DECLARES GUNS NEEDED

Army Required to Avoid Civil War and Thwart Bolshevik Agents

By the Associated Press

Warsaw, Dec. 16. The Government of Poland should be recognized by all the Allied powers in

January elections to the diet.

"I am neither a Socialist nor a Bolshevik, but a democrat. I think the Bolshevik danger is imminent in Foland unless we are able to put up a fence against the Russian influence. Let me first say how happy I am that there is a united Poland. Our independence is due entirely to the Allies, otherwise it would be accounted to the works and which the Schwarzkopfs have ready in bank to distribute among the sharehold-ers. The workers say they earned this money and that the shareholders have a united Poland. Our independence is due entirely to the Allies, otherwise it would does not believe in indemnities or annexations or in crushing Germany.

These councils have voted to the works many.

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a united Poland. Our independence is due entirely to the Allies, otherwise it would always have been a fiction.

"We need an army," he continued, "to avoid the danger of civil war, and to guarantee the frontiers against Bolshevik agents or the infiltration of German troops, particularly those from the army of General Hoffman. These factors constitute a menace unless we get

tors constitute a menace unless we get help from the Allies in the form of arms. "The Germans are selling and giving arms to dangerous elements. 'It is even declared that the Germans have deliv-ered the city of Minsk to the Bolsheviki in return for 40,000 rubles. This has resulted in much suffering for the Polish population there and the burning of

"If the army of General Hoffman breaks up there is danger that the 200,000 men in it will drift over our frontiers, robbing and causing disorders.

"It is necessary that our Government be recognized by the Allies. At pres-ent there are certain difficulties. The Polish committee in Paris represents parties not in accord with the others here, but this internal matter is be-ing arranged. Personally I desire a

edge that they occurred at two places, relatives fighting against one another Kielce and Lemberg. Four persons were killed at Kielce and 250 wounded.

"It is stated that 900 Jews were buried in Lemberg two weeks ago. I am in-formed they were killed by the regular the beginning of the war. Replying to Polish army because of unfounded reports, printed in a Lemberg newspaper, that the Jews were not neutral in the fighting there."

### POLAND BREAKS WITH GERMAN

Severance Due to Unfriendly Acta in Occupied Provinces

## Deserters Keep

Continued from Page One tending the proposed insurgent session

will be guilty of treason.

Wild rumors are affoat concerning the significance of Fehrenbach's move. It is reported that Field Marshal von

The Workmen's and Soldiers' Council was scheduled to meet today. Herr-Brockdorf-Fratzau has arrived in Berlin from Copenhagen and probably will succeed Foreign Secretary Solf.

Basel advices on Saturday said it was reported that Doctor Hasse and Richard Barth had resigned from the German Cabinet. The foregoing dis-patch indicates that Doctor Haase still retains his place in the ministry.

Berlin, Dec. 16.—(By A. P.)—Adolph Joffe, Russian ambassdor to Germany. who was expelled from Berlin in No-vember because of his activities in ad-vancing the interests of the Bolsheviki, is reported, in a Breslau dispatch, to have crossed the frontier after bribing members of the Soldiers and Workmen's Council.

He is said to be returning to Berlin for the purpose of attending today's meeting of the Soldiers and Workmen's Congress, in spite of the request of the Ribert cabinet that he keep away from this city.

Special Cable to Evening Public Ledger pyright, 1918, by New York Times Co. Rerlin, Dec. 13 (via Copenhagen, de-ayed).—President Fehrenback convoked

the Reichsiag Thursday on his own re-sponsibility. He had repeatedly protested against the declaration by the People's Commissioners that the old Reichstag had ceased to exist with the beginning FOR RECOGNITION

and elsewhere went on strike, in some cases for higher wages and in others for the so-called famine subsidy. All the employes of two of the largest publishing houses, those of Rudoiph Mosse and Ullstein, also those in a number of smaller printing establishments, struck for higher wages.

Ullstein's Zeitung am Mittag did not appear, neither did the evening editions of the Tageblatt and the Vossische Zei-

Werthelm's great department stores on Leipziger Strasse and Alexander Platz remained closed this morning, to the annoyance of the Christmas shoppers, but to the great delight of thousands of street vendors, half of them in military uniforms, who did a thriving humans in the veilnity of the ing business in the volinity of the closed stores. The Werthelm employes demand lump sums from 100 to 500 marks as compensation for extra drains on their pockets caused by the ever-increasing price of clothes.

recognized by all the Allied powers in order to deal properly with the situation in Poland, General Joseph Pilsudski, the millitary head of the present government, told a correspondent in an interview.

General Pilsudski, when only nine-accompromise and declared the strike.

### **DUCHESS BLAMES** KAISER FOR WAR

Crown Prince's Mother-in-Law Says Whole German People Are Guilty

HAS IDEAS FOR RUSSIA

By the Associated Press

Geneva, Dec. 16. Germany made a great blunder in entering the war and should admit that she was in the wrong, says the Grand compromise.

