde ing, the captains intimated that the Ger-mans undoubtedly would make mans undoubtedly would make every at-tempt to catch them on the high seas. The boats probably will try to make the Siberian coast by way of the Panama Canal and the Clearance papers for the steamships were

Clearance papers for the steamsnips were obtained in Wilmington late last night. The ships had been loading at Carney's Point.

The sailors on each voiced opinions of bravado, but admitted that a torpedo would make short, work of the ships and their

Itves.

The naval militia in Philadelphia has received orders to prepare for a possible call The Pennsylvania National Guard I

virtually ready. Governor Brumbaugh and Adjutant General Stewart at Harrisburg are awaiting orders.

Director Krusen, of the Department of Public Health and Charities, has completed plans for the organization of a staff of physicians and nurses, with quarters, for the care of 10,000 wounded or sick in case of war. This emergency hospital would be lecated at Byberry Farms.

The State Constabulary has been pronounced ready to act in any emergency.

Orders have been received to allow no coastwise trading ship to leave this port without clearing at the Customs House. Warships stationed in the river to enforce e rule have been ordered to fire upon

If the vessel does not stop a blank shot will be fired across her bows. If this is not effective a solid shot will follow. The third abot will be aimed to hit. It is said to be the first time that American vessels engaged coastwise trade have been required to btain papers at the Customs House

United States officials here have an-iounced that they are taking no chances. Baldwin's Locomotive Works and other large concerns in this city have offered the use of their establishments and equipment to the Government in case of emergency. The foregoing were among the other developments of the last twenty-four hours in the American-German crisis.

WILL START RECRUITING

The orders to the Naval Militia were received from the Navy Department in Wash-ington. Two divisions already have been organized and officers have been instructed to bring the divisions up to full strength ruiting for that purpose will begin to-

night at the First Regiment Armory Alba B. Johnson offered the use of Baid-He telegraphed to the War Pelartment that all the Baidwin plants were at the disposal of the Federal authorities. Mr. Johnson said Baidwin's alone could

turn out thousands of shells daily for the Both the Pennsylvania and the Reading

systems have announced that they are ready to move troops on short notice.

In regard to calling out the National Governor Brumbaugh, after further conference with Adjulant General

We are awaiting orders. We are simply the agents of the Government and will do all in our power to back it up." It was anced that all the remaining Pennsy

tania troops at the border were being held there awaiting orders. Employes in the department of the adjutant general are working night and day completing plans for a hurried mobilization of the National Guard regiments now in the State should such orders be forwarded Washington, General Stewart des that the guard will be ready for duty at a that the guard will be ready for duty at al-most a moment's a tice. Every detail of mobilization of to soldiers now in Penn-sylvania is being considered by General Stewart and the others in the adjutant gen-

eral's department "Orders from Washington would find the militia in excellent shape, hardened by any emergency," he said.

Director Datesman, of the Department of Public Works, has ordered guards placed about the city's four bg pumping stations at Belmont, Torresdale, Queen Lane and Lardners Point.

NAVY YARD STILL CLOSED

There evidently has been no let-up in the censorship that covers the movements of the men, ships, stores and munitions at the may yard. A detachment of marines has been sent out to guard the German wireless station at Tuckerton, N. J.

Since the outbreak of the European war his station has been under the control of a naval officer, acting as censor. It was said that the Government probably will take

the station over in its entirety.

The wireless station of the Philadelphia Turngemeinde, Broad street and Columbia avenue, has been closed. This action was taken by the radio section of the organizaremove the association from any that it might use the wireless for detrimental to the Government fork which will expedite the arming of y seasoing craft under the American has begun at the Philadelphia Navy d. Orders have been received from the

in the shops from 4:30 until 6:30 se learned that ordnance authorities

ordered sufficient guns and deck isgs to convert with all possible merchantmen and passenger ships into try cruisers should hostifities develop.

