

## GERMANS ADVANCING ON WARSAW

### Kaiser's Forces Now Reported to Be Only Fifteen Miles From Polish Capital

## SPECULATING ON THE CITY'S FALL

### Message From Petrograd Says if Russians Abandon Warsaw It Should Be Regarded a Strategic Operation Rather Than a German Victory

London, Dec. 11, 12.10 P. M.—The reported rout of the Austrian forces in Serbia, the borders of which country they crossed triumphantly just two weeks ago, together with the steady advance of the German center in the direction of Warsaw, on this, the third German invasion of Russian Poland, dominate the war news to-day.

After occupying Lodz the Germans have been pushing to the northeast toward Warsaw along the railroad and one dispatch from Petrograd estimates that they are only 15 miles from the Polish capital, while another message from Petrograd, speculating on the possible fall of Warsaw, warns the Russian people that the abandonment of this city, if such a move becomes necessary, should be regarded as a strategic operation on the part of the Russians rather than a decided German victory. It will be recalled that a similar view was expressed when the Russians retired from Lodz.

Although conceding in effect the progress of the German center, the Russians, judging from dispatches reaching London, contend that the tide is running in their favor in the sanguinary fighting south of Cracow, where combined Austro-German forces are endeavoring to move northward. They declare, moreover, that they are holding in check the German forces pushing down toward Warsaw from East Prussia.

Petrograd, via London, Dec. 11, 4.25 A. M.—The attack of the Austro-German army in Poland appears to have lost its impetus with the advance of General Haekens's army, which is unofficially reported between Lowicz and Warsaw only about fifteen miles from the Polish capital.

The other armies are advancing but little, if any, and the attempt from the south of Cracow seems entirely repulsed, according to reports. Neither the siege of Cracow nor of Przemyel has been relieved, it has been stated, which was the main aim of the Austro-German offensive.

## DREADNOUGHTS A NECESSITY

### Needed to Maintain Strength of Great Powers at Sea, Says Daniels

Washington, Dec. 11.—The dominating necessity of dreadnoughts to maintain the strength of great powers at sea, with submarine boats and submarine mines as minor essentials, was emphasized to-day by Secretary Daniels before the House Naval Committee. He declared that if a foreign foe came to attack the United States the battleships would first be relied upon and then would come the submarines and mines.

Mr. Daniels reiterated that the European war so far had demonstrated the wisdom of the naval program outlined for this session of Congress.

"Battleships," he said, "are the only ships we can rely on to command the seas."  
"We have to-day," said Secretary Daniels, "more and larger, speedier, more improved battleships than ever before, with a greater tonnage than ever before and with greater range than ever before and far greater destructive power. Undoubtedly we have more complete auxiliary craft, submarines, torpedo boats and more submarines, much better coast defense, more men than ever before and the men far more efficient, better educated and more completely equipped than in the history of the country."

### Carnegie Against Truce Over Christmas

Washington, Dec. 11.—Andrew Carnegie, a White House caller to-day, expressed decided opposition to a truce in the European war during the Christmas holidays. He declared that it would be unchristian-like and immoral to stop the fighting and then begin it again.

### Spaniards Executed at Tampico

Washington, Dec. 11.—Two Spanish subjects, Vicente Vidal and Eduardo Basual, have been executed at Tampico by General Caballero, the Carranza commander.

### Dr. J. W. Bealor Dies at Shamokin

Shamokin, Pa., Dec. 11.—Dr. J. W. Bealor, one of the oldest and best known physicians of the anthracite coal fields, died here to-day.

## LATE WAR NEWS SUMMARY

Both the French and German official statements of to-day indicated that the new attempt of the allies to throw back the Germans in Belgium has been checked, and that in the region of Ypres the Germans have not only hurled back the oncoming forces, but in turn have made an advance.

The Paris announcement states that several German attacks were made and that three of them were completely repulsed. It is admitted, however, that at one point the Germans succeeded in reaching one of the first line trenches of the allies. Elsewhere in Flanders, however, continued progress is reported. The German statement merely says that gains have been made in Flanders.

The fighting in the Argonne region continues to be the subject of conflicting claims. The French War Office asserts that two German attacks there were repulsed and that the allies have pushed forward several trenches. Berlin reports progress east and west of the Argonne forest. Each official statement, moreover, tells of advantages won in the artillery encounter, which apparently is proceeding with undiminished intensity.

