# BY 15,000 TROOPS

Carranza Forces Pouring Hot Fire Into Saltillo From Mountains **About City** 

### HUNDREDS ARE REPORTED DEAD

With Fifteen Cannon the Constitution alist Troops Began Their Desperate Assault on the City About 3 O'clock This Morning

By Associated Press.

Laredo, Tex., Jan. S .- An attack or Villa troops in Saltillo was begun by about 15,000 Constitutionalist troops about 3 a. m. to-day. Early reports from the battle said that hundreds already had been killed or wounded. The Carranza forces were attacking from mountains about the city and were pouring in a fire from fifteen cannon.

The Villa troops occupied Saltillo two days ago by a trick and without a fight. The Carranza forces under General Antonio I. Villareal had evacuated the city to proceed against Villa forces which they met and defeated at La Brisa and Marte.

Meanwhile, however, another Villa force had marched through the mounentered the city. The Carranza army returned in force early to-day.

Reports at noon from Carranza sources claimed that the advantage lay with the besiegers but with the battle

Saltillo is about 150 miles from the American border in the State of Coahuila, where Carranza started his revo-

Washington, Jan. 8 .- General Villa' intention to attack the Carranza gar rison at Naco was communicated to the War Department to-day in official dispatches from army observers on the frontier. Secretary Garrison said, how ever, that the information came from the American side of the border.

from Eagle Pass said it was reported Wednesday and that Villa troops reoccupied the city the same day. Tele aph and rail communication is interrurted between Saltillo and the north.

Department dispaches to-day

The Carranza agency here to-day is sued the following statement, based on its reports from Vera Cruz:

'In the streets of Puebla seven hundred dead were gathered up and dead Villa troops were found scattered for thirty miles outside the city. More than two thousand Villa troops surrendered voluntarily. The railroad from to Vera Cruz is being kept

### MR. M'CUBBIN HONORED

Selected to Speak on "Profit Sharing" at the Convention of the National Retail Drygoods Association

Mr. T. P. McCubbin, manager of the Bowman & Co. store in this city, has accepted an invitation to address the National Retail Drygoods Association on the subject of "Profit Sharing," at a convention to be held at the Hotel Kniekerbocker, New York City, on Feb-ruary 10.

Knickerbocker, New York Truary 10.

'Profit Sharing' is attracting much attention throughout the country, especially in the large department stores, pecially in the large department stores. British government is to make is uncertain. It probably will be within pecially in the large department stores. Bowman & Co. were pioneers in the movement to share profits with employes and have studied the proposition and improved on original plans until a very satisfactory system has been worked out. This system has proved so satisfactory, in fact, that merchants in other cities have written for details, and it is the suggestion of many that it should be made the subject of the leading address at the next meeting of the national body.

Mr. McCubbin is an enthusiastic advocate of "Profit Sharing" and has made an exhaustive study of the subject. His wide experience qualifies him to speak authoritatively on the subject. The National Retail Drygoods Asso-

National Commission to Handle Defense
Chicago, Jan. 8.—The defense of organized baseball against the anti-trust
suit instituted by the Federal League
will be handled entirely by the National Commission, it was announced today on the return of President Johnson of the American League.

## GERMANS MAKE FURTHER GAINS IN THE ARGONNE FOREST; REPULSE FRENCH

Berlin Jan. 8, By Wireless to London, 3.05 P. M.—In the official statement issued at Berlin to-day te Germans announce they have made further gains in the Argonne forest, in France, and that attempts of the French to advance in the vicinity of Rheims and in the Vosges mountains have been repulsed. The statement adds that fighting is still in progress for the Alsatian

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In Russian Poland, where unfavorable weather is interfering with military operations, the Germans report the capture of 1,600 prisoners. The text of the communication follows:

"In the western theatre of the war the continuous rains swamped the ground in Flanders more and more and our operations in consequence are very much hindered. To the east of Rheims the French attempted during the night to take one of our outer trenches but

much hindered. To the east of Rheims the French attempted during the night to take one of our outer trenches but they were driven back into their own positions by a counter attack, losing fifty prisoners. In the center and in the eastern part of the Argonne we made further progress.

