U.S. WARSHIPS OFF **FOR CUBAN PORTS**

Havana Reports Washington Move to Cope, With Revolt Against Menocal

GUNBOAT AT CIENFUEGOS

Moral Effect of American Ship's Presence Quiets Revolutionary Centers

HAVANA, Feb. 16. Government troops today broke and scattered a force of revolutionists led by Captain Sanchez Del Portal, a Spanish soldier of fortune, who has thrown in his lot with the liberals. The rebels

were defeated in a series of clashes. General Emilio Nunez, Vice Presidentelect, returned to Havana with the word that Santa Clara province has been pacified. Militia enlistments begar this morning.

HAVANA, Feb. 16 -- United States war ships are proceeding for Cuban ports-Hayana, Santiago, Nuevitas and Cienfuegos-to be ready in case the Cuban revolution gets beyond control of President Menocal's Administration, it was reported here today. In addition, a United States gunboat has reached Clenfuegos, and the moral effect of its presence has promoted quiet in the district.

The Cuban cruiser Patriot sailed for the eastern province today laden with supplies for the Government troops there.

Quiet apparently prevailed throughout the republic today. There is a distinct feeling of optimism on the part of the President's supporters that the rebel band will soon be dispersed.

President Menocal, however, is taking no chances. The Mardi Graz, one of Havana's big carnival weeks, was called off today by a Government decree. The President issued a proclamation, pledging protection to all men of all parties so long as they remained heaceful. remained peaceful.

The veterans' association, which corresponds to the American G. A. R., issued an appeal to its members today to sustain the vernment of President Menocal

Washington dispatches saying the Unit-ed States will not intervene have done much to strengthen the administration. Enrique Maza, a Havana newspaper mat

and charged with being one of the prin movers in the revolt, has been captured Cruces and is now being brought to Havana. Havana julls were filled today with city and interior prisoners, rounded up in the week's activities. The Havana staff of the Herald de Cuba, accused of being implicated in the rebellion, was released and later rearrested.

El Mundo comments bitterly on the revo-It editorially terms th movement "shameful, intemperate and in-

CUBAN INSURRECTION **WORRIES WASHINGTON**

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16 -- Reports to the State Department from American Minister Gonzales that the revolution in Cuba is apreading the eastern section to all portions of the island were received with grave concern today. The revolutionists are pientifully supplied with ammunition, the American Minister reported, and minor classes have taken place on the outskirts of

What action is to be taken by the American Government in the event of the revolution getting beyond the costrol of the Menocal Government could not be learned at the State Department. The War Department officially announced that it believes a "hands-off" policy should be pursued.

The revolution is one along purely racial and political lines. War Department officials point out, and Secretary Baker is said to feel that, with the American munition ship-ments now on the way, the Government forces will be found capable of quelling any

Mass, arsenal. Ten thousand gun slings and bayonets are on their way from the Rock Island arsenal and 20,000 rounds of ammunition have been sent from the Frankford Arsenal at Philadelphia.

The State Department had reports today that many persons of high rank are in-terested in the revolt and that there is no lack of cash in hampering revolutionary activities. Virtually all the sugar refineries on the eastern coast, from which the United States receives the major part of its sugar supply, have been closed down and their employes have either fled or joined the revolutionary forces.

The Navy Department announced that

an American gumboat has penetrated the harbor at Santiago and anchored just off the city, indicating that the harbor had not been mined, as announced by the leaders of the revolution. All is quiet at Santiago, the gunboat commander The name of the gunboat is kept secret by the naval authorities.

REVOLUTION WILL END IF PRESIDENT RESIGNS

SANTIAGO, Cuba. Feb. 16.—If President Menocal will resign and let Vice President Verona assume the duties of Chief Magistrate all insurgent operations will immedistely cease, American Consul Griffith was nformed today by the military governor of

Santiago.

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The military governor has informed P. that the military forces in Guantanamo had joined the revolutionary movement. He also said that a similar situation prevailed at Mayari and Baracca.

