



LACK OF TERMS HANDICAP PROGRESS OF DEAL FOR PEACE

Awaiting Definite Knowledge of German Profers Before Taking Action; General Tone of Entente Comment Is Not Optimistic as to Probable Success of Overtures

BRITAINS ATTITUDE MAY BE MADE KNOWN TOMORROW IN COMMONS

Teutonic Newspapers Lay Emphasis Upon Offer as Sign of Strength Rather Than Weakness; Germans Continue Advance Through Wallachia; Capture 7,000 More Prisoners

London, Dec. 13.—The indications are that the various governments of the entente allies do not intend to act hastily in making joint response to the peace proposals of the central powers.

Fighting is continuing on the battlefields of Europe but interest in the operations is overshadowed by the pending proposals of Germany and her allies.

The proposals are voluminously commented upon by the press of both the entente and Teutonic allies, but with the handicap of lack of definite knowledge of the terms upon which Germany and the powers allied with her are willing to discuss peace.

Military operations within the past twenty-four hours have developed important happenings only in the Rumanian war area.

More than 7,000 additional prisoners were taken by Field Marshal Von Mackensen's armies yesterday.

THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Unsettled, probably light snow this afternoon or to-night; Thursday fair, not much change in temperature, lowest to-night about 22 degrees.

For Eastern Pennsylvania: Cloudy to-night and Thursday, probably snow; little change in temperature; moderate winds, mostly southwest.

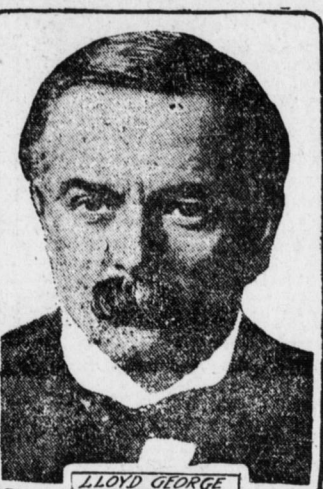
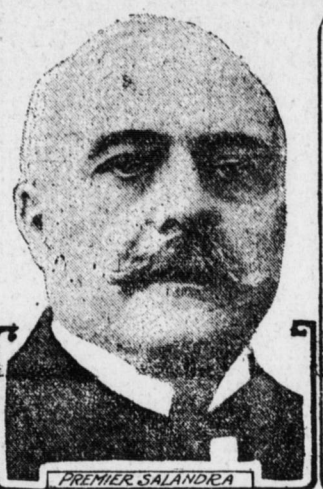
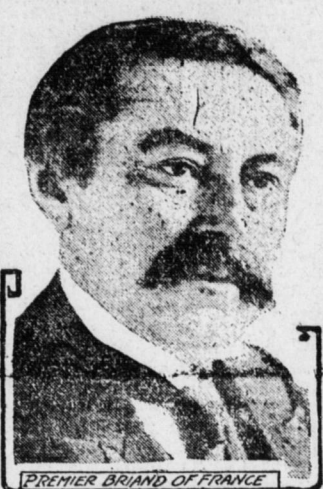
General Conditions: The storm that was central on the North Carolina coast, Tuesday morning, has moved rapidly westward to the Canadian Maritime Provinces.

Temperature: 8 a. m., 24; Sun: Rises, 7:20 a. m.; sets, 4:40 p. m.

Yesterday's Weather: Highest temperature, 24; Lowest temperature, 31; Mean temperature, 32; Normal temperature, 33.

Burn a Candle in the Window on Christmas Eve. In the old legend—a Candle burning from the windows on Christmas Eve signifies Good Will and Welcome and Honor to the Christ Child.

WHAT WILL THEY SAY TO GERMAN PEACE PROPOSALS?



THE MEN WHO MUST DECIDE WHETHER TO QUIT OR FIGHT

BUSINESS SICK 15 YEARS SAYS E. N. HURLEY

200 Members Commerce Chamber Hear Federal Trade Head

RAPS PRICE CUTTING Cut-Throat Methods Based on Principles of Cost Accounting

Two hundred business and professional men attended the Chamber of Commerce luncheon at the Board of Trade building to-day to hear Edward N. Hurley, chairman of the Federal Trade Commission and one of the country's more important successful businessmen.

