THE WEATHER

Washington, Dec. 16.—Cloudy and cooler today, probably fair Tuesday.

TEMPERATURE AT EACH HOUR

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JEWS ASK PLACE AT PEACE TABLE; TO SEND ENVOYS

Complete Equality in All Nations, Their Petition Requests

400 ATTEND CONGRESS

Rabbi Joseph Krauskopf and Nathan Straus Plan to Go to Palestine

Delegates to the Peace Conference in France, asking equality for Hebrews with the nations of the world, will be elected at the American Jewish Congress now in session at Lu Lu Temple.

It was learned that such a step would be taken shortly after the first business session of the congress opened today.

A resolution providing for secretaries to report the proceedings in Yiddish and Hebrew as well as in English precipitated an hour's discussion. Police had served notice that under a city ordinance all pubblic proceedings must be in English, but a little later President Mack said he had been informed that the ordinance merely prohibbited proceedings in German.

Rabbi Harris, of Chicago, said Yiddish was 92 per cent German anyway, and it would be well for the congress to dispense with its use. This brought vigorous protest from Yiddish-speaking delegates and the resolution was adopted.

Vice Presidents Named

Twelve vice presidents were named as follows:

Louis Marshall, New York; Colonel Harry Cutler, Rhode Island, president of the Jewish Welfare Board; Judge Hugo Pam, Chicago; Judge Leon Sanders, New York; Dr. Harry Freidenwald, Baltimore; Adolph Kraus, Chicago; Gedalia Bublick, New York; Miss Henrietta Szold, New York; Dr. Louis S. Rubinsohn, Brooklyn; Prof. Chaim Fineman, New York; Alexander Kahn, New York; Dr. M. Margolies, Dropsie College, Philadelphia.

Six secretaries also were appointed.

The report of the committee on rules and procedure, submitted by its chairman, A. Leo Weil, of Pittsburgh, contained a provision that no delegates occupy the stage except upon invitation of the president. This was voted down after protests had been made against it.

The committee on Poland, of which Louis Marshall is chairman, will report this afternoon. The principal question it will consider is whether the Jews will favor independence for Poland after the massacres of the Jews in Galicia.

Welfare of the Jews in Palestine is receiving much consideration by some of the prominent delegates present. Nathan Straus, philanthropist of New York, and Rabbi Joseph Krauskopf, of Keneseth Israel Temple, this city, announced today they would go to Palestine and help the work of its restoration. Mr. Straus will go as soon as the congress has adjourned and Doctor Krauskopf will go when he can make arrangements.

Four hundred delegates, representing four million Jews in all parts of the United States, are in attendance.

Many resolutions dealing with subjects of world-wide importance will be presented. The resolutions were prepared by committees which worked all night in the big task.

One of these resolutions expresses appreciation of the approval given by Great Britain of the National Home for Jewish People at Palestine. A copy of this resolution was wired to the Department of State, which was requested to forward it to the Governments of France, Italy, Greece Serbia and Holland.

Resolution Adopted

The resolution follows, in part:

"The American Jewish congress, speaking for the Jews of America, expresses its appreciation of the declaration addressed by his majesty's Government through the Zionist organization, in which it approved of the establishment in Palestine of a national home for the Jewish people, and pledged to use its best endeavors to facilitate the achievement of this object, it being clearly understood that nothing shall be done which may prejudice civil and religious rules of the nonJewish communities in Palestine, or the rights and political status enjoyed by Jews in any other country.

Among those attending the congress is Jacob H. Schiff, of New York, one of the most widely known philanthropists in the United States.

Mr. Straus has established soup kitchens in Jerusalem and other places. He is going there to supervise relief work generally.

To Visit Jerusalem

"I intend to visit Jerusalem and many other places," said Mr. Straus. "There are many others in Palestine besides Jews. In fact only about one-sixth of the population are Jews. It is my purpose to aid in the relief work for all the people there."

Doctor Krauskopf will go to Palestine as soon as he can complete arrangements here and will remain there as long as he can be of any service in the rehabilitation of the Holy Land.

The service in Palestine is such, he explained, that there will be plenty of work for all who can go for some time to come. Already many graduates of the National Farm School, the Jewish institution at Doylestown, of which Doctor Krauskopf is the president, have gone to Palestine and are working for its restoration. When Doctor Krauskopf goes many other Philadelphia Jews probably will be included in the party.

