DENIES BREAKING PAROLE

The German sailors interned at the Phila-siphia Navy Yard will not leave for seorgia until tomorrow, according to an announcement made today, by Secretary

The Seventeenth Infantry will arrive at Porta McPherson and Oglethorpe, Georgia, omorrow to guard the 800 interned Germans. Companies A. B. C. D. E and F will take half of the sailors to Fort Mcherson and Companies G. H. I. K. L and M will guard the other half at Fort enteenth Infantry will arrive at

Captain Max Thierichens, senior com-mander of the interned German commerce raiders, today made an emphatic denial of reports that he had violated his parole us to the escape of two of his men

last Monday.

Federal authorities have started an investigation of the affair. No trace of the two missing German sailors has been found. The two suspects arrested recently in Paris, Ky., have been released, owing to the fact that no formal charge was made against

Captain Thierichens's denial was made a letter sent to Commandant Russell. Captain Thierichens said that the printed to the effect that he had misspent everal hours while supposedly at the Inited States Naval Hospital were untrue, he had spent only half an hour in travat once to the ships. He had not violated the parole, he assured Commandant Russell, and had done nothing that would constitute an unneutral act.

rd has been received by the Department of Justice that numerous Germans of anti-American traits are in the employ of families in Chestnut Hill and Germantown. families in Chestnut Hill and Germantown.

It has been learned that many of these antiAmerican Germans were intimately acquainted with a number of the men on the
interned German ships at the Philadelphia rocked by the mighty artillery of the Ger-

eving that some of these sympathizers may have been connected with the escape of the German sailors on Monday, agents of the Department of Justice are making s rigid investigation of the foreign servants employed in the section.

The investigators believe that the sym-

pathizers may know of the whereabouts of the men who escaped from the interned ships.

At a restaurant conducted by George Gis-ell, Germantown and Wissahickon avenues, a German cook was discovered who admit-ted that he had been employed on the mer-chant ship Rhaetia, which is now docked in this city. The cook asserted that he was not acquainted with any of the interned men at League Island and was pro-Ameri-

Under to frection of Special Investigator Garba to the agents of the department will continue their activities in Chestnut Hill. Although Garbarino will not discuss the object of the suburban investigations, it is understood that the department hopes to obtain evidence which will throw additional light on the smuggling of goods on and off the Prinz Eitel Friedrich.

U. S. Oil Ship Sunk

Holland, Dispatches today quoted survivors as saying that three lifeboats left the sinking steamship. Two of these, one containing seven men and another thirteen men, were picked up. The third, believed to have been crowded with twenty-one of the crew, still is missing.

At least twelve men were killed or in-jured by the explosion of the torpedo that ank the ship, survivors said. The ship, which is the seventh American vessel sunk by German submarines since February 1, was flying signals that made its national-ity plain at the time of the attack, they

Twenty-one lives were lost, according to nost authentic estimate. Some dis-es said that most of the men were patches said that most of the men were killed when the torpedo penetrated the engine room, causing an explosion. The dispatches did not give the number of Americans among the victims, but stated that there were thirteen American citizens on were thirteen American citizens on

If, as reported, twenty-one lives were lost on the Healdton it will bring the number of persons killed on the seven United States ships sunk by Germany in unrestricted submarine warfare up to thirty-six.

The Healdton, sailing from Chester for Rotterdam January 26, with a cargo of oil, had thirteen Americans on board see all the control of the cont

and thirteen Americans on board, according to the records of Augustus R. Smith. United States Shipping Commissioner, 500

outh Delaware avenue.

They were Charles Christopher, captain Brooklyn, born in Norway, but naturalized American: Otto Willerup, 2272 Seventh American; Otto Willerup. 2272 Seventh avenue. New York, naturalized; W. Chandler, second mate. New York, born in Nova Scotia, but naturalized; C. F. Hudgins, third mate. Laban, Va.; J. Caldwell. chief engineer. Brooklyn, born in Scotland, but naturalized; G. W. Embry, first assistant engineer, 660 North Twelfth street, Philadelphia; John Emery, second assistant engineer, New York; W. C. Johnson, third assistant engineer, Hoboken, N. J.; Herman eistant engineer, Hoboken, N. J.: Herman Parker, wireless operator, 2246 North Van Peil street, Philadelphia; S. W. Smith, seaman, 1326 East 164th street, Chicago: ery Le Vaux, oiler, Michigan; George Healey, second cook, San Francisco, and W. Steiner, messman, 520 Avery street, Pittsburgh.