"A night attack by the French against our positions on the Buchenkopf, south of Diedolshausen, in the Vosges, was repulsed. Repeated French attacks on a height to the west of Sennheim (Cernay) broke down under our artillery fire. We took two officers and more than 100 men as prisoners. Fighting still is going on for the village of Oberburnhaupt (Burnhaupt-Le-Haut), to the south of Sennheim.

"Unfavorable weather also is being experienced in the eastern theatre of the war. On the east Prussian frontier and in northern Poland, the situation remains unchanged. East of the Rawka river our attacks are incorrects.

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## force had marched through the moun-tains to the southeast of Saltillo and ON SKIS, FRENCH ALPINE TROOPS CHARGE GERMANS

St. Die, Department of Vosges, France, Jan. 6—Via Paris, Jan. 8, 11.01 A. M.—A brilliant exploit by French Alpine troops who charged on skis down the snow-cycered mountain slopes at Bonhomme, a post on the Alsatian frontier, forced the Germans to retire on Obov. five miles down the retire on Obbey, five miles down the

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The Germans held the railroad from a St. Marie to St. Croix, menseing St. a Die, where the French heavy artillery opened fire on January 3. At the same a time the Alpine troops leading the way for French infantry, advanced on the a German customs house at Diedolshausen, near Bonhomme.

A strong German detachment with quick-frers held the roate, but the winding nature of the road prevented the Germans from fring more than 700 yards along it. The French advanced to within this distance of the Germans while the Alpine troops began to climp the heights to attack the Germans on their flank.

Further negotiations between the two overnments concerning specific cases of detection of Armenda will

announcement made here last night. Representatives of the concern declare the order is the largest ever given by any of the warring nations for a single shipment of chocolate.

## ABBOTT AND PENNYPACKER IN HOT CLASH THIS MORNING

vania and Reading Railroad Companies, and railroad officials. Several of the attorneys had been heard when that phase of the question requiring argument from Mr. Abbott came up.

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As Mr. Abbott advanced to begin his argument he was stopped by Chairman Pennypacker, who reminded him that he had filed fifteen questions with the Commissioner Johnson had conversed with a railroad official on the proposed acmissioner Johnson had conversed with a railroad official on the proposed action of the Commission in the matter of passeager rates before such action had been made public. At this point Commissioner Pennypacker quoted the law defining the rights of the Commissioners and held that Commissioner Johnson was clearly within the law when he held converse with the railroad officer.

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"What Commissioner Johnson did," said Commissioner Pennypacker, "was especially provided for. We have secured the methods of procedure of fifteen Public Service Commissions in as many States, and find that each pursues the same course. These letters will be printed. It is our intention in the future, when it is necessary to secure information, to pursue the same course. Commissioner Johnson was doing just what he was entitled to do."

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with half a smile on his face, and when Commissioner Pennypacker seemed to finish Mr. Abbott moved up as if about to speak. Then Commissioner Pennypacker again halted him with:

"Your questions were entirely irrelevant, and filing them was not even considered. We cannot overlook the fact that they are not on record. The Commission will give you the opportunity to withdraw the questions."

"If you please—" said Mr. Abbott. He was interrupted by Mr. Pennypack.

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"We don't want to hear any argu-

Mr. Abbott apparently was not in the least perturbed. Walking up to the desk, he said:

"I am going to reply to your re-

tions in the Senate."

Commissioner Pennypacker here told Mr. Abbott that attorneys were having a hearing before the Commission not as a matter of right, but on sufferance. During the very scrappy scene the attorneys looked on amazed, but Abbott held his own, and proceeded with his argument, carrying it to a conclusion. The hearing was resumed this afternoon.

## WAR RECORD WHEAT PRICES

Turkey by Italy had an explosive effect with buyers.

their flank.

Progress was slow and 'the dark forms of the soldiers, outlined against the snow, made excellent marks for the German sharpshooters. Many of the men rolled down the steep slopes, leaving erimson stains behind. The survivors pushed forward until they gained the shelter of the pines at the summit.

Then began an exciting charge on the Germans at Diedolshausen. The Alpine soldiers on their skis slid down the mountain side at a dizzy speed while the infantry in the road below opened fire on the Germans. Caught between two fires the Germans gave way, fighting obstinately along the five-miles of their retreat.

With Duyers,

On second wave of buying, May wheat went to \$1.40 a bushel, the high-cet stigure with few exceptions in fifty vears, the parallel thus going back broadly to the American Civil war. To day's high prices were supported by dispatches telling of excitement in the grain trade at Liverpool, and admitting that demand there was keen.