THRESHERMEN END SESSION

Officers Elected at Close of Meeting in Harrisburg

HARRISBURG, Feb. 16. - The business sessions of the fourth annual meeting of the Pennsylvania Threshermen's and Farm-ers' Protective Association were concluded yesterday by the election of the following

efficers:
President, W. B. Crawford, Indiana
County: vice president, P. M. Spangier,
Cumberland County; secretary, J. A. Rose,
Cumberland County: executive committee, A. Cumberland County; secretary, J. A. Rose, Dauphin County; executive committee, A. H. Brubaker, Lancaster County; M. S. Long, Dauphin County; S. H. Crissman, Mifflin County; Charles Yooum, Union County; W. P. Miller, Clarion County; G. M. Boyd. Beaver County; L. B. Sexton, Bradford County; E. J. Moore, Delaware County; Jere Gongoware, Westmoreland County; C. C. Morrow, Pittsburgh, and C. S. Wilson, Cumberland County.

d County, Short talks on the co-operation between Short talks on the co-operation between sanufacturers and threshermen were made by W. R. Snively, of the Frick Company; I. N. Kissicker, Farquhar Company; F. L. Lilen, Case Company, and K. Curl, Interational Harvester Company. C. C. Morow, of Pittsburgh, made the principal advess, discussing "How Can Salesmen Best levels Our Organisation?" Prank Holston, Wilmington, Del., and Roberta L. Greer, 1648 Emeralia at Palethorpe et., and Amberta L. Greer, 1648 Emeralia at Palethorpe et., and Amberta L. Greer, 1849 N. 2d et., and Eva L. Hamilton, 4008 Woodland ave.

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WILLIAM H. KEYSER

WM. H. KEYSER DIES: WAS LANE LIEUTENANT

Former State Senator Advanced Important Bills and Later Went Into Business

William H. Keyser, former State Ser ator and Representative and for years per-conal political fleutenant of David H Lane, eader of the Twentieth Ward, died at his me at Wynneffeld yesterday after a lo Mr. Keyser, who was head of the whole-tle schoolbeek firm of William H. Keyser

1017 Arch street, was elected to State House of Representatives in 1885 and was re-elected until 1900, when he was elected to the Schate. He served as State elected to the Senate. senator until he was defeated in 1911 by the Democratic candidate, Bichard V. Farley While in the Legislature Mr. Keyser fur-thered the bill allowing foreign steamship and transportation lines to own propert n Pennsylvania. He also was instrumental n obtaining the passage of acts creating an additional Judge of the Orphans' Court for Philadelph in and granting a salary to

Leary's bookstore, where he worked with ermer Governor Stuart. Later he went into business for himself and became well-to-do. Mr. Keyser lived at 1715 North Eleventh street until a year ago, when he moved to Wynnefield for his health.

FRENCH CRAFT REPORTS FIGHT WITH SUBMARINE

Honduras Hit Several Times, but, Unlimbering, Chased Away U-Boat

NEW YORK, Feb. 16. — The French teamship Honduras, 5913 tons, arriving are today from Hayre, reported having running battle with a German submaring on December 7, while en route from the United States to her home port. Because of the restrictions placed by the Allied Gov-ernments on shipping news the battle was not reported on this side.

The Honduras was proceeding twenty miles west of Brest when the U-boat rose from the water and commenced shelling her Several shots took effect, damaging the bridge and stern before the Honduras crew could get their gun unlimbered. The steamship replied to the attack with about thirty shots, and the German submarine commander then abandoned the chase.

Governors Guests of Maryland Society Hotel du Pont last night the Maryland Society of Delaware held its annual din Governors John G Townsend, Jr., of Dela-ware, and Emerson C. Harrington, of Mary-land; Senator Josiah O. Wolcott and Judge Ten thousand rifles have been shipped to the Cuban authorities from the Springfield.

Cuban authorities from the Springfield. resident of the society, presided at th dinner.

