EARNINGS \$113,000,000

Judge Gary Sees No Let-Up in Present Business Conditions. Looks for Higher Prices

NEW YORK, April 24.

The United States Steel Corporation this afternoon declared an extra dividend of 3 per cent on the common stock, representing the greatest dividend in its history, and also reported net earnings for the quarter ending March 31, 1917, of \$113,121,018, the largest since the incorporation of the huge steel corporation.

steel corporation.

In addition to the extra dividend on the common stock the regular disbursement of 14 per cent was declared, the total representing an outlay of \$21.602,856, while the extra dividend itself amounted to \$15,249.750. The regular quarterly dividend of 1% per cent was also declared on the preferred stock.

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Following the announcement of the vast sarnings of the corporation, Judge Gary announced that the corporation would subscribe to \$5.000,000 of the Government's 3½ per cent war loan. In addition, the corporation will pay its income tax for 1916 in advance. This amounts to about \$9,600.-000. It is not due until June 15.

The steel corporation will also subscribe \$50,000 to the proposed \$3,000,000 Young Men's Christian Association fund for army work, Chairman Gary announced. Thre months ago the corporation declared

Thre months ago the corporation declared an extra dividend of 1% per cent, on the common. The common stock divedends are payable June 29. Books close June 1 and reopen June 5. The preferred is payable May 29. Books on this issue close April 30 and reopen May 2.

For the quarter ended December 31 the net sarnings were \$105.988.347, the net results for the March quarter, therefore, representing an increase of \$7.152,671, while in the March quarter of 1996 the net earnings.

resenting an increase of \$7.152,671, the March quarter of 1996 the net were \$60,713,824 and in 1915 \$12,457,809.

Judge Eibert H. Gary, chairman of the board, announced after the meeting of the directors that the extra dividend paid up all deficiencies in common dividends for the five quarters from June, 1914, to Sep-tember, 1915, when dividends were passed.

with 1 per cent extra-Discussing general business conditions.
Gary declared no let-up was in sight. The tendency in prices, he said, was still upward. He added, personally, he did not desire to see prices advance further. Gary professed ignorance of any plans whereby the United States might act as purchasing agent for the Allied Governments, obtaining the same prices for steel now granted the the same prices for steel. United States Government. same prices for steel now granted the

United States Steel earnings in 1918 were \$342,997,092. This broke all steel records. This present year bids fair to shatter that record, judging from the earnings of the first quarter. The surplus for this year's first quarter is \$69.836.281, an increase of

WILSON NAMES EXPERTS TO AID RUSSIA IN WAR

Elihu Root and Roosevelt Said to Be Among Four for Foreign Commission

WASHINGTON, April 24 .- The personnel of the American commission to Russia has been decided by President Wilson, it was announced today. Its dispatch to Russia now awaits only a conference with the British and French war commissions as to the scope of work which had best be undertaken by the commission and the class of expecta-that should be sent along with it.

It is understood that Elihu Root, Charles
The Chicago

R. Crane, Professor Harper, of Chicago University, and Theodore Roosevelt will be d to serve on the commission, although confirmation of all of them was lacking today.

SPY SUSPECT FREED

Copper Wires 'Used Only for Pipe-Cleaning

George Wetzell of Union Hill, N. J., arrested yesterday on suspicion of being a German spy and held a prisoner all night, was brought before Chief Griffin, of the United States Secret Service, today and

Wetzell lived in a furnished room at 1501 Vine street. Pieces of copper wire seen in his room led to information being given the police that he was a suspicious character. At the examination of the man today in the Pederal Building, it developed he had been using the wire to clean his pipes.

Interned Sailors at Gloucester Released The fourteen Austrians who as members of the crews of the vessels Franconia and Budapest were interned at Gloucester when relations with their country were broken off, were released this afternoon following a finding of the Federal Board of Inquiry which was appointed to investigate the case. The men are privileged to go where

Sweden's Queen Sorry for German City AMSTERDAM, April 24.—The Queen of Sweden today telegraphed the burgomaster of Freiburg expressing her regret over the recent Franco-British air raid on that city. (The Queen of Sweden was formerly Prinprincipality Freiburg is located.)

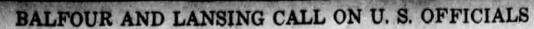
Sweden Halts Booze Sale

LONDON, April 24.—Stockholm reports has been stopped until May 12. It is assumed that this action was taken to prevent trouble during the labor manifestations on May day.

