CTATORSHIP LOOMS NEAR IN GERMANY; ARMY CHIEFS INSIST ON "STRONG PEACE"

Formulated by Hertling

PARIS, Jan. 9.

COUNT VON HERTLING, the
German Chancellor, has announced the following German
peace terms, according to a Zurich
dispatch printed in the Matin today, quoting the Berliner Zeitung
as its authority:

1 Establishment of an international tribunal for future

tional tribunal for future arbitration between nations and to provide for disarmament.

Return of Germany's colonies,

The political integrity of

Turkey to be respected. Belgium to be restored on

the basis of constitutional

nomy. The occupied departments of

O. northern France to be given the right of self-determination on

RUSSIA ADOPTING

AMERICAN IDEAS

in Action of Peace Par-

ley Delegates

AIMS TO LIFT MASSES

since the Russo-German peace parley

opened at Brest-Litovsk-the American

Government has been carrying on a vast

and effective propaganda all over Russia

Giant blilboards reproducing passages

and particularly those showing the

the prison camps are being circularized. Apparently the United States Govern-

carrying its appeal directly to the

Bolsheviki to throw down the German

"MAN-TO-MAN APPEAL"

the principles for which America is fight-

ing in this war-and Austrian and Bul-

not only sent the address by cable to every capital, in the world, but gave or-ders for biliboards in Russia and air-piane distribution on both fronts. The work is a part of a tremendous world propaganda launched by this Gov-ernment to convince the people of all nations that America is right and Ger-many wrong.

many wrong.
Shown a United Press Petrograd dispatch today, stating that billboards and

JAPAN PLANS TO STOP

MANCHURIA INVASION

man Prisoners in Siberia

Make Threatened Move

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.

counteracting German influence.

through the medium of the committee

PETROGRAD, Jan. 9.

PARIS, Jan. 9.

owerful Pressure Germany's Peace Terms Brought on Kaiser to Support Militarists' War Aims

ocialists' Agitation for Democratic Terms Grows in Face of Foe's Threats

Undercurrent of Unrest Increases Hunger and Coal Famine Become Acute

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 9. Russian and Central Powers' peace rates held another preliminary mference Tuesday and decided to nsume the plenary sittings of the ing today, according to Brest-Hovak dispatches received today via

THE HAGUE, Jan. 9. Momentous conferences are taking place in Germany to allay the crisis which developed over the announcesent that the Imperial Government prepared to negotiate peace on the basis of no annexations and no mnities, according to informaion reaching diplomatic circles to-Powerful pressure is being ight to bear upon the Kaiser to

nake a definite statement in suport of the war aims of the Pan-While the militarists are calling r a "strong peace" the Socialists re increasing their agitation in bealf of a democratic peace with consions if necessary, and the situan has become so acute that a milidictatorship seems to be certain. The threats of the militarists inade the resignation of Field Marready it has materially stiffened the
later of the morals of the Russian working classes.

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the Socialists and definitely aligns mself with the annexationists. In this connection the semiofficial gne Gazette sounds this warning: "The Socialists must take heed that ames of Von Hindenburg and Von dragged into political quarrels in the TO ALL ENEMY LIBERALS

repudiates the "weak terms"

idors of the Reichstag." Stern repressive measures are urged mainst Socialists by the militarists, who we at last unmasked themselves and and forth today in their true colors, termined to dominate all of Germany, termined to dominate all of Germany, the intermined to dominate all of Germany, the throne. stand forth today in their true colors.

en the throne. The undercurrent of unrest in Germany increasing. One of the chief contributcauses is hunger, augmented by the

A traveler just arrived from Germany ays that hundreds of persons are starving to death, which bears out the recent statement in the suppressed edition of the Vorwaerts, of Berlin, that "sixty millions of people are suffering and that many are dying of sheer hunger."

TROTSKY SEES HOPE IN GERMAN MUTINY

COPENHAGEN, Jan. 9. Widespread mutiny in the German irmy on the eastern front is giving the soleshevik Government at Petrograd tround for hope that Germany will medify her terms for a separate peace. The cablegram contained questations from an interview with Leon Trotsky, the Boishevik Foreign Minister, to support this belief.

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According to Trotsky, deserters are twarming into the Russian lines, bringing with them stories of general distinction. An "army" of more than 15,000 mutineers was said to have deserted the German trenches in the Kovor district, but were later surrounded and isolated by other German forces. Their fate is unknown.