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Savins, 1231 Cabot st.
Hugo J. Herr, Adden, Pa., and Bertha E. Bowors, 559 N. Paxson st.
Max Kanlan, 1204 S. 4th st., and Francis Gorelick, 2639 S. Marshall at.
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Lawrence E. Elliott. 2129 Nassau st., and Agnes G. Wynn. 844 N. 19th st.
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Y. M. C. A. FIGHTS **RUM ON PARKWAY**

Starts Campaign for Remonstrance Against Kopp's and Petoney's

BUSINESS MEN ASSIST

Liquor Sellers Already in District Join in Opposing New Competition

Pon't let the new Parkway become a "Booze boulevard."
That is the slogan of the Central Y. M. C. A. workers who today began open warfare against the application for transfer of two liquor licenses to Fifteenth and Arch streets. The fight promises to become a sensational and bitter one.

Remonstrances are being drawn up to combat the proposed locating of liquor establishments at that point. The opponents of boose have formulated a plan of campaign to gain the support of all business uses and residents in the Tenth Ward. Forced to move by the extension of the Parkway, Daniel J. Kopp, owner and pro-prietor of Kopp's Hotel, at 40 and 42 North Broad street, has asked the Quarter Ser-alons Court for a transfer to the northeast corner of Fifteenth and Arch streets. Joeph Pentony, of 1431 Filbert street, bas lied a similar application to establish his aloon at 104 North Fifteenth street.

Religious institutions, residence associa several bodies have already taken steps to lend their aid and support to the Young Men's Christian Association leaders in charge of the campaign.

Last night the board of directors of the oung Friends' Association, at Fifteenth and Cherry streets, approved the stand taken by the Young Men's Christian Assocaltion and authorized a special remon-strance, signed by the 200 or more resident members of the association.

The directors and friends affiliated with the association, like the members and offi-lats of the Young Men's Christian Association, have become so aroused that they have

pledged their aid to the campaign.
Officials of the Young Men's Christian Association are "fuming" over the proposed transfers. They say it has always been inderstood that a "genflemen's agreement vas reached whereby the boulevard was be free of saloons. Speaking of the fight. S. W. Fountain, house manager of the Young Men's Christian Association, who is also one of the special committee chosen o oppose the transfers said

"It is a fight to the finish. It means life or death to us. Why, if these transfers were approved it would bring the saloons our very gate. They would be back ainst our building. Just think, through a very same gate that is used by Y. M. A. members would come books

PLENTY OF SALOONS

"We are planning to cover all business cases, residence organizations and religus institutions in the ward. We are als anning to see the present license holders the ward. There are enough saloon this district. Already we have three i the immediate vicinity of the V. M. C. A.
"We are pledged to uplift work. These saloons would have a detrimental influence on the young people. The Y. M. C. A. has about 7000 members. Six hundred of these are boys ranging from twelve to eighteen years of age. More than 450 men live in this building. Their friends meet them here. Their mothers and sisters. The Y M. C. A. is a social gathering place. It is an uplift organization.

"It is our plan to have the heads of large business concerns, such as the Bell Tele-phone Company, sign a remonstrance. Every boardinghouse in this section of the city will be canvassed.

"We have considerable information about

the saloons. The Young Men's Christian Association has many members between twenty and thirty years of age, a period when they are most susceptible to evil in-The movement against Kopp's and Pen

tony's has already received the indersement of many prominent business men and re-ligious bodies. The Rev. Dr. Charles E. Macartney, paster of the Arch Street Presbyterian Church, has promised to lead a movement against the license transfers. Another interesting feature of the fight against the transfers is the attitude of the proprietors of saloons now in the neighbor-hood. Many have taken sides with the ness reasons, and it is hinted that they will prove active factors in opposing the appli-cants. The position of the present holders of licenses in that section was characterize

