CLEAN CITY" IS SLOGAN OF TOWN MEETING PARTY

ERMANS WIN ALL POSTS ON OESEL ISLAND

Kaiser's Landing Forces Overrun Entire Region and Capture Slav Prisoners

MENACE ESTHONIA COAST

PETROGRAD, Oct. 16. The executive committee of the il of Workmen's and Soldiers' gates today addressed a stirring clamation to the Russian army and calling upon them to resist the German attacks to the last gasp.

COPENHAGEN, Oct. 18.

All of Oesel Island, in the Guif of Riga, is see in possession of the Germans, according to a dispatch from Berlin today. It added that a number of Russian prisoners are captured at Arensburg, the capital.

Military observers in Petrograd confinue to predict heavy naval actions in guif of Riga, followed by a German insign of the coast of Eisthonia for the argum of striking at the flank of the russian army north of Riga. The Guif of roland, protected by great mine fields and the main Russian fleet, is believed safe tom invasion, although German submations have worked their way well into the fillto Sea in an attempt to strike at the russians according to the latest reports have the capital.

The Baltic fleet has unofficially pledged usel to resist the enemy's efforts. Following an appeal to the sallors by the central milites of the fleet, the meetings at also for were brought to an end and by vice presidents of the sallors' organization corresponding to the Council of Workman's and Soldiers' Delegates announced that the fleet was ready to carry out all agers of the Government.

The Russians now are claiming victory seer the Germans in the sea fight off. Oesel and Dago Islands. According to advices in Dago Islands. According to advices in preto boats into Soeia Sound to attack a quadron of the Russian Riga fleet. The sealing boats were driven back as far an hom Sound, when re-enforcements arrived, and the German warships were ofreed to relies. No details of the fight have been resived.

Pristrated between Oesel and Dago sands, the German fleet sent a squadron cruisers and torpedoboats to the south-stern shore of Oesel Island, where an in-me bembardment was carried out. The crios shelled, according to the Petrograd stement, was an "unimportant part of the

German newspapers received here today ote considerable space to gloating over ess of the German naval campaign sian Islands. All found in pation of Oesel Gern recent war speeches by Allied leaders dearing the Teutonic offensive power was he Riga Gulf campaign showed that the an navy's fighting power had been letely unshaken by the recent mutinies ted by Admiral von Capelle.

Whether Admiral von Capelle has reof the Minister of Marine had not broken with Michaelis. Provincial newspapers de-dared that the Government had determined is start civil prosecution against Deputies Susse, Vogtheer and Dittmann, the three substrity Socialist members named by Von Capelle as having been involved in the Wilimshaven naval mutiny. Before the lichstag adjourned last week it had been ight the exact relationship of these deputies with the naval outbreak be probed by a special Reichstag

CITY MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS

Samuel Wolfe and Rae Dorsett Named for General Hospital

Samuel Wolfe, 1701 Diamond street, od Dr. Rae S. Dorrsett, 4027 Girard avenue, tere today appointed members of the staff if the Philadelphia General Hospital by r Krusen, head of the Department Health and Charities. Dr. A. C. Abbott, of the Board of Health,

to is in the Federal service, will be suc-eded as a board member by Dr. Frank Hammond. Announcement of the change are made today by Secretary to the Mayor

PONY VICTIM OF FIRE

age Stock of Grain Destroyed in

Stable Blaze my was burned to death and a large

of grain was destroyed in a fire this smoon which damaged a two-story brick de and a one-story dwelling at Trenton

the stable and dwelling were owned by chael Kress. The fire is believed to have m caused by boys playing with matches the hayloft.

Negro Killed by Ice Wagon street, a negro, was instantly killed tohe was run over by a wagon of Glen Willow Ice Company, Manayunk, hidge avenue below Wissahickon drive. llam Parkinson, 266 Haldwin street, of the wagon, was held by Magistrate to await the action of the Coroner.

THE WEATHER

FORECAST or Philadelphia and vicinity: Fair ler tonight and Wednesday; genwinds, mostly northwest.

or castern Pennsylvania: Fair and tonight with frost; Wednesday fair cooler in southeast portion; gentle noest winds

LENGTH OF DAY

BATTLES AT KACH HOUSE

TOWN MEETING PARTY PLATFORM

THE Town Meeting Party platform, made public this afternoon, follows:

Popular government, which is organized self restraint, is battling today for existence all over the world. Believing that its greats principles must be applied in the smallest unit of administration and rule, if the pursuit of life, liberty and happiness is to continue among us, the Town Meeting Committee makes the following declaration:

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The administration of Thomas B. Smith, the present Mayor of Philadelphia, has been marked by a continued course of usurpation of power and betrayal of public rights.