The Berlin War Office states, as Petrograd virtually concedes, that the German advance in Poland is continuing. The situation in East Prussia, where the Russians have invaded German territory, remains unchanged and there is no further news from the battle for the possession of Cracow, Galicia.

It is admitted unofficially in Petrograd to-day that German troops are sweeping across Russian Poland and are now about 15 miles from Warsaw. The army of General Mackensen apparently is striking forward rapidly, although it is said that the other invad-

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## BRITISH SQUADRON ALSO SINKS NURNBERG, FOURTH SHIP OF VON SPEE'S FLEET

London, Dec. 11.—The great British naval victory of Tuesday off the Falkland Islands was made complete yesterday by the official announcement that the Nurnberg, one of the two light German cruisers that escaped destruction in the first action, was overtaken by Sir Frederick Doveton Sturdee's squadron and sent to join her fellows, and by a dispatch from Buenos Aires indicating that the swift Dresden, the sole survivor of Admiral von Spee's forces, had taken refuge in the Straits of Magellan, where she is bottled up between the British and Japanese squadrons.

The Buenos Aires dispatches at the same time give the first hint as to the magnitude of the efforts put forth by the admiralty to round up the German raiders, in the statement that Vice Admiral Sturdee has at least nine ships under his flag, including the battleships Albemarle and Hindustan and the huge battle cruiser Lion, indefatigable and indomitable.

Previous reports from South American points have indicated the presence in those waters of the armored cruisers Carnarvon and Defence, and the battleship Canopus still remains of Sir Christopher Cradock's squadron.

Inasmuch as the least of these ships would reasonably be figured a match for either of the larger German ships the awful odds piled up against Admiral von Spee are apparent.

That the three battle cruisers alone should have been detached from Admiral Beatty's battle cruiser division, and the splendid service they performed in the fight of August 28 off Heligoland, is of itself a sufficient indication of the importance attached by the admiralty to the task at the same time of averting Sir Christopher Cradock's squadron and clearing the ocean of Germans.

Berlin, via London, Dec. 11, 8.20 A. M.—In a statement issued to-day the German admiralty makes this comment on the British naval victory in the South Atlantic off the Falkland Islands:

"The British Admiralty does not say in its statement of the battle, that our squadron had been on the high seas for four months without means of communication, either cable or otherwise, and had been without any port where it could put in for repairs or supplies. Despite this it always obtained coal."

In a previous official statement the Admiralty reproached the communication of the British Admiralty regarding the sinking of the German cruisers and added:

"Our losses seem to have been great. Concerning the strength of the enemy, whose losses are reported to be small, the English dispatch says nothing."

## WILL GIVE AWAY TRUMPET

### To Be Presented to Fire Company Having Largest Attendance at Tabernacle Tuesday Night

Plans are being made by Colonel Henry C. Demming, president of the Firemen's Union, to present to the fire company having the largest attendance at the Stough tabernacle next Tuesday night with a \$20 trumpet. The donor of the trumpet has not yet been announced.

## TO ACT ON EXTRA WEEK FOR STOUGH

### Executive Committee Will Provide for Raising Expenses to Continue Campaign

## DEMONSTRATION NEXT THURSDAY

### Most Spectacular Event of the Seven Weeks Promised in Monster Parade of City Churches and Sunday Schools

Following the expression of public opinion at the tabernacle last night, favoring a continuation of the Stough evangelistic campaign another week, the executive committee of the campaign will meet late this afternoon to take formal action on the matter. Officers of the committee who believe they have sensed the wishes of the other members say that there will be no question about the action of the body, and that the campaign will continue another week, closing Monday, December 21. The principal business of the committee meeting, they say, will be to provide for the expenses that will naturally arise during the additional week of tabernacle meetings.

These expenses, not provided for in the \$19,000 budget, which, of course, covered only six weeks, will include board and partial salary for members of the Stough party, heating and lighting the tabernacle and maintaining a janitor and a watchman, and also telegrapher hire and rental at the South Third street tabernacle. They will, no doubt, be met by collections at the tabernacle.

The offering for the personal benefit of Dr. Stough, on which he depends for his only remuneration for his seven weeks' work, will be taken this Sunday, but the closing Sunday, December 20.

### Big Parade Next Thursday

Preparations have been under way for a big time next week. The most spectacular event, not only of the closing week but of the entire campaign, promises to be the parade of members of churches and Sunday schools of the city next Thursday night. There will be bands, torches, red lights, banners and everything that goes with a parade.