The Jewish Congress, in session here now, will exert a powerful influence at the peace table, Rabbi Krauskopf believes.

"The delegates gave unanimous expression to the thoughts in the minds of mothers and fathers of the 4,000,000 American Jews who shed their blood for the rights of small nations," he said. "The American commissioners are bound to reflect this sentiment."

There will be a movement to make the congress a permanent institution, but this, it is understood, will be op-

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SCOWLING SKIES

Forecast commonplace and trite
Makes punk news-day.
Partly overcast tonight.
Same on Tuesday.

RABBI JOSEPH KRAUSKOPF
NATHAN STRAUS

Both Rabbi Krauskopf and Mr. Straus, the latter a New York philanthropist, will go to Palestine to aid in restoration work there

GRIP PATIENTS HERE ISOLATED

Bureau of Health Sends Out Inspectors to Prevent Influenza Epidemic

REPORT 64 NEW CASES

With sixty-four new cases of influenza reported for the last forty-eight hours, forty-five inspectors of the Bureau of Health were sent out today to isolate all victims of the disease to prevent another epidemic.

Dr. A. A. Cairns, acting director of the Bureau of Health, in issuing the order, said he did not believe there would be an epidemic, but reiterated the warnings of Director Krusen to check the spread of the disease.

The Board of Health will meet tomorrow afternoon to consider the situation. No steps have been taken to close schools or other public places, as was done during the recent epidemic.

A steady increase in the number of cases reported has been shown in the last three days. From last Monday morning until Friday noon, there were seventy-one; from Friday noon until Saturday morning, thirty-four, and from Saturday noon until this morning, sixty-four, making a total of 169 for the week.

Of the cases reported today, twenty-three were north of Market street; eleven south of Market; eleven in West Philadelphia; fifteen in Germantown, and four in Frankford.

Chief John A. Vogleson, of the Bureau of Health, who has been in the army for several months, is expected to return to his desk at the City Hall today to take charge of the campaign started by Dr. Cairns.

The order to the inspectors provides that every influenza patient shall be isolated seven days after the disease has abated and the temperature has returned to normal. The order follows:

"All cases of influenza reported to the Bureau of Health are to be visited by the medical inspector, and he is to advise the family that the case is to be isolated for at least seven days after all symptoms of the disease have abated and the temperature is normal. A report is to be made on an official blank, but no placard is to be placed on the house. You are to explain to the family the danger of the disease, but unless under some extraordinary condition, no embargo is to be placed on the house other than isolation."

Schools and churches in Ashbourne, a suburban community in Cheltenham township, have been closed by the township board of health as a precautionary measure, due to a "flare-up" of epidemic influenza.

Forty new cases developed in Ashbourne in the last few days. The board of health determined that should additional cases develop a system of house quarantine would be established.

The schools would have been closed in a few days anyway for the usual Christmas and New Year holidays. They are expected to reopen January 2.

Caution is urged by Director of Health and Charities Krusen in his weekly health bulletin just issued. The bulletin emphasizes:

"First and foremost, every individual should guard his health more cautiously than ever. Good food, fresh air and regular habits are prerequisites in promoting the bodily resistance.

"Ventilation in the street cars should be constantly maintained. Since the use of the ventilators has been left to the public discretion, the amount of fresh air and comfort in the cars will be in direct response to the advisory notices to keep the ventilators open.

"Avoid public assemblies which are overcrowded and lack proper ventilation.

"Avoid exposure to wet and cold."

4 HURT AS TRAIN HITS AUTO

Collision Occurs at Second Street and Girard Avenue

The collision of a freight train and a motorcar at Second street and Girard avenue this morning resulted in the injury of four persons and the arrest of the driver of the machine.

Joseph Mahon, 6629 Edmund street, Tacony, is in St. Mary's Hospital with a broken leg, and Catherine Donnelly, Darien street near Somerset, with bad bruises. Catharine Walls, Marvine street near Somerset, and Nan Neilson, Darien street near Diamond, were sent home after having their injuries treated.

The driver of the automobile, John Mahon, a brother of the injured man, was held in $300 bail for a further hearing by Magistrate Yates of the Front and Master streets station.