He has exercised his high appointive and executive powers in the interest, not of the citizens, but of a political faction, led and managed for the selfish purposes of contractor rule.

The great powers vested in the Director of Public Safety and the strong arm of the police have been repeatedly used for the promotion of those base purposes, culminating in an effort to carry an important primary election by brute force.

Integrity, economy, efficiency and businesslike methods in the conduct of the city's affairs have been largely lost, as they must always be lost, under such a course of usurpation and betrayal. Our

ways be lost, under such a course of usurpation and betrayal. Our citizens, and especially the thousands of small householders and the thousands who are devoting their savings to the purchase of homes, fear and justly fear that a continuation of the methods and purposes fear and justly fear that a continuation of the methods and purposes of the administration and faction now in power will result in imposing upon the community a burden of taxation utterly out of proportion to the public benefits derived therefrom; they fear and justly fear that the outrages committed in the recent primary election, which were simply the natural and inevitable culmination of a policy of avarice and recklessness, menace their safety and security. At once sobered and aroused by a tragedy that brought the lesson home to all, a great outpouring of citizens flocked to a Town Meeting and determined to carry the issue to the polls.

The Town Meeting Party is a popular uprising against tyranny and lawlessness and in behalf of public safety and public integrity. Its purpose is to take policemen, firemen and other officials out of active politics and free them from political assessment.

Its purpose is to take the control of Councils from the entire system of contractor politics and return it directly to the people.

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Its purpose is to elect Councilmen who will solve the important financial and transit problems now confronting the community, with intelligence, wisdom and justice, and with unquestioned allegiance to the public interests.

It demands an orderly, economic and efficient administration of the public business and a just and impartial enforcement of the laws. At the approaching municipal election, an entire Common Council and a majority of Select Council, who will largely control the city's affairs for the next two years, are to be elected in addition to important city county and indicial officers.

portant city, county and judicial officers.

The party has nominated candidates who worthily represent the party's purpose. With these candidates and on this issue, it makes its appeal to the manhood and self-respect of Philadelphia.

DR. DIXON UNDER **ALIAS IN HOSPITAL**

State Health Commissioner, as "Snyder," Has Private Room at University

"NERVOUS BREAKDOWN"



DR. SAMUEL G. DIXON

Away from the noise of the city, Dr. Samuel Gibson Dixon, State Health Commissioner, is in the University Hospital, under the name of "Snyder," seriously ill. He is said to be suffering from a nervous breakdown.

Dr. Dixon's identity is known to only a few persons at the hospital. His wife in seldom at the palatial Dixon home, known as Black Rock Farm, at Gladwyn, Mont-gomery County. She is almost constantly at his side.

From a suite of rooms in the University From a suite of rooms in the University
Hospital Doctor Dixon is battling to regain his health. His room is on one of the
upper floors of the hospital. There is a
clear view from this room over the group
of buildings of the University of Pennsylvania, where he matriculated in medicine
in 1833.

in 1883. Friends of Doctor Dixon said today that t was his personal request that his whereabouts be kept from the public until he has
fully recovered. This was why the State
Health Commissioner entered the hospital
under the name of Snyder.

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Doctor Dixon's condition became so serious yesterday that a conference of his physicians was held. At this conference it was decided to take X-ray pictures.

A telephone call to "Mr. Snyder's" rooms at the University Hospital today was answered by a girl, who was asked to call Mr. E. I. Simpson, who is Doctor Dixon's secretary. A man who said he was Doctor Jones came to the telephone and said that Mr. Simpson hadn't arrived.

"How is Doctor Dixon this merning?" Doctor Jones was asked.

"His condition is very good," was the answer. "He is making fine progress."

Mrs. Dixon was at Doctor Dixon's bed-side today and cheered him. The illness of Doctor Dixon isn't known to any of the prominent residents of Ardmore or out the Main Line, where he and his wife are prominent socially.

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Doctor Dixon is sixty-six years old. He was born in Philadelphia March 23, 1851. He is the son of Issac Dixon, a famous watchmaker, and Ann Gibson, his wife, both being of good English stock.