"I am a strong admirer of America. It was my good fortune to visit there in 1905, although it was only for a few days during a jump across the day.

Duchess Anastasic of Mecklenburg-Schwerin, mother of the one time German Crown Princess, in an interview to-day. Duchess Anastasie of Mecklenburg- printed an American Army correspond-

The Grand Duchess, who is a Rus-In an interview regarding reports of anti-Jewish outbreaks in Polish territory, Neah Prilucki, a prominent Jewish Romanoff, who was Russian Emperor, member of the Municipal Council, a came to Geneva at the outbreak of the leader of the Jewish Nationalist party and a lawyer, said: "In regard to pogroms, I have knowl- Riviera for her health. She had many

The correspondent was the first newsa question about William Hohenzollern and the one time Crown Prince, she said, pathetically:

"There is a splendid maxim in your anguage: 'Don't hit a man when he is lown.' Let us observe this principle,

Amsterdam, Dec. 16.—(By A. P.)—
Poland has severed relations with Germany, according to a telegram received in Berlin from Warsaw.
Poland, as a reason for the rupture, accuses the German authorities in occupied provinces of acting contrary to Polish interests and working with the Boisheviki. At the request of the Polish Government, Governor General von Beseler and the entire staff of the German mission, will leave the territory of the Polish republic. erters Keep
Berlin In Turmoil

Bank, Russia and Denmark. It has been said that not more than twenty persons in Germany understood what a cruel mistake it was going to be. I was one of them. However, as I never meddled in politics and never intend to, I was not able to interefere.

"But I continue to think that Germany made a great blunder in entering this terrible struggle, not only from a hu-mane point of view, but also for politi-cal and commercial reasons, as her com-

It is reported that Field Marshal von Hindenburg will send troops to protect the meeting.

Dr. Hugo Haase in an interview declared that if Germany loses Alsace-Lorraine she will gain German Ausfria. He said Germany had enough food to list a few months, providing it was strictly rationed.

The Government has issued a proclamation calling for volunteers for a "people's army." It is also has urged demobilized soldiers not to remain unemployed, but to go to the country where labor is scarce and food more plentiful.

The Workmen's and Soldiers' Council the workmen's and Soldiers' Council the force it is too late."

"We acted wrongly; we are sorry." "If the Allies abandon Russia, Russia is lost. The Allies abandon Russia, Russia is lost. The Allies abandon Russia Russia is lost. The Allies abandon Russia, Russia is lost. The Allies abandon Russia Russia is lost. The Allies abandon Russia Russia is lost. The Allies abandon Russia Russia a before it is too late."

Bank Director Dies at 99

Sucquehanna, Pa., Dec. 16.—Believed to be the oldest resident of northeastern Pennsylvania, Fred Lyons, ninety-nine yesterday old, died here after a brief illness. Mr. Lyons for years was a illness. Mr. Lyons for years was a prominent figure in business circles. He also was a bank director.



## Free Lecture

### Christian Science

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Peace Table

TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE

Bridgehead District Prosperous and Fairly Exudes Confidence in Outcome

By EDWIN L. JAMES

Special Cable to Evening Public Ledger Copuright. 1918, by New York Times Co. Ceblens, Dec. 16.—America is now the subject of one of the most earnest and determined propaganda campaigns while the subject of one of the most earnest in the war is being used as an apology by the German army and upon what America will and will not do present. by the German army and upon what America will and will not do present-

At first blush one might easily say that the cordial treatment of the Amer-icans in Collenz was due to the fact that our army imposed very moderate regulations and restrictions upon the population compared to those of the French, British and Belgian armies. I put no faith in that, belleving that no natter what restrictions were the treatment would be none the less

fawning.

German propaganda work is thorough, if anything. Not only has the army preached that America has won the war, but it has instructed the population to be kindly toward American and that this would pay. It has preached that America would feed Germany.

German eagerness to take advantage of the opportunity is shown by the the politicians said that America would feed the nation. The starvation plea has been proved false by what the American Army of Occupation has seen. If the testimony of what the troops have seen is not enough, one of the German newspapers the other dry reent's story saying that food conditions in Northern France were worse than those in Germany, and concluded by saying that that showed how well the German Army had fought

Attentions Showered on Americans The fawning upon the Americans takes many forms. Americans have but to enter a cafe to get the best table and the best attention without table and the best attention without asking it or wanting it. Forthwith the orchestra plays American tunes. They get invitations to dinner and such things. They are told that America is not really angry with the Germen people, that the President did not like Withelm and von Tirpitz, but then neither do the Germans now, and, anyhow, President Wilson never had anything rgainst the German people. It is asserted that all is changed and therefore America should be lenient.

language: 'Don't hit a man when he is down.' Let us observe this principle, this sporting principle, during our conversation.''