EXPLOSION KILLS AND MAIMS MEN AT FORT MIFFLIN

One Victim Dead, Three Injured, Two Seriously, When Powder Ignites

CAUSE NOT DETERMINED

Blast Wrecks Filling House in Government Ammunition Base on Delaware

One man was killed, two others were seriously injured and a fourth sustained painful burns and bruises in an explosion today at Fort Mifflin, a Government ammunition base on the Delaware River below Girard Point.

The explosion occurred in filling house No. 3, used for filling "fifty-fifty" shells with TNT. The cause has been traced to a burning can of black powder, but the origin of the powder's ignition is unknown.

The dead:

C. F. DOOLEY, 7144 Elmwood avenue.

The injured:

ANDREW CAVANAUGH, thirty-two years old, 650 North Fifteenth street; burned all over the body and probably blinded in both eyes; at Methodist Hospital; not expected to survive injuries.

F. L. ANDERSON, thirty-one years old, 2046 North Thirteenth street, one leg blown off and cuts on the head; at Methodist Hospital; condition critical.

JAMES DEL VECCHIO, 1339 Moore street; left leg hurt; at Methodist Hospital.

Eleven men were at work in the building and panic reigned for a time as loaded shells began to burst, uninjured men screaming with fright as they struggled to escape from the big room filled with flames, smoke and the noise of exploding shells.

All Knocked Down by Blast

Every workman in the house was knocked down by the force of the blast, but several escaped unhurt, although some of these suffered from shock.

David Williams, 650 North Fifteenth street, was standing only eight feet from Cavanaugh, his roommate and best friend. Williams was knocked down, and when he struggled to his feet, the room was filled with flames. He was unable to tell what happened.

"There was a terrible panic," Williams said afterward. "Shells were bursting, and I could hear the men screaming as they rose to their feet and tried to get out of the building. I dragged myself out somehow and discovered that I wasn't hurt. Then I learned that Cavanaugh was badly hurt."

Williams went with Cavanaugh in the police patrol wagon to the Methodist Hospital, and stayed with him while the physicians treated him.

Anderson and Del Vecchio also were taken to Methodist Hospital in police patrols. Anderson's leg was amputated and his condition is serious. Del Vecchio, is not badly hurt. The latter has only been married several weeks.

Detonation Felt at Navy Yard

The detonation following the explosion was felt at the navy yard and at Hog Island, and news of the accident spread to the Government reservation in the vicinity.

Patrol wagons and ambulances from several police stations in the southern part of the city were hurried to the fort to take the injured workmen to the hospital.

An investigation was started immediately by officers of the fort and by agents of Commander Hoffman, of the Fourth Naval District. The only report made by them was that the property damage caused by the blast was not great.

CASEY GETS CERTIFICATE

Democrat Will Go to Congress From Luzerne District

Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Dec. 16.—John J. Casey, Democrat, will receive the certificate of election to Congress from Luzerne County.

Prothonotary Evan J. Williams today certified to the Secretary of the Commonwealth the vote as directed by the Court, and Casey wins over E. N. Carpenter, Republican, by forty-two votes.

The official returns gave Carpenter a lead of eighteen votes. Returns were received from seventy-three army cantonments, but the Prothonotary refused to certify these, claiming that the election was not legal.

The Court reviewed the case and threw out the soldier vote in all but five camps. The returns from these offset the Carpenter lead and put Casey ahead by forty-two votes. The Prothonotary was directed to certify these returns. He refused, but after conferring with his lawyers announced today that he would do as directed by the judges.

SPANISH UNREST GROWS

Premier Asks King to Suspend Sitting of Parliament

Madrid, Dec. 16.—(By A. P.)—Premier Romanones, after a cabinet meeting called to consider serious outbreaks in Catalonia, has issued a note declaring that he king had been asked to sign a decree suspending Parliament.

There was a collision Sunday between the police and a crowd after a Socialist republican meeting at Barna in favor of the autonomy of Catalonia as a democratic republic. One person was killed and six were injured. Similar trouble occurred in Bilbao where there was a Basque manifestation.

NEGRO EX-SOLDIER LYNCHED

Kentucky Mob Hangs Man for Beating Deputy Sheriff

Hickman, Ky., Dec. 16.—(By A. P.)—Charles Lewis, a discharged negro soldier, who is alleged to have beaten Deputy Sheriff Al Thomas when the latter attempted to arrest him yesterday, was hanged near here today by a mob of masked men.

Lewis was charged with having held up and robbed several other negroes.