Doctor Dixon has been head of the State Health Department since June 6, 1965. Frequently there have been reports from Harrisburg that he would present his resignation to Governor Brumbaugh, necesses of his failing health.

In 1 Simpson, Doctor Dixon's personally. is failing health.

E. I. Simpson, Ductor Dizon's servetally during today that the do-tor had gan-

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HAVERFORD BEATS

Touchdowns by Cairns and C. Humphries Bring Triumph to Main Line

EPISCOPAL, 14 TO 3

EARP KICKS FIELD GOAL

By PAUL PREP

HAVERFORD, Pa., Oct. 16. Haverford School defeated Episcopal in he annual struggle between these teams here this afternoon by the score of 14 to 2. period and the other in the third session accounted for the Main Liners' points, while Captain Earp saved his team from a shutout by kicking a sensational field goal from the 43-yard-line in the closing minutes of the last period.

A fumbled punt by Captain Earn in the first period, which placed the ball on the Episcopal 30-yard line, and brilliant end runs by A. Young and Cairns, the latter going over the line, brought the initial touch own to Haverford School. O. Humphries

kicked the goal.

Haverford tallied again in the third period when O. Humphries tossed a long forward pass to his brother. C. Humphries. e latter sprinting 15 yards to the goal. Humphries then kicked the goal. Episcopal strengthened in the last period and checked the Haverford rushes. Then with the ball near the center of the field

near the end of the last period, Episcopal carried the ball to the 35-yard line and on the fourth down Captain Earp dropped back to the 43-yard line and it went between the

| Episcopal Academy Emanuel right end C. Hun Addis right tackle Williams right guard Ring eenter Brown left guard Hazlett left tackle I. Bache left end R. Price quarterback Wilmsen right halfback O. Hun Eiher left halfback A. Referee—Shaw, Ohio Wesleyan, U. Davidson, Penn, Head linesman—Butter Brown, Time of periods, 8 minutes, downs, C. Humphries, Cairns, Goals downs, C. Humphries, Cairns, Goals | Schenk Pansey Shaw Smith Sendall Young Beahan aphries Cairns Young |
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WHITE SOX AGAIN BEAT GIANTS; SCORE, 6 TO 3

Champions Romp Over National Leaguers in Exhibition Game at Mineola, N. Y.

CAMP MILLS, Mineola, N. Y., Oct. 16. The world's champion White Sox defeated the Giants again today before a crowd o, more than 10,000 men in khaki. It was a far different audience than that which saw Heinle Zimmerman pull his famous bone and allow the Sox to walk off with the title.

The final-score was 6 to 3.

The soldiers were packed about the diamond of St. Paul's School, near the camp of the Rainbow division, when the two teams took the field. Major General Mann pitched the first ball and Nemo Liebold struck at it. The New York and Illinois Regiments were the principal guests of the ball clubs, but thousands of others swarmed over the field and cheered the two teams. Both the Giants and Sox had several sub stitutes in their line-up, but the Sox held their winning form and got away to a threerun lead in the first three innings, Score by innings:

Chicago 1 1 1 0 0 3 0 0 0 6 8 1 New York 0 0 0 0 1 0 1 0 1 -3 12 2 Russell relieved Bons in seventh and Dan-forth relieved Russell in eighth for Chicago. George Smith relieved Demarce for the Giants in seventh.

Railway Employes Get More Pay MILTON, Pa., Oct. 16.—Employes of the ewisburg, Milton and Watsontown Passenger Hallway Company were today grant-d a 16 per sent raise in wages to take find October 11. It is the second 10 per the raise in the second 10 per

PLATFORM SETS HIGH POLITICAL

Planks, Just Announced, Name Sweeping Reforms to Be Fought For

IDEAL FOR CITY

ROUT CONTRACTOR RULE

Volcing the determination of the people of Philadelphia to put an end to government by murder and thuggery, the platform of the Town Meeting party, announced today, definitely names sweeping reforms for which it will contend at the coming election. The party is characterized as "a popular uprising against tyranny and lawlessness," and its purposes are cited

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MAYOR SMITH DENOUNCED Mayor Smith and his Director of Public Safety are scathingly denounced in the new party's platform. Of the Mayor it says: "His Administration has been marked by a continuous course of usurpation of power and betrayal of public rights. He has ex-recised his powers in the interest of a political faction, led and managed for the selfish purposes of contractor rule." Denunciation of Director Wilson is exressed in these words. The great pow-rs vested in the Director of Public Safety and the strong arm of the police have been epeatedly used for the promotion of those

earry an important primary election by brute force." FILE PAPERS FOR ROTAN Any doubt that the Town Meeting party would nominate District Attorney Rotan was removed by the filing of nomination papers for Mr. Rotan this afternoon, Papers were also filed for nominations for the Row

ase purposes culminating in an effort to

The committee has been filing nomination papers for councilmanic candidates in every ward throughout the city all day long with the County Commissioners. The Commissioners' offices will remain open until midnight for the filing of papers.