Diamond Jim" Downstairs

"Districted Jim" Downstairs
"LANTIC CITY, N. J., Feb. t.—"Diad Jim's downstairs!" sang out the
at the Lhelburne, and all his
ds sprang to congratulate James
rady, New York millionaire. The dochad prepetrated a foke. Reports
it that "Diamond Jim's" case
it that "Diamond Jim's" case
d dublous. But that was simply a
display measure. Brady came

BIG COP GUARDS GERMAN CONSULATE



At the request of Governor Brumhaugh, Mayor Smith has ordered the offices in West Washington Square kept under constant police sur veillance. The Governor acted upon a request from Secretary Lansing Frank Weecks, of the reserve force, is the policeman on guard.

ALL AMERICANS URGED TO LEAVE GERMANY; MAY ORDER WAR TODAY

Continued from Page One

a formal belligerent. It looks for a declaration of was momentarily. But in the meantime, regarding the peculiar diplomatic situation created by the fact that America is not yet officially an enemy of Germany and has merely broken relations, officialdom is taking great care in dealing with American Ambassador Page to regard the United States as still a neutral.

*England's Governmental leaders united in speeches at Central Hall in expressing their belief that Germany's latest "frightfulness" was actuated by desperation and knowledge of her impending defeat.

Premier Lloyd George declared to a vast audience assembled to further the work of the national service plan that Germany's treatment of war pris oners and civilians in France and Belgium "coupled with the sinking of merchantmen on sight was organized, studied savagery of the most dangerous

Austen Chamberlain, Secretary of State for India, declared: "Germany's action shows she found herself in a desperate situation. We

must save ourselves another winter of war by sending more young men to the

Other Cabinet members who spoke at the same meeting were Arthur Henderson, member of the War Cabinet, and Minister of Labor Hodge.

GERMANY MAY DECLARE WAR TODAY IN REPLY TO U. S. BREAK

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6 .- Germany's answer to President Wilson's notice of a diplomatic break is expected within twenty-four hours. It may be a declar-

Belief is rapidly crystalizing among officials that this final step is inevitable, and it would cause no surprise if Germany took it now. This belief was strengthened by receipt of unofficial Berlin news quoting prominent German officials as saying that "there is no step backward" contemplated following President Wilson's action.

Also it was recalled that last spring, when the Sussex sinking threatened a diplomatic break, Ambassador von Bernstorff said such a break would resul in an immediate declaration of war by Germany.

Further, President Wilson told members of the Foreign Relations Committee that he had been "reliably informed" actual war would follow a break. Von Bernstorff recently reiterated his former startement.

Possible action of this kind by Germany took precedence in the discussion of officials today, even over the London Admiralty statement reporting the killing of an American citizen by a German submarine gun. According to the Admiralty report, Richard Wallace, of Baltimore, died from U boat shellfire while leaving the British steamship Eavestone in a small boat. The report immediately made the international situation more acute, pend-

CALL TO NEUTRALS MAY BE GERMANY'S EXCUSE

Should Germany make the war decision, some officials say, she will base her declaration on President Wilson's active efforts to align all neutral governments in a break. However, in spite of German declarations to the contrary, they believe she may modify her U-boat campaign before a greater clash results

While awaiting the step which may mean war, the President is determined that this Government shall make no move not fully and literally justified by the laws of nations and humanity; that nothing shall be done for mere expediency that might merit a reproach from any nation, even Germany.

Neutral action in response to President Wilson was expected today in some countries. Should it develop that neutrals are to follow the lead of the United States it is probable a conference of all of them will be called to discuss the part each is to bear in bringing pressure on Germany to relax its warfare. Meanwhile, the Government moved rapidly on inaugurating, completing and

perfecting details of war preparation.

Every instrumentality in that direction-the President, Congress and the departments-was being used toward getting all arms of the nation's defense strengthened and equipped for their first great service since the Spanish-

The President this afternoon is to meet with his Cabinet and canvass the situation-what has been done and what is being planned toward mobilizing the tremendous resources of the country for threatened war.