Bonar Law's Son Wounded LONDON. April 24.—Lieutenant C. J. Law, of the King's Own Scottish Borderers, second son of Chancellor A. Bonar Law, has been wounded while fightingh the Turks in Palestine and is reported today to be

Berlin Tells U. S. Writers to Leave THE HAGUE, April 24.—The American correspondents remaining in Germany have been requested to leave by the German For-sign Office. It is presumed they will go althor to Switzerland or Denmark.

Havre de Grace Results RACE: for two-year Harr, 118, Parring. \$8.10 \$2.80 \$2.80





The British Foreign Minister was shown about by the Secretary of State yesterday when they visited officials in the State Department.

SAVES LITTLE PUPIL'S LIFE | Says Wife Held AT COST OF HER OWN

Brave Young School Teacher Rescues Girl and Then Drowns in Quarry Hole

HAGERSTOWN, Md., April 24,-Jumping into a quarry hole to save her little pupil from drowning, Miss Ada Knode, principal of Kearneysville, W. Va., school, sacrificed her own life yesterday. The water was about thirty-five feet deep

Miss Knode succeeded in getting the child, Juanita Whittington, close to the bank, where she could climb out to safety. sank back exhausted and perished be fore the gaze of several pupils. Childrefied to get help, but it arrived too late. Miss Knode was twenty-one years old and daughter of Albert Knode, near Shepherds town, W. Va.

SUFFRAGE ASKS WILSON'S AID

President Requested to Urge Votes for Women in Maryland

WASHINGTON. April 24 — Suffragists adopted a new method of en isting President Wilson's aid in their cause today.

A delegation of forty women, representing the Just Government League, of Baltimore, called at the White House and asked the President to write a personal letter to the Governor of Maryland, advising that the women of the State be given the ballot.

Russian Ship Sunk; Exiles Perish COPENHAGEN, April 24.—The Russian teamship Zara has been sunk by a Ger-Among the victims were a number of political exiles who were returning to Russia says a dispatch from Petrograd today Nicholas Karpovich, a well-known Socialist who had been compelled to leave Russia for his activities against the old autocratic Government, was killed. News of his death has had the effect of stiffening the resolution of the Russian Democrats to continue the war until victory is gained, the Petrograd advices say.

Start Work on Recreation Pier

STONE HARBOR, N. J., April 24.—The work of construction at the municipal recreation pier has begun, the contract having been awarded to W. L. Turpin & Sons, of Stone Harbor, for \$16,025, the lowest bid. The building comprises four stores, an auditorium seating 1000 and a pavilion. The location is on the ocean side of the board-walk opposite 106th street.

Poor Woman Kills Herself

A poorly dressed and so far unidentified woman committed suicide by throwing herself in front of a Haddon Heights car as it was entering Oaklyn on its way to Camden The body was taken to the Several persons passing at the morgue. time say that the woman's act was deliberate. The coroner is trying to find her relatives or friends.

Millionaire Enlists in Marines

NEW YORK, April 24.—The enlistment as a private in the United States marine corps at Detroit, Mich., of ex-Congressman Edwin Denby was announced by marine corps officials here today. Mr. Denby, who is a multimillionaire, is fifty-six years old and served in Congress from 1902 to 1911.

Mme. Bernhardt Gaining Steadily

NEW YORK, April 24.—Mme. Sarah Bernhardt has galfied steadily for the last twenty-four hours, according to attending physicians in Mount Sinal Hospital, Unless there is a change for the worze in the next twelve hours, blood transfusion will not be resorted to, the specialists said today

Two Norse Ships Sunk; Crews Saved CHRISTIANIA, April 24.—The Nor-wegian steamships Peive and Ekjold have torpedoed and sunk, according to received here today. Their crews were saved.



in Ritz-Carlton

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shore banker's son, her parents, it is at leged, packed her belongings and sent her to the Shipley School for Girls, on the Main Line. Bew promptly matriculated in St Luke's School. St. Luke's is a neighbor of the Shipley School. The two young people raw each other frequently, it is said They wanted to be married. They knew

that to get parental consent was impossi-ble. So they made systematic plans for dodging the rich brewer's wrath.

Jean Bergner, her husband alleges, wen to Avaion and got her jewels. Bew obtained money and a high-powered automobile.