(It was stated several days ago that 15,000 German soldiers had mutinied on preaching, the President is carrying on his propaganda in the open. He behis propaganda in the open. He be-lieves world peace must and will come through open discussions of peace terms started by him just a year ago, followed later by Lloyd George and now partici-

inued on Page Thirteen, Column Four

HOUSE PRAISES GEORGE

Colonel in Full Accord With Speech by British Premier

Will Seize Vladivostok if Ger-LONDON, Jan. 9.—Among the many degrams approving his speech which ached Premier Lloyd George is a ordial message from Colonel E. M. Guss, who sends congratulations and

TOKIO, Jan. 9.
Fear that the \$8,000 German prisoners of war, now detained in Siberia, may be employed to invade Manchuria and china, if a separate peace is concluded etween the Central Powers and Russia, and the January Coversion to

THE WEATHER

for Philadelphia and vicinity: Partly experature tonight about 25 degrees

GERMANS TWICE BEATEN IN FRANCE

British Drive Out Assailants East of Bullecourt

REPELLED AT VERDUN

French Make Successful Incursion in Foe's Line at Roureuilles

LONDON, Jan. 9. A British counter-attack immediately ejected from two advanced posts enemy troops who had entered them north of the Ypres-Staden Railway, according to Field Marshal

Haig's report today. South of Lens, the British commander-in-chief reported successful delphia and the progress being made raids carried out by Canadians. Two machine guns were taken.

LONDON, Jan. 9. reverses, one in the Cambral and one in up the most troublesome situation. the Verdun sector of the western front apported by flame throwers, the German infantry succeeded in gaining a footing in the British front-line trenches An immediate counter-attack, however, was completely successful in restoring

eighteen prisoners, according to General remains fairly moderate. Effect of Propaganda Seen Haig's report. The only mention made says that at dusk British companies attacked east of Bullecourt and were re-

> The German assault in the Verdun region centered about Bethincourt, on the left bank of the Meuse. The Paris War Office report asserts that "the French fire broke up the effort inflicting losses on the enemy." West of Roureullies, Petain's troops made a successful incursion into the German lines and returned without losses. Elsewhere the artillery of both sides showed activity, but there were no infantry actions worthy of note.
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> The German assault in the Verdun region centered about Bethincourt, on the leight and the situation from Washington.
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> Retail coal dealers will sue the city of Philadelphia for payment for the hundreds of tons of coal taken from the cars on railroad sidings during the height of the fuel famine.
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> Francis A. Lewis, chairman of the worthy of note.

On Sunday, according to the Paris bulletin, French pilots brought down six German airplanes. Saturday night from President Wilson's speeches on war the enemy's airdromes and factories at Ludwigshafen, Rombach, Mezieres, Fri-bourg-en-Brisgau and Neubreisach, infriendship of the United States for Russia are being utilized. In all the big theatres, motion pictures are carrying on the campaign of education and ing to their lines safely. flicting considerable damage and return-

ing to their lines safely.

ALLIED ATTACKS
IN ITALY FORECAST

LONDON, Jan. 9.—Heavy artillery engagements along the whole northern in tallain front are reported in the official communiques. The firing in some places has reached a pitch of intensity rarely showere declared as to the city being liable.

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The voice of the consumer will be taken is the voice of the consumer United States and appreciation of its desire to assist the democracy. It also has had its effect in warning against a German-made peace at Brest-Litovsk and may be regarded as having had a Tallans and their French allies are cannot see how the cit preparing for a new counter-stroke.

The Berlin statement emphasizes the violence of the bombardment of the Austro-German positions on Monte Assolene and north of Vidor, on the upper more than the 15 000 to Plave, while Rome mentions intense actions in the eastern sector of the Asia-go plateau and in the region of Monte Tomba and Monfenera, where General Fayollet's French troops won their brilliant success ten days ago. The Italian report states, however, that snow and

Paris announced the death of General Lize, commanding the French artillery on the Italian front. He was killed in action, presumably on the northern front. The activity-of the British airmen on the Italian front is reflected in an official announcement reporting the ing in this war—and Austrian and Bulgarian Liberals that danger to them
would follow a German victory.
Following President Wilson's direct
appeal to these peoples in his war-aims
message yesterday, it was learned today
that the official text of the message will
be placed directly before the working
classes of Russia and the enemy Powers.
The committee on public information
not only sent the address by cable to
every capital in the world, but gave orone machine in aerial engagements with

Seven Hurt in Street Car Crash NEW YORK, Jan. 9 .- Seven persons car collision in Brooklyn today. Pp-pery ra'lls caused the accident. Both cars were loaded with passengers.