Boy Shot at Rifle Practice

Frank Duble, seventeen years old, of 6017 I street, while shooting at a target in a vacant lot at Wyoming and C streets yesterday, accidentally shot himself in the foot with a small caliber rifle. He was taken to the Jewish Hospital. His condition is not serious.

KAISER REFUSES TO LEAVE AFTER DUTCH PROD HIM

Insists on Staying in Netherlands Despite Official Suggestion

Amsterdam, Dec. 16.—(By A. P.)—William Hohenzollern, the former Kaiser, the Telegraaf says it understands, has refused to leave the Netherlands after official representations had been made that his continued presence was likely to involve the country in serious difficulties.

The former German Emperor, the paper adds, was told that his free departure would be a matter of gratification to the Dutch Government.

The fugitive monarch continues to lead the life a near-recluse.

WHITE MAY HEAD REVISIONISTS

Lawyer Likely to Be Chief of Subcommittee on Charter

Thomas Raeburn White will probably be selected to head the subcommittee which the charter revision committee will appoint to draft the proposed new city charter.

Members of the subcommittee will be selected at a meeting of the main committee in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce Thursday afternoon.

Most of the members of the main committee are said to favor Mr. White as the logical man to head the subcommittee. He drafted many of the bills which were submitted by the charter revisionists to the last Legislature.

The legislative program to be submitted by the charter revision committee, it is understood, will differ in certain respects from that presented to the Legislature two years ago.

Only local measures affecting Philadelphia will be presented, for the reason that a Constitutional Convention is expected during the term of Senator Sproul.

Any Statewide measures presented might conflict with the drafting of the proposed new Constitution. If a purely local program is provided it can be incorporated in the proposed new Constitution as applying only to the city charter.

NEW WAR RISK BUREAU

Department at Camp Dix to Handle Compensation Claims

To take care of all claims for compensation made by soldiers being discharged from the service and by wounded men returning from France, a new department has been created in the Camp Dix war risk insurance office.

One object of the department is to expedite the payment of allotments to dependents, but the principal aim is to see that claim papers are made out correctly, thus preventing trouble in the future.

Captain Robert L. Johnson, of New York city, is in charge of the department, and he will provide the soldiers with information regarding the class of beneficiaries entitled to compensation.

MUST PAY, SAYS REVENTLOW

Germany Compelled to Meet Allied Demands Fully

Berlin, Dec. 16.—(By A. P.)—Discussing President Wilson's trip to Europe, Count Ernest von Reventlow, chief editorial writer of the Tages Zeitung, says: "The German people must pay any price, no matter how high, the United States names as a condition for the resumption of their position and relations with the world."

Count von Reventlow believes that Mr. Wilson's consent to the armistice conditions imposed on Germany is bound to prove inimical to the influence of the United States in Europe and among its associates."

KILLED ON LAST DAY OF WAR

Son of Salvation Army Officer Gives Life

To be killed in action on the last day of hostilities was the fate of Lieutenant William Peart, of New York, son of Colonel William Peart, chief secretary of the United States for the Salvation Army. Colonel R. E. Holz, commander of the Atlantic coast province, received news of Lieutenant Peart's death yesterday.

Lieutenant Peart, who was twenty-two years old, was a graduate of the Polytechnic Institute at Troy, N. Y. He attended the first officers' training camp, and received a commission as first lieutenant. He sailed for France last December.

FLIERS THRILL NOON CROWDS

Execute "Falling Leaf" Over Chestnut Street Throngs

Two aviators thrilled the noon crowds on Chestnut street today. First one circled over the center of the city, executing perilous feats, and then another took his place.

Both fliers came here from the Government proving grounds at Aberdeen, Md. A company of their comrades, all soldier boys, is giving a show at a theatre in Philadelphia this week.

One of the aviators is Lieutenant Ronne. He flew the sixty-three miles from Aberdeen in forty-three minutes. A little behind him came Lieutenant Davis.

The most breath-taking of the maneuvers these aerial rough riders performed was the "falling leaf," in which the planes turned over and over and over, then suddenly checked their descent and righted themselves.

BLUE WARNS AGAINST GRIP

Surgeon General Shows Necessity of Continued Precaution

Washington, Dec. 16.—(By A. P.)—The danger of relaxing efforts to check the spread of influenza was emphasized again today by Surgeon General Blue, of the Public Health Service.

"The epidemic is not ended," the Surgeon General said, "and such recrudescences of cases and deaths as are now occurring in many localities may be expected to become more or less general.