Asked why she had left Germany as soon as that country began military operations, the Grand Duchess replied:

"I could not remain in a country that had declared war on my own country—Russia. This war came as a great surthat America seeks no millions in treasure and, therefore, they reason France and Great Britain not to require German gold by way of recom-

> GERMANS IN UNIFORMS BARRED FROM U.S. AREA

"We acted wrongly; we are sorry."

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"If the Ailles abandon Russia, Russia"

"Me acted wrongly; we are sorry."

"American Army of Occupation, Dec. 16.—(By A. P.)—Men in German military uniforms are not to be allowed within the American area of occupation, hereafter unless they are on duty and have written permission from the American military authorities, according to a reclamation issued by Colonel J. C. Rhea, charman of the American bridgehead commission.

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# discussions are prohibited unless sanctioned by the American military authorities. The proclamation orders also that all civillians turn over to the proper authorities at once all firearms in their possession. The burgomasters of towns in the area of occupation will issue licenses to the persons authorized to be armed for police duties, after approval by the American military authorities. The proclamation says that prices of food and other things shall be the same for the Americans as for the Germans. All goods must be sold at the usual prices. IN GERMAN REDS

Sees Aim of Russians to Establish Military Front on Rhine

By HAROLD WILLIAMS By Wireless to Evening Public Ledger Copyright, 1918, by Public Ledger Co.

distinguished German intellectulals re-

Anti-Bolshevist Attitude of Returning Troops Saving Feature, Says Observer

ANOTHER LESS HOPEFUL

I have had a conversation with two

and New York, Times Co. Berne, Deb. 16.

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## EVENING PUBLIC LEDGER-PHILADELPHIA, MONDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1918 trade unions and other organizations, are much more highly disciplined than the Russian and recent anarchy. Herr Kurt Eisner, the Bavarian Premier, is a man of ideas and a poet. He mier, is a man of ideas and a poet. He

mier, is a man of ideas and a poet. He is sincere, but not a practical statesman. He has abandoned now his opposition to a national assembly but still istin to a national assembly but still thinks parliamentism is only a transitory form of government and still hopes to build up out of the present soviets a new form of democratic government on a basis of vocational representation; that is to say, there shall be an assembly including representatives of all classes, all vocations and all interests. bly including representatives of all classes, all vocations and all interests, tuals as well as of soldiers, wor men and peasants.

Auer, on the contrary, is a prosaic realist, and though he and Elsner should naturally compliment each other, they seem to find considerable difficulty in working harmoniously so far, according to my first informant, who persisted hoping that the sound principal spirit the German people would overcome of the German

He pointed out that in some parts of Germany, in Hesse, for example, the people were dissatisfied with the one-sided rule of the Soldiers and Workmen's Council and created people's councils representing all classes.

cently arrived from Germany. Both was less optimistic in regard to the maintained an independent attitude dur- Bolshevik danger. He pointed out that General Pilsudski, when only nineteen years old was arrested at Vilna,
in Lithuania, his birthplace, and sent to
Siberia and his persecution by the Russian Government has endeared him to
many Poles. His ancestors belonged to
the nobility, General Pilsudski, while he
is the military pead of the Government decrees and is
the military pead of the Government decrees and is
the continuous produce the whole east and
north of Europe and the central States,
lifer the Spartacus group reigns suprement now is in a period of
transition," he sald. "A permanent government wilk be established after the
January elections to the diet.

"I am neither a Socialist nor a Boishevik, but a democrat. I think the

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while the factory women would vote for

the Socialists. The German intellectual on the whole were completely bewildered Six weeks ago they still believed in vic-

tory and never dreamed of revolution

their bearings.

Now they are completely unable to get

May Get Back Old Rank

The War Ministry has decided to de

and formally to these young men that the order on which peace is conditioned means government by a parliamentary majority." Discussing the elections for a national assembly, my informant said the women's vote complicated the matter. In Catholic districts it would mean an enormous addition to the Ci-rical vote, while the factory women would vote for mobilize the classes of 1892 and 1898 beginning December 25 and ending Jan-The classes of 1894, 1896, 1896 and 1897 will be demoplized beginning Jan-

pary 21 and ending February 14.

### DOUBTS HUN REPUBLIC

Viviani Says New Regime Is Mockety Untrustworthy

ENLIST DISCHARGED OFFICERS Paris, Saturday, Dec. 14.-Hav (By A. P.)-The German republic Army Men. Freed of Commissions, mockery and cannot be trusted, said M. Viviani, one time French Premier, in speech tonight at a dinner given by Camp Dix, Wrightstown, N. J., Dec. -Authority has been granted to all graduates of Columbia University to urged that "German kulture" be supmmanding officers to enlist former enlisted men of the army who were discharged to accept a commission and who,

having been discharged from such com-missions, tender themselves for enlist-ment within three months after the termination of their commissioned serv-ice. These men are to be appointed to the grade held by them before they were discharged to accept commissions.



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