At the tabernacle last night there were seventy-five trail-hitters. The subject of Dr. Stough's sermon was, "Behold! I Stand at the Door and Knock." Several gray-haired veterans of the Civil war, who had marched with Post 55, G. A. R., to the meeting, were among the penitents. A collection taken during the campaign because it has merged its efforts with those of the Stough party, amounted to \$332.72.

### High Schools at Tabernacle

To-night will be high school night at the tabernacle, when boys and girls will be present from surrounding towns as the guests of the local high school students. The high schools of the following towns will be represented: Camp Hill, Middletown, Hummelstown, Marysville, West Fairview, Pleasant View, Highspire, Enola, Steelton, New Cumberland, Pottsville, Lemoyne, Oberlin and Mechanicsburg. Students of Technical and Central high schools will meet the delegations and conduct them to the tabernacle.

The lecture by Dr. Stough to women only at the tabernacle to-morrow afternoon will be on the subject, "Mysteries and Tragedies of Motherhood."

## 30 EXTRA AIDS TO SANTA

### Postmaster Will Put on 15 More Trained Carriers and 15 More Clerks For Christmas Rush

The rush of mail in this city in the Christmas season, said Postmaster Frank C. Sites this morning, will require the employment of well-trained substitute carriers and fifteen trained clerks in addition to the regular post-office force.

While no mail was permitted to lay over last year, the last package being delivered at 4 o'clock Christmas afternoon, Mr. Sites is expecting to finish at an earlier hour this year.

The parcel post mailing room, opposite the Evangelical Publishing House on North Second street, that was used last Christmas, will be opened again in the early part of next week. In the window of this room can be seen a large display of packages properly packed for mailing.

This room was of much value last Christmas, as it greatly relieved the congested condition around the windows in the main postoffice.

## 60,000 SEALS IN SCHOOLS

### Red Cross Stamps Will Be Distributed on Monday

Ten thousand more Red Cross Christmas seals will be sold this year than last in the city schools, according to plans now being formed by a special committee in charge of the sale of the seals in the schools. The school authorities this morning received 60,000 seals for distribution to the various buildings, which will begin Monday.

## CONGRESSMAN PAYNE DIED AS HE PHONED FOR DOCTOR

### The Republican Leader Was Stricken With Heart Failure in His Wash- ington Apartments and Expired Without Friend or Relative Near

By Associated Press.  
Washington, Dec. 11.—Associates in Congress of Representative Seneca E. Payne, of Auburn, N. Y., were profoundly shocked to learn to-day of his sudden death from heart failure. He died here at such a late hour last night that few were apprised of the fact until to-day. The end came as all the more of a shock to his friends because he had apparently been in the best of health and was in his seat in the House as usual yesterday.

Mr. Payne died without a friend or relative near. His body was found shortly after 11 o'clock lying on the floor of his apartments beside the telephone, which he had but a few moments before used to ask the house clerk that a physician be sent for. The coroner pronounced death as due to heart failure, complicated with organic troubles. The body will be taken to his old home at Auburn, N. Y., for interment. Committees from both houses of Congress will attend the funeral.

Mr. Payne's death was to be announced officially in both houses of Congress to-day. Following the usual custom, resolutions of sympathy were to be adopted, committees appointed to attend the funeral and, as a mark of respect to Mr. Payne's memory, both houses were to adjourn.

Mr. Payne's death removes a notable figure from the House. He served in that body for more than a quarter of a century, during which time he had taken a conspicuous part in the framing of tariff measures, having been recognized as one of the foremost authorities on the subject. Mr. Payne was elected to the Forty-eighth Congress and was returned thereafter to every Congress, except the Fiftieth.

Congressman Payne represented the Thirty-sixth, or Auburn district, in New York, and was 71 years old. He graduated from the University of Rochester in 1864 and was admitted to the bar in 1866. He was District Attorney of Cayuga county from 1873 to 1879, and president of the Auburn Board of Education from 1879 to 1882.

Mr. Payne was the "Father of the House," having served fifteen terms, although they were not continuous. His Congressional career began March 1, 1889, in the Forty-eighth Congress, and he had held his seat ever since, with the exception of the Fiftieth Congress.

As chairman of the Ways and Means Committee of the House during the Taft Administration he framed the Payne-Aldrich tariff bill. He was re-elected last month to the Sixty-fourth Congress.

The funeral services will be held Sunday, at 10.30 a. m. in the hall of the House of Representatives. No such services have been held there since the death of Representative Nelson W. Dingley.