"Any statement at the present time that the epidemic has 'come and gone for good' can only do harm, for it will lull people into a false sense of security, and cause them to relax the precautions they should take to avoid the infection."

In the Depths of the Jungle

Tarzan, the ape-man, meets wonderful adventures following his attempts to take away the priceless treasure hidden in a forgotten city. Read about it in

Tarzan and the Jewels of Opar

You will find this gripping story on Page 20 in today's

Evening Public Ledger

U. S. WON PLACE IN FELLOWSHIP OF FREE PEOPLE, SAYS WILSON, ANSWERING WELCOME TO PARIS

French Never Cease Applause of Democracy's Chief

WILSON VISITS PEACE PALACE

President Holds His First Conference With Premier Clemenceau

AMBASSADOR PAGE LUNCHEON GUEST

Executive Places Wreath on the Tomb of General Lafayette

ATTENDS CHURCH TWICE

Versailles Meetings Scheduled to Commence About January 6

President's Bed Too Short, But He Has to Sleep in It

Paris, Dec. 16.—President Wilson's "Empire" bed is too short, but he is sleeping in it, nevertheless.

The custodian of the Murat Mansion did not want to change it, owing to the fact that none of the other beds match the Napoleonic fittings in the room.

Paris, Dec. 16.

President Wilson motored this morning to Versailles, where the peace treaty will be signed. He briefly inspected the palace and park.

On the way to Versailles the President's car was showered with flowers by children. Rain began to fall when the party was returning, but no inconvenience was experienced.

Thomas Nelson Page, Ambassador to Italy, and Mrs. Page were the Wilsons' guests at luncheon in the Murat palace.

President Poincare and his wife, with a cavalry escort, conducted President and Mrs. Wilson to the Hotel de Ville for the official reception.

Throngs Cheer President

Tremendous throngs cheered them along the route.

Following the ceremonies, making Wilson a citizen of Paris, he was presented with a scroll, declaring his citizenship. The president of the council, on behalf of the city, then presented Mrs. Wilson with a brooch composed of an olive branch incrusted with diamonds, superimposed on which were six white enameled peace doves.

When President Wilson, Poincare and their wives appeared on the balcony of the city hall at the official ceremonies today, thousands of persons, packed in the square, gave them an enthusiastic ovation. As the cheering continued Mrs. Wilson threw down a bouquet. There was a great scramble for the pieces.

At 3:30 this afternoon the President and Colonel House were to visit Premier Clemenceau at the Foreign Office, to repay the latter's call and resume the informal conferences.

Confers With Clemenceau

The visit which Premier Clemenceau paid President Wilson yesterday was not only the occasion of an agreeable personal meeting, but it resulted in a fairly full understanding as to the plans for the President's visit throughout the next fortnight. The meeting was described as extremely cordial, both the President and the French Premier later voicing their highly favorable impressions of each other. As the call lasted a full hour, it permitted of a conference over the plans for the meeting of the inter-Allied conference and of the Peace Congress and of at least the preliminary discussion of some of the great international problems about to be taken up.

Concerning the plans, it now is apparent that the President's visit to Italy will be postponed until the middle or the latter part of January, as his time meanwhile will be fully occupied in meeting the political leaders coming from various points, in attending the opening sessions of the inter-Allied conference and the Peace Congress, in visits to the American front and the French and Belgian devastated regions and probably a visit to Brussels and King Albert of Belgium.

Sessions to Start January 6

The President will be back in Paris in the early days of January when the preliminaries are likely to be so far advanced as to permit of the opening of the peace congress about January 6. The exact time, however,

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Wilson's Presence Wins France to His Ideals

Tone of Paris Opinion and Press Comment Shows Instant Change—Visit Crystallizes Wide Undercurrent of Thought

By CHARLES H. GRASTY

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Paris, Dec. 16.

Everybody feels that something very big happened in Paris Saturday. The most optimistic dare to hope that it was the birth of a new world. All agree that it was not a mere spectacle, and that its significance is far-reaching. One was borne along on the flood tide of enthusiasm. All felt that it was an overwhelming demonstration of genuine feeling. Today one searches for the inner meaning.

It was not simply an expression of gratitude to America or a spontaneous tribute to President Wilson. There were plans and purposes in it all. There was a meeting of the minds between Wilson and the European multitudes. Wilson claimed his own and they claimed theirs.