At Embry's Philadelphia address, an apartment house, it was said that he was not known there. He is a native of First Officer Willerup cabled his wife in

New York that he was rescued.
"I knew something had happened to Herman the moment the bell rang." said Mr. Parker. "I had a premonition that just such a thing would occur. I tore the en-

such a thing would occur. I tore the en-velope containing the message open and when I read the words, 'Rescued and in good health,' I cried with joy. My boy was a little gentleman. He wanted so much to succeed. He loved wireless teleg-raphy and decided to make his living at it about a year ago. He was a talented mu-sician, playing the violin and piano ex-pertly. He was a member of the Frankford Symphony Orchestra, but gaye it up for wireless operating."

Voung Parker will not be eighteen years and until next September. It is believed be gave his age as eighteen in order to accepted by the Marconi Wireless Comny, which supplies the operators for the

ps.

He was born and raised in the northsiern section of the city. He was gradsed from the Bigine public school, Thirtyit street and Susquehauna avenue, and
serward attended Central High School,
sile there he participated in athletics,
as a member of the track team.

Then Parker attended the Marsoni WireSchool, in the Parkway Building, and
sived his certificate last August. He got
osition on the tank steamship Crow and
ad on that ship for Liverpool. Upon his
urn he refused to take another trip oh
with anying she was unseaworthy. The
osibr-squently was beached in a leaking
sition.

dently handed to the pilot which took the Healdton out of Hallfax harbor, for mailing

by young Parker.

The young wireless operator told his father in this letter that "quite a lot of contraband was discovered on board the Frederik VIII. One German had more than a hundred pairs of silk pajamas," was one of his phrases. He stated that the Brit-ish authorities searched his pockets and took away all his letters and photograph

films. They even went so far as to con-fiscate rubber sleeve holders. The Healdton's home port is Bayonne, N. It was loaded with petroleum from the Refining Company's works at

According to Joseph C. Gabriel, Philadelphia agent for the Atlantic Refining Com-pany, the torpedoing of the vessel with her cargo represents a loss of approximately \$2,150,000 to her owners. Until two years ago the Healdton sailed as the Purelite, a name by which she was well known in this

French Strike Blow to Split Foe's Line

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pagne, on the Verdun front and near St. Milijel attempted surprise attacks by the Germans falled. Another German aeropiane of the Albatross type was brought down near Vezelise on Thursday.

GREAT BATTLE RAGING; MAY BE SECOND MARNE

LONDON, March 22, Since the battle of the Marne, when Paris was saved and probable defeat for the Allies was averted, there has been no en-gagement on the western front equal in fateful consequences to the gigantic due! of men and big guns that is raging today from the Alsne River to the northern end of the Somme line

Falling back from their old front, up and down which the tide of war had surged for more than two years, the Germans have evidently made a stand along what is known

man and allied armies, Teuton and Anglo-French soldiers are advancing in assault and counter-attack.

Official communications issued in both Paris and Berlin today dwelt upon the severity of the losses inflicted upon the enemy. It is evident that the battle is a bloody one

Should the Germans be forced out of their new positions they might have to retire all the way to the Belgian frontier. All the way along the eighty-five-mile front, from a point in Artois to the Alsne River, the German lines have been strength ened and the advance guards of British and

French dragoons have come upon new lines of redoubts, hidden sections of machine guns and the drumfire of the Teuton artillery.

The British front has again been extended, and "Tommy Atkins" is now at grips with the Germans as far south as a

point opposite St. Quentin. point opposite St. Quentin.

The chief zones of fighting during the last twenty-four hours are the sector of Cronselles, northest of Bapaume; the sector of Coucy Forest, near Gobain; the sector of the Crozat canal, from St. Simon to Tergnies, and southwest of Laon.