COUNCILS' COMMITTEE TO HEAR TAX VIEWS

New Measures for Increasing City's Income the Topic of Special Meeting

An amendment to the personal property tax act that would yield, it is estimated, \$600,000 annually in new revenues for the city will be considered today at a hearing before Councils' special committee on new measures for increasing the city's income The amendment, the work of a subcommittee consisting of H. Edgar Barnes.
Charles Seger and Eduard Buchholz proposes to abridge the present law, enacted 1912 so as to tax mortgages of estate and other similar securities held by mutual insurance companies now exempt from the personal property tax. It will be viewed from every angle, so as to on to the city's revenues. The proposed measure has been criticised by real estate and insurance men. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 2 o'clock this afterno

WEST PHILADELPHIANS PLAN "NO BOOZE ZONE"

Elmwood Avenue Improvement Association Will Oppose License Applications

A restricted barroom area has been de-ared by the Elmwood Avenue Improve-

ment Association.
The "no-booze zone," stretching from Forty-ninth to Seventy-third street south of Woodland avenue, was created at a meeting of the association last night, in a resolution declaring that there were already enough saloons in the territory. The mously, pledging itself to fight the two ap-plications for saloon license which would plant two more barrooms in the heart of the district covered by the association. When the applications come up in the License Court attorneys for the association will oppose the issuance of the permits. About fifty members of the association attended the meeting

JUVENILE CASES CONTINUED Today's List Postponed in Absence of Judges

Juvenile Court cases listed for today were continued until next Tuesday, court at-taches being unable to procure a Municipal Court judge to sit today. President Judge Brown left the city yes-

President Judge Brown left the dity yesterday morning for a ten-day vacation at Hot Springs. Va., and it was understood Judge Gilpin or Judge Wheeler would preside in the Domestic Relations and Juvenile Courts during his absence. Judge Wheeler heard a list of domestic relations cause yesterday at Twenty-first and Race streets, but today had to resume the hearing of civil cause called in room \$80, City Mall. Judge Gilpin is engaged in the oriminal division

SOON TO ASK BIDS ON BROAD ST. TUBE

Assistant Transit Director Atkinson Tells of Rapid Progress on Plans .

DELAY ON FRANKFORD "L"

Due to Increase in Cost of Labor and Material-Taylor Questions Twining's Figures

George T. Atkinson, Assistant Director ity Transit, today announced that the dans of the department had progressed so ar on the Broad street subway portion of he system that bids for the section north rem City Hall to Girard avenue would seen e asked for.

street subway work in such shape that bids for their construction will soon be asked, said Mr. Atkinson. "The first of these will aid Mr. Atkinson. "The first of these over the section extending from the Filbert over the section extending from the Filbert street building line to Girard avenue. shall advertise for bids on this section with-in a couple of months. Then, when the in a couple of months. Then, when the work as soon as we receive a certificate from the Public Service Commission.

"There are several other sections of the croad street subway and the system generally upon which we are working at thi Some of these are so far progressed that the plans are nearly complete and the advertising of bids for the work will soon follow. One of these is the Frankford elevated.

standing on the part of the public as to what Director Twining said before the Public Service Commission regarding the line. The Director told the commissioner that the sum apportioned to this work that the sum apportioned to this work
would suffice under present material an
labor prices, to complete eighty to eight;
five per cent of the line between Dyre an
Rhawn streets. He did refer at all to
the entire route, but only to the extreme
upper section north of Dyre street.

"For my own part, I believe that prices just now are at their pinnacle, and it made to be possible to build not only to a poin eighty-five per cent above Dyre street, but to the Rhawn street terminus, if price should fall from their present topnotch DELAY ON FRANKFORD 'L.

The construction of the Frankford ele ated above Bridge street, cannot be start ed at this time under any circumstance There are legal difficulties to be smoothed out. Besides, the road itself is not paved or graded, and these matters must be adusted and the curb lines determined be could set up posts actual construction. ing good progress in our co-operation with Department of Public Works in this

"I only wish the people could understand the exact conditions of the rapid transi-plan. If they could only come here and talk over these different phases that have to be gone over and straightened out, in stead of forming conclusions based on state ments of unauthorized or poorly informed persons it would be mutually beneficial The Department of Transit is committed o give the people the system of transit for which they voted and it has never departed from that course. There seems to be disposition to think that we have abandon the Taylor plan. We have not done so, an Director Twining has never favored an bobtailing or reducing of that system.