Miss Bergner met him, after stealing out of her home at night. Bew drove to Broad Street Station, this city, in one hour and

forty-two minutes. They were just in time to catch a midnight train for Bristol. Tenn. The runaway bride had scarcely left the Avaion House before her father discovered that she had fied. He telephoned to detectives in Philadelphia, New York and Balti-more, but the wires were not fast enough to beat the Cupid car. Mr. and Mrs. Bew were on their wedding journey before their parents found out where they were.

The reason they found out then was that sew wired back to Avalon that Miss Bergner had become Mrs. Bew and that they were touring in the South.

It took a long time for the parents of the two young folks to get over the shock all of this recital came out in court today when Clinton A. Sowers, Bew's attorney, applied for the habeas corpus writ. Eventually Mr. Hew relented, and

young couple were invited to visit his later went to Florida with the elder Bew. in the South, according to young Bew's lawyer, father and son had a disagreemen

a business deat which the son had inted. The bride took her husband's She and he left Bew, Sr., and came The young husband became a selling agent for Young, Lindsay & Co., Atlantic City real estate operators. His commissions averaged \$250 to \$300 a month until

diplomatic relations with Germany were broken off. Then business slumped Mrs. Bew was ill and the two went to Haverford, where

ill and the two went to Haverford, where they lived at the home of a friend.

One day Bew went to Atlantic City on business. When he returned, according to his story in court, he was told that Mr. Bergner had gone to the house in a motorcar, induced Jean to enter it and had swept away with her. The giri-wife had been takem to the Ritz-Carlton, Bew was told. At the hotel he was told he could not see her, according to his court plea. He alleges that a chief butler ejected him. Bew's next step was to get a lawyer. Bew's next step was to get a lawyer.

Mr. Sowers, the attorney, emphasized in his plea before the court today that the young husband has no other object in view than the recovery of his wife, to whom he is greatly devoted, and that he is still determined to maintain his independence of both his own father and his wife week. his own father and his wife's wealthy parents. The lawyer said that Bew's wish is to take care of his wife and make his own living in the world without any assistant

Judge Bregy had the habeas corpus write returnable next Friday morning. A hearing will be held or an answer will be filed at

Young Bew is keeping his whereabout; secret. He is said to be near enough to the



Ritz-Carlton to maintain personal surveillance over the hotel. This averment is made in the affidavit

supporting the application made by Bew:
That the said Gustav William Bergner has, without the consent of your petitioner and his wife, and against your petitioner's and his said wife's wishes, and in spite of your petitioner's prohibition, taken away the said Jean Coltart Scott Bew, and con-ceals her and holds and detains her. "Your petitioner has frequently requested

and demanded the return of his said wife to him and has endeavored to see and con-verse with his said wife, and has been inlawfully prevented from seeing and con-versing with his said wife, by the said Gus-tav William Bergner.

That your petitioner avers that his said wife is deprived of her liberty by the said Gustav William Bergner unjustly and ille-

GERMAN LINER IN DRYDOCK

Eitel Friedrich Will Probably Be Transformed Into Cruiser or Transport

Transformation of the two interned tier man liners at the Philadelphia Navy Yard. the Kronprinz Withelm and the Eltel Fried-rich, into possible cruisers or transports for the United States navy started today when the Eitel Friedrich was moved from the back channel to the big drydock on the Delaware. Information to this effect was given out today by Major van Buskirk, offi-

In the big drydock the liner will be scraped of her musty paint and barnacles and made seaworthy. She will be followed there by the Kronprinz Wilhelm, who will likewise be put in order. Machinery of both ships will be readjusted for use later

Cabinet Officers Guests of Labor WASHINGTON, April 24.-Members of President Wilson's Cabinet were guests of the Executive Council of the American the Executive Council of the American Federation of Labor at luncheon this afternoon. All of the Secretaries were pres-ent with the exception of Mr. Lansing, and the general labor situation in relation to the war was discussed at length, though in-

Spain Sends New Note to Berlin MADRID, April 24.—Spain has sent another note to Germany on the submarine situation, according to El Imparcial today. No hint of the contents was given.

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ATTENDS A HEARING: ACCUSED OF MURDER

Alleged "Bad Man" in Little Italy Taken Into Custody While Listening to Story of Killing

A resident . Philadelphia s Little Italy who has the reputation of being a "bad man" is under arrest, accused of a murder committed early today, although the police have as yet failed to establish a motive. It happened at Ninth and Fitzwater streets, the fifth killing in nine days.