Congress was ready to authorize the raising of any sum needed.

The Senate is expected today to vote a resolution of confidence in the President and the House will follow. . The upper body would have done this yesterday except for parliamentary technicality. Under the rigid Senate rules the Stone indorsement resolution is un today.

RAPID PREPARATIONS FOR COUNTRY'S DEFENSE

With machine-like precision, advisory committees in all branches of the national defense work are submitting reports to President Wilson and Secretaries Baker and Daniels.

The greatest effort is now being centered upon the navy. It is probable that work on some of the giant vessels will be stopped in

order to hasten completion of submarines and vessels for opposing submarine attack.

So completely and quickly is the work proceeding that if the United States is called upon to strike it can do so immediately and forcefully. A policy of almost complete secrecy has been adopted in all departments

and for the second time in two years the President today discontinued conferences with newspaper men, owing to a delicate situation. The President has emphasized many times-and again today-that if this

ountry is forced to enter the great struggle it must go in "with clean hands."

PRESIDENT WILSON'S STAND ON WAR

It was in February, 1916, during a memorable speech before the Gridiron Club here, that the President first urged caution and a strict adherence to the ns of this country. certain what the lines of the future are," he said

would be to be a coward. Valor is self-respecting. Valor is circumspect. Valor strikes only when it is right to strike. Valor withholds itself from all small implications and entanglements, and waits for the great opportunity when the sword will flash as if it carried the light of heaven upon its blade."

This is the position of the President today in urging against yielding to "impulses of impatience" and an impulse to settle a thing in some short way.

FOR AND AGAINST WAR WITH GERMANY

A deluge of telegrams indorsing and condemning the break with Germany fell upon the Senate today. Some of them were:

Smith, of Michigan, presented a protest of Detroit Socialists against war. La Follette, of Wisconsin, had read into the records about twelve or more telegrams from labor and peace organizations urging peace. Pittman, of Nevada, submitted a resolution adopted by the Nevada Legis-

lature indorsing the President's course. Jones, of Washington, presented telegrams indorsing the President's action, but praying for peace.

Weeks, of Massachusetts, had read a telegram from George Draper, head of one of the largest cotton machinery concerns in the country, placing his plant at the disposal of the Government.

GERARD AWAITS WORD FROM AMERICA; PLANS TO LEAVE BERLIN THIS WEEK

By CARL W. ACKERMAN

THOUSANDS OF WOMEN OFFER AID

BERLIN, Feb. 6. American Ambassador Gerard is awaitng word from Washington regarding details the United States Government has arranged for departure of German Ambascudor Rernstorff before completing his plans for leaving Germany. He is planning to leave Ecrlin this week, if possible. Yesterday Gerard held another lengthy.

onference with Foreign Secretary Zim-

ermann, at that time formally requesting

With one exception-the Socialist organ, the German press today firmly apported the Government in its determination to continue the submarine warfare. It was noteeable, however, that every news-paper comment referred to the situation as aper comment referred to the situation as President Wilson's break with Germany independent Wilson's break with Germany in the face of Gerard's preparations to leave. Extra guards stationed about the American Embassy were the only outward indications of mything unusual there, but inside there was a fustle of preparation and packing for departure of the embassy staff. President Wilson's break with Germany" and carefully avoided use of the word

These were the words of a long line of

the League for Women's Service here.

d experience, wanted to drive an ambu-

rubbing floors-anything"

they said

TO GOVERNMENT IF WAR ENSUES NEW YORK, Feb. 6,-"Put us down for | gestion of Mayor Mitchel at the twentieth

son "had changed his mind about mer-chantmen." He referred to a purported statement by Secretary of State Lansing in

January declaring that armed merchantmen would be considered warships and added: "This decision was changed after Entente Ambassadors in Washington rushed about convincing President Wilson he was mis-

taken, Bernhardi said. He paid glowing tribute to Ambassador Bernstorff and in this a number of newspapers Joined. "The pledge Germany made after the

Sussex case has not been broken," declared the Tageblatt. "Because that pledge was

onditional upon America's success in ob-taining a change in England's illegal block-

ade against Germany."