Let us suppose that President Wilson in disregarding the counsel and violating the instinct and tradition of his own country, was inspired by some deep longing to work out his destiny as world pacificator. As Washington was the father of his country, and Lincoln the great emancipator, Wilson would be the founder and organizer of world peace.

Heart of World With Him

In this grand purpose the heart of the world was with him, but the opportunity could not be improved without his actual presence and leadership. There were too many national and individual ambitions, too many currents and cross-currents running hither and thither and so the plastic period might go by and the opportunity be lost.

If he could only see the peoples whose future well-being he wished and planned, look them in the eye and speak to them, they would feel what was in his own heart and respond to it. Then, perhaps, through a reflex effect on their governments, there would come unity of purpose in some great plan of world peace in which all the fruits of victory should be pooled and used for the common good. For such a temporary concrete sacrifice on the part of each for the well-being of all some miracle of mental, moral uplift was needed.

If, indeed, the President came with

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ANNEX "METROPOLITAN AREA" URGES MAYOR

Mayor Smith, returning this afternoon from Hot Springs, Va., urged annexation by Philadelphia County of the proposed "metropolitan area" from Chester to Bristol, approved a plan for City Council of one body, and opposed the payment of councilmen; announced the receipt of a letter from Major General Goethals, saying shipments of quartermaster supplies through this port will continue, and arranged for a meeting tomorrow of Philadelphia congressmen to receive a report of the port's advantages.

SCHOONER AFIRE AND DESERTED SINKS AT SEA

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—Sinking at sea of the schooner Wilfred Marcus, on fire and abandoned, was reported to the Navy Department today by the transport Martha Washington. The schooner was seen to go down December 12 about one thousand miles from the United States on the route to the Azores. No boats with survivors were sighted.

VICE HERE NOW UP TO DANIELS

Lt. Colonel Hatch Sends Navy Head Report of Investigations

TO START NEW DRIVE

Lieutenant Colonel Hatch, of the marine corps, Government law-enforcing officer here, has made an exhaustive study of vice conditions in this city and has forwarded his report to Secretary of the Navy Daniels.

The next move in the Philadelphia clean-up will be made by Mr. Daniels.

And the mellow wind of Florida is

Whatever action is taken by Mr. Daniels will be based upon the report and its recommendations. Law enforcing organizations believe that Lieutenant Colonel Hatch has urged an appreciable increase in the numerical strength of the propost guard and that he has made plans for a new drive on whisky "speakeasies."

"I cannot coment on the situation today," said the marine officer," other than to say that we will continue the roundup of men and woman who are endeavoring to tear down the safeguards that have been constructed for the purpose of protecting the boys in the service.

One Purpose to Serve

"Hostilities have ceased and thousands of sailors and soldiers are being sent back to the'r homes. We have only one purpose to serve in our activities against vice and that is the sending of our service men back to civil life clean. That is a duty that is up to us and we do not propose to shirk it."

Colonel Hatch declined to reveal the methods that he will employ in the roundup of whiskey bootleggers and women who operate uestionable resorts.

That the Inter-Church Federation is unalterably opposed to the return of James Robinson as the superintendent of police was made plain this afternoon at a meeting of the federation held at the City Club.

Unalterably Opposed to Robinson

"We cannot emphasize our attitude on that matter to strongly," said the Rev. Carl E. Grammer, president of the organization. "We are opposed to the return of Mr. Robinson, and are confident that he will not be reinstated. We stand ready to co-operate with Colonel Hatch."

Agents of the Department of Justice who are co-operating with Colonel Hatch will operate in the central section of the city tonight and pay particular attention to women who frequent the downtown streets.

Taxi drivers, particularly those who garner the coin of uniformed men will be watched closely, for the Federal agents feel that many of them are co-operating with whiskey peddlers.

When you think of writing, think of WRITING.—Adv.

DESERTERS KEEP BERLIN IN TERROR

Government Powerless to Check Wave of Robberies and Attacks

REICHSTAG IS OUTLAWED

By the Associated Press

Paris, Dec. 16.

The Berlin central government is powerless to preserve order, and deserters from the army terrorize the inhabitants, according to a correspondent of the Journal who has returned from a hurried visit to Berlin.

Robberies and attacks follow one another rapidly, and apartments and shops are robbed in midday. Committees of all kinds, he continues, publish contradictory orders and practice blackmail.