"We are proceeding along the lines originally laid down, but the people must remem her that the cost of materials has gone up considerably since the first estimates were published. The subway steel for the City Hall loop under contract 101 cost \$60 : The lowest estimate on contract 102 the last section awarded, was at \$120 a ton an increase of 100 per cent.

NO "MERGING BALANCE"

There is another item in the Frankford levated work that calls for explanation The estimated cost for construction was \$5,900,000, while \$7,400,000 was set aside for the line. This seems to show a margin of \$1,500000. When the engineering expenses the cost of stations, flooring and other details are considered, it can readily be seen that there will be no merging balance from this section. standing has arisen in other work for which contracts have been awarded. The City Hall loop, for instance, as contracted for comprises herely the hole in the ground. There is much other work yet to be donut of the money set aside for that portion f the Broad street section."

Director Twining is in Boston today and is not expected at his office before Monday. He is attending a convention of engineers.

It was pointed out at the Director's of fice that the awards made for transit work thus far have all been within the estimated sums set aside in the Taylor prospectue of 1915 for the particular work. Indeed, it was declared, it would be illegal to award any contract at a figure exceeding the sun set apart for the specified work.

The estimates of Transit Director Twi 000 above the \$63,100,000 now available for transit if the entire high-speed program is carried on have been questioned by former Transit Director A. Merritt Taylor, in a telegram from Port Sewell, Fla.

THE TAYLOR MESSAGE

The telegram from Mr. Taylor follows: Estimates of the cost of construction of he subway and elevated railway lines, exjusive of equipment, appear on page 23 of the annual report of the Department Transit for 1915. These estimates were compiled under the direction of H. H. Quimby, chief engineer of the department They then were checked and approved by William S. Twining and J. A. Emery, con-They were based upor sulting engineers prices of labor and materials current in November, 1915. Considerable advance in costs of labor and materials had then taken

"I have always relied implicitly upon the onservatism and accuracy of these esti-nates. They included ample allowance for mates. normal contingencies if the construction of the system be carried out in accord with vote of the people.

"The large excess in amount of money provided for transit development above the estimates should be ample for that purpose, provided this constructive enterprise be conducted in a prudent and frugal manner.

"It has always been the plan that the city build and an operating company, preferably the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company equip the high-speed system. It was never contemplated by any one that the city should equip the system.

"All construction contracts awarded by the department while I was Director were awarded at prices materially below the figures upon which the estimates herein referred to were based.

"I believe the satisfactory proposition of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit should be accepted without undue delay and that the mandate of the people which has been voiced at three loan elections should be executed to the end that the complete system which is designed to adequately serve the entire city and its population with maximum efficiency at minimum cost may be obtained." The United Business Men's Association

will begin its campaign this afternoon when the Transportation and Law Commit-tees will meet in the office of Judge Ray-mond MacNeille, City Hall.

Although this meeting was called originally to consider the leasing ordinance, submitted to the city by the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company, Edward A. Noppel, president of the United Association, has let it be known that the committees will take up for consideration Director Twining's statements' before the Public

WILL PROBE GOVERNOR REGARDLESS OF VETO

Penrose to Force Inquiry Through Resolutions if Brumbaugh Balks at Sproul Bill-

HARRISBURG, Feb. 16 .- Whether 0 not Governor Brumbaugh vetoes the Sprou! resolution for the investigation of the State Government and whether or not the Legislature passes it over his veto, there will be lepartment probes and inquiries without end until the close of the legislative session

The Governor, in an opinion rendered by Attorney General Brown some time ago, is not required to sign resolutions in which the Legislature asks for information from State Departments, and in case the Sproul resolution should not become operative, it is the intention of the Penrose leaders to frame a series of 'probes' that will tend to bring out nearly if not quite all the information that might be developed through a formal inquiry by a legislative commission

Public Service Commissioner Mages, who is one of the Governor's chief lieutenants, and who has political aspirations of his own it Pittsburgh, is prepared to retailate for the effort of Senator Snyder to have the Public Service Commission abolished and reconstituted as a branch of the Department of Internal Affairs. This bill will come up in the ernar Antairs. This bill will come up in the lenate Monday night and promises to start lively fight.