In the next hour another tent a bushel was added to previous values, so that May wheat here was quoted at \$1.41 a bushel. Meanwhile it was an nounced that bids from Great Britain at the American scaboard had risen four cents, as compared with yesterday. It was also stated that a largo of Durbum wheat had been sold at the rate of \$2.07 a bushel, delivered in Italy. Alony ago it was thought a marvel to get \$1.99½ for Durum that

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London, Jan. 8, 2.06 P. M.—Anmbassador Page to-day received from the British government the preliminary reply to the American note protesting against the British interference with American shipping. He forwarded it immediately to Washington.

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A Busy Commission

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Rexall Dyspepsia Tablet

before and after each meal. 25c a box. George A. Gorgas.

# **ASTRICH'S**

## Great January Clearance Sale

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Bigger and Better Bargains Than Ever Hundreds of Special Items for Saturday

Millinery, Suits, Coats, Dresses, Furnishings, Fancy Goods Etc.

See Circular Left At Your Door for Particulars

## ICE ON THE RIVER BREAKS AT 3 A. M.

desk, he said:

"I am going to reply to your remarks. This law does not give Commissioner Johnson any authority to do as he did. I have no apology to make. I am here to appear for my clients, and I will be heard." (This he said very loudly and heatedly.)

"Do I understand that you will not withdraw the irrelevant questions?" asked Mr. Pennypacker.

Mr. Abbott paused and then said he would withdraw the questions. "But," he added, "they will be placed before the Committee on Executive Nominations in the Senate."

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It was 3 o'clock this morning when the east channel opened finally to allow a free running of the iee.

The ice at the last measurement at this point was from 8 to 12 inches this present degree. Some of the iee flowing past Harrisburg this morning was 12 to 14 inches thick. The river stage increased during the night faster than was anticipated and the ice moved out on seven feet of water, the stage increasing to 9.2 feet at 8 o'clock this morning. A stage of between six and seven feet was expected for this morning.

## HOME RELIEF WORK HELPS ONE WOMAN FROM BEGGING

two less and that counts almost as much with many of the needy families of the letty, as does the relief itself.

York, Pa., Jan. 8.—An autopsy performed following the death to-day of 22-year-old Ethel Wright, of Ref Lion, war here, revealed a large back toold lodged in her right lung.

Nine weeks ago all of the girl's upper teeth were extracted by a York dentist and it is believed that one of them unobserved slipped down her windpipe. The infection produced page.

whisington, Jan. S.—Secretary, Englished be made the subject of the British government's the heading address at the next meeting of the national body.

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The National Retail Drygoods Association includes in its membership proprietors of large drygoods and department stores in the principal cities throughout the country. The selection of Mr. McClubbin as the person to add the strong that the country of the British steamer Charges which will make a subject is regarded as a recognition of the progress Harrisburg has made in the movement.

SMOKE-EATERS LOCKED OUT

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## CAPITOL HILL ATTACK WOOD PULP RATES

Paper Mill Men Say Pennsy's Charges Are Too High and Railroads Put / factory physical connection with it in Vigorous Denial

The advance of 10 cents a ton by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, for the transportation of pulp wood from points both within and without the State of Pennsylvania to paper mills located at Tyrone, Williamsburg, Lock Haven, Roaring Spring, York Haven

It was also explained that the respondents, in common with other carriers, in this section of the country, have for a number of years been faced with the urgent necessity of increasing their net revenue if their properties are to be maintained so as adequately to serve the public and their credit is to be such as to enable them to secure new control of the such as to be a such as to enable them to secure new control of the such as to be a such as to enable them to secure new control of the such as to be a such as to enable them to secure new control of the such as to be a such as to enable them to be a such as to enable them to be a such as to enable them to be an under the such as to be a such as to enable them to be a such as to be a such to Have Boxes Furnished of Ma-terials Which Will Maintain a unjust and unreasonable. Standy residence are unjust and unreasonable.