Mr. Hurley, whose appearance and personality exemplified the clean type of business man that is representative of America, came to this city to talk to the Chamber of Commerce at the request of Vance C. McCormick, chairman of the Democratic National Committee. He was introduced by [Continued on Page 15]

500 Girls Wanted to Play Fairy in Mummer Parade

Wanted—500 girls between 11 and 15 to act as fairies to the queen in the Mummers' parade on New Year's Day. Apply at the stage entrance of Majestic Theater Friday afternoon at 4:45 o'clock for instruction.

Big Voluntary Increase on Penny Rumored

Reports of a general increase in wages for Pennsylvania Railroad employees were widely circulated in Harrisburg and vicinity to-day. One report was to the effect that a general increase of 10 per cent. would be shortly announced, and effective after January 1.

Factory Girls to Take Part in 8-Hour-Day Parade

Cigar factory girls will be a part of the eight-hour-day parade on New Year's day. They will be in line in unique uniforms and will have several floats. The committee in charge of arrangements for this demonstration received the acceptance of the girls last night.

LITTLE HARRISBURG BOY SELLS STAMPS TO GOVERNOR

Richard Johnson, the eleven-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Johnson, of this city, was the first of the school boys of Harrisburg to sell Christmas Red Cross seals to Governor Martin G. Brumbaugh.

CITY TO SETTLE LIGHT QUESTION TUESDAY, BELIEF

Water Earnings Can Readily Be Used to Pay Bill Municipal Circles Contend

CITY TAYLOR'S OPINION "Liberal Construction" of Law Would Keep Down Mill Rate in 1917

City Council, it is confidently believed in municipal circles, will settle definitely at next Tuesday's meeting the question of whether \$68,000 or \$70,000 of the surplus water department earnings will be diverted to the general revenues with a view to paying for the city's electric lighting bill and thus allow from a mill and a quarter to a mill and a half to be lopped from the 1917 tax rate.

If the money would be used for this purpose, Council could amply take care of all its needs in the budget [Continued on Page 5]

1,000 Reported Killed or Wounded in Great Riot

London, Dec. 13.—The Express claims to have reliable information that most serious riots took place in Hamburg on December 7, 8 and 9. It says that it is estimated that more than 20,000 people participated in the rioting and that a thousand were wounded or killed.

New Commander Says He Won't Give Villa Any Rest

Chihuahua City, Mex., Dec. 13.—Villa and his followers will not get a moment's peace until the State of Chihuahua is cleared of all rebellion and brigandage, Gen. Francisco Murguia, the new commander, declared to-day.

Canadian Torpedoboot With All Hands Feared Lost

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 13.—The Canadian torpedoboot Grille, commanded by Lieutenant W. Wingrate, has been lost at sea with all hands, it is feared. At 7:28 p. m., December 12, she called S. O. S. stating her position. At 7:30 p. m. a final message was received "no sinking."

Fight For 8-Hour Day Started by Strike of 60,000 Garment Workers

New York, Dec. 13.—Labor's movement for an eight-hour day was inaugurated among New York's clothing workers to-day with a strike which, coming as it did the city's second great industrial disturbance during 1916, will throw more than 60,000 persons out of work if the leaders' plans are carried out.

VIOLET OAKLEY PAINTINGS TO BE SEEN IN EXHIBIT

First Public View of Senate Murals From 10 to 10 Tomorrow

HISTORIC PAINTINGS Camp Curtin Woven Into Beautiful Story Pictured by Great Artist

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 13.—Invitations have been sent out for to-morrow, from 10 o'clock in the morning till 10 o'clock in the evening by Violet Oakley, for the first public view of her mural paintings to be placed in the Senate Chamber of the State Capitol at Harrisburg.

Rolls of Steel Mill Kill Man About to Marry; Fiance Is Prostrated

South Bethlehem, Pa., Dec. 13.—Caught on a stretcher block on a spindle which drives the heavy rolls of the 12-inch mill in the new merchant mill of the Carnegie Steel Company, Byron L. Pierce, aged 26, was crushed to death yesterday. He was employed as a guide setter.

Plan Extensive Work Among Colored Children

Plans for extensive work among neglected colored children in Harrisburg and Steelton will be made at a big mass meeting to be held in Steelton in January by the Booker T. Washington Leagues of Harrisburg and Steelton.

Losses of Entente Fleet During War 194 Vessels

Berlin, Dec. 13 (By Wireless to Sayville).—Including the loss of the French battleship Suffren, says an Overseas News Agency statement to-day, the total losses of the entente fleet during the present war have been 194 vessels, including torpedoboots and submarines, with a total tonnage of 744,600.