The Berlin public continued calm today in

BALTIMORE, Feb. 6.—The Hospital for consumptives of Maryland at Towson, Md., was today offered to the United States vomen volunteers who gave their names lovernment for hospital purposes in case We'll do anything we can to help if war One Englishwoman thought she might be some service as a spy. Another Englishwoman, who said she had

The board of directors of the Maryland General Hospital, Baltimore, also offered that institution to the Government.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—Representative William S. Green, Fifteenth Massachusetts District, today called on Secretary Daniels and on behalf of A. S. Phillips, head of the Mechanics' Foundry and Machine Com-pany, of Fall River, Mass., offered the use of the plant to the Government in case of The Girls' National Honor Guard, 6000 strong, is preparing for service.
The Young Men's Bible Class of the Fifth
Avenue Hantist Church, of which John D.
Hockefeller, Jr., is honorary president, is on cord today as favoring universal military training. The vote was taken at the sug-

"WAR SCARE" SPEEDS RECRUITING INTEREST

Marine Corps Accepts Six and Army Takes Two-Many Applications

'The "war scare" continued this morning to have a slightly stimulating effect upon enlistment in the marine corps and arms and the may.

Our of the ten men applying at the marine recruiting station, 1409 Arch street.

marine recruiting station, 1409 Arch street, six were accepted. All these men were from eighteen to twenty-one years old. The marine corps does not need a great many men and for this reason the requirements are much more exacting than in other branches of the service.

The navy recruiting station at 1316 Arch street is the scene of more activity. Word of the coming of a hatch of recruits from

the subrecruiting stations at Allentown, Reading, York, Lancaster and Bethlehem was received this morning. Officers at this station have prepared telegrams to be sent to all the men on the reserve list of the mayy—those men who have served over twenty years in the service. While it is not officially admitted that seen reserves are gaing to be called to the

olors, the general feeling around head-uarters is that before midnight word from Vashington will be flashed here and umediately the wires will sing with the enmoning telegrams. recruiting headquarters.

At the army recruiting headquarters, 1219 Arch street, six applied for enlistment this morning, but out of these only two were

BORDER TROOP MOVES ROUTINE, BAKER SAYS

Funston May Use Forces in Case North Mexican Conditions Become Menacing

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6 — The sudden hanges in scheduled border troop move-tents, announced yesterday, were a result local conditions." Secretary Baker said

Baker explained the original orders for grand movement of Pershing's Mexican and homeward movement of the stands, as far as the War De-

lt has been previously explained, howwe that should northern Mexican condions become bad Major General Funston sould move or hold troops as he saw fit. War officials would not discuss possibility hat reports of heavy fighting about Chiunitua City had anything to do with function's shift, of orders.

GOVERNOR NAMES PRINTER

Nominates Long, of Chambersburg. Confirmation Up to Committee

HARRISHURG, Feb. 6 .- The nomination of B. Edward Long, of Chambersburg, as Superior whent of Public Printing and Binding, which was sent to the Senate last Covernor Brumbaugh, probably off their craft. They were suffering from in the Senate committee on execu-

The Governor made the no first of his important appointments. position pays \$1000 a year. Long was ap-pointed to succeed A. Nevin Pomeroy, also of Chambersburg, who was ousted by Prumbarg's for failing to support the anti-

Penrose siate in the campaign for elec-tion of delegates to the Republican National convention last year.

The committee on executive nominations can bury all nominations just as Senator Snyder's "pickling" committee buried bils in the past. It can report out the nomina-tion at its own discretion. The committee is controlled by Penrose.