Magee and his friends do not believe it will get through the Senate, but they are lining up their forces against it in the House Magee, it is said, has in mind some sharp inquiries into certain public utilities is both Philadelphia and Pittsburgh, and is prepared, he thinks, if necessary to throw cogs into the wheels of those who are plan-ning quick action on the Philadelphia Transit plans.

MAY CURB ATHLETIC ACTIVITY AT COLLEGES

Association of Presidents Discuss Barring All but Undergraduates

Participation in athletics in universities and colleges in this State may be restricted o undergraduates in the near future.

Proposed rulings to that effect were dis ussed today at the meeting of the Associa-ion of College Presidents in Houston Hall. ich a ruling would bar all men who have

While no decision was reached at this morning's session, the majority of those present expressed themselves as favoring uch a ruling.

The members discussed also a proposed easure which would prevent institutions from offering financial ald in the form of free tuition to athletes. Other measures were proposed to prevent

Dr. Isaac Sharpless, of Haverford, preded Provost Smith, of the University of Pennsylvania, was host. The members were entertained at an informal luncheon in Houston Hall. The annual banquet will be

held tonight in the University Club

FOUR MORE SHIPS SUNK BY U-BOATS

Total of Vessels Destroyed 111 Since Resumption of U-Boat War February 1

LONDON, Feb. 16. - Four more ships were reported sunk by Lloyd's up to noon today, bringing the victims of German sub-marines in the barred zone waters up to rines in the barred zone waters up to since the U-boat war was resumed on The four destroyed ships were the Brit-

ish steamship Longscar, 2777 tons; the British steamship Greenland, 1753 tons; the sailing vessel Percy Roy, 110 tons, and a rawler The dispatch announcing the sinking of he Greenland said that all members of her

CONCERT FOR KEARNEY SCHOOL Parents and Pupils Enjoy Orchestra at Recreation Center

Community spirit in the neighborhood on the northern fringe of the Tenderloin was strengthened last night when 500 parents of pupils at the Kearney School, Sixth street and Fairmount avenue, and the children themselves crowded the new ecreation center at Eighth and Green streets to listen to a concert by members of the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra.

It was something new for the children, a concert of this sort. They listened in polite silence and then applauded with vigor. Miss Silverman, a teacher in the Kearney School, talked briefly on the neces-sity of developing the community spirit, and Director Mason, of the Board of Recreation, also spoke. A festival, fol-lowed by dancing, will be held next Thurs-

CRANK TRIES TO SEE MORGAN

Visitor to Financier's Offices Held for Observation

NEW YORK, Feb. 16.—A man describing himself as Mahon Crawley, twenty-four years old, a clerk, was arrested in the offices of J. P. Morgan & Co., after acting

suspiciously. When he was arraigned his demeanor was such that the magistrate ordered him held for observation. The man professed a desire to see J. P. Morgan, who was out at the time. Crawley says he came here a year ago from At-

Threats to Burn Lancaster Barns MARIETTA, Pa., Feb. 16 .- Grave fear is being expressed by farmers of Lancaster County, especially in the vicinity of Para-dise, who have received letters threatening that their barns will be fired. During the last four weeks there have been six large barn fires in that section, all of incendiary origin and about midnight.



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PRESIDENT OF FRANCE WILL RECEIVE GERARD

Ex-Ambassador Signally Honored in Paris-Congratulated by Americans

PARIS, Feb. 16.—Although James W. Gerard, former American Ambassador to Germany, is traveling home in the role of a private citizen. President Poincare has given orders that everything possible be done to make his stay in Paris a pleasa one. It was reported today that arrange-ments would be made for Mr. Gerard to call upon the French President before he

leaves Paris. The French Government and the French people are extending a warmer welcome to Mr. Gerard than to any other private Amer-lean citizen who has come to Paris since the war began.