## WILL ASK STATE TO PAY CITY FOR 2 FIRE HOUSES

### Local Authorities Have Plan to Have Appropriation Bill Introduced— Capitol Park Extension Commission Is Said to Favor It

A bill carrying an appropriation to reimburse the city of Harrisburg for turning over the two fire houses in the park extension district to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, will be introduced in the Legislature at the next session which opens in January, the heads of the fire department have learned.

It is said that the Capitol Park Extension Commission favors reimbursing the city and a special appropriation bill for that purpose will be sent to the Legislature with the backing of that commission. For this reason no provision was made in the annual budget of Fire Commissioner Taylor for the building of new fire houses outside the park zone for the Citizen and Mt. Vernon companies.

The fire houses of the Citizen and Mt. Vernon companies were turned over to the State when the city property was vacated for park purposes, but the city was permitted to continue to use those houses temporarily and will be granted the privilege of using them until such time as other quarters are provided for.

What plans will be made, of course, will depend on the amount of money coming from the State. When asked what are the future plans of the department in this matter, Fire Chief Kindler said to-day:

"We have only talked over the thing in a general way and nothing definite will be done until the Legislature adjourns."

The Capitol Park Extension Commission announced to-day that thus far this month it has purchased ten additional properties in the Eight-ward which is being acquired by the State for Capitol Park extension purposes. None of the properties is of much value, but all had to be bought, and the owners came to the commission's terms and agreed to the sale. The deeds will be made out to the State in due time, when the names of the owners and locations of the properties will be made known.

Thus far the large properties that remain to be purchased have not been the subject of a conference between the owners and the commission, but it is expected that during the winter months some agreement as to valuation will be arrived at and the properties pass to the State.

Almost three-fourths of the properties on the extension plan have now been purchased. A sale of old buildings will be held by the State some time this month.

## WEEKS IN FAVOR OF ARMY RESERVE

### But Senator Declares Too Much Publicity Is Given to Nation's Military Affairs

## PERSONNEL OF NAVY PRAISED

### Says Naval Establishment Is in Class With That of Germany and France and Second Only to That of Great Britain

Washington, Dec. 11.—Declaring that there has been too much publicity of the military affairs of the nation, Senator Weeks, of Massachusetts, in a speech in the Senate to-day opposed agitation for special investigation of military preparations, praised the strength and personnel of the navy and urged the organization of an army reserve.

"Any one may learn about our military or naval establishment by reading the reports of the secretaries of the Departments and the reports of those who are conducting the different bureaus and branches of the service," said the Senator. "It is an open book to all our citizens and there need be no doubt about our relative position or our capabilities if one is disposed to study reports instead of seeking notoriety in the press."

### Value of Secrecy Apparent

"In fact, there is and has been altogether too much publicity in such matters, in my judgment. We have had a demonstration during the present European war of the value of secrecy in conducting military operations and there is no reason why we should spread broadcast what we are doing or what preparations we have made. I have no doubt every European country is informed in the most minute detail of our condition, both on land and sea, and if any change in our methods is to be made it should not be in the direction of greater publicity, but should be to protect our operations even in time of peace from scrutiny both at home and abroad."

While expressing the hope that the European war would be the last great war and nations would "see the folly of maintaining such great military establishments as great European countries have done and that a general agreement will be made which will provide for at least a partial disarmament," Senator Weeks maintained it was the part of wisdom to consider what course to follow in case such a result should not come.

### Not Wise to Change Policy

"At this time," he continued, "it does not seem to me that it is wise or prudent to take any action which will change our policy or add to our naval equipment except by an omnibus appropriation which can be expended under the direction of the general board of the navy, with the shortest time as the Secretary of the Navy and the President. Based on the experience of the past, our naval establishment is in a class with that of Germany and France and probably second only to that of Great Britain."

Senator Weeks maintained that the army was insufficient and proposed its reorganization not for the purpose of increasing the permanent, the active, army but for the organization of a reserve corps which would make available large forces of trained soldiers at all times. "If the military experts are right," he said, "that the country needs a force of 500,000 trained men supplemented by from one hundred thousand to two hundred thousand volunteers to give it a reasonable chance of protection against a probable foe, and that the 500,000 men will be needed at once on the outbreak of war—organized as fighting machine—it would appear that the defense provided at present by Congress is inadequate and practically worthless, and that the money spent on this defense are largely wasted."