Appointed to City Berths

City appointments today include George Wright 211 South Cecil street, draftsman, Bureau of Surveys, salary \$1188; G. Otto Schubert, 4251 North Fifth street, drafts-man, Bureau of Surveys, \$1188; Joseph Lepera, 7132 Hegerman street, clerk, Bureau of Charities, \$690; Fred T. Thorpe, Jr., 4273 Paul street, second assistant engineer, Bureau of Surveys, \$1000, and Jacob Car-ver, 1106 East Susquahanna avenue, mo ver. 1106 East Susquehanna avenue, ma-chinist. Bureau of Water, \$3.75 a day.

Norristown Singers Ready to Fight NORRISTOWN, Pa., Feb. 6.—The Norstown Macannerchor, a German singing so THREE OF SHACKLETON'S MAROONED PARTY DEAD

One Succumbed to Scurvy and Two Perished in an Antarctic Blizzard

PARIS, Feb. 6 .- Three of the ten members of Sir Ernest Shackleton's antarctic expedition, who were marooned by storms while trying to reach the South, have perished, according to a dispatch received by the Chronicle today from Wellington, New Zealand. The dispatch reads as follows:
"A wireless message from the Aurora, the relief ship of the imperial antarctic expediion, which, with Shackleton on board, sailed

tion, which, with Shackleton on board, sailed from Ross Sea on December 22, reached here today and reads as follows:

"Arrived at Cape Evans. All well. Regret to report that during the second year of the expedition A. P. Spencer Smith died of scurvy on the Barrier, March 9, 1916. Captain Mackintosh and V. C. Hayward perished on May 8 last, being overtaken by a blizzard which broke the sea ice when

they were attempting to cross from Hut Point to Cape Evans."

The Aurora left Mackmurdo Sound on January 19. The wireless message was signed by Captain Davis, of the Aurora

GERMANS AND AUSTRIANS SEEKING NATURALIZATION

Unprecedented Number of Applications for Citizenship Papers Filed in New York

NEW YORK, Feb. 6 .- Fearing detention n concentration camps in the event of war undreds of Germans and Austrians astening to become naturalized. In the ast two days all records for applications for citizenship papers in New York have been broken

When the naturalization bureau opened today there was a long line of applicants awaiting opportunity to file their first pa-Yesterday there were 226 applica-German-Americans in New York are to-

day flooding the White House with "America first" messages. Hundreds of promi-nent German-Americans are wiring to President Wilson to assure him of their sup-

SAVE TWO IN HEAVY SEA

Coast Guards Rescue Boatmen-Passenger Who Took to Ice Missing

ATLANTIC CITY, Feb. 6 .- Government coast guards, under command of Captain Jesse Parker, saved two men from a dis-abled powerboat in a gate, intense cold and in a heavy sea off Brigantine. After an hour's hard work the boats got within hailing distance of the disabled craft. Shallow water prevented the powerboat getting nearer. The rowboat took Jake Driscoll and Neal Driscoll brothers

The Driscoll brothers said they had started for Brigantine with a passenger, but that when they got within half a mile of the shore their engine broke down. The passenger decided to walk across the ice to the shore and that was the last see

EYRE-BERRY SUIT DELAYED inability of Attorney Scarlett to Be

Present Next Week Causes Postponement

WEST CHESTER, Pa., Feb. 6.-The case of William H. Berry, Collector of the Port of Philadelphia, charged by Senator L. Larry Eyre with slander, has been con-tinued until the May term of court. It was contended that Attorney Scarlett, one of counsel for Berry, would be unable to be here at the next week's session of the couren the case was originally scheduled for Counsel for Eyre said that his client was

ready for trial and that the case

Young Friends Have \$5700 Balance Reports presented at the annual meet-ing of the Philadelphia Young Friends' As-sociation tast night showed a balance of, more than 1870' in the Ursaury. This was explained as long a Top to the