ATTACK WILSON The Koelnische Volkszeitung publishes a sharp attack on President Wilson in connection with the representations to Germany regarding the Belgian deportations.

THREE SHIVER IN SHADOW OF CHAIR AND PRISON WALL

Negro Gunman Sentenced to 18 1-2 Years as Another Begins Trial For Life

GRIP TIGHTENS ON TRIRD Accused Slayer of Patrolman Lewis C. Hipple Fighting Desperately

As William Jackson, charged with shooting Charles Brown, a fellow negro, stepped from the black shadow of the electric chair to the grayer shadow of penitentiary walls for the next eighteen and a half years this [Continued on Page 8]

NISSLEY GIVES HIMSELF UP TO U. S. OFFICER

Steelton Man, Indicted on Charges of Conspiracy and Fraud, Surrenders BAIL FIXED AT \$7,000 Clawson Bachman, Philadelphia Man Indicted, Not Yet Found

A. H. Nissley, of Steelton, Pa., who was indicted by a federal grand jury in Philadelphia last Saturday on charges of conspiracy and using the mails to defraud, surrendered to-day and was held in \$7,000 bail by United States Commissioner Leroy J. Wolfe for trial in the Federal district court at Philadelphia.

He was surrendered by his counsel, Ex-State Senator John E. Fox. It is understood that J. T. Hayden, of Philadelphia, also under indictment on similar charges will surrender later in the day. Clawson Bachman, the third man named in the indictment, has not yet been found, a Philadelphia dispatch states. The three men are charged with defrauding many small investors out of hundreds of thousands of dollars in connection with the purchase of stock of the International Gas and Electric Company.

Four other men are to be indicted in connection with the \$1,500,000 stock swindle unearthed by post office inspectors, according to information received here to-day. It could not be learned whether anyone in this vicinity will be held in connection with the alleged fraud investigation. The indictments will probably be asked for by United States District Attorney Francis Fisher Kane, Philadelphia, at the next meeting of the Federal grand jury. District Attorney Kane announced that the three men will be arraigned next Wednesday to plead to the indictments against them. PHILLIPS TO GO UP Washington, Dec. 13.—William Phillips, third assistant Secretary of State, according to present plans, probably will become the assistant Secretary of State to succeed John E. Osborne who recently resigned.

FIFTY BURNED IN MINE BLAST

Pittsburgh, Kansas, Dec. 13.—Fifty or more men were trapped by an explosion in the Ryan and Reedy coal mine at Stone City, fifteen miles south of here, this afternoon, according to reports received here. Mine rescue crews were hurried from here to Stone City.

LOCAL NEWS FLASHES

Dr. F. E. Downes, Secretary D. D. Hammelbaugh, and members of the special high school committee of the city school board, have returned home after a ten-day inspection trip of high schools in the East and Middle West.

Dorothy Begleser, aged eight years, and her sister, Anna, seven years, were knocked down this afternoon by a motorcycle ridden by J. Palmer, at Sixth and Herf streets, receiving slight injuries.

ARCHDUKE CHARLES, POLISH REGENT

Warsaw, Dec. 13, via London.—Archduke Charles Stephen, of Austria, has been selected to be regent of Poland with the prospect of election as king later.

GOVERNOR TO OPPOSE BRIDGE

Harrisburg.—Governor Brumbaugh has given notice that he will appear before the Public Service Commission to oppose the application of the city for a certificate of public convenience for the proposed Walnut street bridge. The Governor will appear as chairman of the Board of Public Grounds and Buildings which opposes the proposition as interfering with the Capitol Park extension.

Berlin, Dec. 13.—By Wireless.—Fighting is in progress between Greek regular troops and the French, the Overseas News Agency announces. The news agency says the fighting is taking place north of Katerina, about 60 miles southwest of Saloniki, and that the Greeks have a force of 5,000 men.

London, Dec. 13.—The total German casualties, excluding those in the naval and colonial services, reported in the German official list for November, says a British official statement to-day was 166,176 officers and men. This makes the total German losses in killed, wounded and missing since the start of the war 3,921,869.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

William Abner Weiser, Penbrook, and Rachel Elizabeth Gudrun, ety. James M. Gray and Gertrude Hosmer Lockley, Steelton. Barnett Scott, Cresson, and Emma Elmira Ketterer, Reading.