Company of America, as to the demurrage regulations of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company; the objection of the Lehigh Valley Coal Company and Kelly Brothers Coal Company, of Snow Shoe to the rates of the Bell Telephone Com pany, and the complaint of the Norwich Telephone Company of McKean coun ty, that the Bell refuses to make satis

## COURT HOUSE

COURT NAMES TIPSTAVES

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Western Maryland
W. U. Telegraph
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## SCENE FROM "TWIN BEDS" AT THE MAJESTIC TO-MORROW



two pair socks, two knitted scarfs, two scarfs, one petticoat, twenty-four baby blankets, one pair baby socks, one pound of wool, knitting needles, eight pair of sabot linings, twelve shawls, woman's suit, two children's dresses and one hood.

The Harrisburg Hospital is open daily except Sunday, between I and 2 o'clock p. m. for dispensing medical advice and prescription to those unable to pay for them.

It is rarely that local playgoers have an opportunity to see one of the greatest successes of the current New York theatrical season in its first year, but the strength of the Majestic to-morrow, matinee and night. "Twin Beds" is the attraction, now in its sixth laughing festival month at the Fulion theatre. New York, with no signs of waning popularity. Not since Marganet Mayo, who is the author, wrote "Baby Mine," has this country seen snet clean, pure, unadulterated farce. The dramatic cleanliness shown by Miss Mayo might be copied by certain French authors.

"Twin Beds" deals with the felicity and aunoyances of three married couples living in the same apartment house; the Hawkins in the center, an Italian grand opera, star and his wife, Signor Monti, above them, and the newly wed Larkins below.—Adv.\*

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### **FINANCE**

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE QUOTATIONS.

Furnished by H. W. Snavely, Broker, Arcade Building, Walnut and Court Streets New York, Jan. 8 Alaska Gold Mines ... Alaska Gold Mines
Amal Copper
Amer Beet Sugar
American Can
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American Sugar increased during the night faster than was anticipated and the ice moved out on seven feet of water, the stage increasing to 9.2 feet at S o'clock this morning. A stage of between six and Johnsonburg, was attacked before the public service of the water of the west branches were still rising at non-today, indicating that here until to-mornor was afternoon. It will be between 12 and 13 feet, according to the weather bureau.

A gorge at Williamsport Breaks
A gorge at Williamsport was broken at midnight last night releasing a large quantity of ice and a great volume of water. This will start passing smoothly to-day, range and a great volume of water. This will start passing smoothly to-day, range and a great volume of water. This will start passing smoothly to-day, range show that the consideration, that the new they are compared with the exception of a gorge at the Warrior Ridge dam on the Junitat river, the catter system is open and running smoothly to-day, range and the north, be a branch falling or stationary above Towards and the north, be a branch falling or stationary above Towards and the north, be a branch sand a great volume of water. This will start passing the public and their credit is to be wander. The lower portions of the even the public and their credit is to be a public and their credit is to be maintained so as adequately to serve at the Jan. Amer Loco. 2434, 268 mer L

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Philadelphia Closing Prices

Lehigh Navigation 10
Lehigh Navigation 76½
Lehigh Valley 66%
Penna R 52½
Phila Electric 23%
Phila Rapid Transit 11
Reading 73¼
Storage Battery 48%
Union Traction 38½ United Gas Improvement ....

> Chicago Grain Market Closing Chicago, Jan. 8.—Close.
> Wheat—May, 1407%; July, 126%.
> Corn—May, 76%; July, 77%.
> Oats—May, 583%; July, 541%
> Pork—May, 19.40.
> Lard—January, 10.67; May, 10.97 Lard—January, 10.67; May, 10.97. Ribs—January, 10.05; May, 10.45.

EPWORTH LEAGUE CONFERENCE

Directorate Meets to Plan for Year's

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Session at Eaglesmere

The directorate of the Central Pennsylvania Conference Epworth League
Institute, including the Rev. A. S. Williams and R. K. Bergstresser, of this
city, met in Sunbury yesterday to plan
for the next session.

The Institute faculty was selected.
The Rev. A. S. Williams, of Harrisburg,
will appear again as instructor in

The Rev. A. S. Williams, of Harrisburg, will appear again as instructor in Bible. Miss Rose Santee, of Baltimore, will be teacher of junior league methods. It is expected that Dr. Wilbur Sheridan, general secretary of the Epworth League, will attend for the first time this growing movement.

Last year a large number of persons from Harrisburg attended the Institute. This year is to be the banner year, as many young people from Central Pennsylvania have already signified their intentions of registering for the Institutions of registering for the Institutions of registering for the Institutions