DR. C. J. HEXAMER

Hexamer Proposes Referendum on War

Continued from Page One to express their approval is wrong, utterly

EXPECTS CRITICISM "Probably I shall be assailed for this action, but I have a right as a native-born American to express my sentiments at this

me—otherwise our Republic has ceased to e a republic." The German-Americans would fight to a man for this country in the event of war Doctor Hexamer declared, citing instances in the past of where they had made good soldiers for their adopted land.

soldiers for their adopted land.
"In the Colonial wars, the Revolution, the War of 1812 and the Civil War they fought against the aggressions of our enemies," he said. "In the Civil War alone there were 200,000 Union soldiers of Gerthere were 200,000 Union soldiers of Ger-man birth, besides the hundreds of thou-sands of German extraction. Should war come again, you would find the slandered German-Americans in the front ranks.

PEOPLE FOR PEACE "But this country does not want war; that is, the people generally want peace. And their voice should be heard. They pay the price of war with their lives and

"The question of war or peace is the most important that a nation is called upon to decide. For us Americans it is far more important than whether we have Wilson or Hughes as President. And I am sure that if the question of war was put before the people there would be no

war and we would have everlasting peace.
"The question of war has come to such a point that no self-respecting nation should enter into a conflict without submitting the decision to the people. If we should take the lead at this time it would have a democratic influence over other governments. Doctor Hexamer said the governments of Europe have plunged their peoples into the

worst carnage the world has ever seen. "Those fools of Europe have spent enough money in destruction to irrigate and fructi-fy the Sarah Desert and have killed enough people to populate all Africa." he said, "all this without the consent of the people who bear the woes and the suffering. Are to do the same?"

we to do the same?

Doctor Hexamer termed as an "infamous lie" a story which appeared in a morning lie, a story which appeared in a morning lie, with an alleged newspaper connecting him with an alleged German propaganda.

"That is absolutely untrue," he said. "The German National Alliance is the largest peace society in the world.

MAN OF PEACE Doctor Hexamer was emphatic in saving that he was a man of peace. "The German Alliance is a peaceful, law-abiding organi-zation." he explained. "It stands for fra-

ternalism, charity and education.
"There is not a thing about it that possibly could be construed as antagonistic to the United States. On the contrary, it is one of the most patriotic organizations in the country.

"I am a loval American citizen. There is loyal to America and all that it stands for, My forefathers have fought for this country. I would willingly do the same, if nec-

"I believe that the best way and the most effective way to get a referendum is for the people to get together in an orderly way and express their views. If war does not meet with their approval, let them then pass resolutions to that effect and for-ward them to Congress."

BALTIMORE HARBOR

MINED FOR SAFETY BALTIMORE, Feb. 6 .- The approach to Baltimore's harbor has been mined. Far down the Patapsco River a subsurface wall of explosives has been built. This was admitted today at Fort Howard by a comissioned officer speaking for Colonel Oscar Straub, in charge at the fort. He sai the mines had been laid for experimental purposes. At the same time he confirmed the report that the garrisons at Forts How-Armisted and Smallwood have bee

"The coast artillery is ready for any-ning," said the officer.

WORKMAN KILLED BY TRAIN

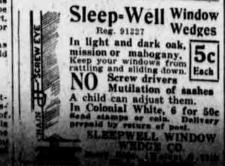
Muffler Around Ears Prevented Hearing at Grade Crossing

POTTSVILLE, Pa., Feb. 6.—One man is dead and another is dying as the result of the blizzard which raged here Sunday and yesterday. Andrew Zigo, of Schuylkill yesterday. Andrew Zigo, of Schuylkill Haven, while going to work with his ears tied falled to hear an approaching train at tied fatied to near an approaching train at Mine Hill crossing and was run over. Ed-ward Brown, also of Schuyikili Haven, was found in front of Krommes Hotel with his arms and legs badly frozen. A number of collieries were forced to suspend

Motorboat Club Offers Services

BALTIMORE, Md., Feb. 6.—All the mem-bers of the Maryland Motorboat Club an bers of the Maryland Motorboat Club and their entire fleet of more than sixty boats were offerd today to President Wilson "for any purpose to which they can be put for the good of the country." The action was called not only a duty, but a privilege. A resolution emboding this action was adopted unanimously by the board of governors at a special meeting held last night.