The former Ambassador and Mrs. Gerard are at the Ritz-Carlton hotel, where they are rapidly recovering from the nervous strain imposed upon them during the last

few days of their stay in Germany.

Many members of the American colony are calling upon Mr. Gerard to extend congratulations upon the success with which he handled delicate diplomatic affairs in Germany—the storm center of Europe and to felicitate him upon the future. fact, there is much speculation as to M Gerard's future activities. He left the bench to become Ambassador to Germany, so three courses are open to him: He may return to the law; he may enter politics in New York or he may continue in

the diplomatic service.

Mr. Gerard was compelled today to reiterate his declaration of silence, for correspondents are still trying to get a statement from him. Despite their the ex-Ambassador maintained his suavity

"Gentlemen, I can say nothing until have reported to President Wilson."

BERNSTORFF SHIP GOES INTO HALIFAX TONIGHT

Frederick VIII, With Dismissed Ger-

man Envoy, to Be Examined by British Authorities HALIFAX, Feb. 16 .- The liner Frederick VIII. bearing Count von Bernstorff, dismissed German Ambassador, and his party from the United States, was reported sighted off Halifax Harbor shortly before

The liner put to sea again after approach ing the harbor under instruction.

derstood, to be prepared to enter port at 7:30 this evening. Arrangements of the Dominion author-ities for examination of the Prederick VIII and those aboard provides that the line shall enter and depart from port at night None of the ambassadorial party, nor other passengers will be permitted to leave the

Applications of persons to go aboard the liner have also been denied. The Frederick VIII will anchor in Bed-ford Basin, north of the city.

War Clouds Lift; Berlin Shifts Policy

might indicate a decided change in the de flant German attitude toward the interests of the United States, but the majority, however, held little hope that the optimistic change would be long-lived.

Aggravating incidents continue to accu-nulate, but the President, his adviners say, will hold to his avowed purpose of moving deliberately in every step he takes. When he goes before Congress to asl

authority to protect American lives and proferty—a move believed inevitable and a matter of not many days—the President wants to feel that the entire country will back his action.

In this connection the prevailing ques-tion in Washington is, "What is the Presi-dent's idea of an overt act, such as would warrant his going before Congress?" The President feels that when the time comes, whether marked by some single act, or whether marking merely the end of the country's patience over a series of acts, he will "feel" it, the country will "feel" it the world will "feel" it and all will know that "the time" has arrived.

FOOD CRISIS NEAR In the meantime the most immediately vexatious matter is that of economic condi-tions that are rapidly growing worse, as a

result of the indirect blockade of American ports. With freight shipments pilling higher and higher at eastern seaboard terminals and he nation's expert railway men admittedly n a quandary over this situation, it is in a quantary over this situation, it is felt a solution to this problem must come soon. Incidentally some officials pointed out today that this matter may carry

in it the potential call from the country that drastic action be taken. They said that if the conditions now ex ages might result in many sections. Should this result come, and if it is as far-reach ing and as serious as is feared in som quarters, it is believed any peace propaganda, no matter how widely or effectively dis-seminated, will go down under weight of demand for relief from the threatened food

RAILROADS' PLANS

It became known today positively for the first time that the Government, asked for the present investigation by thirty railway into shipping conditions and the re of the German U-boat campaign by

This investigation has breadened into

iscussion of detailed plans for protection of

eastern terminals congestion

and nine children survive.

the seaboard railway lines of the country. So far discussion has been confined to pro-tection of Atlantic seaboard lines. The matter of protecting Pacific coast lines, it is stated, will next be taken up. Plans for protection of tunnels, railway bridges and important mountain railway passes have, heretofore, been discussed only

Wife of Oil Magnate Paralysis Victim TITUSVILLE, Pa., Feb. 16.—Mrs. Kate Seep, wife of Joseph Seep, millionaire purchasing agent of the National Transit cany, a subsidiary of the Standard Oil Company, died suddenly at the family home here last night of paralysis. The husband

BELGIAN RELIEF SHIPS WILL SA Six Vessels to Leave Briti

Ports as Berlin Lifts Ban

MAY ASK SAFE-CONDUC

Following the announcement that Amican relief workers in Belgium would allowed/by the German authorities to main, belief was expressed today that wix ships laden with supplies for the gians which have been held up in British ports would sail at once.