The War Office has made public photographs of the region from which the Gergraphs of the region from which the Gergraphs of the region from the control of the

in "Safety Zone" graphs of the region from which the Germans have retreated showing its utter devastation. The correspondent of the London Daily News with the British armies says that many starving children are being found in the territory given up by the Ger-mans. He telegraphs as follows:

"It is as terrible as anything on the battlefields to see children who have been slowly starving for a year wandering amidst the ruins of their homes. They are ghosts with bluish faces and heavylidded eyes who are now just beginning to lose their fears and to find reasons for railing at the British. Most of the men and children have had no meat since last September and no milk or butter for more than a year. But for the American and than a year. But for the American and Spanish relief forces they would have had

British military experts today saw a play for time as the reason behind the German

bring the Entente to starvation According to the British military experts.



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FOUR BATTLES GOING ON IN FRANCE



The French War Office announces that French forces have repulsed with great losses for the enemy an attack by the Germans north of St. Simon, while another French army is attacking the Germans north of Soissons and toward the Ailette River. London advises that fighting is going on now on the following sectors: Cronselles, northeast of Bapaume; Coucy Forest, near St. Gobain; Croat Canal, from St. Simon to Tergnier, and scuttimest of Laon, shown on the map by arrows.

Germany's leaders have foreseen the necessity of combatting very soon an offensive from the Entente of unprecedented power, an offensive in the repelling of which hun-dreds of thousands of German soldiers would be sacrificed.

The German militarist machine | cold! calculating the necessity of saving is many men as possible for the mannir, of Ger-many's industries after the war, realizing the nation will be hard put to survive in the commercial competition which will folow peace.

British officials who speculated on this plan today saw in the very fact that Germany was endeavoring so elaborately to explain the retirement, an admission that the scheme was not working out well. The ineffectiveness of the submarine war-fare has already been demonstrated. The play for time, in their opinion, will net Germany nothing.

RUSSIANS ROUT TURKS IN 16-HOUR BATTLE

PETROGRAD, March 23 After sixteen hours of desperate fighting Russian forces dislodged Turks occupying Aliabad, near Kerinza, and forced them to retreat, today's official statement declared. The statement follows: In the direction of Pendjivin we

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fought the Turks on the southern shore of the River Chirvan, in the direction of Kasnichirin.

On the sixteenth, after a sixteen-hour battle, we dislodged the Turks occupying Aliabad, near Kerinza, engaging a Turkish division at the latter place. The Turkish line of retreat was place. The Turkish line of retreat was edvered with wagons, cartridges and

DES MOINES IN NO TROUBLE

Navy Department Has Dispatch From U. S. Warship in Turkey

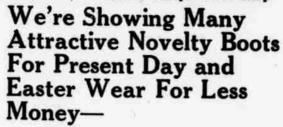
WASHINGTON, March 23 .- Reports that the Des oMines, United States cruiser, had met with "trouble" were met by the Navy Department today with statements that a dispatch had been received today from the Des Moines indicating that all was well with the ship. Position of the vessel was not made

Germans Send Prisoners to Front LONDON, March 23.-It is reported from Lasaunne, Switzerland, that Germany has sent some of her war prisoners to the front as a measure of reprisal. The report is

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Germany Stirs U.S. With New Outrage

National Defense Council as a special ad-

visory body in preparing for war. PREPAREDNESS WORK

Government activity embraces such a wide range now that really no accurate conception whatever can be drawn as to the scope or effectiveness of the country's preparedness work.

President Wilson is personally directing

all of these war preparations.
Secretary Baker, as chairman of the National Defense Council, is preparing to meet heads of great industrial concerns to discuss what work is necessary to complete ten-tative plans to place the country on a war

Secretary of Navy Daniels is doing all possible to stimulate recruiting and hurry warship construction. While the Navy Department openly bends

every energy toward making that arm of the service more effective than ever before in the history of the republic, the War Department continues its more or less secret steps toward calling to arms every regular. reserve and national guardsman when the moment to sound the call is propitious. All possible haste that is compatible with efficiency also is being taken in regard to gathering of supplies—guns, ammunition, cloth-ing, quartermaster supplies, etc.—that will be needed immediately a call to arms is

LABOR COUNCIL MEETS

It has been arranged for the committee on labor of the council, of which Samuel Gompers is chairman, to meet here simultaneously with Congress on April 2 to devise plans for speeding up all along the line in defense preparation.