Mine Fire Believed Under Control MAHANOY CITY, Pa., Feb. 6.—The fire in the workings of the Primrose mine of the Lehigh Valley Coal Company is be-lieved to be under control. The fire has been sealed in by concrete walls and is being flooded by boreholes.



COAL FAMINE NEARS. AS COLD GRIPS STATE

Situation Serious in Wilkes-Barre-Zero Weather Reported in Many Towns

WILKES-BARRE, Pa., Feb. 6.—The coal supply in the Wyoming Valley is so scarce that unless the Wilkes-Barre Company, which supplies steam heat to 20,000 persons n this city, is able to get a supply by oday at noon the fires in the boilers will

have to be drawn.

Coal companies admit there is a shortcoal companies admit there is a short-age. They say that there is a scarcity of cars, and that even though cars could be supplied it is difficult to get the coal from the mines to fill them. The supply of the heat company is practically run out, and every one of the companies here has been asked to supply the needs.

ALTOONA, Pa., Feb. 6.—The worst blizzard in years has gripped this section, causing untold suffering and tieing up railroad and trolley schedules. In Altoqualt was 5 degrees below zero. Ten below was registered at Roaring Springs and Juniata. At Gap a nerce wind was blowing for twenty-four hours, piling the snow in drifts three and for feet deep. Passenger service over the Pennsylvania main line was badly crippled, trains running from one to five hours late. Freight traffic was also affected, trains being reduced to forty-five per cent of normal. forty-five per cent of normal.

UNIONTOWN, Pa., Feb. 6.—The southern part of Fayette County supplied by the Dunian Gas Company endured the zero weather without gas, the pipe-pressure lines of the gas company having frozen. Thousands of families have been without fuel. In all parts to theme out the fuel. In attempts to throw out the gas lines, several explosions accurred, result-ing in minor injuries to gas company em-ployes. The temperature in Uniontown was six below zero.

WAR DEPARTMENT GIVES CARTRIDGE CONTRACTS

65,000,000 Rounds Ordered - Navy Places Contracts for 40,000 Tons of Structural Steel

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6 .- Contracts have been entered into by the War Department for 50,000,000 rounds of munitions from the Western Car Company, Alton, III.; 10.-000.000 rounds pictol cartridges from the 000,000 rounds pictol cartringes from the, Winchester Arms Winchester Arms Com-pany, New Haven, and 5,000 pictol cart-ridges from the Maxim Company, Water-town, N. Y.

The Government has issued plans and

The Government, has issued plans and specifications for wire nets and is understood already to have placed contracts for steel chains to be used in protecting harbors against submarines.

United States Navy Department has recently placed orders for 40,000 tons of structural steel for extensions and improvements at navy yards. Numerous other amorphysics are still under way and

provements are still under way and bids are now being taken for 1,000 tons of steel for dirigible hangars, one at Pensacola,

BARRED TO STRANGERS Vigilant Watch Kept on Building-All Business to Be Conducted

TREASURY DEPARTMENT

in Code WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—For the first, time since the break with Germany the great Treasury Building was today closed to all but officials and employes. From the moment it was known that Germany and the United States had reached the parting of the ways the utmost vigilance has been maintained day and night and all strangers, have been watched, but it was not until today that strangers were barred alto-

today that strangers were barred altogether.

The Treasury Department today also issued orders that all official business bearing in the slightest on the crisis be conducted in code.

BATTERED SHIP REACHES PORT

Vessel Bearing German Refugees From Mexico Ends Tempestuous Voyage

ith her hull leaking badly, the steamship Esperanza came into port today bearing German refugees from Mexico. The steamship had a dangerous voyage and battled with high seas and gales during the entire

ward L. Beach, of the American cruiser Memphis, wrecked at Santo Domingo, and Commander Roscoe C. Bulmer, of the Commander Roscoe C. Bulmer, American cruiser Sacramento.