### Would Reorganize Regular Army

"I believe," said the Senator, "that laws should be passed at once which will reorganize the regular army. This reorganization should give to the mobile army the proper proportion of infantry, field artillery, cavalry, engineers, signal, sanitary troops, the needed ammunition and supply trains, and provide for properly equipped depots. The law must provide that the men serve the shortest time with the colors necessary to train them as soldiers and then pass them as soon as trained to a reserve, and that while serving in this reserve the men must be paid. Make the enlistment aged 18 to 21, with consent of parents, and 25 as limit for first enlistment."

In addition to the national reserve force the Senator would have a similar reserve organized under the State militia and urged laws to provide skilled military trainers for volunteers.

## TO BUY AUTO APPARATUS

### New Cumberland Fire Company to Dispose of Horse and Hose Wagon

Plans being well advanced for the purchase of a motor-driven combination chemical and hose fire apparatus, the Citizens' Fire Company, of New Cumberland, will hold a special meeting this evening to decide on how to dispose of the present horse and vehicle after the new one is purchased.

The fire company had agreed to raise half the fund necessary for the purchase of the new auto if the town Council would provide half and the purchase of one is now practically assured.

## TEN DEALERS SELL GOAT MEAT FOR MUTTON CHOPS

### Pure Food Agent Discovers Guileless Philadelphians Have Been Victims of Tricky Merchants and Prosecutions Follow

Philadelphians who have been purchasing mutton chops and other cuts of sheep meat will be interested in a statement from the Pure Food Department this morning that the pugnacious goat has been butting in on the mutton market, and that's no kid.

Agent Simmers, of the department, had his suspicions that all was not mutton that was offered for sale as such in Philadelphia markets, and he communicated his suspicions to Pure Food Commissioner Foust. Simmers was directed to make purchases of the alleged mutton chops and other sheep meat exposed for sale and have them analyzed by the State chemist.

He made purchases from ten different dealers, sent the meat to the chemist and was informed that what had been masquerading as sheep was really inferior goat, whereupon the matter was reported to headquarters in Harrisburg. To-day Commissioner Foust directed Agent Simmers to bring suit against milk, fruit and soft drinks.

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Forty-one prosecutions were ordered by the Pure Food Commissioner to-day, outside of the ten goat meat sellers in Philadelphia. There were nine prosecutions for selling rotten fish and four for selling rotten eggs. There were also prosecutions for selling adulterated milk, fruit and soft drinks.

## AUDITOR PLANS TO FIGHT

### Riegel Announces Determination Not to Accept Cut in Pay Ordered by Commissioners

Francis W. Riegel, one of the county auditors, it was learned to-day, has declared to a county official that he will not accept the terms of the County Commissioners who reduced his bill of charges for Riegel's part in making the 1913 county audit, from 93 days at the rate of \$3 a day to 63 days.

Mr. Riegel further intimated that he will bring legal action against the Commissioners, and it now is believed in County House circles that the auditors jointly will employ counsel and mandamus to the county heads and require them to show why they should not recognize the auditors' bills.

John W. Cassel, president of the board of auditors, has not yet presented his bill, although from estimates based on a time record kept by the County Controller, the Commissioners practically have agreed to pay him for twenty-eight days and a fraction. Mr. Cassel thus far has not referred to his bill except to say that he is too busy to prepare it.

The auditors contend, it is said, that the Commissioners are without authority to fix the number of hours that shall constitute a day's work.

## ADMITS HOLTZMAN ROBBERY

### James Reedy Confesses in Police Court to the Stealing of \$87 From Cash Register

James Reedy, who has been in jail under bail on a charge of larceny of sweaters from Kline's lively stable on South River street, to-day confessed in police court to robbing the cigar store of Lester G. Holtzman, Market and Dewberry streets, on the morning of November 21 of \$87.

Reedy, according to the police, was in the store on the previous night until it was closed and saw that the money was placed in the cash register. According to his confession to the police he later climbed the fire escape and unfastening a window made his entrance. He was arrested within twenty-four hours with Tony Camella in a stable on Dewberry street and charged with gambling, but that charge was dropped when the sweater he was wearing was identified as one stolen from the Kline stable. Reedy broke down yesterday and confessed to the police that he robbed the Holtzman store. Mayor Royal remanded him to jail in default of \$500 bail.