GOOD SOLDIERS

Americans Who Show Real

Adaptability to Modern

Warfare

By HENRI BAZIN

They embrace men from every State in the Union, and of a high average mental grade. Many are university graduates and others held high positions in private life before April 17. Some

in genuine affection c units through the war.

Staff Correspondent Evening Public Ledger Rewa.

REPRESENT ALL STATES fallen victim to Hun barbarity.

with the American Army is France
WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN
THE FIELD, Dec. 1.
For some time past I have visited

The ship was sunk in the Bristol Channel on route from Gibraltar. Three of her crew were said to be missing.

The wounded aboard were transferred

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The wounded aboard were transferred to patrolboats.

The Admiralty announced that the ship carried all lights and markings in-

is only today that permission is given dicating a hospital ship, and that she to mention them in their former status had not been within the limits of the which now no longer exists, yet will so-called German submarine barred zone in genuine affection cling to these

FORMER 'GUARD'

DEMAND CITY **PAY FOR COAL** RAIDERS TOOK

Dealers to Bring Suit for Value of Hundreds of Tons

ARE BACKED BY LEWIS

Fuel Situation Here Still Serious, Despite Large Quantities Being Brought in Daily

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.

The fuel situation around Philain relieving the railroad congestion in eastern Pennsylvania looks very encouraging today to G. N. Snider. The Germans have suffered two local appointed by Doctor Garfield to clear

"Much progress appears to have Attacking east of Bullecourt, strongly already been made in relieving the congestion throughout eastern Pennsylvania, which was the principal cause of the fuel famine," said Mr. Snider today, and I look for it to the British line, with the capture of improve daily so long as the weather

"The reports which came to be by the Berlin War Office of this action until late last night showed that the situation is clearing up nicely."

Mr. Snider said again today that he does not expect to go to Philadelphia, but hopes to be able to

Francis A. Lewis, chairman of the Philadelphia coal committee, in answer to the many questions as to who will have to pay for the coal seized by suf-French squadrons carried out raids on fering Philadelphians in a series of raids fering Philadelphians in a series of raids during the latter part of last week, in-nounced that counsel for a Philadelphia coal dealer has informed him that he is about to bring proceedings for the pay-

Despite the continued daily arrival of more than the 15 000 tons of coal promised the city by the national fuel administration, the coal shortage, while considerably lessened, is still somewhat serious, Mr. Lewis announced. He said that at the present time there is less free coal in Philadelphia than at any time in the last month.

By free coal has been been been been been somewhat was to let the refiners fix it."

that might be drawn upon for emer-gency purposes. Hospitals, office build-ings and hotels are facing the possibility of empty bins, but the great majority of householders have been supplied with

The shortage in kerosene will be materially relieved in the next few days as a result of action taken by State Fuel Controller William Potter. He called attention of the Pennsylvania Railroad to the importance of permitting the At-lantic Refining Company to ship oil over its lines, particularly to their four stations at Germantown and Chelten avenues, Richmond and Westmoreland streets, Tenth street and Sedgley avenue

DESTROYED BY U-BOAT

Reua, 7308 Tons, Torpedoed

Outside Barred Zone; Three

Sailors Missing

Another British hospital ship has

The Admiralty today formally announced the loss, through torpedoing on Friday at midnight, of the hospital ship

The Rewa was formerly the property of the British India Steam Navigation Company, Ltd., of Glasgow. She was built in 1996 and was of 7308 tons.

NEW COTTON EXPORT RULE

War Trade Board Announces Im-

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—The war board has amended the ruling in re-grad to the exportation of raw cot-

LONDON, Jan. 9.

RUINS OF NEW HESTON SHOOL IN WEST PHILADELPHIA



This structure, the second largest grade school in the city, was destroyed by fire last night with a loss of \$200,000. The Heston School was only recently completed and accommodated 1800 pupils.