The Town Meeting Party Committee is ued the following statement this after

Nomination papers for county Row ofdoes with more than enough signatures to nominate are being filed with the County Commissioners, Additional papers carrying many more signatures will continue to be filed until the offices close at

Magisterial nomination pelitions have for Select and Common Council have been sent to the offices of the County Commis-sioners as quickly as received at head-quarters. Some of the papers in the cases

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WORLD'S SERIES IS OVER, BUT C. A. COMISKEY WINS

Rowland Pilots Sox to Title and Robinson Rides "Comey" to Front , at Laurel

LAUREL, Md., Oct. 16:-Every day seems to be a winning day for C. A Com-isley. The world series is over and the White Sox have been crowned kings of the diamond. Again this afternoon C. A. Comiskey came through with flying colors "Comey" always has been known as a liberal sort of fellow, and he was run-ning true to form today.

In the first race for two-year-olds at six furlongs, C. A. Comiskey, with a Rob-mson (not a Rowland) in the saddle led a fact field, the machines paying \$14.50, \$7.60 and \$6.70.

Malvolio was well backed by the tal-ent but lacked the drive in the stretch, and annexed the place, with E. C. Basch

FIRST RACE, selling two-year-olds, 6 fur-(gg: A. Comiskey, 116, Robin-A. Comiskey, 116, Robin-520, 3.7 sen \$14.50 \$7.60 \$8.70 \$1.60 \$1.00 \$ Security and un about two miles

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Latonia Results

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ince-year-olds and opwers, 6 furious;
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QUICK NEWS

WHITE SOX BEAT GIANTS IN EXHIBITION GAME

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ADDITIONAL RACING RESULTS

Sixth Laurel race, 1 1-8 miles-The Busybody, 103, Stirling, 810, \$4, \$3.20, won; Scorpii, 111. Shuttinger, \$3.20. \$2.80, second; Tactless, 100, Troise, S5.50, third, Time, 1.54,

Seventh Laurel race, mile and 70 yards-Queen of Soa. 110, Mergler, 86, 83.60, 89.60, won; Monomoy, 110, Troise, 84, 82 60, second; Amalgamator, 107, Buxton, 82.80, third. Time, 1.44.3-5.

Fifth Latonia race, 5 1-2 furlangs-Atalanta, 113, Morys, 83,50. one, \$2.30, won; Herald, 113, M. Garner, \$3.80, \$2.70, second; un, 193, Donahue, 83, third. Time, 1.06 1-5.

Sixth Latonia race, I 1-16 miles-Black Brown, 111, Mink, \$3.70. \$3.20, \$2.00, wen; Repton, 103. Dursch. \$24.80, 812.90, second; Tarleton, 108, Pickens, 87,20, third. Time, 1.47.

486 CAMP MEADE MEN REACH AUGUSTA

AUGUSTA, Ga., Oct. 16.- Four hundred and eighty-six National a my men from Comp Meade arrived here early this afternoon. They form the advance guard of 1000 selective service men scheduled to arrive here today. The other section carrying the remainder of the troops will arriv before nightfall.

FOUR TYPHUS CASES ON RUSSIAN SHIP

AN ATLANTIC PORT, Oct. 16.-Four cases of typhus fever were discovered in the crew of a Russian steamship arriving here today from a Russian port. The members of the crew suffering from fever were removed to a quarantine hospital, and the other members of the crew held for observation

FIRST BILLION OF SECOND LIBERTY LOAN BY NIGHT

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16.-By nightfall the first billion of the second Liberty. Loan will have been subscribed. This announcement was made by the Treasury Department today bused on reports of great activity among Liberty Loan workers in all Federal Reserve districts.