## SMITH COST COUNTY \$602

### The Court Has Not Yet Committed In- sane Youth to an Asylum

The case of Edward G. Smith, the youth accused of murdering his grandfather, John E. Bush, in Inglenook, and whom a jury has declared to be insane, cost Dauphin county at least \$602.69.

The expense incident to Smith's capture, the summoning of witnesses and the detective's inquiry totaled \$279.69, a bill for which was presented this morning to the County Commissioners by Detective James T. Walters. The witness fees and the court costs totaled \$323.

The court has not yet made an order committing Smith to a hospital for the insane.

### Search for Newport Youth

Chief of Police Hutchison is to-day aiding W. H. Leach, of Newport, in a country-wide search for his son, Foster Hutchison, 19 years old, who has been missing since August 19. Cards are being sent to all of the principal cities asking that a search be made. The young man has an artificial right leg below the knee and a toe is missing from his left foot. He walks with a cane.

## \$545,000 IS TOTAL OF BUDGET

### Bowman Reiterates This Will Permit Re- duction of Half Mill in the Tax Rate

## FINAL PRUNING NEXT MONDAY

### Between \$30,000 and \$40,000 Report- ed Left in General Fund for the Present Year—Measure Will Go in Tuesday and Likely Pass Friday

With the exception of the park fund, which could not be reached, all of the departmental budget estimates for the new year were examined by the City Commissioners who were in executive session for three hours until late yesterday afternoon. The tentative budget, as it now stands, contains appropriations totaling a trifle more than \$549,000. This includes allowances for parks. This will be pared down to \$545,000, an amount proportionately lower than the \$510,000 budget for the present fiscal period, because the present fiscal "year" is actually only nine months, whereas the 1915 fiscal period will be the full 12 months.

There was \$55,000 additional expended from the tax revenues in the present fiscal nine months, to pay off old debts, which practically made the 1914 budget \$565,000. The 1913 budget, for 12 months, was \$529,129.12 and that for 1912, \$509,173.65. In both 1913 and 1912, as well as in 1914, the tax rate was 9/16 mills.

Despite reports to the contrary, Harry P. Bowman, Commissioner of Public Safety, to-day reiterated that the tax rate will be reduced from nine and one-half mills to nine mills. He added that the Park Department requests will be considered by the City Commissioners on Monday when they will meet again in extraordinary session, and he stated further that what pruning of appropriations will be necessary to cut down the tax rate will be done at that meeting.

The budget measure at the Monday meeting will be prepared for printing so that it may be passed on first reading at the Tuesday session of the Commissioners and be approved finally at a special session which probably will be held on the following Friday.

### 9-Mill Rate Sure, Says Bowman

When the budget is finally prepared it will contain appropriations totaling something like \$545,000 or approximately \$4,000 less than the total department estimates, indicating, Mr. Bowman said, that few cuts will be made in the estimates at the Monday meeting. Most of the requests for new funds for improvements or other innovations will be allowed, although the

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## W. VAN DYKE TO GET PLUM

### Said to Be Practically Certain to Be Appointed Revenue Collector

The hint has been given to the various Democratic aspirants for the position of Collector of Internal Revenue in this district, made vacant by the creation of the Scranton district, to which Collector Kirkendall has been assigned, that the place has been promised to Warren Van Dyke, secretary of the Democratic State Committee, and that it will be a waste of time for any other applicants to make any further efforts to land the plum.

Mr. Van Dyke is a native of Carbon county, but has been a resident of this district for the last three years, having come here as resident secretary for the Democratic State Committee. It is expected that his name will be put in soon, as Congressman Palmer has had several conferences with President Wilson in the last week.

## 'POISON' PROVES TO BE SALTS

### Man Charged With Attempting to Poi- son 18 Is Discharged

The report of the chemist, who had the analyzing of the white powder, that it was charged Andrew Melitrowick had placed in the sauerkraut which was being cooked by Mrs. John Policie, was read last night at the hearing of Melitrowick, who was charged with trying to poison eighteen people, the chemist reported that the powder was nothing but epsom salts. As no further evidence was offered Alderman Nicholas discharged the case.

Melitrowick immediately preferred charges of assault and battery against Policie, claiming that Policie had struck him in the face in the Alderman's office, but as none of the witnesses that he claim saw it would testify, Alderman Nicholas was compelled to discharge this case also.

## Wilson Plays Golf in Snow Flurry

Washington, Dec. 11.—President Wilson played golf to-day in a heavy snow flurry. He went out to Virginia links during the first snow of the season and played the entire course.