CONSUMER TO AID IN FIXING PRICES

Senate Committee Urges

To this end the committee will recom Despite the continued daily arrival of mend that the consumer be consulted

of consumers fix the price of sugar as it was to let the refiners fix it."

lowing fundamental wrongs make the present price-fixing method unjust to millions of consumers:

That prices have been fixed by the business interests that will profit directly without proper representation of the consumer. he consumer.
That prices have been fixed so that he poorest, we alcost of the concerns in a particular line to ght make a profit.

This second factor, committee men-ers said today, has resulted in conand sugar prices being much higher than necessary to pay the majority of dealers a fair profit. They declare it has given most dealers an unfairly high

Regarding representation of consum-Continued on Page Thirteen, Column Seven partner is Robert S. Kerr.

pected to Do His Duty,"

Says McAdoo

"Every raidroad man in America is

This is Director General McAdoo's

McAdoo promised to consider labor problems "justly and fairly and at the

earliest possible moment." The names of four members of a board to investi-

gate the brotherhoods' request for more pay probably will be announced today

At the Capitol the railroad problem

was the subject of hearings before the Interstate Commerce Committees of both the Senate and House. Commissioner Anderson explained the purpose and cf-

fect of the pending Administration bill to the House committee, while Julius Kruttschnitt, chalrman of the board of the Southern Pacific, continued his ten-

timony before the Senate committee on the difficulties of railroads under pri-

appeal for loyal and patriotic service.

expected to do his duty."

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.

BRITISH HOSPITAL SHIP URGES TRAINMEN

QUICK NEWS

SHIPPING BOARD FAVORS CITY FOR HOME SITES

"All other things being equal" the Shipping Board will choose Southwest Philadelphia rather than Paulsboro, N. J., for home sites for Hog Island shipbuilders, a Washington press dispatch said today.

ARMY TRUCKS FOR FRANCE ARRIVE

Forty-six army motortrucks, bound for "an Atlantic port" fors hipment to France, arrived at the Second Regiment Armory today. A detachment of ninety-two enlisted men, commanded by Captain John F. e Loach, brought the machines from Buffalo.

U. S. PRIVATE BADLY WOUNDED IN ACTION

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—The War Department today announced that week. Private Arthur J. Snedecker, engineers, was seriously wounded in action on December 31. His father, E. O. Snedecker, resides at 205 South Sixth street,

NEW YORK EXCHANGE DROPS KERR & CO.

NEW YORK, Jan. 9.—The suspension of Kerr & Co. was announced from time the rostrum of the New York Stock Exchange shortly after the beginning of business today. The offices of the firm, which was formed on December 20, 1893, are at 71 Broadway. Louis S. Kerr is the boar dmember. The other

"Every Railroad Man Ex-

submarine fleet as good as that of Germany or better. "The number of submarines now under construction is a naval secret," he said, "and all that can be said is that the 138 which are being built under the authorization of the program of August, 1916, are only a part of the whole number."

COTTON REPORT SHOWS 10,450,401 BALES

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—The census cotton report shows 10,456,401 bales ounting roun as half bales ginned from the growth of 1917 to January cluded this year are 184,510 compared with 11,039,491 for 1917 and 10,636,778 for 1917 to January 16. Sea Island.

counting roun as half bales ginned from the growth of 1917 to January 1, 1918, compared with 11,039,491 for 1917 and 10,636,778 for 1916. Round bales included this year are 184,510 compared with 188,052 for 1917 and 105,785 for 1916. Sea Island included 86,813 for 1918, 113,342 for 1917 and 88,933 for 1916, to pied by Fred Knoedler, manufacturer of the pied by Fred K SEES GLORIOUS VICTORY 1918, compared with 11,039,491 for 1917 and 10,636,778 for 1916. Round bales

MISSISSIPPI FIRST STATE TO BACK DRY BILL

JACKSON, Miss., Jan. 9.—Both houses of the State Legislature ratified the proposed prohibition amendment to the Federal Constitution. Only eight

MILLIONS HINGE UPON RULING ON EXCESS PROFITS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—The Treasury decision that in making inventories for excess profits and income tax returns, dealers in merchandise or securities might use the cost price or market value, whichever was lower, is under review by the Department of Justice and may be revised. Millions dollars in taxes are dependent on the final ruling.