BULGAR CABINET CRISIS NEAR AS SOBRANJE MEETS

ing to a dispatch from Sofia today, relayed by way of Vienna. It was reported that a cabinet crisis is imminent in Bulgaria. Radoslavoff is the present Premier.

JAPANESE RAILWAYS MISSION REACHES COAST PORT

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16.—The arrival of the Imperial Japanese railways mison at a Pacific port was announced today by Secretary of Commerce Redfield.

BREWERS INCREASE EMPLOYES' WAGES

SHAMOKIN, Pa., Oct. 16.—Fuhrmann & Schmidt Brewing Company, the largest rewing concern in the State outside the cities, today granted its men the eight-hour day and an increase in wages of from \$1 to \$3 weekly, according to the grade of

TREASURY CERTIFICATE ISSUE OVERSUBSCRIBED

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16 .- The Treasury Department offering of \$300,000,000 in reasury certificates of indebtedness which closed last night was oversubscribed, the Treasury Department announced today. This brought the total Issue up to \$1,550,000,000.

PITTSBURGH MAYOR MOVES TO CHECK COAL FAMINE

PITTSBURGH, Oct. 16 .- Mayor Armstrong, noting that a fuel famine threatens Pittsburgh, informed railroads entering the city that he will cut off their water supply in event the city is unable to obtain coal. Report of selzures of cars reached here hourly. Gallipolis, O., one of the first places to be caught in the famine, appealed to a half dozen places for coal, then seized several cars from a train passing through the town. Sharon Pa., officials followed suit, as did those of Youngstown.

THIRTY-FIVE YEARS FOR BABY KEET'S KIDNAPPER

MARSHFIELD, Mo., Oct. 16.-Claude Piersol last night was convicted of kidnapping Baby Keet. He was sentenced at once to thirty-five years' imprisonment. The jurors took more than five hours to reach their verdict.

INFLUENZA CONFINES KERENSKY TO HIS BED

PETROGRAD, Oct. 16-Premier Kerensky is confined to his bed at grand headquarters by an attack of influenza, according to dispatches from the front received today. He had been reported as ailing for several days, but news that his illness was sufficiently serious to make him take to his bed had not been expected.

SEVEN AMERICANS LOST IN U-BOAT SINKING

LONDON, Oct. 16.-An American negro, John H. Alldred, of Newport News, five Filipinos and one Porto Rican were among those lost in the torpedoing of an outgoing vessel from a British port, it was announced today

FORD FACTORY SUBSCRIBES \$10,000,000 FOR LIBERTY BONDS

DETROIT, Mich., Oct. 16.-Henry Ford and his employes nearly doubled Detroit's subscription to the Liberty Loan today, when it was announced that a total of \$10,000,000 worth of bonds had been taken by the factory. Five millions of this was subscribed by Ford himself.

PROHIBITION AMENDMENT PASSES IN IOWA

DES MOINES, Ia., Oct. 16.-Reports received from two-thirds of the State preincts in the voting on constitutional prohibition indicate the passage of the amendment forbidding the sale and manufacture of liquor by approximately 10.000 votes. The rural sections voted heavily in favor of the amendment.

CZERNIN ATTACKS MICHAELIS OVER PEACE TERMS

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 16.-A sensation has been created in Germany and Austria because of an attack by Austrian Foreign Minister Czernin on Chancellor Michaelis. According to dispatches, the Deutsche Zeitung declares that Czernin requested Michaells to state Germany's peace terms, especially urging concessions in the west Michaelis replied vaguely, whereupon Czernin declared that it was "futile to nego tiate with Michaelis further, inasmuch as clearness of expression and frankness are most essential." A heated discussion has been aroused by the incident in the politi cal circles of the Teuton countries.

BERLIN ON CLOTHING CARD BASIS

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 16.-Clothing cards have been issued in Berlin. A German must now have a medical extincate, showing ill health, in order to own a summer

WIDE VARIANCE IN COAL PRICES ON NEW BASIS

Figures Fixed in Accordance With Government's Order Are Announced

FUEL BOARD TO MEET

First Conference of State Coal Administration Will Be Held Tomorrow

Philadelphia coal retailers have fixed their prices in accordance with the methods dictated by Government Fuel Administrator Garfield and great variations appear in the rates, which are based on former margins of profit and, therefore, are as dissimilar as the margins of different dealers have been dissimilar

The prices range as follows: Pea coal, \$6.00 to \$7.85, Egg. 88 to \$8.50, Stove, \$8.35 to \$8.75. Nut. 88,55 to 88,75.