Red flags are flying over all the city, but business is going on as usual. The war has caused a great rush of women into the public services.

Wear Artificial Material

The theatres, the correspondent adds, are open and the restaurants are crowded. The population is well dressed, he says, but in artificial materials.

There is a scarcity of bread, butter, milk and potatoes, and speculators are reported to be holding their reserves of foodstuffs. An ordinary meal cost twenty-five to thirty marks and an order of soup is three marks.

Berlin is dark at night and prowlers occupy the streets. The Red Guards on patrol arrest all loiterers after 10 o'clock at night.

Empty Public Treasuries

The extremist faction will be of short duration, the Journal correspondent believes, because they have not succeeded in obtrining control of the large sums of money which are still in the possession of the bankers and the merchants. The workmen's councils distribute indemnities and are emptying the public treasuries. The correspondent thinks that a republic finally will be established.

The correspondent visited the cellars of the imperial palace and saw the huge stores of provisions kept there while the people suffered from hunger.

The foregoing dispatch confirms the revelations concerning the terrible conditions in Berlin made by B. F. Kospoth, special correspondent of the EVENING PUBLIC LEDGER at Berne, Switzerland, in a notable article which appeared in the EVENING PUBLIC LEDGER on Saturday.

Berlin, Dec. 16.—Berlin is awaiting expectantly the outcome of the convocation of the Reichstag by its president, Konstantin Fehrenbach, in defiance of the Ebert-Haase Government.

The meeting was to be held today "somewhere in the Rhineland." The present Government, which intended to summon the Reichstag here later to give the ministry parliamentary support, has announced that any deputy at-

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President Voices Sympathy America Felt for France

PAYS TRIBUTE TO HEROIC NATION

Says America Entered War to Defend Principles of Right

CAPITAL OF WORLD HONORS AMERICANS

Paris Official Declares U. S. Executive Voices Judgment of Posterity

PRAISES MRS. WILSON

Nation's Chief Now Realizes Community of Thought Between Countries

President to Address Doughboys on Christmas

Paris, Dec. 16.—President Wilson plans to address the doughboys on Christmas.

It was announced that he would go to American headquarters December 23. After the address to the army he will spend several days inspecting the devastated regions, returning to Paris on December 29.

By the Associated Press

Paris, Dec. 16.

President Wilson delivered an address today at the City Hall, where ceremonies had been arranged for. The President replied to the greeting extended him.

"Your greeting has raised many emotions within me," the President began. "It is with no ordinary sympathy that the people of the United States, for whom I have the privilege of speaking, have viewed the sufferings of the people of France. Many of our own people have been themselves witnesses of those sufferings. We were the more deeply moved by the wrongs of the war because we knew the manner in which they were perpetrated.

"I beg that you will not suppose that because a wide ocean separated us in space we were not in effect eye-witnesses of the shamful ruin that was wrought and the cruel and unnecessary sufferings that were brought upon you. These sufferings have filled our hearts with indignation. We know what they were, not only, but we knew what they signified, and our hearts were touched to the quick by them, our imaginations filled with the whole picture of what France and Belgium in particular had experienced.

Battled for Right

"When the United States entered the war, therefore, it entered it not only because it was moved by a conviction that the purposes of the Central Empires were strong and must be resisted by men everywhere who loved liberty and the right, but also because the illicit ambitions which they were entertaining and attempting to realize had led to the practices which shocked our hearts as much as they offended our principles.

"Our resolution was formed because we knew how profoundly great principles of right were affected, but our hearts moved also with our resolution.

"You have been exceedingly generous in what you have been gracious enough to say about me, generous far beyond my personal deserts, but you have interpreted with real insight the motives and resolution of the people of the United States. Whatever influence I exercise, whatever authority I speak with, I derive from them. I know what they have thought, I know what they have desired, and when I have spoken what I know was in their minds it has been delightful to see how the conscience and purposes of freemen everywhere responded.

"We have merely established our right to the full fellowship of those peoples here and throughout the world who reverence the right of genuine liberty and justice.

"You have made me feel very much at home here, not merely by the delightful warmth of your welcome, but also by the manner in which you have made me realize to the utmost the intimate community of thought and ideal which characterizes your people and the great nation which I have the honor, for the time, to represent.

"Your welcome to Paris I shall always remember as one of the unique and inspiring experiences of my life

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