FOUR CHICAGO FIREMEN DIE IN THEATRE BLAZE

CHICAGO, Jan. 9.-Four firemen were killed and four others seriously injured when bey were buried under the falling walls of the Chicago Theatre, west side m le, which caught fire early today.

U. OF P. ALUMNI BALK AT CO-ED OPEN DOOR

timony before the Senate committee on the difficulties of railroads under private management.

The appeal of the director general to railroad officers and employes, which will be posted within a few days at every railway station, shop and round-house in the country, is as follows:

"The Government of the United States having assumed possession and control of the railroads for the period of the present war with Germany, it becomes more than ever obligatory upon every officer and employe of the railroads to apply himself with unraserved energy and unquestioned loyalty to his work.

"The supreme interests of the nation have compelled the drafting of a rreat army of our best ye ung men and sending them to the bloody fields of France to fight for the lives and liberties of those who stay at home. The sacrifices we are axacting of these noble American boys call to us who stay at home with an irresistible appeal to support them with our most unuslish labor and The suggestion to open all departments of the University of Pennsylvania to co-eds has caused a stir in University circles. The alumni are up in arms against the suggestion. The directors of this body will meet Friday and present resolutions against the admission of women. At present women are admitted only to the school of education, the graduate school, the medical school and the dental school.

DR. E. R. STITT BECOMES REAR ADMIRAL

THREE FIRES CAUSE DAMAGE **NEAR \$300,000**

Destruction of Heston School Gives 1400 Pupils Prolonged Holiday

CHURCH IS MENACED

\$75,000 Blaze in 2d St. Notion House-Turkish Bath Establishment Wrecked

Three disastrous fires, one of them in a recently completed public school, caused a loss of more than a quarter of a million dollars and severely taxed the abilities of the Fire Department is combating the flames.

The Edward Heston School, at th southeast corner of Fifty-fourth street and Lansdowne avenue, the second largest grade school in the city, accomnodating more than 1800 pupils, was destroyed. The school had only recently een completed at a cost of more than \$200,000, and was one of those which failed to open on schedule time after the holidays on account of lack of coal. The five-story building at 70 North Second street, occupied by Bernstein & Co., wholesale dealers in noveltie for five-and-tes-cent stores, was also desiroyed by fire which began shortly after that at the Heston School. The loss was approximately \$75,000, and a number of nearby structures, including the Old Christ Church and the his-

ing the Old Christ Church and the his-toric Betsy Ross house, were seriously menaced by the flames.

The Russian and Turkish bath estab-lishment of Murray Barshad, 438 Lom-bard street, was destroyed by fire today and the buildings on each side were damaged. Several rescues marked the fire, which caused damage estimated at more than \$19,000.

PLAN RESUMPTION OF CLASSES

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The problem of caring for the chlidren who are out of school because of the Heston fire is occupying the attention of school officials today. Dr. C. F. Hellman, principal of the school, and that if the walls were declared to be safe by the building department, 300 children will be cared for in the annex which adjoins the destroyed building, and about 200 more will be cared for is the kindergarten building.

Robert J. Corriston and John H. Doran, officials of the Fletcher M. E. Church, Fifty-first and Master atreets have offered the use of the Sunday school rooms, which will house about 200 pupils. Doctor Hellman and M. C. Cooper, the district superintendent, will inspect the church today with a view to account

tend by the fire will how become part-time pupils.

Had the fire occurred during the day.
Doctor Hellman said, it might have been more serious because of the dark in-closed fire-escapes. While the children, never had any difficulty in getting out of the building during fire drills, Doctor Hellman believes that a fire would have changed the situation. He said that he had complained on nunerous occasions about the fire-escapes.

changed the situation. He said that he had complained on numerous occasions about the fire-escapes.

It is the belief of officials of the Board of Education that he fire was caused by some one who broke into the building, which had been unoccupied for a week. The fire started on the second floor and, since there was no wiring in the building. It could not have been caused by crossed wires.

A schedule is now being worked out to distribute the children among other schools. There were 1420 pupils in the school and the disaster will mean the placing of 2800 children on part time.

Hoseman William McCann, of Eng Company 23, who lives at 530 West Berks street, received a probable frac-ture of the skull today when his foot slipped on an icy ladder rung while playing a stream of water into the smoldering remains of the building He is in the West Philadelphia Homeo-mathus Hosnital.

ket and Arch streets on Nor would be destroyed, but herol the firemen checked the flar they spread that far.