As required by the Government, the fealers will refix their prices November 1. again using former margins of profits as & basis for determining present profits.

Some dealers said they could not fix the new prices until today and some until later in the week, owing to the great amount of mathematical work necessary to follow out the Government's formula. Many dealers made no changes, saying that the prices they had already in effect conformed to hose determined by the Federal formula.

PRICE AGREEMENTS NOT BINDING Following the issuance of a statement regarding price-fixing by the Pennsylvania Retail Coal Merchants' Association to its members, Dr. Garfield, fuel administrator, issued a statement that price agreements would not be binding nor recognized by the Government.

In answer to this, Wellington M. Bertelet, secretary of the association, said the original statement was not intended to fix prices, but merely to explain to the memhers the method prescribed by the Gov-ernment whereby they were to determine

their rates.

Doctor Garfield, after a trip through the control of the control of

Michigan sent a delegation to Washington to plead for coal for homez. Parts of Pennsylvania, Ohlo and West Virginia are facing coal famine, but the Government says it can meet the situation.

MEETING OF FUEL BOARD The new State Fuel Committee will held its first meeting tomorrow, according to latest statements from Francis A. Lewis, chairman of the committee. Official acceptance from all the members appointed by William Potter, the State fuel administrator, is looked for, with the possible exception of Walton Clark, vice president of the U. G. I. On account of a conflicting pressure of warent business Mr. Clark may GENEVA, Oct. 16.—The Bulgarain Sobranale (Parliament) has convened, accord-

pressure of urgent business. Mr. Clark may accept only temporarily, it is understood.

Some consideration will doubtless be given the circular sent out by the Retail Coal Merchants Association, and the gen-eral attitude of the Philadelphia coal mer-chants as reflected by it. Beyond that, the hief business to be transacted at this first neeting will be largely organization, for

meeting will be largely organization. The purposes of getting acquainted with the situation. Mr. Lewis believes.

The appointment of the remaining advisory members of the Federal Fuel Board, to assist William Potter and his aides, may be looked for later in the week, Mr. Potter and this popular. aid this morning. They will be coal experts who can assist him on the technical side is looked on as probable by those closest to the situation.

Meantime Mr. Potter's office in the Bellevue-Stratford is wide-open to the public, and all coal companies, reports, investigations, or even interrogations, are being received by Mr. Potter or his direct

The greatest obstacle encountered by the The greatest obstacle encountered by the dealers was said to be the seventy-five-cent charge allowed the independent coal operator by the Government over that allowed the railroad operator. The average condition of the dealers shows that close to \$8 per cent of all coal coming into this city is being brought by the independent operators, subject to the seventy-five-cent premium. In some cases not only is this seventy-five-cent charge present, but an additional twenty cents for jobbers' charges has been tacked cents for Jobbers' charges has been tacked on, resulting in an aggregate of ninety-five cents, which the independent operator is getting above the standard price. Several of the dealers announced yesterday that their entire supplies are coming from the independents at the high rate.

CRAMPED BY SHORT SUPPLIES As the ruling of the Government specifies the dealer shall average up the cost of his

As the ruling of the Government specifies the dealer shall average up the cost of his coal in arriving at the price to the consumer, the expense of the independent coal, the dealers say, is borne entirely by the consumer. Another factor that threatens to render the present situation difficult to the consumer is the scarcity of shipments of both classes. On some sizes the dealers are cleaned out; other say they are getting only about 80 per cont of their normal supplies, even from the independents.

It was pointed out by a number of dealers that the elimination of the independents advantage of a seventy-five-deap premium would reduce coal to the householder from forty-five cents to fifty cents a ton. While the Philadelphia Coal Exchange is committed to a policy of making no official protest to the Government toward starting proceedings to bring the independents down to the standard railroad prices, the individual dealers are bitter in their criticism of conditions existing. Doctor Garfield, national controller, announced last week that coal was being shipped from Pennsylvania to New England and the Northwest. Dealers here point to their proportion of independent shipments to indicate the Philadelphia consumer is paying the bill in the snipments of independent coal at the tog price.

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As an example of the coal shipments be-ng received from the independents and rail-road operators. J. E. Kunkei, one of the largest dealers here, declared his coal ship-ments since September 18 amounted to fifty cars, of which six were from the railroad

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The Continuation of the Story "Germany, the Next Republic?"

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