It is possible, however, that an effort in the made to obtain safe-conduct for it ships from Germany before they leave their cargoes of foodstuffs, as they have the passes through the barred zone.

The British Government, which is keen interested in the relief work in Belgium and norther the work. It is understood that represent the German Legation there states the German Legation there states the Germany is permitting Americans to chinue relief work in Belgium and norther France. An official note to this effect, is legation states, was addressed on Februar 10 to the controller of nutrition work.

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The German authorities further deck the legation states, that in the future, at the past, they would be willing to acce-te every demand of the commission

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—Formal than for the care taken by the American bassy in Benin of British prisoners of bassay in Benjin of British prisoners of a in German hands have been conveyed Secretary Lansing by Sir Cecil Spring-Ri the British Ambassador. The British A bassador also presented to Secretary Is sing a note from his Government concerns the reorganization of the r ork in Belgium. Its exact nature not disclosed.

Announcement was made on February that the Relief Commission had notified a German authorities that its representative would be withdrawn from Belgium as northern France. This step was taken northern France. This step authorizes from the German authorizes that Americans must depart, leave their representatives bear by the American Minister, Brand Whitlee This order was said by the commission to have been given by Baron von de Lancken, Civil Governor of Brussels, Commission of this order the commission receipt of this order the commission ranged for the immediate withdrawal all its representatives except a few were to see to it that the relief we should not be interrupted pending its tra fer to another neutral organization

Mexican Border Blazes After New Outrages

being made to bring the bodies to Hachita according to messages received from the today, and a large party of Columbus zens will attend the triple funeral.

WASHINGTON INFORMED OF SALAZAR'S THREATS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16 .- That Ger Salazar, the Villista chieftian, operat near Corner Ranch, south of the New M s known here. No additional orders, ver, will go to General Funston. He complete authority to act as he feels ne sary. And it is considered certain that ready there has been a redistribution

troops to meet Salazar. Unofficial confirmation of the murder the three Americans, Andrew P. Peters Hugh Acord and Burton Jenson, has ensed officials. The border Senators Representatives again are clamoring for tion by the Administration. It is not pected, however, that any move will made until Ambassador Fletcher, wh tered Mexico yesterday en route to M City, reaches his post. Fletcher alread has been instructed to tell General Carrain situation in the north is tolerable, and that unless immediate i are taken to put down the bandits, seem to be operating when and where the please, this Government will again have.

take steps to protect its own people.

A message has been sent to Colonel P. Sickle, commanding at Columbus, requeing an immediate report on the murder the three Americans—Peterson, Acord at Jenson-and especially on the declarathe scout, who reported the finding of bodies, that the men were taken prisons on the American side of the internation boundary. Up to the present only and cial reports have reached the State and W Departments, although they are consi

Accused of Misusing the Mails READING. Pa., Feb. 16.—Charged we sending prohibited matter through the matter a woman in this city. Arthur L. Brown twenty-eight years old, who says he can here from Philadelphia and who, according to the police, signed some missives as mon Joe, ex-Mayor of Chinatown," arrested here today by Postal Inspector

bons. The woman in the case is Mrs. D. S. Beck. Brown was held for a hear hefore Commissioner Maltzberger. TOO LATE FOR CLASSIFICATION APARTMENTS-FURNISHED

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ZIEGLER.—Feb. 16. MARY A., widow John Ziegler, aged 82. Due notice of fus-will be given. DALLAS.—Feb. 16, of diphtheria. Rid-BETH ADELAIDE, daughter of Henry W., Elizabeth B. Daliss, of 112 S. 524 st. 1 Sat., Mt.-Morkah Cem. No funeral.

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