The accused man is Frank Lascalya. twenty-six years old, of 1248 South Sixteenth street. The victim was Luigi Caruso, forty years old, of 2527 South Eighth He was a salesman temporarily out of work. He had \$45 in hills and some small change when found, so it is not thought that robbery had anything to do

The suspect was held without bail for a further hearing Saturday by Magistrate Imber this morning. Philip Tesone, nine-teen years oil, of 75 South Ninth street, was held in \$1000 ball. These others were held in \$300 ball: John Copalliti, Ninth and Fitzwater streets, where the killing took place; Dominick Aida, same address Joseph Dallorotti, 810 Filbert street; Felix Cordelia, 537 Christian street; John Sando, 755 South Tenth street, and Frank Marino, 230 Mildred street. Marino is a

According to the evidence, Caruso and Marino were at the Verdi Society Clubouse, Eleventh and Fitzwater streets. They left there at 2 a. m., and walked down to the Hotel La Tosca, at Ninth and Fitz-water streets. Marino went in to phone for a taxl, he said, and while at the phone heard four shots. He rushed outside and found Caruso dying. He went inside, he said, to get help, and found Lascalya sitting at a table.

At the hearing before Magistrate Imber-after Marino told this and after the boy. Philip Tesone, said he had seen Lascalya and Caruso walking around together right before the shooting, the Mugistrate wanted to know where Lascalya was; why he had not been arrested. The police said his name had not figured in the case before. However, Lascalya was not hard to was an interested listener. promptly arrested in the courtroom and hen accused of the murder. He dealed it.

The police searching the front rooms of the Hotel La Tosca found a revolver behind the plane. Four cartridges had been dis-charged. The ownership of the weapon was not determined, but a policeman said he had heard that Lascaiya had taken a revolver last night from a garage where he works At Caruso's home it was said they had

ever heard of Lascalya and that Caruso's life had never been threatened, so far as his

BOY FOUND BURNED TO DEATH Firemen Discover Body in Ruins of Swarthmore Home

Firemen, searching through the ruins of the home of Lucien Johnson, in Swarthnore, burned recently, discovered the chared body of his twelve-year-old son, James Edward, missing since the fire. The fire started in the boy's room and it is thought he was overcome by smoke. Another son, Wildred, escaped by jumping from a third-

Editor Asks Teuton Peace Terms AMSTERDAM, April 24.-A demand for pecific peace terms of Germany is made in he Vossiche Zeitung of Berlin by George Bernhardt, the editor, says a telegram from Berlin today. Doctor Bernhardt contended that Germany must not give up the terri-tory she has conquered. The future of the empire, he claims, demands a big indemnity

American Aviator Killed in France PARIS. April 24.—Aviator Ronald loskier, of the Lafayette Escadrille, a resident of Orange, N. J., has been killed in an aerial engagement, it was officially an-nounced today. He was a corporal in the American flying detachment.

INTERO LEDGER-RIE LADEDPHIA, TUESDAY, APRIL 24, 1917 MRS. A. HAMILTON RICE BACK FROM THE AMAZON

Wife of Explorer Returns From Longest Exploration Tour Made by a Woman

Mrs. Alexander Hamilton Rice, wife o Mrs. Alexander Hamilton Rice, wife of the explorer and widow of George D. Widener, who perished when the Titanic went down, won laurels today for making the longest exploration tour ever made by a women when she arrived in New York from South America.

Mrs. Rice is well known in this city where she resided before the death of her first husband. After her marriage to Doc-tor Rice she went with him on a tour of the Upper Amazon, in South America, accompanied by nine scientists. The party traveled more than 5000 miles by land and water and devoted particular attention to the diseases of South American Indians.

Silk Thieves Rob Car and Store silk thieves were at work in two sec tions of Philadelphia last night. Some one broke into a bex car of the Baltimore and Ohlo Railroad at Thirty-seventh and Miffilm streets and stole \$183 worth of silk shirts. A store at 117 North Seventh street was also broken into and \$350 worth of

Boy Accused of Stealing Jewelry Meyer Belfer, of 234 Brown street, an errand boy employed by Max Wasa, a jew-eler, at 119 South Eighth street, was held in \$800 ball for court by Magistrate Beaton at the Central Station this morning. charged with stealing jewelry valued at upward of \$500 from his employer. Detectives Clark and Hanlon say they recovered much of the jewelry at the boy's home.

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If it affords convenience, upon request, purchases will be charged on June 1