Supplee Milk Takes First 4 Prizes The Supplee Milk Company of this city won first, second, third and fourth prizes, at the show of the Pennsylvania Dairy Union at Harrisburg. The judging was by United States Government expert. The company's milk received a score of \$5 points out of a possible 100, said to be the highest score ever given milk in any competition. In making this award, flavor. competition. In making and low bacteria richness, cleanliness and low bacteria count were considered. The Supplee Dairy received the gold medal for the himself excellence at the Panama-Pacific Expo-

sition, San Francisco, two years ago. TOO LATE FOR CLASSIFICATION

DEATHS WEATHERBY.—Feb. 5. at Norwood. Pa.
JOSEPH REEVES WEATHERBY. Funeral services Thurs., 11 a. m. at the residence of his
mother, Mrs. E. J. Weatherby, 1335 N. 12th st.
Phila. Int. at Laurel Hill Cem.
POMERANTZ.—Feb. 5. MAX POMERANTZ.
aged 43: Mrs. MAX POMERANTZ. aged 47:
SAMUEL, aged 20: MEYER, aged 16: BENJAMIN. aged 13. and ESTHER, aged 11. of 5th
and Green sta. whe parents, brothers and sister
of Jacob Pomerantz. Relatives and friends.
niso Pinsker Lodge, Max Pomerantz Lodge. L.
O. B. S. Ben Hur Lodge, invited to funeral
services, Wed. i p. m., at Kesher Israel Synagogue, 4th and Lombard sts. Int. Har Nebo
Cem.

BORDEN.—Suddenly. Feb. 5, ELIZABETE NOTSON, widow of John Borden. Relatives and triends invited to services. Thurs., 2 p. m., 638 N. 19th st. Int. private. N. 19th st. Int. private.

RASCHKE.—Feb. 6, WILLIAM F. aon of Rila and late Edward Raschke, aged 30. Relatives and friends invited to services. Thurs. 2 p. m., at residence of uncle. Frank Gluy. 1218 Mariborough st. Int. Cheiten Hills Cem. PENNOUK.—Feb. 4, at Rosedale, Pa., EDITH PENNOUK.—Feb. 4, at Rosedale, Pa., EDITH PENNOUK Relatives and friends invited to funeral services, Thurs. 2 p. m. at Longwood Meeting House, Chester County, Pa. Conveyances meet train leaving Broad St. Station 11:08 a.m. at Kennett Square.

SITUATIONS WANTED-FEMALE CHAMBERMAID, Norwegian, first class, wishes position in small adult family no laundry work; reference. Address 1615 N. 12th st. BOOKKEEPER, assistant; 4 years' experiences business college education; willing to work for \$10 per week; reference. Diamond 1874 J.

HELP WANTED-FEMALE GIRL, white, for general housework; family of two; good wages. Apply after 7 p. m., 496 Catharine st.

OPERATORS wanted on ladies' walsts. Mei-ropolitan Dress and Walst Co., Harris Bids., 22d and Market sts., seventh floor. HELP WANTED-MALE CUTTERS, assistants, wanted on ladies' waters, Metropolitan Dress and Waist Co., 22d and Market sts. Harris Bidg., aswath floor. DRIVERS wanted experienced routs men: good pay steady work; chance for advancement. Apply F. J. Schick, Wells Fargo Express Co., 24th and Sansom sts.

Apply F. J. Schick, Wells Farso Express Co...
24th and Sansom sts.

BOY for office work. Apply Fred A Havens
Co. 845 N. 19th st.

MEN wanted to deliver advertising matter;
must be sober and industrious wages 11.15
per day. Apply HOWE ADDRESSING CO...
210 S. 4th st.

LOYS wanted for sersands, living uplown; 54,
portunity for advancement. Apply D.

BACHINIATS, Seri class. canable, second.