It is expected that the committee will at that time make arrangements so that when a state of war officially is declared in progress the eight-hour day will be waived in all lines of industry in which needs of the Government are supplied, and arrangements will be made to permit private firms to follow the example of the navy yards and work all men as long as pos paying them overtime at the rate of time and one-half. Within a few days at most it is expected

data asked from State heads regarding militia availability, plans for rapid mobilization of the Natonal Guard, details for sta-

tioning Kill UMSADACKW SPICAG TO AGE! Shin

And beneath the surface activities of ficial attention turned today to a co ficial attention turned today to a conter-ence reported under way at Imperial Ger-man Grand War Headquarters which will be attended by the Kaiser, Von Hindenburg and Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg, ostensibly to plan even more aggressive land

and sea moves by Teuton forces.

This conference may have a vital effect upon Germany's future policies.

The one ray of hope in a dark situation is that Germany, crumbling beneath im-

ending starvation and military pressure. may be forced into an early peace Incidentally, the Administration believed oday it had successfully headed off any

neutral mediation move by declaring in advance against such a step.

REJECT PEACE MOVE

Suggestions still credited the Swiss Min ister with having a hand in spreading the pro-German mediation story, but there was also some suggestion today that the Administration itself might have "inspired" the report and squeiched it as a warning to neutrals not to interfere.

Officials still were angered over the media-tion suggestion fathered in Sweden and proposed to the American Minister in Stockholm. Ira Nelson Morris, by which it was proposed that Sweden act as mediator to reconcile the differences between Germany and the United States.

The State Deapriment may comment on The State Desprtment may comment on it later. Because the proposition comes from a friendly nation it will have to be rejected, if it ever is officially presented, in a courteous manner no matter what the feelings of the United States actually

However, the fact that such a suggestion essels are being sunk without warning in supposedly friendly waters has incensed offi-als. They also are inclined to inquire about the methods in which publicity was sought to be given to the offer before it had been communicated to the State De

ANXIETY FOR CONSULS

No word has been received from the four United States consuls last reported detained at Munich, Germany, They had been ordered transferred to Turkey, and Germany had insisted that they could not proceed to their new posts until it was determined whether they were satisfactory to Turkey.

The State Department has so far been unable, in its inquiries through Doctor

Bittief and sold beantles to the United States, to get word of the whereabouts of these Gerard and his party, officials admit they are apprehensive over the treatment these American officials may be receiving.

DRAMA MASQUE COSTUMES

More Than 200 U. of P. Students Submit Competitive Designs

More than 200 students of the University of Pennsylvania submitted designs for the costumes to be used in the Masque of Amercan Drama, the big outdoor spectacle to be presented at the University during the second week in May, it has been announced by L. B. Holland. The contest has closed. by L. B. Holland. The contest has closed.

Mr. Holland, who is in charge of costuming and who is an instructor in the architectural school, will make his decision as soon as the judges meet. A prize of \$50 has been offered to the winner by the Philomathean and Zelosophic Societies, under whose direction the pageant is to

Lithuanian Pastor Attacked

SHENANDOAH, Pa., March 23. — The Rev. S. Paullienus, rector of St. George's Lithuanian Church, of this city, one of the argest congregations of this region, was assaulted by an unidentified man as he was about to enter the church to obtain the sac-rament preparing to go on a sick call. Passersby hurried to the pastor's aid and the

Wants Allegheny Bridges Raised

WASHINGTON, March 23.—The immediate elevation of Allegheny River bridges at Pittsburgh as "necessary in the national interest" was today declared imperative by Secretary of War Baker. The Secretary held the bridges to be "an unreasonable to be "an unreasonable." struction to navigation."

30 Girls Enlist in Roosevelt's Army ALLENTOWN, Pa., March 23. - The Macungle branch of the Girl Pioneers of America, thirty strong, today volunteered for first aid work with Colonel Roosevelt's army in Belgium as Red Cross nurses.



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